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## NEW LIGHTS AIM TO IMPROVE BUS SAFETY

AMBER SIGNALS DRIVERS TO SLOW DOWN

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**A**s familiar yellow buses flood roadways in coming days to gather the most precious of cargo, a new look on the buses aims to keep students safe on their rides to and from school.

Starting this fall, school buses will use an eight-light warning system that includes two amber lights at the front and back of each bus, as well as two red lights on each end of the vehicle. Bus drivers will flash the amber lights when they are preparing to make a stop, and will switch to red when the bus stops. The idea is to give other drivers ample warning and



Rick Bogart of Kobussen activates the safety lights on a switch panel inside a bus.

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Wisconsin school buses will begin using an eight-light system under new safety rules that went into effect in May. The new amber lights warn motorists that the bus is preparing to stop.

"Just like when you see a yellow traffic light, you know it's going to change to red, the same holds for bus lights. Slow down."

ALAN WOOD  
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## Expansion means more fuel out of Waupun

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**WAUPUN** - Oil supplier Flint Hills Resources has launched a \$20 million expansion of its fuel terminal in Waupun, a move that may help meet demand in northeast Wisconsin after a pipeline shuttered this summer.

The Waupun expansion will more than double the capacity of that terminal, which now has two bays for loading fuel. With another \$7 million expansion to the company's facility in Junction City, Flint Hills expects to supply a combined 1.1 million gallons of oil each day, a total on par with facilities in Madison and Milwaukee, said Jake Reuter, director of public affairs for the company.

This project may bring better access to fuel in northeast Wisconsin, as companies have struggled to supply the region.

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## Waupun schools get \$36 million referendum

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**WAUPUN** - Come November, the Waupun School District is placing the future of the district in taxpayer hands.

Members of the Waupun School Board this week approved placing a \$36 million referendum on the Nov. 8 general election ballot. The funds are needed to cover high priority facilities improvements at all schools.

If approved, residents would see no tax increase due to the retirement in 2018 of a \$30 million debt that was borrowed 20 years ago to fund a high school building project.

"The proposed plan allows the Waupun Area School District to improve all four district schools, while being fiscally responsible and good stewards of

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## All eyes on Zellner to get Avery case overturned

Filing deadline for appeal is Monday

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Eight months ago, suburban Chicago attorney Karlheinz Zellner turned into an international celebrity by capitalizing

on the "Making a Murderer" docu-series on Netflix.

"The Zellner Law Firm is looking forward to adding Mr. Avery to its long list of wrongful convictions," Zellner declared in a Jan. 8 news release.

Today, Avery, 54, remains at the state prison in Waupun, serving a life term in connection with the 2005 murder of

Teresa Halbach.

Zellner is up against a Monday deadline to file legal briefs to overturn Avery's conviction.

The new court filing for Avery comes on the heels of the Aug. 12 decision by a federal judge in Milwaukee overturning the conviction of Brandon Dassey, Avery's nephew,

who was found guilty in a separate 2007 trial. The judge determined that Dassey's confession was involuntary because of improper interrogation methods by prosecution investigators.

Wisconsin Attorney General Brad Schimel is deciding

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