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# MPS contract calls for concessions

By BECKY VEVEA and ERIN RICHARDS

In a contract breakthrough that eluded the previous Milwaukee Public Schools administration, the teachers union leadership on Friday agreed to concessions on health benefits that will save up to \$50 million over the next two

If the deal is ratified, members of the Milwaukee Teachers' Education Association will shift to a lower cost health plan and contribute to premiums under the terms of a tentative agreement running through June 30, 2013.

Teachers' health care contributions would save district \$50 million; raises due in 3 of 4 years

A pay freeze, which retroactively applies to the 2009-'10 school year when teachers were working under the old contract, saves the district from roughly \$13.5 million in raises it likely would have paid if the previous contract were renewed. Teachers will be in line for a 3% raise for this school year and 2.5% for 2011-'12. Another 3% raise is set for the 2012-'13 school year. The freeze does

not apply to those teachers who were eligible for a step increase, which gives teachers with a certain amount of experience an automatic jump to a higher salary level, union officials said. The average salary of an MPS teacher is \$56,000 per year, slightly lower than in districts in outlying areas.

"We didn't get where we wanted to get, but it's a step in the right direction," Superintendent Greg Thornton said, adding that the agreement is still "monumen-

The contract is the first four-year contract negotiated between the district and MTEA. The previous contract expired July 1, 2009, and teachers had been working under the terms of the expired contract since that time.

The Wisconsin Association of School Boards has recommended that its members not enter into contracts that last for more than two years because of the fiscal

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**WHAT'S NEXT** 

The proposed contract will be voted on by 5,600 MTEA members throughout

October. If the contract is ratified by the membership, the School Board is expected to vote on it Oct. 26.

## **FARM AID**



Kenny and Sue Massey display a metal sculpture created by Kenny. Without using large tools, he used a tree to wrap the heavy metal, making the wave shape. The Masseys lost their lowa County egg farm in foreclosure a quarter-century ago but have rebounded with a landscape business in Middleton, and Kenny does artwork on the side.



**FAMILY** 

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OFF THE LAND

Sue Massey weeps as her husband Kenny watches their 310-acre lowa County farm being sold at a foreclosure auction in 1986. They gained attention after their plight was revealed during the first Farm Aid concert in 1985. Story on 9A

# Miller Park happy to host benefit barnburner

Stadium has seen its fair share of musical all-stars

By BILL GLAUBER

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On the whole, the folks who run Miller Park would sure like to play host to another Milwaukee Brewers baseball playoff But Saturday, they'll get the next best

thing: a marathon concert that brings the farm to the city and more than 30,000 fans to the ballpark for the 25th anniversary edition of Farm Aid.

"It's basically a doubleheader," Jason Hartlund, vice president of Brewers Enterprises, said about the length and breadth of

The doors open at noon, the first per-

former hits the stage at around 1 p.m., and the show goes until around 11 p.m.

Miller Park will be decked out in all its concert glory, with a 120-foot-long stage set in center field, 7,500 seats arrayed on portable flooring in the outfield and two sound and light towers flanking the in-

The roof will be open, so prepare for cooler nighttime temperatures and scorching music from Farm Aid founders Willie Nelson, Neil Young and John Mellencamp, along with Dave Matthews, a board member of the charity. The eclectic lineup includes Kenny Chesney, Jason Mraz, Norah

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▶ BoDeans: Duo feels honored to dig in.

# **Pension** backdrops see surge

Payouts to county retirees reach highest level in 6 years

By STEVE SCHULTZE

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A big batch of pension "backdrop" payments made over the summer to Milwaukee County retirees — including two at about \$1 million each — is helping to drive up 2010 pension payouts to their highest level in six

mer went to veteran county prosecutors and rank as the top backdrops paid out since the controversial benefit was approved nearly a Thomas Schulz, 66, left his job as an assis-

The large lump-sum payments this sum-

tant district attorney after 38 years with a backdrop payment of almost \$1.1 million, plus monthly payments of \$5,502. His salary was more than \$114,000.

Alexander Sklenarz, 64, left the DA's office after 37 years with a lump sum just shy of

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## State expects to keep seats

Midwest to lose House spots

By CRAIG GILBERT

While states across the industrial Midwest are facing the loss of congressional seats after the 2010 census, Wisconsin can rest easy. It's one of the few states in the region

not in danger of losing clout and political representation when the next reapportionment takes place. A map accompanying this article by

Election Data Services shows its latest forecast for the country after congressional districts are reallocated based on the new census count.

Under these projections, Ohio loses two seats, and Michigan, Illinois, Iowa

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## Hooking up kids & cops ▶

A former Pewaukee police officer created the Cops and Kids Foundation to encourage programs that foster relations between young people and police officers. 1B

Suspect warrants closer look: Milwaukee police review unsolved homicide and sexual assault cases to determine whether Mario Pineda-Gaeta, charged in a months-old killing, may be responsible for other crimes. 1B



## **NATION & WORLD**

## Changes at White House

By replacing the colorful Rahm Emanuel with the private Pete Rouse (right) as his chief of staff, President Barack Obama reshapes the tone and tenor of the White House. 3A

Bad science: The U.S. government acknowledges that its scientists infected hundreds of Guatemalans with syphilis in experiments conducted in the 1940s. 3A

## **SPORTS**

## Franklin beats Tremper

Franklin quarterback Lance Baretz passes for two touchdowns and runs for two in the final period to help the Sabers beat Kenosha Tremper, 42-12, in a battle of unbeatens. 1C

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## **Booking flights**

The reservation systems for Midwest Airlines and Frontier Airlines are one system, the owner of both carriers announces. 6B

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Autos: Increased September sales rise from 2009's misery. 8B

# Hooking up kids, cops



William Moore (left), 12, and Jordan Parks, 12, compare notes as they fish Friday on Pewaukee Lake as part of a program sponsored by the Cops and Kids Foundation, which seeks to connect police officers and young people.

## Former police officer launches nonprofit

By MIKE JOHNSON iohnson@iournalsentinel.com

Village of Pewaukee

Bob Kraemer wasn't prepared to quit being a cop

But the disbanding of the City of Pewaukee Police Department on Dec. 31, when the city switched to the Waukesha County Sheriff's Department for police services, and a bad back from an on-the-job injury years ago put an

Still, Kraemer isn't ready to give up everything he did as a police

He has created a nonprofit organization, the Cops and Kids Foundation, to run and help fund programs that foster better relations between young people and police officers.

They are the same type of community policing programs he started in the City of Pewaukee over the last nine years — Cops and Bobbers fishing, Badges and Bullseves archery, Gutter Busters bowling, Danger Stranger and teenage mentor programs. The city has continued those programs this year, with

the Sheriff's Department running them. Kraemer has kicked in some of his own



Bob Kraemer (left), the founder of Cops and Kids, shows Montay Hughlett, 14, how to safely unhook a fish he caught from his line. All the fish were released

money, including some of the \$180,000 settlement he received in September to resolve a discrimination lawsuit he filed against the city, to launch the foundation. So far he said he has invested about

\$15,000 in the organization. For starters, Cops and Kids will concentrate on Milwaukee and Waukesha counties, hoping to provide funds to police

and to supplement departments that do. But he also hopes to expand nationwide and is seeking corporate sponsors. "I'm planning on spend-

departments that don't

have programs like this

ing whatever it takes to get it off the ground," Kraemer said. "I was hoping when I retired five to 10 years from now, I would continue doing something like I was doing in Pewaukee. I guess I retired a little bit earlier than I planned. Not being involved with the programs, I really missed them. I decided that instead of just sitting around, I was going to do something positive with my money. . . . I thought I could make a difference in some other police depart-

## Lake outing

On Friday, the foundation held its first event, bringing 24 children from Milwaukee on a Cops and Bobbers fishing outing on Pewaukee Lake and a cookout at Village Park in the Village of Pewau-

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# **Arrest** made in May killing

## Police reviewing cold cases

Milwaukee police are reviewing some unsolved homicide and sexual assault cases to determine whether a man who was charged Friday in a months-old killing may be responsible for other crimes, police said Fri-

Mario Pineda-Gaeta, 36, of Milwaukee was charged Friday with first-degree reckless homicide in connection with the strangulation of Lucy E. Wil-

Wilbrandt's bruised and partially clothed body was found about 5 a.m. May 30 in an alley in the 1500 block of S. 21st St. No arrests were made at the time. The criminal complaint charging Pineda-Gaeta with the homicide does not say whether he and Wilbrandt knew each other.

Investigators tied Pineda-Gaeta to the homicide after matching DNA found on Wilbrandt's body to a DNA sample taken from Pineda-Gaeta after he was arrested in a sexual assault



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## Firming up city reserve fund

#### \$17 million sought for pensions By LARRY SANDLER

With one big pension payment behind them and another ahead, Milwaukee Mayor Tom Barrett and aldermen are moving to shore up a pension reserve fund that they raided just last year.

In his 2011 budget, Barrett is recommending a \$17.35 million deposit to the reserve fund and vowing to veto any council attempts to use that money for tax cuts or spending increases. He's also seeking to invest the fund more conservatively. Meanwhile, Ald. Michael Murphy, chairman of the

Common Council's Finance & Personnel Committee, is pushing to turn the reserve account into a "lock box," prohibiting any future raids. All that comes in response to a \$49 million contri-

bution to the city's pension fund this year, and projections that a \$65 million contribution will be need-

For years, the pension fund had far more money

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Laurel Walker Her column will return.

did not.

# MICHAEL SEARS / MSEARS@JOURNALSENTINEL.COM

Milwaukee Police Officer Mark Lelinski attends a hearing on Friday in which a woman sought court protection from him.

# Woman denied protection from officer

Court official not convinced of her allegations of abuse

**By GINA BARTON** 

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A court official on Friday refused to grant an injunction to protect a woman who said Milwaukee police officer Mark T. Lelinski threw her around and threatened to kill her

The woman showed bruises on her arms to Assistant Family Court Commissioner Dean B. Zemel and said Lelinski caused them Sept. 15. Lelinski woke her up in the middle of the night, threw her around the bed and accused her of stealing money, the

"He's a danger to myself and my child, and he's a danger to society," she said. "I believe this man needs help."

Zemel told the woman "throwing you

around is subjective" and said he couldn't say for sure the bruises were a result of abuse by Lelinski.

"I cannot find that there has been domestic abuse and grant the injunction," he

A few minutes before the hearing in Lelinski's case, Zemel quickly granted an injunction to a different woman, who said her ex-boyfriend had shoved her and

threatened to kill her. The woman accus ing Lelinski asked Zemel to explain why the other woman got an injunction but she

Zemel said there were differences, but declined to explain them. He also mentioned he had granted injunctions against police officers in the past.

While court officials have discretion in whether to grant protective orders, they must give legitimate reasons for their decisions, said Tony Gibart, policy coordinator for the Wisconsin Coalition Against Domestic Violence.

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"Jimmy" Earl, Sr., D.D. Wolf, Jacquelyn Powell, Edmund Wolpert

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Age 54, of cancer. Joe passed away at Aurora St. Luke's on Sep-tember 25, 2010. He is the third child of the late Dorothy and Edchild of the late Dorothy and Edward Antczak. He is survived by his siblings Patricia (Paul) Kebbekus, Wayne Antczak and Susann (Peter) Low. He is the super uncle to Paula (Dan) Klink, Mark (Elizabeth) Kebbekus, Gregory (Dina) Kebbekus, Kenneth (Michelle) Kebbekus, Aidan and Liam Low. Joe is a '75 graduate of Bay View and a 16 year employee of Midland Plastics in New Berlin, where he had a 'second home and second family'. He greatly appreciated his Auntie Bunny (Roch), cousin Vicki Gutowski and longtime neighbors on 1st and Ho cousin Vicki Gutowski and long-time neighbors on 1st and Ho-ward. Joe had a fantastic 'brother-bond' with Wayne Antczak, who resides at Muskego Health Center. Visitation Sat., Oct. 2, at ST. VER-ONICA CHURCH, 353 E. Norwich St., from 10:00 AM followed by the Celebration of Mass of Christian Burial at 11:00 AM. Private inter-ment St. Adalbert Cemetery.

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#### **Dvorak, William Edward** "Bill"

Died peacefully on September 29, 2010, at the age of 51. Loving husband of Susan (nee Marhoefer) for 29 years. Devoted father of for 29 years. Devoted father of Aubrey Ann and Jorey Ann. Cherished son of Emily and the late William. Dear brother of George (Maria) and Carla Dvorak. Dear son-in-law of Janet and the late George Marhoefer. Fond brotherin-law of Betsy (Steve) Smith. Caring uncle of Max and Maddy; Sami and Shannon. Further survived and will be missed by his aunts, uncles, cousins, coworkers and many friends.

Bill graduated in 1976 from St. Rita High School in Chicago, graduated with both bachelors degree (1979) and masters degree (1981) in geography from the University of Illinois. Bill worked at Northwestern Mutual for 22 years. He loved watching Aubrey play the piano and Jorey play basketball, listening to music, such as the Grateful Dead and the Allman Brothers, and fishing at his cabin. His hobbies include African hand drumming, Geocaching and Ham radio. Bill had an unconventional sense of humor. He volunteered for the Wisconsin Humane Society and for the Wauwatosa schools. Bill graduated in 1976 from St. Rita

Visitation will be on Sunday, October 3, 2010, at the funeral home from 1-5PM. Private inurnment at Pinelawn Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, memorials to the Wis-consin Humane Society or the American Cancer Society would be appreciated.

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## Goergen, Marjorie

(Nee **Erickson**) Passed to Eternal Life on Friday October 1, 2010, age 76 years. Beloved Husband of Ronald. Dear Mother of Dana (Jerry) Shew, Kurt (Cheri) Goergen and Paula Mandel. Grandmother of Brian and Kelly Shew, Kyle and Cory, Goergen Shew, Kyle and Cory Goergen, Ryan and Ellie Mandel. Sister of Ryan and Ellie Mandel. Sister of Elizabeth Scott-Roberts, John (Beverly) Erickson and Helen (Donald) Grunden. Sister-in-law of Theresa Goergen. Also Survived by nieces, Nephews, other rela-tives and many friends. Complete Funeral Service Monday 6 PM at the Funeral Home Private Interrne Funeral Home. Private interment Highland Memorial Park. In state at the Funeral Home Monday 4 PM until time of service. Retired Employee of Milwaukee County. Memorials to the Alzheimer's Association Appreci-

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## Hardiman, Jessie M.

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Harrington, Susie Y.

Departed this life peacefully September 26, 2010, at the age of 91 years. Her memory will be cherished by the Soward, Harrington and Wilson Families; the Rhem and Wilson Families; the Rhem children, grandchildren and a host of other loving relatives and dear friends. All services on Monday, October 4, 2010, at Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church, 3737 N. Sherman Blvd. Visitation and final viewing 9AM. Funeral 10AM. Interment Glen Oaks Cemetery - Family Section. Arrangements entrusted to:

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Parchia, Bishop Earl, Sr., D.D.

Age 83 years. September 28, 2010. Funeral services will be held on Saturday, October 9, 2010, 10AM at Holy Redeemer COGIC, 3500 W. Mother Daniels Way. In state Saturday 9AM at the CHURCH until time of services.Instate Friday 2PM-6:30PM at Mt. Zion Healing Temple, 4300 N. Greenbay Ave., with a Wake Service to follow at 6:30PM. The family is served by: 6:30PM. The family is served by:



Powell, Edmund W.

"Ned"



on September 30, 2010, at the age of 87. EastCastle Place, for

EastCastle Place, former longtime resident of Whitefish Bay. Beloved husband for 61 years of Ellen (nee Williams) Powell. Loving father of Susan (Stephen) Wright, Daniel (Frances) Powell, and Sarah Powell. Proud grandfather of Powell Thedieck Wright, Campbell McKee Wright, Virginia Sexton Powell, Edmund William Powell II and Daniel Edmund Powell Jr. Dear brother of Cornelius Powell. Further survived by other relatives and dear vived by other relatives and dear

Ned was a longtime President of the Law Firm of Borgelt, Powell, Peterson & Frauen. He was a highly successful defense attorhighly successful defense attorney who specialized in product liability and medical malpractice litigation. Ned had proudly served his country in the U.S. Marine Corp during WWII and the Korean Conflict. He was a loving and devoted husband, father and grandfather and will be deeply missed by his family and all whose lives he touched.

Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Monday, October 4, at 10:00 AM, at the Milwaukee Catholic Home, St. Anne Chapel, Catholic Home, St. Anne Chapel, 2462 North Prospect Avenue, Milwaukee. Family will greet friends at a reception following the Mass. Interment at Resurrection Cemetery will be private for the family. In lieu of flowers, memorials in Edmund's name may be made to Marquette University Law School, P.O. Box 1881, Milwaukee, 53201 or Mayo Clinic Alzheimer's Research. Mayo Clinic Alzheimer's Research, 200 1st Street, SW, Rochester, MN



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"Jimmy"

Of Milwaukee, Lived fast and died Of Milwaukee. Lived fast and died young on Wednesday, September 29, 2010, at the age of 43. Loving son of Nancy (Joe) Beaudry and the late Ellis Smith. Loving dad of Lauren Smith. Brother of Sherry (Todd) Wencka, Allen (Kristin), Jackie and Justin Sikes. Also survived by other relatives and other relatives by

A private memorial celebration will be held.



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Wolf, Jacquelyn Wolpert September 30, 2010, of Bayside. Beloved wife of the late Dr. Law-rence Wolf. Loving mother of Debbie (Alan) Lurie, Rand

mother of Debbie (Alan) Lurie, Rand (Laurie) Wolf and Jodi (Jim) Lurie. Dear sister of Bobbie (Perry) Cohn and sister-in-law of Lorraine (Myron) Greenberg. Cherished grandmother of Jason and Kyle Lurie; Augie Wolf; Joshua, Jeffrey and Erica Lurie. Special aunt of Bonnie (Steve), Rick (Beth), Jon (Casey), Betsy (Troy), Lisa (Howie), Sara and all their children. Further survived by other family, dear friends vived by other family, dear friends

Jacquie graduated from Milwau-kee University School in 1947. She was Past President and longtime volunteer of the Mt. Sinai Ladies Auxiliary, longtime member of Brynwood Country Club, lifetime active member of Congregation Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun, Bayside School volunteer as well as many other charitable organizations.

Funeral services 1:30 PM Sunday, October 3, 2010, at Congregation
Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun, 2020 W.
Brown Deer Rd., River Hills. Interment Spring Hill Cemetery, 166 S.
Hawley Ct., Milwaukee. Memorial
gifts to the Jacquelyn W. Wolf Music Fund at Congregation EmanuEl R'ne Jeshurun or Susan G. Ko. El B'ne Jeshurun or Susan G. Ko-men for the Cure, Attn: Donor Services, P.O. Box 650309, Dallas, TX 75265-0309 are appreciated.

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**OBITUARY** 

# Harrington helped the elderly

She started program to assist seniors

By AMY RABIDEAU SILVERS asilvers@journalsentinel.com

Funny how what goes around comes around again.

Susie Harrington learned that firsthand, but in a very good way. An advocate for the elderly, she helped found an agency called the Daughters of Luke Limited — DOLL for short — first geared to providing companionship for seniors in Milwaukee's central city area. Over the years, it evolved into a program that helped many older people stay in their homes and out of institutions. Harrington became one of

those who found help at her

"I'm grateful to God for this program," she said, speaking in a 2005 interview. "It brings tears to my eyes when I think about it.

The Daughters of Luke Limited, now known as Genesis, continued to help Harrington, as did a for-profit health care agency. She was able to stay in her Brewers Hill home until just weeks before her death.

Harrington died of cancer Sunday. She was 91.

She was born Susie Soward in Dyersburg, Tenn. She was interested in college and even won a scholarship writing contest at 16, but it wasn't

"My parents were so poor," she said. "My mother was doing washing and ironing. I didn't want my people to work so hard, and so I didn't go to college.'

Instead, she headed for relatives in Chicago, with the idea of becoming a nurse.

"But I didn't have the tuition," Harrington said. "Then I married, and that was that. We came to Milwaukee and I went to vocational school for typing."

In 1952, she helped her husband, minister C.V. Harrington, to found Pilgrim Rest



The marriage later ended in divorce, and Harrington decided to try college. In 1974, she graduated from Marquette University with a major in speech and minors in psychology and sociology.

A psychology class also inspired a program called the Good Neighbor Listening Post, which trained community counselors to help people with problems and detect serious mental health issues.

She was involved in organizing the Interparish Council, which later became the Interfaith Home Health Care, the first nonprofit home health care agency in the black community, said Laura Mathews, a friend long involved with the same advocacy groups. The Daughters of Luke

Limited came out of that home health care program, with the idea that other kinds of help could keep more people in their homes. Josephine Henderson, who became its longtime executive director, was also a founder.

The concept was inspired by the Gospel of Luke in the New Testament, as Harring"Luke realized that many

complaints of pain and discomfort were not so much of an organic nature," she said, "but rather from a lack of the human touch or human affection, as well as a lack of genuine concern for others.

As Harrington got older, Henderson often sent people to check on her friend. Later, Henderson suffered a stroke. Harrington spoke of visit-

ing her friend, who died in "I prayed with her, and I rubbed her hands," she said. "I sang with her, an old song

that the African-Americans sing." I was sitting by the bedside of a neighbor,

Who was just about to cross to the other side ... When you see my Savior, tell

him that you saw me, And when you saw me, I was

"She thought that was her calling, to help people," Mathews said.

Harrington was named to the Milwaukee County Senior Citizen Hall of Fame in 1998, and one of Wisconsin's 10 most admired senior citi-

Susie Harrington is seen in 1974,

the year she graduated from Marquette University.

zens in 1991.

"She was a giving person, highly religious," said Beverly Njuguna, a friend long active in the community. "Once she conceptualized an idea, she wanted to see it through. And she did that all of her

Visitation is planned for 9 a.m. Monday at Pilgrim Rest Missionary Baptist Church, 3737 N. Sherman Blvd. The service will follow at 10 a.m.

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## **HOMICIDE**

## Man charged in homicide

and sexually assaulted her, according to jail records and a criminal complaint.

Pineda-Gaeta was already awaiting sentencing in a separate case when he was arrested in connection with the assault on his brother-in-law's

Four days after Wilbrandt killed, Pineda-Gaeta pleaded guilty to one count of false imprisonment in connection with an incident in July 2009 in which he inappropriately touched two of his daugh-

ter's friends, ages 8 and 9, after he told the girls he would drive them home but instead drove them to Grant Park, according to a criminal complaint. Pineda-Gaeta originally was

charged with two counts of child ment and two counts of attempted firstdegree sexual assault child, but he to the reduced

of a pleaded guilty Wilbrandt charge as part of a deferred prosecution agreement, court

records show. Pineda-Gaeta was out of custody when Wilbrandt was killed, and his brother-in-law's girlfriend was assaulted after he had posted \$500 bail in the case involving his daughter's friends, according to court re-

The similarities between the sexual assault that occurred in June and Wilbrandt's killing

have prompted Milwaukee police to take a new look at similar unsolved homicides and sexual assaults to see if Pineda-Gaeta may be a suspect, said Lt. Keith Balash, who works with the department's homicide and cold case units. Part of that investigation in-

volves resubmitting DNA from unsolved cases for new testing by the State Crime Laboratory, Balash said. Pineda-Gaeta's DNA was not

in the state's DNA databank when Wilbrandt was killed because he had not been sentenced in the case involving his daughter's friends and did not have any prior felony convictions in Wisconsin, according to state court records.

Police were struggling for good leads in Wilbrandt's killing until the DNA found on her body was linked to Pineda-Gaeta, Balash said.

"We needed help," Balash said. "We didn't have eyewitnesses as far as what happened to the victim, but we had physwas extremely important to the case and is some of the best evidence you can have Wilbrandt's sister, Yvonne Wilbrandt-Ayala, said she had

gradually given up hope that Wilbrandt's killer would be caught. "I have to believe in our justice system," she said. "I know

it's not perfect and it has lots of flaws, but I'm glad they were actively working on it. I'm glad they have someone in custody, especially someone who has a history of this.' On Friday night an official

with Immigration and Customs Enforcement said the agency had placed a hold on Pineda-Gaeta, meaning he could be deported if local authorities turned him over to the agency.

An e-mail from ICE spokeswoman Gail Montenegro said Pineda-Gaeta was in the U.S. illegally, but it was not clear what country he was from.

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## **KRAEMER**

## Trading the badge for the nonprofit world

Members of the Milwaukee Police Department and the Milwaukee Police Athletic League were there with the kids, who didn't have school on Friday. Also helping out were officers from the Pewaukee Lake Patrol.

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The kids, officers and volunteers rode on three pontoon boats from Smokey's Bait Shop, traveling to a pier on Rocky Point, where they did some fishing. Romaine Robinson, 11,

dropped his line into the water, saying with a bit of confidence, "I think I'm going to catch a fish." Moments later, he had a bluegill hooked. "I caught the first fish!" he exclaimed.

Isaiah Johnson, 12, caught a perch. 'You want to give him a

kiss?" volunteer Dan Schnoor asked. "We believe it's good luck to kiss a fish.' Isaiah scrunched his face into a frown and shook his

Then, Isaiah raised two fingers to his lips, kissed them and touched the fish's mouth with his fingers and

Darnell Irven accompa-

nied his son, 7-year-old Isaiah Washington, on the out-

"It's a great opportunity for kids to get out of the city for a while and see something different, a different environment. It's just good for them," Irven said.

Milwaukee police officer Mark Carter said he was grateful that Kraemer was offering such outings for kids, noting, "It's just a beautiful thing.

"Many of the kids that I deal with don't have the household income to support extra activities such as this. . . . Many of these kids don't even get out of their neighborhoods, so they are not exposed to a lot of the positive adventures and the excitement of other places. This is a great way to introduce them to something they wouldn't normally be accustomed to — fishing and boating," said Carter, an MPD officer for 19 years who has spent the last 11 years working with the Police

Athletic League Aside from helping kids, Kraemer said he formed the foundation in part to help police officers make lasting connections with people in their communities.

"Almost every officer goes

into law enforcement feeling they are going to make a difference in their community. A lot of times, depending on what you are doing, it doesn't seem like you are making a difference.

"Once I started doing the community stuff, I really got to meet the kids and the parents, and I realized then if you do the right type of things and you have a connection with the citizens, you do make a difference," said Kraemer, a City of Pewaukee police officer from January 1992 until the department disbanded at the end of 2009.

Kraemer, 54, said his son, Rob, will leave his job as an officer with the West Allis Police Department to run the foundation and seek grants to help finance its operations. Although Kraemer was

awarded the \$180,000 settle-

ment, he said he can't use all

of the money at this point for the foundation because he has not worked since the Police Department was disbanded. Kraemer is hopeful the

foundation takes off. "If we can make this go

nationally, it's going to be a wonderful thing for police departments everywhere," Kraemer said.