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DATE OF BROADCAST: APRIL 1, 2020

BRIEF OUTLINE OF NEWS STORY: GOVERNOR
ASKS PRESIDENT TO DECLARE 'MAJOR
DISASTER'

EXHIBIT, IF AVAILABLE:

Gov. Tony Evers has asked President Donald Trump to issue a major disaster declaration for the state of Wisconsin due to the coronavirus pandemic.

The request Tuesday came as state unemployment claims hit a daily high. Also, the state's health secretary warned lawmakers that Medicaid enrollments were going to increase dramatically.

Evers said he hoped the declaration would allow the state to access critical programs to support the state's response.

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DATE OF BROADCAST: APRIL 9, 2020

BRIEF OUTLINE OF NEWS STORY: LOCAL CO-OP
BUYS VACANT SHOPKO BUILDING IN BRILLION

EXHIBIT, IF AVAILABLE: Country Visions Cooperative has purchased the former Shopko building located at 1010 W. Ryan Street in Brillion, WI. The building was previously leased by Shopko as a retail outlet until closing operations last spring. The site includes 5.7 acres of property and a 36,000 square foot steel building. The property drew the interest of the Cooperative's leadership who envisioned increased opportunities with the location and a building of this size.

Country Visions Country Stores are a retail model providing lifestyle feeds, gardening, hardware, propane and many other home and hobby farm needs. The size of the facility will allow additional warehouse space to service some of Country Visions other locations allowing them to purchase in larger quantities to offer stronger competitive pricing. The goal is to open for business later this year, but that will depend on the availability of contractors to remodel parts of the building. Complete plans for the building are still being worked out. Country Visions Cooperative is a farm supply cooperative with their corporate office located in Reedsville, WI. Serving eastern Wisconsin and the UP of Michigan, Country Visions offers farm and agriculture related products and services. In addition to retail Country Stores, the business includes Agronomy, Propane, Refined Fuels, and Grain Divisions, with Convenience Stores, and quick food restaurants.

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DATE OF BROADCAST: APRIL 9, 2020

BRIEF OUTLINE OF NEWS STORY: BRILLION MAN
CHARGED WITH SEX CRIME

EXHIBIT, IF AVAILABLE:

A man has been charged with violating the state's "Safer at Home" order after being arrested for allegedly meeting who he believed to be a minor for sex, but was actually a police officer.

Matthew Wieting, 34, of Brillion, was charged with using a computer to facilitate a sex crime, soliciting an intimate representation from a minor, and violating a health order. Wieting made his initial appearance Wednesday in Outagamie County Court, where a \$10,000 cash bond was set.

An officer was online undercover as a 15-year-old girl and had contact with Wieting for about a month. A meeting was arranged in Kimberly, and he was arrested Tuesday afternoon, Stahmann said. Charges were filed Wednesday.

According to the criminal complaint, Wieting planned to meet the girl at her house Tuesday morning for sex. He admitted to police why he was there.

If convicted of violating the public health order, Wieting faces up to 30 days in jail and a \$500 fine.

He returns to court April 15 for a status conference.

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DATE OF BROADCAST: APRIL 9, 2020

BRIEF OUTLINE OF NEWS STORY: BRILLION
MAYOR NAMED, AFTER RECENT RESIGNATION

EXHIBIT, IF AVAILABLE:

Longtime Brillion alderperson Mel Edinger has agreed to take over the vacant position of mayor for the city.

Edinger had been serving as city council president when Gary Deiter resigned as mayor last month. The city council president oversees meetings when a mayor misses a meeting, so Edinger already had familiarity being at the head of meetings.

Edinger filling the position until the term expires in April 2021 was the best option, according to Brillion city council members and city administrator Lori Gosz.

Edinger said in February he needed time to think it over. He made his decision to accept the position earlier in March and that was made official during Monday night's city council meeting.

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DATE OF BROADCAST: APRIL 28, 2020

BRIEF OUTLINE OF NEWS STORY:
INVESTIGATIONS OPENED ON COVID-19
HOTSPOTS IN WISCONSIN.

EXHIBIT, IF AVAILABLE: The number of positive COVID-19 cases in Brown County and Oneida Nation jumped to 856 Monday as more results came in from outbreaks linked to food plants in the area.

The countywide total increased by about 230 positive cases from Friday to Monday. Brown County Public Health says 255 JBS employees have tested positive for COVID-19. On Friday, that number was 189.

JBS announced Sunday that it had temporarily closed the plant on Lime Kiln Road due to the outbreak. It was a decision made by the company, according to health officials.

"We will not operate a facility if we do not believe it is safe or if absenteeism levels result in our inability to safely operate. The health and safety of our team members remains our number one priority. The Green Bay facility is open and operational, though production capacity has been reduced," reads a statement from JBS.

In other outbreaks, American Foods Group in Green Bay has 130 employees who have tested positive for COVID-19.

Sausage maker Salm Partners in Denmark has 17 employees with positive tests.

A Department of Labor spokesperson says that OSHA has opened investigations at the following Wisconsin companies:

- Smithfield/Patrick Cudahy Plant in Cudahy - American Foods Group in Green Bay
- JBS in Green Bay - Salm Partners in Denmark · TNT Crust in Green Bay
- Birds Eye Foods in Darien

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DATE OF BROADCAST: MAY 7, 2020

BRIEF OUTLINE OF NEWS STORY: EPA AWARDS GRANTS TO BRILLION AND GREEN BAY TO CLEAN UP 'BROWNFIELDS'.

EXHIBIT, IF AVAILABLE: Two Northeast Wisconsin cities will receive Brownfield Grants from the Environmental Protection Agency. According to the EPA, Brownfield sites are contaminated sites that could be redeveloped. The City of Green Bay has received \$800,000 for nine sites that include a power plant, salvage yard, and metal plating facility – all located within federally designated floodplains.

“With EPA’s support, the City of Green Bay is now better equipped to facilitate the remediation and redevelopment of brownfields across our city,” said Mayor Eric Genrich, City of Green Bay.

The City of Brillion was awarded \$500,000 for the Brillion Iron Works site that has been apart of the community since 1890. Brillion Iron Works closed in 2016 after serving as a foundry and manufacturer of farm implements. According to the EPA, the area is contaminated with hazardous substances, including polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons, volatile organic compounds, and metals.

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DATE OF BROADCAST: MAY 8, 2020

BRIEF OUTLINE OF NEWS STORY: KEWAUNEE
WOMAN CHARGED IN KIEL, WI FRAUD CASE

EXHIBIT, IF AVAILABLE: A Kewaunee woman is facing charges after she allegedly stole from her employer and filed fraudulent tax returns.

Karen Schwind worked as the bookkeeper for a Kiel area business.

Schwind was charged with two counts of fraud

According to the criminal complaint, Schwind altered QuickBooks records to make it appear as though a legitimate vendor had been paid when, in fact, the check was made payable to Schwind.

The complaint also states that Schwind failed to report the income she embezzled from her employer during 2018 and 2019 on her income tax returns. Schwind embezzled over \$62,000 during 2018 and 2019 and evaded \$3,297 in taxes.

Charges were filed on April 28, 2020 by the Kewaunee County District Attorney's Office after an investigation by the City of Kiel Police Department and the Wisconsin Department of Revenue's Office of Criminal Investigation.

If convicted of all charges, Schwind could face up to 12 years in prison, \$20,000 in fines, or both.

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DATE OF BROADCAST: MAY 19, 2020

BRIEF OUTLINE OF NEWS STORY: FOREMOST
FOODS CLOSING DAIRY PLANT NEAR CHILTON.

EXHIBIT, IF AVAILABLE: A cheese plant in Chilton is closing due to "significant challenges" at the facility.

Foremost Farms USA informed the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development that it planned to permanently close the Chilton Facility, W3286 County Road F.

The decision impacts 50 employees.

Layoffs are scheduled for July 17.

"We regret to inform you that Foremost Farms USA's business operations have been facing significant challenges from a plant layout, infrastructure, and building and equipment age perspective at its Chilton facility. In addition, work order volumes from clients have significantly decreased in a short period due to COVID-19, creating overcapacity of product and a significant and sudden drop in demand for production," reads a letter provided to DWD.

The letter says Foremost Farms "will ensure that all employees be paid all earned wages and agreed upon benefits at the time of their termination."

"This is not a reflection on our employees in Chilton. This is a business decision that has nothing to do with their performance, which has been excellent. We are committed to treating our employees with respect and dignity and will be working with them through this transition," said Greg Schlafer, President & CEO.

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DATE OF BROADCAST: JUNE 3, 2020

BRIEF OUTLINE OF NEWS STORY: STRAIGHT LINE WINDS CAUSE WIDE-SPREAD POWER OUTAGES, INCLUDING CHILTON, WISCONSIN & WLAK

EXHIBIT, IF AVAILABLE: Thousands of people are without power Tuesday night after a series of severe thunderstorms have moved across southern Wisconsin.
According to Alliant Energy, a total of 16,670 are without power as of 12:42 a.m. Of those affected, 7,441 are in Columbia County, 1,781 in Dodge County and 2,267 in Sauk County. Oshkosh, the south side of Sheboygan, Fond du Lac and the Chilton area, were hit badly in the straight line winds that brought down trees onto power lines.

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DATE OF BROADCAST: JUNE 12, 2020

BRIEF OUTLINE OF NEWS STORY: BLOOD
DONATIONS NEEDED DURING PANDEMIC

EXHIBIT, IF AVAILABLE: As the pandemic continues, the Red Cross is reminding everyone of its need for blood – and the safety of its blood drives. The Red Cross reports a 30 percent increase in demand as hospitals start to reschedule elective surgeries. The organization still holds blood drives every day, but if you're concerned about the safety of going to one, here's a list of the measures in place to keep everyone from getting COVID-19.

Everyone has their temperature checked before entering the blood drive

Masks are required for all donors and staff

Appointments are encouraged to avoid crowds

Surfaces are wiped down constantly, and hand sanitizer is set up at the entrance

There is also a process in place to alert folks if another donor at a blood drive later tests positive for COVID-19, according to spokesperson Laura McGuire. It's important to note though, the Red Cross says there's no scientific research that the illness spreads through blood transfers.

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DATE OF BROADCAST: JUNE 30, 2020

BRIEF OUTLINE OF NEWS STORY: FALSE ALARM TRIGGERS MASSIVE POLICE RESPONSE AT BRILLION'S LARGEST EMPLOYER.

EXHIBIT, IF AVAILABLE: The Ariens Plant in Brillion was evacuated for what turned out to be a false alarm of an active shooter.

According to the Brillion Police Department, a malfunction with the alarm system triggered the alarm.

A company spokesperson says the alarm was triggered at around 2 p.m. Company protocol required the plant to be evacuated.

Authorities were called to perform a sweep of the facility. Other Ariens Brillion facilities were secured at the time.

The Calument County SWAT team and other area police departments joined Brillion first responders at the scene.

Authorities gave the all clear just before 4 p.m..

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