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## **N** BRIEF

## Bainbridge Twp. woman drowns

EAU CLAIRE — A Bainbridge Township woman drowned in a pond on her lawn tractor accident.

Linda Marutz. onto her, pinning her underneath, Berrien County Sheriff's Sgt. David Zizkovsky reported.

Police were called to the scene at 2380 Michael Road shortly after 5 p.m. The drowning remains under investigation, Zizkovsky said.

Pride Care Ambulance workers assisted deputies at the scene.

## Paw Paw man nabbed for alleged crime spree

PAW PAW — A Paw Paw man faces numerous criminal charges after he allegedly Paw Paw Township pole loose mailbox.

barn early Saturday.

The man, 18, was not being identified by police Saturday. Van Buren County Sheriff's Sgt. Daniel Abbott said deputies were called to a property Friday following a pole ban on 64th Avenue shortly after 2 a.m. and found the homeowner pointdrowned when she acciden- ing a shotgun at the suspect. tally drove the tractor into The man was arrested for the pond, and it tipped over breaking into the pole barn, and for stealing a Jeep from a woman on Red Arrow Highway. The Jeep was found abandoned in a ditch.

## Shake mailbox before the snow flies

LANSING (AP) — Hey, Michigan: Shake your mailbox.

That's the advice from the County Road Association of Michigan. With winter around the corner, it's a good time to check the stability of your mailbox if it rests on a post along the road. Snow and slush thrown by snowstole a car and broke into a plows can knock down a

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