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The new entrance that is being built onto the Sheboygan County Health and Human Services Building as seen Tuesday in Sheboygan. PHOTOS BY GARY C. KLEIN/SHEBOYGAN PRESS MEDIA

RAIN CAUSES DELAY IN COUNTY HHS BUILDING PROJECT

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Renovation of the Sheboygan County Health and Human Services building in downtown Sheboygan is just a little behind schedule thanks to weeks of rain. The project is about a week behind, county Building Services Director Jim TeBeest said, but is still slated to finish up in December. The addition, which will improve the entrance, upgrade restrooms and add meeting space, is already about \$600,000 over the \$1.6 million the Sheboygan County Board of Supervisors budgeted for the project. "Bids came in quite a bit higher than we expected," TeBeest said. "We cut two dozen items out, negotiated the price down and was able to pass another resolution for the additional \$600,000." The bulk of the funds came from the HHS Department's reserve funds. The building, at 1011 N. Eighth St., was the Sheboygan Clinic years ago, and has been plagued by inefficient space ever since. The project is attempting to address a number of problems that were detailed in a 2006 operational review,

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A worker makes progress Tuesday on the new entrance that is being built onto the Sheboygan County Health and Human Services Building.

Leibham bows out of forum

Move is in protest of League's voter ID stance

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Sen. Joe Leibham will not participate in an Ozaukee County candidates' forum in protest of the event's sponsor. In an announcement released Tuesday, Leibham said he will not attend the League of Women Voters-sponsored forum on July 14 in Mequon because of the organization's efforts to reverse voter ID legislation that Leibham authored in the Wisconsin Senate. Leibham, R-Sheboygan, has represented the state's 9th Senate District since 2002. He's running for the 6th Congressional seat being vacated by a retiring Rep. Tom Petri and will face three other Republicans in the Aug. 12 primary. In his release, Leibham said he was disappointed that the LWV had announced that all four Republican 6th District candidates — himself, Sen. Glenn Grothman, R-Campbellsport, Rep. Duey Stroebel, R-Saukville, and Tom Denow, of Oshkosh — would appear. "I have been and will continue to participate in forums with my fellow Republicans, but I won't be a party to this campaign event organized by a group legally challenging and actively misrepresenting Voter ID reform," Leibham said. Grothman, who represents Wisconsin's 20th Senate Dis-



Joe Leibham



Glenn Grothman



Duey Stroebel



Tom Denow

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Walker ad attacks Burke over Abbott Laboratories land deal

By Scott Bauer Associated Press

MAZOMANIE — Gov. Scott Walker accused Democratic challenger Mary Burke of wasting \$12.5 million in taxpayer money in his latest television ad released Tuesday, while Burke put out her own spot touting her credentials without mentioning her nearly three years as state Commerce secretary. The dueling ads come four months before the election in which Walker is seeking a second term and Burke is trying to get elected statewide for the first time. Burke, who previous-



Mary Burke

ly worked as an executive at Trek Bicycle Corp. in addition to nearly three years as head of Commerce, currently is a member of the Madison school board. The most recent poll done in May by the Marquette University Law School showed the race to be tied among registered voters. Walker campaigned in Oregon on Tuesday, touring a powder coating plant, while Burke visited a hops farm in Mazomanie before headed west to La



Scott Walker

Crosse. The Walker spot, which began running statewide Tuesday, focused on a \$12.5 million grant given by the Department of Commerce under Burke's leadership in 2006. The grant was part of a deal designed to lure global drugmaker Abbott Laboratories to Kenosha County from just across the border in northern Illinois, and was the biggest ever awarded by the

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Boston Store asbestos, lead removal to cost \$166,000

By Jane Roberts croberts3@sheboyganpress.com

The City of Sheboygan has agreed to pay half of the \$166,000 required to remove asbestos and lead found at the former Boston Store property on North Eighth Street. The Common Council unanimously passed a resolution Monday authorizing payment to remove the substances, which were documented in June in a report by Cardinal Environmental, Inc., an environmental health and safety consulting firm. The funds will come out of the \$250,000 already allocated for the building's demolition.

Boston Store closed its doors in January of this year, ending the property's 125-year run that began with H.C. Prange Co in 1887. The city purchased the property from a California-based real estate investment in March. Though it was valued at \$3.7 million in 2012, the city paid just \$500,000. According to the EPA, exposure to asbestos, which can be released during demolition or remodeling, increases the risk of lung disease, mesothelioma and asbestosis, a "serious progressive, long-term, non-cancer disease of the lungs."

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