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Wed.	25	16	0
Thurs	33	20	trrn
Fri.	43	30	trrn
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Sun.	31	12	tr
Mon.	19	4	0
Tues.	20	2	tr

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REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES — The three Republican candidates for the March election in the Village of Potsdam were chosen Monday night in a party caucus. They are shown here following the caucus. The candidates and the offices they seek are, from left, Robert Burns, village trustee; Barbara Lenhart, village trustee; and William Krebs, village attorney. (Hal Stokes photo)

William Krebs Is Justice Hopeful

Barbara Lenhart, Robert Burns Tapped As GOP Village Trustee Candidates

Potsdam's Republicans have chosen Barbara Lenhart and Robert Burns to run as candidates for the village board of trustees this March. The Republicans selected Attorney William Krebs to run for the office of village justice.

The three candidates were chosen during a 45-minute caucus of the Republican party held in the lounge of the Marine Midland Bank Monday night. Two seats on the four-member village board will be open for election on March 18. They are currently held by Democrats Norma Thayer and Girard Mulherin, neither of whom has formally declared their intentions regarding reelection. The trustee posts are two-year terms.

The four-year post of village justice is presently held by Democrat Attorney Robert Halliday.

The Republican candidates have not yet drawn up a formal policy but there were indications that they would adopt a "positive" approach and that they would issue some prepared remarks shortly. A meeting has been set for 7:30 p.m. Feb. 5 of a local Republican policy committee.

In the meantime, the candidates did make some of their viewpoints known. Mrs. Lenhart told the caucus that she intended to bring "a different perspective to the board." The current village board, she said, does not entertain all opinions on issues. She is interested in "seeing things with peripheral vision, not just tunnel vision," she stated.

Burns remarked that he is interested in "really listening to the people of Potsdam" and in bringing their opinions

to the village board meetings. "There are a lot of people who haven't been heard in some time," he told the caucus. Two of the Republican hopefuls have never held an elective office.

Mrs. Lenhart

Mrs. Lenhart, 4 Chestnut St., is one of those who has never held an elective office. She has served as chairman of the village's Republican Committee. Four years ago, as a Republican, she was endorsed by the Democrats in an unsuccessful bid for the office of town clerk. A housewife who has had experience in office work, she has been active in civic and community affairs. She and her husband Robert are the parents of five grown children.

Robert Burns

Burns, 27 Chestnut St., has never held an elective office. Some years ago he held the appointed position of chairman of the village's Zoning Board of Appeals. That job, he said, helped him "learn to listen to people." He is the Dean of Physical Environment at State University College at Potsdam, where he has been employed for 12½ years. Prior to that he was employed at Canton ATC. He holds four degrees from Clarkson College: a bachelor's in civil engineering, master's in both management and environmental engineering, and a doctorate in environmental engineering. He and his wife Ellen have two daughters.

William Krebs

Krebs, 15 Hillcrest Dr., held the office

of Acting Police Justice in Potsdam from 1960 to 1968. He also held the office of Town Justice from 1962 to 1968 and was Special County Judge and Acting Children's Court Judge from 1960 to 1962. He is employed as a practicing attorney and certified public accountant in Potsdam. He received his law degree from the University of Wisconsin Law School in 1947. He is a member and past president of the Potsdam Lions Club and has held various other offices within that organization, locally and at the district, state, and international levels. He has been involved in Boy Scouting for 51 years and is currently on the 1000 Islands Girl Scout Council. Additionally, Krebs is a member of the local American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars posts, the Racket River Masonic Lodge, the local Elks Lodge and was founder of the Potsdam Junior Chamber of Commerce. He is listed in Who's Who in American Law, Who's Who in the East, and World's Who's Who in Science and Industry.

He and his wife Miriam have four children.

Trustees Meet Wednesday

The Potsdam Village Board will meet in special session at 3:30 p.m. Jan. 23 to act on routine items including the monthly audit.

The regularly scheduled meeting on Jan. 21 was cancelled because three of the four trustees were out of town and a quorum could not be obtained.

Officials To Act On New Plans For Housing

The Potsdam Village Board, the Potsdam Urban Renewal Agency and the Village of Potsdam will meet at 4 p.m. Jan. 23 to discuss plan changes for the Sandstone Senior Citizens housing project.

Last week sponsors of the Sandstone

project stated that, because a request for an additional \$300,000 in federal loan guarantees had been refused by the Farmers Home Administration, the group had abandoned plans for a five story mid-rise apartment complex and would, instead build a two story 65 unit

apartment building. A total of \$2.4 million in loan guarantees had already been approved by the FmHA. Because the two story building represents a change in plans, the new plans must be reviewed by the planning board.

School Closed While Classmates Attend Services For Four Killed In Crash

WADDINGTON — The Madrid-Waddington High School will be closed tomorrow while students attend funeral services for four of their classmates who died early Sunday morning in a one-car accident near here. At the school, flags flew at half mast Monday and Tuesday and High School Principal John Dineen, who ordered the school closing, said the atmosphere was "extremely quiet." "The majority of students were visibly upset," the principal said Monday afternoon.

Killed in the accident were three senior boys, James E. Wagner, 17, RFD 1, Madrid; David A. Griffin, 17, RFD 1, Madrid; and sophomore Patricia M. Pierce, 15, LaGrasse St., Waddington. On Tuesday morning, the school provided transportation to allow members of the senior and sophomore classes to attend memorial services for the young people. Senior students were excused about 9 a.m. to attend services for the three boys at the Fay G. Mann Funeral Home, Madrid. Sophomore students were excused about 10 a.m. to attend services for Miss Pierce at the Phillips Memorial Home in Waddington. The students were bused from the school to the funeral homes and back to the school.

"It was the type of situation where all the students in their class knew them," said Dineen. There are approximately 96 in the senior class and about 106 in the sophomore class.

Search For Reason — Meanwhile, deputies continued searching for a reason why the mid-size 1977 Ford carrying the four went off the left side of a straight stretch of road about 1:30 a.m. Sunday.

According to sheriff's investigators who were at the scene, the car was traveling north toward the village of Waddington on Route 345 (Madrid-Waddington Road) when it crossed over into the southbound lane, leaving the paved portion of the road and traveling along the shoulder.

According to the sheriff's report, the vehicle struck two ditches and a cement post before coming to rest approximately 317 feet from the point where the vehicle first left the road.

Investigating at the scene for the sheriff's department were undersheriff Gary Jarvis, Detective Sgt. Ed Carpenter, Sgt. Scott Sutherland and Deputy D. L. Martin.

They were taken to A. Barton Hepburn Hospital in Waddington Volunteer Rescue Squad. David Griffin, James Wagner, and Patricia Pierce were pronounced dead on arrival.

Scott Cryderman died about one hour after arriving at the hospital. Dr. Hugh Innes-Brown, attending surgeon, and Dr. Hugh Frame, county coroner, both attributed the deaths to fractured skulls and massive head injuries.

Undersheriff Jarvis said Monday morning that investigation has concluded that young Wagner was the operator of the car which was registered to his mother, Eunice Wagner.

According to Jarvis, Wagner was a licensed operator.

The undersheriff did say, however, that the investigation into the cause of the accident is still continuing and that the sheriff's department was investigating several reports about where the four had been just prior to the accident.

The youths, Jarvis said, have been placed in both Madrid and Waddington at different times that evening. W. Evans Smith, chief of the Waddington Rescue Squad, said that all four

victims were still in the car when the squad arrived at the scene. The investigators said that they believed young Wagner was driving and that Cryderman was in the front seat with him.

Miss Pierce and Griffin were believed to have been riding in the back seat at the time of the accident.

Investigators said that they were not certain where the four young people had been immediately prior to the accident. But shortly after 11 p.m. Saturday they had been seen at the Waddington Bowling alley by a relative of one of the victims, investigators said.

Funeral services for Patricia Pierce will be Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. at the Phillips Memorial Home in Waddington. Funeral services for James Wagner and David Griffin will be 10 a.m. at the St. John the Baptist Church, and rites for Scott Cryderman will be Wednesday at 1 p.m. from the Fay G. Mann Funeral Home, Madrid.

Patricia Pierce — Funeral services for Patricia Pierce will be Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. at the Phillips Memorial Home in Waddington with Rev. Betsy Mowry officiating. Burial will be in the New Brookside Cemetery, Waddington.

Calling hours from the funeral home will be Tuesday afternoon and evening. The Fay G. Mann Funeral Home of Madrid is handling the arrangements through the Phillips Memorial Home.

Surviving are her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Royal Pierce, LaGrasse Street, Waddington; three brothers, Robert, Plattsburgh, Dean, Massena, Charles, Ogdensburg; a sister, Tammi, at home; her maternal grandmother, Mrs. Sadie Fournier, Ogdensburg; several aunts, uncles and cousins; one niece, one nephew.

She was born in Ogdensburg March 18, 1964, daughter of Royal and Frances Fournier Pierce. She was a sophomore at Madrid-Waddington High School and was active in school functions, including basketball, volleyball, track, bowling and cheerleading.

James Wagner — Funeral services for James E. Wagner, Madrid, will be held Wednesday at 10 a.m. at St. John the Baptist Church, with Msgr. Joseph Bailey officiating. Spring burial will be in the St. John the Baptist Cemetery.

Calling hours will be held Tuesday afternoon and evening from the Fay G. Mann Funeral Home in Madrid.

Surviving are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Wagner; three sisters, Mrs. Robert (Diane) McDonell, Richmond, Va., Mrs. Edward (Janice) Parmeter, Madrid, and Patty, at home; a brother, Carmen, Madrid; his paternal grandmother, Mrs. Gladys Wagner, Madrid; his paternal great-grandmother, Mrs. Grace Wagner, Moongate Nursing Home, Canton; his maternal grandmother, Mrs. Mayfred Doud, Louisville; two nephews and several aunts and uncles.

He was born in Ogdensburg on Oct. 4, 1962, son of Edward and Eunice Doud Wagner. He was a senior at Madrid-Waddington High School. He played hockey on the Midget team of the Waddington Hockey program.

He was a member of St. John the Baptist Church, Madrid.

David Griffin — Funeral services for David A. Griffin will be held Wednesday at 10 a.m. at St. John the Baptist Church, Madrid, with Msgr. Joseph Bailey officiating. Burial will be in the St. John the Baptist Cemetery in the spring.

Calling hours will be held Tuesday afternoon and evening at the Fay G. Mann Funeral Home in Madrid.

Surviving are his parents, Dennis and Anne Griffin; four sisters, Denise and Darlene, at home, Diane, a student at Potsdam State University, and Mrs. Walter (Desna) Claffey, Madrid; five brothers, Dennis Jr., Donald, Darrin, Dean, and Daniel, all at home; his maternal grandmother, Mrs. Esther Olmsted, South Colton; his paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Griffin, Burke, N.Y.; several aunts,

uncles, and cousins.

He was born in Ogdensburg July 22, 1962, son of Dennis and Elizabeth Anne Olmsted Griffin. He was a senior at Madrid-Waddington High School and was active in school sports, including basketball and baseball. He was a member of the varsity club and St. John the Baptist Church.

Funeral services for Scott L. Cryderman will be held Wednesday at 1 p.m. from the Fay G. Mann Funeral Home, Madrid, with Rev. Betsy Mowry

and Rev. Lynda Clements officiating. Burial will be in the Madrid Cemetery in the spring.

Calling hours will be held at the funeral home Tuesday afternoon and evening.

Surviving are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Cryderman, Madrid; two brothers, Timothy and Kent, both at home; his paternal paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cryderman, Madrid; his maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Middlemiss, also of Madrid; several

aunts and uncles.

He was born in Canton on March 28, 1962, son of Victor and Betsy Middlemiss Cryderman. He was a senior at Madrid-Waddington High School and was active in school sports, including baseball and track. He also played hockey in the Waddington hockey program.

He had been accepted to the 1978-79 edition of Who's Who Among American High School Students for his academic achievements.

Contributions may be made to the Madrid or Waddington Rescue Squads.



TEENAGERS DIE — Four teenage students at Madrid-Waddington Central School were killed when this car they rode in went off the Madrid-Waddington Road near Waddington about 1:30 a.m. Sunday. On Tuesday, sheriff's deputies were still conducting their investigation into the cause of the accident.