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Sightings of ticks exceed the norm

Officials warn of bugs carrying Lyme disease

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After a record number of Lyme disease cases statewide last year, sightings of ticks are already higher than normal in May and June, prompting a warning to outdoor enthusiasts to watch out for blood-sucking bugs.

After 2005's 1,463 cases of Lyme disease, a 24% increase over 2004, health officials are now noticing a growing range of the disease around the state.

Deer ticks are generally confined to western portions of the state, but Lyme disease cases are now traced to the Lake Geneva area and Kohler-Andrae State Park near Sheboygan, said Jim Kazmierczak, state public health veterinarian.

"What's becoming clear is that there's some spread of the range of deer ticks," he said. "We've had findings over the past year or two at Kohler-Andrae State Park and Lake Geneva, and that's

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Wisconsin dips to No. 6 in tax burden

Different ranking says No. 14

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Wisconsin had the nation's sixth-highest state and local taxes in 2004 when measured as a percentage of personal income, according to the latest analysis of U.S. Census data by the Wisconsin Taxpayers Alliance, a non-profit group that monitors state spending.

Per capita, the group said, Wisconsin ranked somewhat lower at 12th in the nation, with an average tax burden of \$3,714 a person. A third measure, focusing only on the "big three" state and local taxes that most individuals pay — income, sales and property taxes — ranked Wisconsin third overall, behind only New York and Maine, the group said.

The state's tax burden has long rankled busi-

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Milwaukee Public Museum archaeologist Carter Lupton (left) positions a mummy in a CT scanner with museum conservator Chris DelRe (second from left), Jonathan Elias of the Akhmim Mummy Studies Consortium (second from right) and museum registrar Claudia Jacobson at GE Healthcare in Waukesha on Friday.

Zeroing in on an ancient world

Mummies yield more secrets to a new generation of scanners



GE Healthcare CT product development specialist Holly McDaniel watches as a mummy is moved through the scanner. Two mummies were scanned Friday.

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The patient inside the CT scan didn't have to be reminded to stay still. He hasn't moved in over 2,500 years.

On Friday, two mummies from the Milwaukee Public Museum received state-of-the-art computerized tomography, or CT, scans at GE Healthcare in Waukesha.

The scans will produce three-dimensional images of the mummies that will help uncover how these ancient Egyptians lived and died.

Researchers also will be able to visualize what the mummies looked like when they were alive and build sculptures of their faces.

Carter Lupton, an archaeologist and vice president of museum programs, will analyze the images over the next few weeks. Because the mummies have been scanned before, he has a general idea of what he'll find. But, he said, advances in technology will provide clearer pictures.

For instance, previous scans have shown loose debris and bone inside one of the mummies. Lupton hopes that 3-D imaging will provide a better idea of what these pieces are.

The scans are part of a larger effort by the Akhmim Mummy Studies Consortium to gather images of mummies collected from the Akhmim site in Egypt. The Milwaukee Public Museum is one of the founding members of the consortium,

"This population dispersed before we had a chance to study it."

Carter Lupton, archaeologist, on the mummies of Akhmim, Egypt

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In a father's experience, perfection



COURTESY OF NATIONAL PORTRAIT GALLERY AND DAVID LENZ

"Sam and the Perfect World" depicts David Lenz's 9-year-old son. It won the top prize in a National Portrait Gallery competition.

Shorewood artist's work earns top award in national contest

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Whether painting the wrinkled face of a farmer, the long shadows cast by a man shoveling snow or the inquisitive face of his young son, Shorewood artist David Lenz wants to tell the truth through images that are as close to reality as possible.

His straightforward realism has been unfashionable in the art world, which makes it extraordinary that he has taken the top prize in one of the nation's most prestigious portrait competitions.

The National Portrait Gallery, part of the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C., was to give its top prize to Lenz on Friday night in its first-ever national portrait competition, which attracted more than 4,000 emerging and midcareer artists.

"We're not about fashionability here, there is no question," says Marc Pachter, director of the gallery. "The toughest problem in art is having words chase what is a visceral experience, but ... one of the things that happens in an excel-

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METRO Pediatrician charged

A pediatrician who treated patients at Children's Hospital of Wisconsin and who serves as a professor at the Medical College of Wisconsin has been charged with receiving child pornography. **1B**

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Partly to mostly cloudy and seasonal.

TOMORROW: 68 / 58

Mostly cloudy. Scattered showers or thunderstorms.

A WORD — MILQUETOAST

A timid, shrinking, apologetic person. *n.*

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Ladysmith loses second soldier in two months

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For the second time in almost two months, a soldier from Ladysmith has been killed fighting terrorism.

U.S. Army Staff Sgt. Patrick Lybert, 28, died Wednesday in Gowardesh, Afghanistan, when he and a fellow soldier in the 10th Mountain Division encountered enemy forces using small-arms fire and rocket-propelled grenades, the U.S. Department of Defense announced Friday.

Their mission was part of an intensified military operation mounted to stem the grow-

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