

TUESDAY BRIEFING

Burgess gets press award

Jim Burgess, president of Madison Newspapers Inc. and publisher of the Wisconsin State Journal, has received the Inland Press Association's 1992 Distinguished Service Award.

The award is presented to people who have demonstrated consistent dedication to Inland — the nation's oldest press association — its newspapers and its members' communities.

Burgess was Inland president in 1983. He has also been a director of the Associated Press and is presently president of the Wisconsin Newspaper Association.

In announcing the award Monday at Inland's 107th annual meeting in Chicago, Inland officials noted Burgess' work to launch the association's first strategic planning effort as well as his efforts to establish the major foundation fund drive that supported the acquisition of the Inland Press Center building.

Also receiving the Distinguished Service Award were John Lavine, director of the Newspaper Management Center at Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill., and J. Roger Grier, former vice president of Hearst Newspapers, now an independent newspaper consultant.



Burgess

PEOPLE/REGIONAL

Support helps ease the pain

Brian Messman, 16, continues to recover from a June 26 auto accident that cost the lives of two of his friends.

So do his parents, Rick and Susie Messman, 5006 Woodburn Drive. The accident that left Brian disabled and killed his friends, Jason Muenzel, Neenan, and Michael Milner, Menasha, happened while the youths were at a United Methodist Church Bible camp in Waushara County.

"This has been a tragedy, but we all believe that, somehow, God has a plan for good to come from all of this," Susie Messman explained.

"Things like this just happen. God doesn't will for them to happen. But we know that God is in this with us."

The Messmans are members of High Point Church and Susie Messman said support from the church staff and fellow members — as well as from friends throughout the community — has been overwhelming.

For example, many of Brian's friends from the church wore buttons with Brian's photo when they went on a church mission project to build a school for the deaf in Jamaica late in the summer. Brian had been scheduled to go but was then and is still spending his days in physical rehabilitation programs at University Hospital.

Rehabilitation will last at least three months, his mother says.

"His spirit is very good and he is very much hoping to return to his classes at West High School in November."

She said her son carries a full load of classes, receiving instruction by videotape and audiotape and attending some classes in the hospital. Student friends tutor him.

In the meantime, a fund to assist in meeting the costs of Brian's recovery has been established at the First Business Bank, 406 Science Drive. The First United Methodist Church, 203 Wisconsin Ave., has also established a fund.

Susie Messman said her family does not yet know what costs insurance will cover. She said Brian will need special equipment to enable him to participate fully in his studies this fall because injuries to his spinal column have left him disabled.

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IN FACT

Oconomowoc, in Waukesha County, is a name derived from the Winnebago Indian word *oo-no-mo-wauk*, which means "waterfall," "place where the river falls" or "river of lakes." The latter term is said to refer to the string of lakes that are joined by the Oconomowoc River.

Source: "Romance of Wisconsin Place Names" by Robert E. Gard and L. S. Sorden

LOTTERIES

WISCONSIN — Mon.: Super Cash: 2-13-21-26-34-35. Odds of matching all six numbers for \$250,000: 1 in 972,880.

Mon.: Pick Three: 4-5-3. Odds of matching all six numbers for \$500: 1 in 1,000.

Powerball and Megabucks lottery numbers are drawn Wednesday and Saturday nights. The estimated Powerball jackpot for the next drawing is \$2.5 million. The estimated Megabucks jackpot is \$6.1 million. For the last drawing's numbers, dial toll-free (800) 242-7777.

ILLINOIS — Mon.: Daily Game: 6-5-4. Pick Four: 9-3-5-5. Line: 10-20-29-30. Est. Lotto jackpot: \$2 million.

LOTTO/MEIDA — Mon. Cash Three: 7-5-4.

MINNESOTA — Mon. Daily Three: 9-5-3.

Jail awaits promising teen

By Richard W. Jaeger
Wisconsin State Journal

You could see the pain on Judge Daniel Moeser's face as he pondered the sentence he was going to hand down to the young man sitting in front of him Monday afternoon.

The Dane County jurist has sentenced many a young criminal before, but this one, he said, bothered him. This young criminal had "ability and potential," Moeser said.

As he looked across his bench at Darnell Richmond, 18, of 2427 Somerset Circle, who was convicted of possessing crack cocaine with intent to sell, Moeser expressed some of that anguish.

"You had the ability ... you

had good grades, and the potential as an outstanding athlete. You had the ability to make it in this world," Moeser told Richmond, who sat with his shoulders hunched in his athletic jacket.

"For whatever reason, you chose to be a drug dealer ... you chose to prey on other kids in your neighborhood when, in fact, you could have been a role model and helped them get out of the use of drugs," Moeser continued.

"There aren't any 25-year-old crack dealers. They all are either dead or in prison," Moeser said, looking directly at Richmond. "You have your choice here."

The former football defensive back, track star and basketball guard at Memorial High School

hung his head as Moeser spoke. Moeser, reading from a presentence report compiled by the state, said Richmond had received lots of support from others.

"You even had someone at Memorial watching over you, and it didn't help," Moeser said, noting that one of Richmond's coaches, Sonny Parker, had taken the young athlete to live with his family.

That report, Moeser said, also claimed that most of Richmond's problems stemmed from his home life. It said his mother used and dealt crack cocaine out of her home. Richmond's mother, who sat in the front row of the courtroom, loudly denied those accusations.

Moeser asked Richmond's lawyer, Wendy Nora, if he denied selling crack cocaine as he had in the presentence report.

She said "no," but continued to argue that the two rocks of crack found on Richmond "were not a large amount" and that he was not dealing to "all" the people police had seen him with on the night he was arrested.

Richmond was arrested in April on the drug charges and freed on bond pending his sentencing. He was arrested again this month, accused of shooting at a man following an argument at Somerset Circle Sept. 13. The man told police Richmond shot at him twice with a .22-caliber weapon, but he was not hurt in the incident.

Richmond is scheduled for a preliminary hearing on charges of reckless endangerment.

Moeser said he was not taking into consideration the second charge when he placed Richmond on five years' probation and ordered him to serve one year in Dane County Jail and pay some \$1,880 in fines and court costs.

That sentence was four years and 15 years for the former football star. Moeser reminded, noting that if Richmond violated his five years of probation, he could face a maximum of 15 years in prison.

Assistant Dane County District Attorney Amy Smith had asked that Richmond be sentenced to four years in prison.



State Journal photo CAROLYN PFLASTERER

No use crying

Edgewood High School juniors Jason Knop, left, and Chris Conover, right, spilled milk in a kindergarten classroom at Dudgeon Child Development Inc. The two were among 60 Edgewood students participating Monday in Youth Services Day, sponsored by

the United Way of Dane County, the Madison Urban Ministry and Edgewood. Students volunteered their time Monday to help at various tasks for a number of organizations in Madison, from painting and gardening to helping out with senior citizens' activities.

Dahmer mention dropped from poll

By Jeff Meyers
State government reporter

The manager of Republican Bob Kasten's U.S. Senate re-election campaign refused Monday to apologize for campaign-sanctioned voter calls trying to link mass murderer Jeffrey Dahmer to Democratic opponent Russ Feingold.

Campaign manager Paul Welayd and Kasten said Dahmer's name had been removed from a survey firm's script by Sunday morning, but that the rest of the survey had continued until Monday.

Welayd said he was responsible for putting Dahmer's name in the script.

"I didn't know it was going on," said Kasten, claiming he had the name deleted as soon as he found out about it Saturday night.

"Kasten's just trying to distance himself from this thing," said Feingold campaign director Bob Dechaine, who demanded the apology to voters and to Dahmer's victims.

Dechaine charged the Dahmer calls continued Monday despite Kasten's request.

"I'm saying it absolutely stopped Sunday," answered Welayd, guessing the con-

tinuing complaints to the Feingold campaign were from people asked similar survey questions without Dahmer's name.

"There's nothing to apologize for," said Welayd, who charged Feingold with trying to create a diversionary "straw man."

"They want to shift the issue from Russ Feingold's (soft) record on crime," Welayd said.

He added that the campaign may have the Milwaukee-based National Research Center do more calling — minus Dahmer's name — to guide campaign decisions on what themes are playing with likely voters.

In fact, Welayd said, results of the survey showed undecided voters more concerned about taxes than crime. "They still care about crime," he added.

The Kasten campaign introduced a television ad Monday that features Wisconsin residents expressing doubts about Feingold's proposed tax increases. The campaign also will continue to run its controversial crime ad that portrays Feingold as soft on crime because he voted against a tough sentencing bill.

Feingold said he voted for a different version of the "life means life" bill.

The Feingold campaign said the four-day Kasten telephone survey and Friday night's introduction of the "Halloween killer" Gerald Turner Jr., now paroled.

Feingold likened Friday night's event to Republicans' use of Willie Horton in the 1988 presidential race. Horton, furloughed from a Massachusetts prison under a program developed by then-Gov. Michael Dukakis, the Democratic presidential nominee, went on a murder-and-rape spree that was exploited by opponent George Bush in TV ads.

Feingold said the use of Dahmer's name was "one of the most despicable things a Wisconsin politician has ever done."

"You cannot avoid a vote by calling it a negative campaign," Kasten said Monday while campaigning in Wausau. "He's not talking about the issues."

■ Kasten unveils crime ad/5D

Environmentalist backs Wright center

By Marv Balousek
City-county reporter

A leading Madison environmentalist Monday night expressed strong support for the proposed Monona Terrace Convention Center.

At a public hearing on the project's environmental impact statement, Caryl Terrell said the project could serve as a model for controlling storm water drainage and non-point source pollution.

Other speakers at the hearing, however, criticized the environmental impact statement, saying the project could damage fish habitat.

Terrell, longtime head of the local Sierra Club and an advocate

for the county's green space preservation plan, also chaired the committee that supervised preparation of the environmental impact statement. She is a member of the city Plan Commission.

"I'm quite excited that such a building might be added to the Downtown area," she said. "Many of my concerns as an environmentalist could be met by building Monona Terrace."

She said the project could encourage compact development and reduce urban sprawl outside the city. The project and other Downtown development could also promote use of mass transit.

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serve as a "link between the city and the lake," she said.

Some speakers, however, weren't as enthusiastic as Terrell about the center's potential environmental benefits.

Donald Hammes, representing the Dane County Conservation League, said his group opposes the center because its impact on the lake and shoreline hasn't been ad-

equately studied, it could be detrimental to fish habitat, and it probably will encourage more development along the lake shore.

"The costs for this project are too high," he said. "Not the economic costs, but the costs of enjoying the lake and lake shore."

Before the hearing, a representative of Woodward-Clyde Consultants of Middleton, announced the firm will accept no further work on the proposed convention center.

The action came after conflict-of-interest charges were leveled against the firm, which compiled the environmental impact statement.

Another firm, EWI Engineer-

ing and Associates, was contracted last spring by Talliesin Associates to do test borings on the site. The engineering firm was acquired earlier this year by Woodward-Clyde. James Bachman, a project scientist with Woodward-Clyde, assured those at the hearing that the earlier connection to the project had no effect on preparing the environmental impact statement.

"I do believe it's an objective document," he said. "It wouldn't do our company any good to compromise our integrity on this."

Woodward-Clyde is an international environmental firm with about 2,500 employees.