

## BE OUR GUEST

## Malnutrition and food security

Here in North America we are comforted by the abundance of natural resources; water, fertile cropland, natural fuels, and a predictable changing climate to manage and hopefully prevent catastrophic events. However, there are areas in the world (countries) that lack some of these necessary, natural components of our environment to sustain life, making it difficult at times to point to some level of optimism in the future.

Since 1945 a United Nations agency, the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), has been gathering information on how climate change is affecting agriculture, specifically on food production and food security for future needs. It is an important international organization that evaluates and recommends novel farming methods to farmers in various countries in different locations predicated on climate changes in their region of the world. Food



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production is inextricably linked to the natural resources and climate that are necessary for agriculture, and as of 2022 approximately 25 percent of the population in many of these countries suffer from hunger, food shortage and malnutrition (undernourished), which has been much more apparent in children, and believed to continue, occurring in approximately 10 percent of the 8 billion people in the near future; it is the primary concern of the FAO to secure sufficient food supplies (food security) worldwide. With the world population continuing to increase, especially in the developing countries, it will require increases in food production and available water for irrigation (currently 70 percent of the accessible fresh water is used to irrigate cropland); the scarcity of water in many countries has precipitated a crisis situation concerning health and infectious disease. However, government lead-

ers are not always willing to adapt or incorporate the programs and new methods of farming based upon climate change into their policies and practices.

It is the FAO's consensus that climate is the greatest threat to interfere with food production and acquiring sufficient nourishment and food security. New methods of farming, temperature-resilient crops, following the land, and changing irrigation practices are all vitally important as we assess the nutritional needs of populations and plan for food security in the future. But if food production falls behind the necessary nutritional needs of society and population continues to increase, and safe portable water is unavailable, this will result in major migrations from drought stricken regions, areas prone to flooding, unavailability of fresh water and increasing water levels on coastal cities; this will create survival tactics that will lead to violence and chaos and perhaps even war between those that have and those who don't have.

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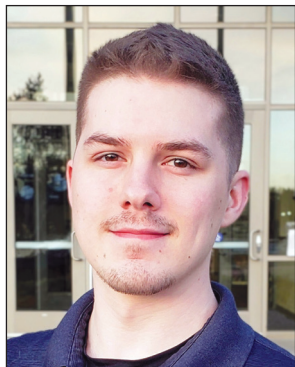
## Mid-State Technical College names 2024 WTCS Student Ambassador

## FOR CITY TIMES

WISCONSIN RAPIDS – Mid-State Technical College Criminal Justice-Studies student Dylan Saylor has been selected as the college's 2024 Student Ambassador to the Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS). Saylor was honored along with his ambassador peers from the state's 16 technical colleges at a formal dinner April 18.

"Mid-State has been a huge step forward in my education and future," Saylor said. "I am honored to be the 2024 Mid-State Ambassador and am pleased to participate in telling the WTCS story."

Saylor currently serves as Mid-State's Wisconsin Student Government (WSG) governor; an experience he notes has opened his eyes to the Wisconsin Technical College System and allowed him to enhance his leadership quali-



Dylan Saylor

ties and educate others about the benefits of the system. In his new role as ambassador, he will advocate on behalf of Mid-State to raise awareness about the importance of technical education in Wisconsin.

Out of high school, Saylor had plans to enlist in the Air Force, with hopes of training as a Security Forces officer. When the time came to make the leap, he found a better option for his life and young family at Mid-State.

"The flexibility of being able to take all of my gen eds online was a good fit with my current full-time employment plus additional part-time jobs in the mix," Saylor said.

After graduating from Mid-State's Criminal Justice-Studies program this May, Dylan will complete the

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## Obituaries

## Schroeder, Alberta M.



Alberta M. "Bertie" Schroeder, age 94, of Wisconsin Rapids, WI answered Jesus's call on Monday, April 22, 2024 in Wisconsin Rapids, WI.

Bertie was born on August 15, 1929 in Wisconsin Rapids to the late William and Mamie (Gottschalk) Schroeder. She went to St. Paul's Lutheran School before graduating from Lincoln High School in 1947. Professionally, Bertie dedicated 40 years to Consolidated Papers Inc. as a bookkeeper

and Special Payroll Supervisor.

Bertie was always dedicated to her faith. She was a member of the St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church, Willing Workers, and sang in the church choir for many years. Bertie also sang many solos at weddings and funerals throughout the years. In 1988 Bertie became a charter member of Good Shepherd Lutheran where she joined the Ladies Group and was the organist for 20 years. Bertie was a member of the "Any Day" club with her close friends. Along with her sister, Marge, she loved to travel; sharing many trips with friends and family including Bertie's annual bowling tournaments. She loved playing games and cards and enjoyed many parlor games with her friends at River Run. She was a regular winner at BINGO! Bertie loved crafts and sewing. She embroidered hundreds of dishtowels for family and friends. Bertie and her sister also blessed Good Shepherd with beautiful handmade banners and paraments. Bertie is fondly remembered for making Christmas special with carol singing, ice cream drinks, and beautifully wrapped presents, as well as homemade ornaments for all the great-nieces and nephews. Having a close family was important to Bertie. She and her sister Marge always lived in the family home taking care of their father and mother. Bertie and Marge moved into a duplex in 2000. Some years following Marge's passing Bertie moved into River Run in 2015.

Not having children of her own, Bertie's brothers' children were blessings to her, as she was to them. She is survived by her brother Harold and Marian's children, Jeanne (Jim) Jackson, Jere (Jean) Schroeder, Dean (Lee) Schroeder, Jim (Carolyn) Schroeder, Marcie (Chuck) Oestreich; their step-children, Mary (Barry) Gardner, and Larry (Rosemary) Felice; brother William and Elmira's children, Lynn (Roger) Hermanson, Steve (Deb) Schroeder, Wendy Jacobson, Diane Schroeder, Kent (Kristie) Schroeder, and Amy (Dan) Cook; as well as her 26 great-nieces and nephews and 36 great-great nieces and nephews. She enjoyed all the stories about their lives and looked forward to their visits.

Bertie was preceded in death by her parents; brothers, Harold and William; sister, Marge; and sisters-in-law Marian, Elmira, and Betty.

Heartfelt gratitude to the staff at River Run. Their loving care and friendship was a blessing, and so appreciated by Bertie and the entire family. Gratitude also to Aspirus Hospice for the care that allowed Bertie to stay in her beloved apartment.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be designated to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, or the Aspirus Riverview Foundation's Cancer Patient Fund.

## Sanger, Karl Alvin



Karl Alvin Sanger, age 84, went home to meet Jesus on Tuesday, April 23rd, 2024, surrounded by his family.

Karl was born February 26th, 1940, in Wisconsin Rapids to Alvin and Lilah Sanger (Nee Manka). Karl graduated from Nekoosa High School in 1961, and Madison School of Pharmacy in 1965.

On June 12th, 1965, Karl married the love of his life, Jan Hillcoat. Their love for each other was a great example of true lifelong love. They were

blessed with 57 years of marriage! Jan preceded him in death June 26th, 2022.

Karl and Jan bought Shelp Pharmacy in Weyauwega on August 1st, 1967. Karl and Jan went on to successfully own and operate "Sangers Pharmacy" in Weyauwega, Manawa, and Iola locations. They were a hard-working team operating the pharmacy for over 35 years! Karl had a passion for tinkering from remodeling 3 grey hound buses and converting them into "campers" and updating and fixing anything in his path. Jan and Karl "retired" in 2007 to Naples, to pursue the Florida sunshine! Karl's love for Pharmacy could not be extinguished. He went on to attain his Florida Pharmacist License at the young age of 67 and ultimately fully retired at age 79! Recently, his passions were drumming at the senior center, riding his bike around Waupaca, and kayaking around the chain lakes.

Karl is survived by: Matt (Jenny) Sanger, children Sydney, Brock, Sayah and Luke; Torri (Robert) Cruz, children Gavin and Ian; Janah (Brian) Kaminske, children Nathan (Jess) Kaminske, Karter (fiancée Ben Snyder) Alison (Quinn Dittmann); sisters-in-law Geri (Richard) Schoenoff and Darlene (Ed) Reichmann; brother-in-law Dan (Marsha) Hillcoat. He is further survived by very special nieces, nephews, dear friends, and very loyal furry companion Sammy, who was always at his side.

The Christian Funeral for Karl will be held on Saturday, April 27, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. at St. Peter Ev. Lutheran Church in Weyauwega with Rev. Aaron Kristopeit officiating. A gathering of family and friends will be held at the church on Saturday from 9:00 a.m. until 10:45 a.m.

The family would like to thank all the nurses and staff at St. Joseph Residence that cared so compassionately for Karl, you will forever hold a special place in our hearts for the love and care provided. Thank you, ThedaCare Hospice nurse Sarah, for your comfort and care for Karl and our family. Thanks to St. Peter's Church Pastor Kristopeit for so graciously assisting and accommodating the arrangements. Finally, thank you for the visits, prayers, and cards from friends and family, you all made his bright white smile even brighter!

Dahlke Funeral & Cremation Care of Weyauwega served the family. Friends may visit [www.dahlkefh.com](http://www.dahlkefh.com) to share memories and condolences with Karl's family.

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**LUNCH BY OUR MAKER'S ACRES**

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**Outdoor Items:** Troy Bilt 5118HR 18 h.p. garden tractor w/50"-60" decks, 5' blade & tiller attachment; Gravely 250Z zero turn riding lawn mower w/only 229 hrs.; DR 6.0 h.p. pro model power wagon; DR all terrain mower w/brush hog & snowblower attachments; DR generator; Yard Machine 20 tn. log splitter; Troy Bilt & DR walk behind string trimmers; DR log trailer w/boom lift"; DR All-Terrain 48" brush mower; Cyclone rake Z-10; lg. poly greenhouse shed; Mantis tiller; metal garden trailer; E-Z vacuum lawn vacuum; Homelite & Craftsman chainsaws; push mowers; lawn spreaders; pole saws; cement trowels; concrete tools & brushes; lawn thatcher; several gas cans; lg. selection of lawn & garden tools; garden hose; flower pots; 2 wheel cart; wheelbarrows; lawn chairs; several wind chimes; Tools: Sears Craftsman 12" planer; Sears Craftsman 6" jointer; Sears Craftsman 10" table saw; Delta Rockwell table saw; Rockwell 6" jointer; Rockwell radial arm saw; Belsaw planer; Belsaw saw blade sharpener; Craftsman compound miter saw; Homecraft 10" table saw; plate jointer; Stanley wood planes; Shop Smith; Paramount vintage drill press; scaffolding; several heavy step & ext. ladders; work bench; bench vises; very large selection of hand & power tools; circular saws; C-clamps, drills, several belt sanders; Craftsman routers; Porter Cable floor sander; Tool Shop surveyor tools; wood turning tool set; Hi-lift jack; floor jacks; roofing jacks; several pry pars; jack stands; can't hooks; winches; come-a-longs; battery charger; lg. selection of power cords; sheet metal break; hand saws; brace drills; breast drills; dado blades, router tables, come-a-longs; hole saws; scrap metal; copper tubing; plumbing parts; very large selection of brass copper fittings & elbows; lg. selection of nails, hardware, etc.; bolt cutters; meat saws; elec. wiring, old drill bit sets, pipe wrenches; paints, stains; **Antiques & Collectibles:** cultivators; fishing lures; wash tubs; Pyrex bowls; Watt ware bowl; vintage records; enamelware; carnival glass; depression glass; cobalt blue goblets; lg set of china; vintage ceramic Christmas tree; stoneware mixing bowls; knick knack shelf; wooden chairs; radios; gate leg table; red wagons; Singer treadle sewing machine table; Army foot locker; vintage smalls; set of gold plated flatware; State House sterling silver flatware; turn table & speakers; sad irons; **Household:** 3 pc. Queen size blond bedroom set; dining room set; dinette set; drop leaf table; drafting table; new power lift chair; office desk; chest of drawers; twin size beds; full size bed; file cabinets; office chairs; rocking chairs, lamps, end tables; books; linens, quilts, Christmas décor, luggage, Machete knives; roasters; griddles; small appliances; Tupperware; glass bake ware; pasta maker; cutlery; covered cake plates; stemware, sets of dishes; cookware; lg. selection of canning jars;

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