



Business • Where have all the Xboxes gone? — 1C



Gazette at a Glance

Bears thump Packers



Associated Press
Green Bay quarterback Brett Favre loses the ball after being sacked by Chicago Bears defensive back Charles Tillman in the fourth quarter of the Bears' 19-7 victory at Soldier Field on Sunday. **More coverage on Page 1D.**

TOP OF THE NEWS • 3A

Man upset he can't see his doctor anymore

Janesville's Paul Rivas is disappointed that he can no longer see his endocrinologist. That's because Rivas' physician—who moved to Mercy Health System after working at Dean Health's Riverview Clinic—can no longer see him as a patient. Dean's no-compete clause says that doctors who leave the organization cannot treat their DeanCare patients for two years. Mercy has restrictions for doctors who leave, too, but the organization's vice president says the limitations aren't "unreasonable."

Ford to announce restructuring plan in 2006

Ford Motor Co. will review a restructuring plan this week that could shut down up to five North American assembly plants and trim thousands of jobs. Ford Chairman and Chief Executive Bill Ford Jr. said the plans—designed to make the company's factories work at capacity and inject some life into its finances—won't be announced until January. The restructuring, called "Way Forward," comes just weeks after General Motors announced the closure of nine of its North American facilities.

Panel: U.S. unprepared for terrorist attack

The former Sept. 11 commission says Congress and the White House "are not paying attention" to the nation's security ahead of another potential terror attack. The bipartisan 10-member panel planned to release a report today assessing how well its 41 suggested recommendations have been followed. The commission made its final report in July 2004, and few sweeping changes have been made to strengthen the nation's ability to deal with a terror attack, the new report says.

LOCAL/STATE • 1B

Group turns to DVDs in gay marriage fight

Hoping to bolster support for a same-sex marriage ban, the Family Research Institute of Wisconsin has sent 4,000 DVDs called "The Battle for Marriage in Wisconsin" to churches around the state. Republican lawmakers introduced a proposal to amend the constitution to define marriage as a union between a man and woman. A state Senate judiciary committee was expected to vote on the proposal today, and the measure could go before the full Senate as early as Tuesday.

Judicial center arrests disappoint authorities

Since the Walworth County Judicial Center opened in April, county authorities say they're disappointed by the number of arrests they've made near—or even at—the facility. The arrests range in scope, from operating without a valid license to showing up drunk to court. "I think it takes an awful lot of disrespect for someone to ... promise not to break a law and then walk out and do it immediately," said a Walworth County Sheriff's Department captain.



NATION • 4A

Rice defends U.S. tactics in war on terror

Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice defended U.S. intelligence agencies against European criticism today, saying information gathered by the CIA has saved lives across the world. Rice, preparing to leave on a European trip, said the United States "will use every lawful weapon to defeat these terrorists." World leaders have decried recent reports that the CIA is operating secret prisons across Europe.

SPORTS • 1D

Badgers ready for trip to Capital One Bowl

The Wisconsin Badgers football team will be plenty warm come Jan. 2, and it won't even take multiple layers and a Bucky Badger scarf. That's because UW will travel to Orlando, Fla., to take on Auburn in the Capital One Bowl early next year. Wisconsin (9-3) learned its postseason bowl assignment Sunday, and will face the Tigers, who finished 9-2 this season, tying LSU for first place in the SEC West.



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25 YEARS WITHOUT JOHN



On Dec. 8, 1980, the voice of a generation was silenced forever. A quarter of a century later, the death of John Lennon still resonates.

Rock icon's murder lingers for the men who were there

By Larry McShane
Associated Press

NEW YORK

A television news producer. An emergency room doctor. Two NYPD beat cops. Before that December night 25 years ago, they shared little but this: As children of the '60s, the soundtrack of their lives came courtesy of the Beatles.

Alan Weiss, a two-time Emmy winner before his 30th birthday, was working at WABC-TV. His teen years were the time of "Revolver" and "Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band." In his 20s, Weiss admired John Lennon's music and politics.

Dr. Stephan Lynn was starting his second year as head of the Roosevelt Hospital emergency room. He remembered the Beatles playing "The Ed Sullivan Show," although he didn't quite get the resultant hysteria.

Officer Pete Cullen, with partner Steve Spiro, did the night shift on Manhattan's Upper West Side. They'd occasionally run into Lennon walking through the neighborhood with his son, Sean. "The Beatles were a big part of my life," Cullen said.

On the night of Dec. 8, 1980, Lynn was in the ER, Weiss was heading home from the newsroom, Cullen and Spiro were on the job—and Mark David Chapman was lurking outside Lennon's home.

The chubby man with the wire-rimmed glasses stood patiently in the dark outside the Dakota apartment house. He carried a copy of "The Catcher in the Rye," the J.D. Salinger tale of disaffected youth, and a five-shot Charter Arms .38-caliber revolver.

Lennon, just two months past his 40th birthday, returned from a midtown Manhattan recording studio at 10:50 p.m. with wife Yoko Ono. The limousine stopped at the ornate 72nd Street gate; John and Yoko emerged. Chapman's voice, the same one that had beseeched the ex-Beatle for an autograph hours earlier, rang out: "Mr. Lennon!"

The handgun was leveled at the rock world's foremost pacifist. Four bullets

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'In some ways, I'm a bigger nobody than I was'

■ Instead of gaining fame, killer faces 25 years of infamy

By Jake Coyle
Associated Press

NEW YORK

Twenty-five years ago, Mark David Chapman stamped his name into history by shooting four bullets into John Lennon's back—a desperate, senseless grab for the kind of fame the voice of a generation was so steeped in. Instead, all he gained was infamy.

"I want to be important," Chap-

man later said of his mind-set before the murder. "I want to be somebody. I was never anybody."

The journey from nobody to notorious started in Decatur, Ga., where he grew up with his parents and sister. After high school, Chapman worked as a camp counselor at an Atlanta YMCA and was briefly enrolled at Covenant College, a Christian university in Georgia. But he dropped out, broke off an engagement and entered a dark period of depression.

In the spring of 1977, Chapman moved to Honolulu, where he attempted to kill himself using the exhaust from a car. In the following

years, Chapman, a devout Christian, would take exception to Lennon's perceived anti-religion beliefs. At the height of Beatlemania, Lennon had famously proclaimed the Beatles "more popular than Jesus," and later sang in "Imagine": "Imagine there's no heaven."

At the same time, Chapman developed an obsession with J.D. Salinger's "The Catcher in the Rye," the landmark novel that focuses on a disaffected youth, Holden Caulfield, during a trip to New York City.

Though previously a great fan

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Associated Press
Mark David Chapman, seen here in a 1975 photo, shot and killed John Lennon outside Lennon's New York home on Dec. 8, 1980.

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Coming Attractions

TUESDAY

Add a little pizzaz to your holiday treats

Peanut butter squares and Rice Krispies bars are all well and good, but the Wisconsin Milk Marketing Board wants you to liven things up when you make holiday treats this year.

Add a little cinnamon to those chocolate cookies. Or throw in a little lime to liven up your coconut squares.

On Tuesday, we'll give you some tips to tart up your treats—not to mention loads of delicious holiday recipes. **/Taste**



TUESDAY

Charge of the light brigade

It takes six weeks of setup and more than 40 hard-working employees, but Rotary Gardens' Winter Wonderland Walk is well worth the effort.

"It's grand. It's impressive," one Rotary Gardens staffer said of the display, which opens Friday and runs for 13 nights, ending on New Year's Eve.

Gazette reporter Shelly Birkelo sheds some light on this illuminating holiday display.



WEDNESDAY

Tarnishing parenting's golden age

Apparently, hooking your baby's bassinet to the window frame to save space isn't the best idea.

Ditto cod oil baths for newborns.

In his new book, "Mommy Knows Worst: Highlights from The Golden Age of Bad Parenting Advice," author James Lileks examines some of the truly awful parenting tips from the first half of the 20th century.

On Wednesday, we'll share some of the amusing advice that Lileks found. **/Relationships**



DEATH NOTICES • 2B

- Walter Albrecht/La Prairie Township
- Evangeline I. Carlson/Newark Township
- Michael P. Carlson/Janesville
- Harry Frank Clossey/Beloit
- Lola L. Jenson/Janesville
- Verna Alberta Kimmel/Beloit
- James L. Krueger/Brodhead
- Louis W. Miller/Lake Geneva
- Evelyn H. Schmitz/Lake Geneva

OBITUARIES • 2B

- Oliver G. Earleywine/Orfordville
- James F. Eitmontas Sr./Crystal Lake
- Lola L. Jenson/Janesville
- James L. Krueger/Brodhead
- Helen M. Svetlik/Janesville
- Izma Ione Taplin/Plain and Evansville

OUTSIDE • 8A



TUESDAY

14°/6°

Clouds with flurries and sun



WEDNESDAY

18°/14°

Clouds and some sun; flurries



THURSDAY

24°/15°

Mostly sunny and very cold

