

**WINE & DINE** **PLUG** **BUCK** **ERS**  
**Yuletide Party**  
A wine and dine event for the holidays is set for 6 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 16, at the Holiday Inn Express & Suites in Madison. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, call 608-241-2000.

**Semi-auto collision sends Meade man to hospital**

By JENNIFER HARRIS  
A semi-truck and a car collided in a two-car pileup on I-90 on Monday, Dec. 16, in Meade County, sending a man to the hospital. The accident occurred at the intersection of I-90 and Highway 100 in the town of Meade. The driver of the semi-truck was not injured, but the driver of the car was taken to the hospital with injuries. The cause of the accident is still under investigation.

**County opens all buildings to concealed carry, with 2 exceptions**

By JENNIFER HARRIS  
Meade County has opened all buildings to concealed carry, with two exceptions. The new law, which took effect on Monday, Dec. 16, allows anyone with a valid concealed carry permit to enter any building in the county. The two exceptions are schools and government buildings. The law is a result of a referendum passed by the county voters in 2010.

**PANCAKES WITH SANTA**



**City closes shooting range for 'safety' reasons**



Meade County is holding a breakfast with Santa Claus on Monday, Dec. 16, at the Meade Community Center. The event is for children and their families. Santa will be reading letters and giving out candy. Breakfast starts at 9 a.m. and lasts until 11 a.m. The cost is \$5 per person. For more information, call 608-241-2000.

The Meade County Board of Supervisors has closed the Meade County Shooting Range for safety reasons. The range was closed on Monday, Dec. 16, due to concerns about the safety of the facility. The board is currently reviewing the situation and may reopen the range at a later date. The closure affects all shooting activities at the range.

**L&T now accepting 'Dear Santa' letters**



**NY mock trial for 'The Night Before Christmas'**



The Meade County Library is accepting 'Dear Santa' letters from children. The letters should be addressed to Santa Claus and placed in the mailbox located at the library. The deadline for letters is Monday, Dec. 16. The library will read the letters and deliver them to Santa on Christmas Eve.

The New York State Court of Claims is holding a mock trial for the play 'The Night Before Christmas'. The trial will be held on Monday, Dec. 16, at the State Capitol. The play is a comedy that tells the story of Santa Claus's journey to the North Pole. The trial will be presided over by a judge and will include several witnesses.

**Fla. burglar swallows 2 necklaces**



**Judge's word on NSA program won't be the last**



A Florida burglar has swallowed two necklaces. The man was caught with the necklaces in his stomach. The incident occurred in a store in Florida. The man is currently in custody. The necklaces were found during a medical procedure. The man is being held in a local jail.

The Supreme Court of Kansas is hearing an appeal of a death penalty sentence. The case involves a man who was sentenced to death for a murder. The appeal is based on the grounds that the sentencing process was unfair. The case is currently being heard by the Supreme Court.