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Assisted-living facility opens on Friday

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The property of the old county nursing home is now being used for a similar purpose, but with an entirely new look. After six years of changing plans and off-and-on construction, "The Meadows" will open Friday in Fond du Lac. Residents of the assisted living facility will be treated as guests, said Dawn Roberts, the program director at The Meadows. The Meadows certainly has a 5-star hotel, guest-friendly feel, with newly tiled floor, spacious rooms with great views, and a pool and steam room. "Our goal was to build something that people look forward to," said Tim Burns, the director of GoodLife Assisted Living Inc., who designed and developed The Meadows as well as other assisted living facilities around the state. Burns said that for many seniors, moving out of a life-long home is a stressful time. No one wants to move

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Detective: No evidence planted

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Nearly one month after "Making a Murderer" captured world-wide attention on Netflix, embattled Manitowish County Sheriff's Lt. Andrew Colborn wrote a long email to the county's top prosecutor, assuring her that no evidence was planted during the Teresa Halbach homicide investigation. Colborn sent his email to Manitowish County District Attorney Jonathan Laitre on Jan. 13. She was not employed by Manitowish County in November 2005 when Colborn and Lt. James Lenk focused on Steven Avery as their prime suspect in Halbach's murder. "No evidence was planted at any time by any law enforcement officer during the course of this investigation," Colborn wrote to Laitre. "The key to Theresa's (sic) vehicle was not discovered laying next to the pair of shoes in the open, but was instead located cleverly hidden behind a bookcase, in Steven Avery's bedroom."

Colborn's mid-January email to Laitre was turned over to USA TODAY Network Wisconsin that week to comply with a public records request. Colborn's original purpose for sending the email was to alert Laitre to a talk radio show, hosted by Dan O'Donnell, headlined, "Debunking Making a Murderer." "It exposes every lie in every episode of the Netflix story," Colborn wrote. After listening to the program, Colborn came up with about a dozen additional "other facts" as well, which became the basis of his

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A DAY OF TRUMP



Donald Trump speaks to supporters Wednesday at the Radisson Paper Valley Hotel in downtown Appleton. DAVID J. PHILLIPS/USA TODAY NETWORK-WISCONSIN

CANDIDATE HITS WALKER, ABORTION DURING CAMPAIGN SWING THROUGH FOX VALLEY

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Donald Trump stormed through northeast Wisconsin Wednesday, railing on Gov. Scott Walker, suggesting women who would have illegal abortions should be punished and encouraging people to stay away from the polls Tuesday if they're not going to vote for him. Thousands of enthusiastic supporters cheered him every step of the way as he made stops in De Pere, Green Bay and Appleton. The Wisconsin governor, who earlier in the week endorsed Ted Cruz for

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the GOP nomination, continued to get thumped by Trump.

"Everybody thought Scott Walker was tough and doing a good job, when, you know, he was fighting people," Trump told a gathering of supporters at St. Norbert College in De Pere. "It's better if you can do it without the fighting so much, you know... I looked at your Capitol, every time, it was growing more crazy."

Trump said his attacks were in response to Walker's endorsement of Cruz and their support of free-trade agreements that he believes have sent American jobs overseas. Trump topped his attacks on Walker

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Heidi Cruz, Carly Fiorina visit Fond du Lac

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Heidi Cruz, wife of presidential candidate Ted Cruz, and Carly Fiorina, a former presidential hopeful, stopped in Fond du Lac on Wednesday evening for a meet-and-greet. Cruz and Fiorina visited the Cruz for President office at 17 Forest Ave., after coming from Sheboygan earlier that day. More than 100 people stood in a small room to hear what the two women had to say. Many wore Cruz, plus, and some wore neon orange shirts that read, "TRUS, TED." "Wisconsin is in a position now to send a very clear message to the rest of the nation,"

Fiorina said as she introduced Heidi Cruz. "That you know the difference between a conservative and an act, that you understand that conservative values lift everyone up, regardless of their circumstances, and that you also understand that our nation is at a pivotal point." When Cruz took the microphone, she explained her husband has been doing the right thing for more than 20 years, doing what the people of Texas elected him to do, not what lobbyists wanted him to do. This system of government that has developed over the years is not working for all



Heidi Cruz, left, wife of presidential candidate Ted Cruz, and Carly Fiorina spoke during a campaign stop in Fond du Lac on Wednesday evening. DAVID J. PHILLIPS/USA TODAY NETWORK-WISCONSIN

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