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Elmbrook high school students have more options under self-operated food program

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BROOKFIELD — There are food staples that every student is used to seeing in the lunchroom. A slice of pizza, a carton of milk or a salad bar are all ordinary sights in the average high school cafeteria. If you start to change how these common foods are made, or any school food for that matter, it won't go unnoticed by the students who consume them regularly.

That's what Elmbrook School District Food and Nutrition Director Cheryl Peil says happened three years ago. Once the district fully implemented the Healthy Hunger Free Kids Act of 2010 regulations laid out by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, students thoughts made their known.

"We were getting more complaints. It wasn't the quality of food, but it just wasn't what they were used to," said Peil. "It (foods) changed in flavor profile and portion control was tighter. They were getting a little bit less. Not a lot less, but it was noticeable.'

And Peil says the new regulations from the Healthy Hunger Free Kids Act of 2010 were a big deal. The district rolled them out over several years so as to not completely turn we made those changes and the usual food offerings upside down. The biggest changes came in decreasing the amount of allowable calories and sodium approved shifting both levels, as well as increasing Brookfield Central and how many fruits and vegetables should be consumed and only serving 100 percent whole grain prod-during the 2015-16 school ucts all the time. While Peil year. Peil says the move



Brookfield Central High School food service employees held a cookout in the school courtyard for students earlier this year. Students have more food options at both high schools thanks to the Elmbrook School District's self-operated food program.

things, it was a surprise for students. From 2010 (when the new act was first introduced) to 2014, the district's Food and Nutrition program saw a 6 percent decline in lunch participation, hovering at just below 50 percent.

"At the high school level, we were getting more negative feedback, "said Peil.

Following a feasibility study, the School Board Brookfield East high schools out of the USDA School Lunch Program

says these are all good was a risky one, because if the students didn't like the food options through the district's now self-operated lunch program, it could have failed financially. But it didn't.

Since 2015, there's been a 6 percent jump in school lunch participation. Peil estimates that at least 75 percent of students come through the cafeteria to purchase at least one item. To make up for the federal funding lost by leaving the USDA program, a lunch price of 0.50 cents was tacked on, as well as a 10cent increase in subsequent years going up to 2019-20. At the high school,

More options

The district still follows the dietary guidelines for Americans used by the USDA. They're now able to expand menu selections, increase the hours of operation and add healthy vending options — all of which was previously restricted.

"It's for the students. You do it because you want vour students to eat during the course of the day they're in there for eight hours," said Peil.

While she says food service employees haven't completely agreed with some of the food requests made by students, include ent foods.

ing adding coffee shops, there's a balancing act that involves giving kids what they actually want to eat and making sure there are healthy components available.

"The difference is A, they either bring it down, or B, we sell it to them, and we would prefer to make them happy and have them in the buildings," said Peil. Moving forward, she says

the Food and Nutrition Program plans to expand food options at the middle school level while staying within the USDA requirements because of the importance of exposing younger children to differ-

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Barn dance: Rustic structures are popular wedding venues

By JoAnn Petaschnick Special to The Freeman

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wedding website The Knot. percent, respectively. If the trend holds true, in a barn.

according to one study.

is comforting and inviting," said Whitney Shneyder, vendors," she said. owner and event planner for Rustic Manor 1848 in Barn etiquette Delafield. "With all the stress that goes into planning a wedding, I think couples see a barn as a kind of embrace their roots, showcase their creativity and encompass all the beauty that Wisconsin has to offer into their big day."

Studies reveal that millennial couples often gravitate toward settings that say something about their personalities. By choosing to get married in a barn or other rustic milieu, a cousimple things.

Barns may be slowly edging more traditional wedding locations out of the top spot. The most recent Real

2017. Banquet halls are still the most popular, according to 17 percent of the survey ${\tt DELAFIELD-We're\ well\ respondents,\ but\ they\ have}$ into fall, which has become been losing ground, droppeak wedding season with ping from 27 percent in September and October 2009. In that same survey, tying June as the most pop- hotels and country clubs ular month, according to came in at 12 percent and 10

Carolyn Hewitt, owner of many wedding parties will the Barn at Trinity Peak in be dancing the night away the Town of Oconomowoc since 2015, believes that Yes, a barn. An increasing many couples are turning number of couples — espe- away from the formality of cially younger ones — are a traditional wedding getting married in a rustic because it is not their style. setting. In fact, 15 percent of There is less pressure to couples chose a barn, farm have everything perfect or ranch for their wedding with a barn wedding, but receptions in 2017, up from these venues can be whatevjust 3 percent in 2009, er the couple wants, Hewitt says. "They can have the "I believe that barn wed- wedding indoors or outdings are so popular doors, have a sit-down dinbecause setting a tone for ner or an outdoor barbecue. your wedding day is just as They can go from one important as selecting a extreme to the other. That's theme. The atmosphere that the beautiful thing; you can surrounds a barn wedding make it your own, including using your own caterer and

Despite the rustic appearance, these barns may be anything but primitive, providing the most in creature sanctuary where they can comforts including comfortable restrooms (no portapotties, please), dressing rooms for the wedding party, and more. "We pride ourselves in hosting weddings as small as 50 guests to as large as 300 guests. Our unique design allows us to make each event, no matter the size, feel comfortable," Shneyder said. ple might want to show that tion to and from local they have an affinity for hotels, wedding planning, nature, or that they like assistance with day of decoassistance with day of decorating, string lighting services, wedding photogra- and less complicated. It's round. "We don't do the events," Hewitt said. phers and more.





"We also offer transporta- A couple who were married at Rustic Manor 1848 have their. The barn at Rustic Manor 1848 is decorated for a wedding. photograph taken on the wedding venue's grounds.

easy to fall in love with the weddings in very cold

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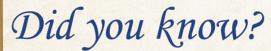
but many think they're here Will barn weddings be a to stay because of their ver-Barn or rustic weddings idea of celebrating your months. The barn is heated, lasting trend? Wisconsin satility. "I feel like it will last because you can make Weddings Study from The day life for people who live countryside, surrounded by We primarily have wed-barn venues hosting wed- it your own. That's the Knot divulges that barns in urban areas and are look- fabulous views and wildlife. dings May through October. dings, and the number con- beautiful thing about a barn are among the most popular reception venues booked in reception venues booked in setting that appears calmer might not be available year- weddings and more special wedding planners differ, is booking into 2020.

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Brookfield native to release new country music EP

Nora Collins: 'Very fortunate that I get to write songs for a living'

> By Catherine Jozwik Special to TimeOut

Country singer-songwriter-guitarist Nora Collins believes in working hard and staying focused when it comes to her music career.

The Brookfield native's newest single, "Plain which features backing vocals from country icon Vince Gill ("That was really a big honor," said the singer), will appear on her four-song EP, "Strings," to be released Nov. 2. The song's lyrics address self-doubt and the importance to being true to oneself — a theme many can easily relate to.

"I've been in the studio, working with an amazing producer. I'm really proud of (the EP) and really excited for people to hear this new music," Collins said.

Collins, 24, a graduate of Brookfield East High School, said she's always loved to sing. "I grew up singing in church," she noted.

While in high school, the singer joined Main Street Song and Dance Troupe. She also began crafting her own songs, with piano and electric guitar accompaniments from her uncles.

At 15, Collins started booking weekend gigs at a sandwich shop, which led to gigs at private parties, county fairs, festivals and airplay from local radio station WMIL.

For five years in a row, Collins played around 200 shows. She has won several Wisconsin Area

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Music Industry and Best of Milwaukee awards and has performed with country stars Trace Atkins, Randy Houser and Dustin Lynch. Collins has also self-released four albums.

To forge music industry connections and build her fan base, the singer made monthly car trips from Brookfield to Nashville.

Her hard work paid off. After receiving a publishing and artist development offer from MV2 Entertainment, Collins made the hub for country music creativity her home in 2016.

The singer said she really loves living in Nashville, home of the Grand Ole Opry.

"It's been really great. It's been a fun 2 1/2 years," Collins said.

The singer devotes five days a week to writing songs for MV2 Entertainment, located on

"It's very fun and creative," said Collins. "I feel very fortunate that I get to write songs for a

Although the singer said she is still learning a lot, she has a few pieces of advice for aspiring songwriters and musicians.

Write every day, even if it's not the best thing you've ever written," Collins said. She added that it's important for musicians to be comfortable with unpredictable things that can happen during live performances, such as guitar strings breaking.

"Just get out there and play anywhere you can," she said.

Collins will be performing Nov. 17 at Johnson Creek's Gobbler Theater, 350 N. Watertown St., as part of the Chicks with Hits 2018 tour featuring Pam Tillis, Suzy Bogguss and Terri Clark.

For more information on Collins and future



Brookfield East grad Nora Collins is releasing a new single, "Plain Jane," and a new EP, "Strings."



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Several more county schools get round two of safety funding

Brookfield schools get \$419,000; funds aid mental health initiatives

WAUKESHA — Yet another series of Wisconsin schools and districts found out recently that their applications for round two of the Department of Justice's School Safety Grant program have been accepted.

Those making the list in Waukesha County includes:

■ Beautiful Savior Lutheran School (Waukesha), \$10,000

■ Divine Redeemer Lutheran School (Hartland), \$12,445 ■ Elmbrook School District, \$419,665

■ Kettle Moraine School District, \$223,886

Palmyra-Eagle School District, \$43,995

■ Pewaukee School District, \$152,548 St. John's Evangelical

Lutheran School (Mukwonago), \$9,986 ■ St. Paul's Lutheran School

(Muskego), \$16,563 ■ Swallow School District (Hartland), \$48,764

■ Waukesha Catholic School System Inc., \$25,990

The second round is using the remaining \$48 million of the total allotted \$100 million. It will focus on ways to advance mental health initiatives in schools.

The money will be used to offer advanced training for teachers on mental health issues. Funds are also available to create local teams of educators, counselors, and law enforcement officials (called a creating an anonymous tip School Safety Intervention line application.

and identify students needing support. Additional physical security upgrades will also be funded. Attorney General Brad

Team) that will assess threats

Schimel also announced that the Wisconsin DOJ was awarded \$2.2 million by the United States Department of Justice support school safety efforts. The first federal award by the USDOJ Bureau of Justice Assistance provides \$1 million to supplement state funding in training on adolescent mental health. A second grant provides the

Wisconsin DOJ with \$1 million that will fund training for school violence threat assessment teams, standard response protocols, school safety intervention teams and standard reunification methods.

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Swanson Elementary Fun Run

BROOKFIELD — Payton Delaney high-fives Sarah Merigold, Swanson Elementary physical education teacher, as third-graders made laps around the building during the school's fundraiser.

MLG Capital moves into old Brennan's building

Renovations designed to send 'wow' message

TOWN OF BROOK-The former Brennan's Market building still has the brightness from when it housed fresh cheeses and fruit, but now as the home for MLG Capital, it is filled with modern office space.

A grand opening celebration attended by more than 300 people was held recently at the new MLG 19000 W. Bluemound Road.

The 30-year-old national development announced its plans for to renovate the property amenities like a large employee lounge, outdoor patio and other gathering spaces, as well as pinball, bocce, a pool table and

"Transforming a longtime produce market into corporate office space is a perfect reflection of the spirit and innovation that has driven MLG for the

headquarters, past three decades and creates a new home that really sets the tone for the real estate investment and future, makes the most of firm our fun and family-like culture, and embraces the the space about a year ago. community where we live It took about five months and work," said MLG Chairman and co-founder into a modern, open-con- J. Michael Mooney when cept office space with the plans were initially announced.

According to a statement from MLG, the company wants to retain and attract talent and show the world how it innovates.

"This building sends a message before they even meet us," Mooney said.
"This is a 'wow' organiza-

Lake Country Social restaurant coming to The Corners

Town of Brookfield trilevel bar, restaurant will feature indoor and outdoor seating

TOWN OF BROOKFIELD - Lake Country Social will bring the sensibilities of a supper club to The Corners of Brookfield.

The 15,000-square-foot, three-level restaurant will be situated next to Cafe Hollander at the upscale retail and residential development on Bluemound Road near Barker Road.

Pegged to open next summer, Lake Country Social will include a bar, rooftop garden and lounge and a 22foot-high copper, wood and glass back bar that will contain one of the region's largest collections of American bourbons and gins. The menu at Lake Country Social will feature locally sourced items, as well as supper club classics and house specialties.

The restaurant will be operated by Rule No. One Hospitality Group, which operates Merchant and Lucille in Madison.

"Unique dining experiences are a significant component to the success of our town center," said Robert Gould, vice president of U.S. Operations at IM Properties, which is part of the joint venture that developed The Corners. "Lake Country Social, with its multilevel design, craft cocktails and locally sourced menu championing Wisconsin culture will offer another fine dining experience for our visitors.'

According announcement, Lake Country Social will draw inspiration from Wisconsin's oldworld heritage steeped in native and European tradition, as well as tap into "health, wholesomeness, empowerment, and style."

"This area of Brookfield just off Interstate 94 along Bluemound Road bustling with a great deal of suppliers, including our hospitality.



The three-level Lake Country Social at The Corners of Brookfield will include a menu with supper club favorites.

commerce, shopping and local farming and producer hotels as it is a natural urban extension of Milwaukee. And yet, just a short drive 10 minutes west yields some of the most idyllic places in the state, beautifully referred to locals as 'Lake Country' for its large number of lakes and pristine landscape," said RNO President Joshua Berkson. In a statement. "As a hospitality team, we are drawn to a location like this that provides an incredible spectrum for expression across the Wisconsin experience: a soulful mix that is equal parts urban and country, global and local, modern and classic.'

Some of the supper club favorites that will appear modern sensibilities about on Lake Country Social's menu includes fried walleye and perch, burgers, prime steaks, chops and

network in Waukesha County, Dane County, and all around southeast Wisconsin to source the best and freshest seasonal ingredients and do this at a great price point for the guest," said Chef Tim Williams, RNO director of guest," culinary operations, in a statement.

The restaurant has been designed by OPN Architects with additional branding and interior design by Distillery Marketing, based in Madison. The design for the space is described as cosmopolitan and contemporary with use of natural woods, white metal panels and glass with white mullions.

The rooftop bar and lounge will include fire pits and dining for 100 people.

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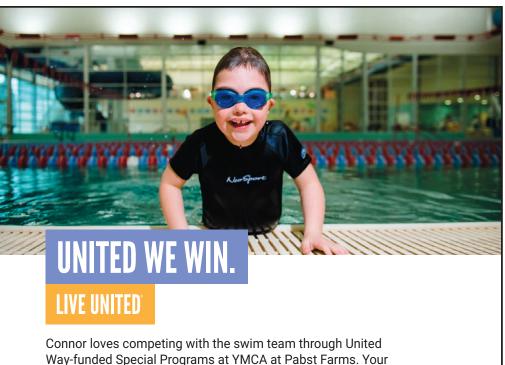
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Countless pieces of "ivory" have been inherited and owners often have been told their item is valuable. However, closer examination might prove the keepsake was fabricated from ivory substitutes such as celluloid, cow bone, synthetic resin or glued and molded ivory dust.

Following World War II, hundreds of soldiers brought souvenir gifts home from overseas. Items like boxed small family treasure.

Q.: This ivory bracelet was chess sets, figurines and jewbrought to the U.S. from elry were sold as ivory but Africa in the 1970s. It was a most are ivory-colored moldgift to my relatives who were ed resin. With endangered species lists growing, higherquality reproductions and fakes have been perfected.

Real ivory is dense and will have a crosshatched grain looking similar to tree growth rings. The reticulation (overlapping, basketweave pattern) may be very faint or very vivid. This visual grain is random with variation in spacing and easiest to see from right-angle cuts. years later, on Aug. 20, 1865. On the contrary, fakes (made to deceive) often have artificially, evenly placed pattern lines. It is a little easier to spot bone; most examples have random discolored brownish spots.

mation given to us about this embroidered textile bag that had belonged to our greatgreat-grandfather on our mother's side. Family history confirms that our relative, John Buchholtz, was a Civil War veteran. We would love to know anything about this



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Antiques Appraised

J and L, Mukwonago

A.: Thank you for including a photo of John and his wife, Tillie. After confirming some details on several military websites, your relative John Buchholtz enlisted on Aug. 27, 1861 — the same year embroidered on your textile - and was discharged four

Many wonderful thread designs from that era have been preserved in embroidery art. Needlewomen often incorporated symbols of endearment on fabric including twin birds representing a couple, an urn of flowers as a sign of new life, and the Q.: There was little infor-stitched heart beneath the date implies affection.

The bag is constructed of black velvet, silk lining, colored wool embroidery and a waxed-cotton draw string. Evidently, "sweet bags" could hold a number of assorted items. This could include homemade hard rock candy, a pocket watch and or even a

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Historic Brookfield train depot project receives \$250,000 state grant

Building to be transformed into coffee shop, cafe

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BROOKFIELD — The relocation and renovation of a former historic train depot in Brookfield will get a financial boost from the state with a \$250,000 grant from the Wisconsin Economic Development Corpora-

Considered the second oldest building in Brookfield, the 1860s train depot on Brookfield Road in the historic village area is the recipient of the Community Development Investment

The city-approved plans call for the building to be moved across the street and turned into a Fiddleheads coffee shop and retail coffee business. The company has six locations in southeastern Wisconsin.

"WEDC is committed to helping communities invest in revitalizing their downtowns to encourage economic growth," said Mark R. Hogan, secretary and CEO of WEDC, in a recent state-

"This project not only preserves a historic structure in the city of Brookfield, but will also serve as a catalyst for future development and investment."

There are already plans to extend an existing county bike path to the 2,500-squarefoot train depot, which will serve as the trailhead.

"The train depot in the village area has always been viewed as an iconic symbol of the city of Brookfield's



Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation Secretary and CEO Mark R. Hogan announces Brookfield has received a \$250,000 state grant to help finance the redevelopment of a historic train depot into a Fiddleheads coffee shop in The Village business district on Brookfield Road. Hogan joined Brookfield Mayor Steven Ponto, Waukesha County Board Chairman Paul Decker and other government and business leaders to announce the grant at the site of the future coffee shop.

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create about 12 to 15 parttime and full-time jobs and environment," said Ray add more than \$300,000 to Marcy, Fiddleheads owner. the city's tax base. The project also includes the development of six new single- community can visit, enjoy family home lots, which also and participate in this will ultimately increase the anchor site within the his-

and its Community Develop- city of Brookfield and surment Investment Grant, this rounding communities as project was able to move for- well.'

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said Brookfield ward, and will generate new Mayor Steve Ponto. "With interest and possibilities for the village area," said Todd Willis, Brookfield's economsin, Fiddleheads and the ic development coordinator. Work on the project is

expected to start in 2019. This project allows us to The project is expected to unite a historic building with a wonderful local café "Not only will a treasured site be saved, but the entire toric village area. It will "With the help of WEDC serve as a landmark in the

City reviewing previously adopted 2035 park, open space plan

By Dave Fidlin Special to The Freeman

BROOKFIELD — Pickleball and trail accommodations are among some of the additions Brookfield officials are considering adding into a 7-year-old document that takes a look into the city's park and planning space open efforts through 2035.

Earlier this year, staffers within Brookfield's Parks, Recreation & Forestry department announced the long-range plan, minted in 2011, would be refreshed this year to gauge progress and determine additional

Bill Kolstad, director of the Parks, Recreation & Forestry, discussed the ongoing effort recently with members of the city's Parks and Recreation Commission

To date, Kolstad said the department he oversees has undertaken a number of efforts to gather feedback, including a pair of public information forums in the second half of September and an online form residents could fill out to provide comment.

Kolstad said no one appeared at the city's first information forum, and three residents showed up at the second one. The department, he said, has not received any comments specific to the 2035 plan through the online feedback page.

"There's been very little to nothing," Kolstad said.
"I certainly think that equates to a level of satisfaction with what we have to offer."

Commissioners at recent meeting also offered a platform for residents interested in weighing in on the plan, but no one was in attendance.

While comments during the recent exercise have been sparse, Kolstad said the department is taking to heart several changes, which have been inspired



The tennis courts at Camelot Park in Brookfield now have yellow lines to accommodate pickleball players.

by the feedback that was refreshed document to received.

porate into the long-range plan dedicated accommodations for a pickleball pointing out the heavily court at one or more of the municipal-run parks.

Currently, the city provides temporary amenities at two parks — Camelot and Mary Knoll — on an and Kolstad said pedestrias-needed basis. But Kolstad said the department tions along it are ultimateshould make strides, pointing to the sport's popularity.

"We know pickleball is just exploding," Kolstad said.

Possible tweaks

the citywide Greenway Trail System, which is included within the plan. Since its implementation more than a decade and a half ago, the system of offstreet recreation trails has and a connector to community facilities and the regional trail system.

The system, as a whole, work in remains progress, Kolstad said, and not all areas within the specific trail plan have been realized.

reflect the status of some The city likely will incorareas of the trail system.

> trafficked north-south thoroughfare is not pedestrian-friendly in all areas.

Waukesha County has oversight of Barker Road, an-friendly accommodagreater ly in the county's hands.

'Barker really isn't a bikeable street," Kolstad said. "People go pretty good speeds down that road.

Since its initial adoption in 2011, a number of objec-Kolstad also touched on tives have been satisfied within the plan.

Among them: acquiring a 15-acre site for Hidden Lake Park on the city's east side, new shelter and picnic areas in various areas improvements designed to meet the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The Parks and Recreation Commission is slated to act on the revised 2035 plan at its next meeting Nov. 5. From there, it will go to the Plan Commission for further review before A few tweaks could be landing at the Common incorporated into the Council for approval.















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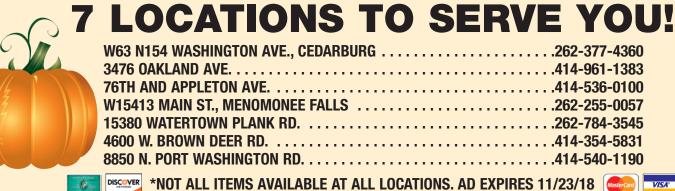


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Central finishes fourth at state golf

Lancers recover after slow start

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MADISON — Brookfield Central had high hopes entering state as one the topranked teams in Division 1, looking to build on its thirdplace finish a season ago and claim its first team title since 2003.

But the Lancers dug themselves too deep of a hole, finding themselves 30 strokes back after Day 1. They'd recover nicely, however, improving on their first round total by 14 strokes on Oct. 9 to finish fourth with a 682.

"We had a talk last night at dinner and we talked about just trying to regather ourselves and kind of be more Lancer golf today," BC coach Brian Scrobel said. "We just thought that we were defeated yesterday. We were nervous and very out of sorts. We just said you need to believe in yourselves a little bit more and just let it happen and I think they kind of got to that place today."

Junior Sami Krutz was the most consistent golfer for Central, shooting 81-82 to

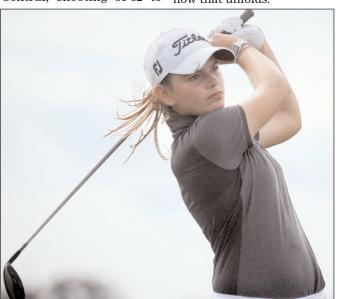
card a 163 and tie for 14th.

"Very happy for Sami," Scrobel said. "Sami's a girl who has shown tremendous growth. She's been one of our leaders this year. What I'm most proud of is her resiliency after a bad hole and that really is something she has been working on. She really showed a lot of her growth during the state tournament, so that was really good to see."

Senior Bonnie Jin tied for 20th with a 167, while freshman Sarah Balding (39th, 173), sophomore CJ Romero (T53rd, 182) and sophomore Kyley Wipper (T56th, 185) rounded out the Lancers' scores.

With four of his five golfers experiencing this stage for the first time, Scrobel said this should serve as motivation moving forward.

"If we want to continue to show growth in our program and hold some hardware over our heads someday, we have to know what it's like to be able to golf successfully in these types of conditions," Scrobel said. "We certainly have the work ethic to want to do that, so we'll see how that unfolds.



Mary Langenfeld/Special to The Freeman Brookfield Central's Sami Krutz tees off for the seventh green

during the WIAA Girls State Golf Tournament at University

WIAA PLAYOFF FOOTBALL: Brookfield Central 14, Brookfield East 0

Central blocks East in playoffs

Lancers block two punts, hold East to one first down

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BROOKFIELD — Brookfield Central and Brookfield East probably know each other a little better than they would prefer.

That'll happen when two teams play each other eight times in four years.

Yards were nearly impossible to come by. Coaches knew the tendencies of their counterparts like the back of their hand. And it would wind up coming down to who could take advantage of any sliver of an opportunity presented.

The Lancers' defense was better, their special teams unit came up big — twice and that was the difference between the two crosstown rivals as top-seeded Central shut out East 14-0 in a slobberknocker of a WIAA Division 2 Round 2 football game

"Eight times in four years is crazy," Central coach Jed Kennedy said. "They've got a great staff and they do a great job. You think about it, they were one play away from being up in that game the whole time, so it was obviously a good game. We're just happy to win and move on."

How good was the Lancer defense on this night? It held the No. 4 Spartans (7-4) to just one first down the entire game, which came with 7 minutes, 37 seconds left in the third quarter.

"Our coaches set it up every week," Central senior defensive back Connor Kolb said. "They put in countless hours, more than anyone in the state. Our defense, we have one goal — do your job. And we swarmed to the ball, and when we play like that you see what happens.



Mary Catanese/Special to The Freeman

Brookfield Central's Joey Cleary and Jake Somali tackle Brookfield East's Michael Poker in a WIAA Division 2 second-round playoff game Friday at Central.

is unmatched in the state. wanted to be," East coach $\,$ carries for 110 yards - ulti-It's my last one, it's one of Ben Farley said. "You obvimy most fun ones. I'll cherish this one for the rest of my life.

For as well as Brookfield Central's defense played, it may have been all for nothing if not for a pair of crucial moments on special

With just under three minutes left in the opening quarter, Brookfield East junior Joey Prondzinski had his punt blocked by sophomore Hayden Nelson, who scooped it up and returned it to East's 9-yard line.

"We put a lot of time into special teams," Kennedy said. "We put our best kids out there that we think can give us a chance to be successful and we did that."

But the Spartan defense was no slouch, either, holding the Lancers to a 22-yard field goal by junior Charlie Bloom to make it 3-0 with 1:03 left in the first.

Then another blocked punt directly resulted in the game's next points.

With 4 1/2 minutes to go until halftime, Prondzinski was back to punt for the sixth time, and it would be the second time the Lancers didn't let it get off.

This time it was senior Drew Seymour coming through unblocked, and the ball went out the back of the end zone for a safety to make

"We were right where we from Lampkin, who had 31 able job that they've done,"

ously don't want to give two blocked punts up, but one score game, we're one play away from taking the lead and it's late in the fourth quarter. You can't ask for more against a really good team.

The Spartans forced three turnovers, two of which came with the Lancers (10-1) right on the doorstep. On Central's ensuing drive following the free kick, junior tailback Rashad Lampkin was popped at the 1-yard line and East junior linebacker Nate O'Connell was there to jump on the

Central senior quarterback Drew Leszczynski also lost a fumble earlier in the second quarter as he was trying to hurdle a defender at the East 13.

loose ball.

"It was the most stressful comfortable (five-point lead) we've ever had when your defense plays like that," Kennedy said. "I don't know if we had four turnovers all year. You know what, we those things fixed up. We were pressing a little bit."

In fact, it was still 5-0 midway through the fourth quarter, but the Lancers' were in the midst of their best drive of the evening.

A 20-play, 70-yard drive that spanned 8:32 — with most of those yards coming

mately resulted in another 22-yard field goal by Bloom.

But it was still a one-possession game with 5:48 remaining.

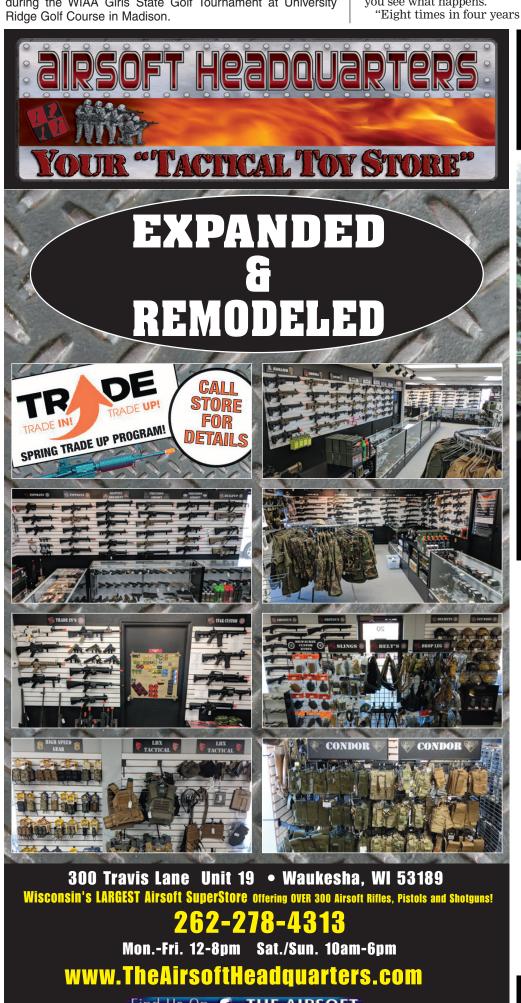
But Brookfield East's offense simply couldn't get anything going, and an interception on fourth down by Central senior Julian Banda sealed the victory with 2:28 to go.

Leszczynski's 5-yard TD run moments later put an exclamation point on the victory, one that didn't come easily.

"That defense, it's one of the best defenses in the state," Kennedy said. "Joey Pagel and Jack Steger, (Jacob Mandella), Cam McDonald, those four kids would start on any team and be the best players on any team in the state. We've been dealing with all four of them for three years, so we knew it was going to be a slugfest."

Those players were all on Farley's mind after the game as well, seniors who had just played their final won, we moved on, we'll get high school football games and were part of the 2016 championship team.

"These are guys that started 36, 37 games for us," Farley said. "They were state champions for us. They'll leave us, their legacies, just the high-character kids they are. Look how far they've brought us. It's an unbeliev-







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