



## The Reporter hits the airwaves

Edgerton Reporter publisher Diane Everson was interviewed via Zoom by Jessa Jerimiah, anchor for WISC-TV's TVW station. Diane promoted the community and told of upcoming Reporter products, including the Annual Lakes Edition and a new 50+ magazine featuring material of interest for "Zoomers," (Baby-Boomers with zip). The features will include articles on finance, health, travel and hobbies. The interview airs soon and will be posted on the station's Youtube channel. It will also be posted on the Edgerton Reporter's Facebook page.

Reporter photo



## Police department's new vehicle

The Edgerton Police Department has a new Dodge Durango for patrolling city streets. The vehicle replaces a Dodge Charger, which Police Chief Robert Kowalski said often had maintenance problems. The new vehicle has added cargo space and will allow for officers to sit higher for better visibility. Kowalski said the Durango will handle better during winter snow events. He said the department will seek to replace another older vehicle with another Durango at a later date.

Photo submitted by Edgerton Police Department

## Students recognized for AP test scores

Submitted by  
Edgerton School District  
Edited by Reporter staff

At the meeting of the board of education on Monday night, Jan. 11, the School District of Edgerton recognized eight students for their outstanding academic performance on the college-level Advanced Placement exams.

The College Board's Advanced Placement Program offers students the opportunity to take challenging college-level courses while still in high school and to receive college credit, advanced placement or both for successful performance on the AP exams. Students took the exams in May of 2020.

Six students earned the AP Scholar Award by receiving a score of three or greater on three or more of their exams: Kaden Almized, Zoe Cross, Jack Larson, Lena Seyfarth, MaeAnna Stockel and Michael Stockel.

Almized, the son of Ibrahim and Brigitte Almized, attends UW-Madison and is majoring in computer science. Cross, the daughter of Brian and Debra Cross, has been accepted at UW-Madison and intends to major in chemistry and psychology.

Larson, the son of Ean and Melissa Larson, attends UW-Whitewater. Seyfarth, the daughter of Alexander and Nichole Seyfarth, has been accepted at

several schools and has not decided which she will attend. She intends to major in either cell and molecular biology or biochemistry and molecular biology.

MaeAnna Stockel, the daughter of Mike and Susan Stockel, might attend UW Madison next year and is currently undecided on her major. Her brother Michael attends UW-Whitewater-Rock County and is majoring in physics and education.

William Hazeltine qualified for the AP Scholar with Honor Award. Hazeltine earned an average score of at least 3.25 on all AP exams taken and scores of three or higher on four or more of these exams. Hazeltine, the son of Tim and Tracy Hazeltine attends UW-Madison and is majoring in civil engineering. He is a member of the UW Marching band.

Jackson Feggstad attained the AP Scholar with Distinction Award by earning an average score of 3.5 on each of the AP exams he took and scores of 3 or higher on five or more AP exams. Feggstad, the son of Robert Feggstad and Natalie Feggstad, is majoring in computer science at UW-Stout.

"These scores are a huge credit to the students and a huge credit to the staff, who helped them prepare for the tests," Principal Mark Coombs told board members.

## Campus News

### MSOE Dean's List

The following students from the Edgerton area received academic honors from Milwaukee School of Engineering for the 2020 Fall Quarter:

- Paige Bowman, Honors List, Bachelor of Science in BioMolecular Engineering
- David Gonzalez-Salzwedel, Dean's List with High Honors, Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering and Bachelor of Science in Computer Science
- Tracy Rice, Dean's List, Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering

### UW-Milwaukee Commencement

The following individuals from the Edgerton area were among the 2,050 prospective candidates for degree attending University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee virtual commencement exercises Sunday, Dec. 20, 2020:

- Katrina Strese, Helen Bader School of Social Welfare, Master of Social Work
- Jaime Teniente, School of Education, Master of Science

Guest Opinion

## COVID-19 vaccine – providing peace of mind

By Aaron Schwaab, M.D.  
Submitted by Stoughton Health

This spring, our lives changed dramatically as we began to quarantine in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Months of social distancing, masking and staying home whenever possible has had a toll on us. We all have been wondering, when will this end?

In the United States alone there have been over 20,000,000 cases of COVID-19, and we are nearing 350,000 deaths, a staggering total which has affected so many of us personally, including myself.

The COVID-19 vaccine is an encouraging development. At Stoughton Health, we have begun to vaccinate our front-line staff, and they have been grateful to be amongst the first to be vaccinated. They have all done well after receiving the vaccine, with only minor side effects such as a sore arm and mild headaches reported. I am relieved to have received my first dose of the vaccine. As with many other front-line staff, I have underlying health conditions that put me at high-risk for COVID complications. Receiving the vaccine has given me peace of mind.

There are many people who are concerned about the vaccine, its safety and the speed of its development. There has been misinformation spread about the vaccine. I trust the scientific process and believe I am safer being vaccinated than not.

Many pharmaceutical companies invested significant resources into quickly developing a vaccine for COVID-19 because of the world-wide impact of the pandemic. The emergency situation warranted an emergency response, but that does not mean that companies bypassed safety protocols or didn't perform adequate testing.

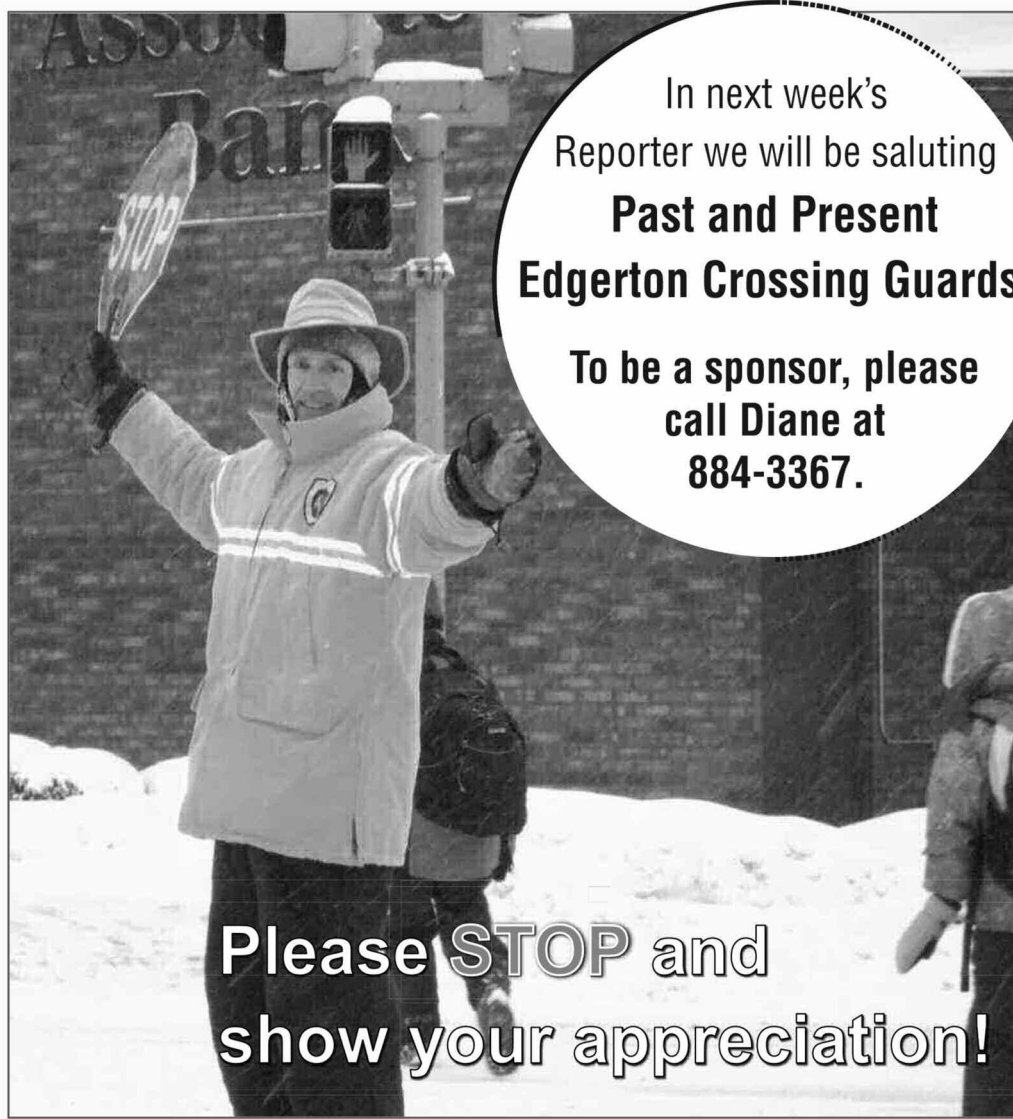
The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has granted Emergency Use Authorizations (EUA) for two COVID-19 vaccines which have been shown to be safe and effective, as determined by data from the manufacturers and findings from large clinical trials. These data demonstrate that the known and potential benefits of this vaccine outweigh the known and potential harms of becoming infected with COVID-19.

If you have questions about whether or not the vaccine is the right choice for you, please contact your physician to discuss the risks and benefits.

The vaccine is an important tool in ending the COVID-19 pandemic and getting back to a more normal life. In the meantime, we must continue wearing masks, social distancing, practicing good hand washing and avoiding gatherings. Additional information about the COVID-19 vaccine is available at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/>.



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