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## Teen gives grisly murder details

**By Robert Irlin**  
MANTOWOC — A 16-year-old boy has detailed the final horror-filled hours of a young photographer's life, telling investigators he and his uncle raped and killed the woman who came to their property last Halloween on a photo assignment, a criminal complaint says.

Brendan Daesey, a nephew of Steven Avery, told a judge he and his uncle raped a 26-year-old woman who came to their property last Halloween on a photo assignment, a criminal complaint says.

### Bail set at \$250K for Avery nephew

Daesey said the two raped Halbach's 16-year-old niece, then pushed her into her and burned the body in a pit, piling on tires, brush and debris to fuel the blaze, the complaint said.

Daesey appeared today in a packed Manitowish County courtroom on charges of being party to first-degree intentional homicide, mutilation of a corpse and first-degree sexual assault. The murder charge carries a mandatory life prison term.



Steven Avery (right) and his parents, Allen and Catherine Avery, are shown in the Avery cabin near Critch on Hwy. 6. Steven Avery was charged with murder in the death of Teresa Halbach. Brendan Daesey (left) is Steven Avery's nephew and has been charged as well in the crime.

## Power line issue jolts grass roots

Debate is getting citizens involved

**By Ann Marie Anns**  
Competition for the Capital Times High-voltage transmission lines may be providing the spark needed to light a fire under Dane County's grass roots.

This is not just about an end to our back yards, Wisconsin Democracy Campaign Executive Director Mike McCabe told the audience of about 50 people. The evening meeting like this all over Wisconsin. I've never seen so much energy and participation any one time in all my adult life.

## Boy gets 2 years for rape

Judge wonders about maximum

**By Steven Elbow**  
A Dane County judge said today he was surprised to find that two years in juvenile detention was the strongest sentence he could impose on a 13-year-old boy who raped two women at gunpoint on the Southwest Hills Park.

Perhaps the Legislature did not anticipate that a 13-year-old could commit crimes of this magnitude, Dane County Circuit Judge John Albert said after the boy had pleaded no contest to numerous charges in connection with the assault last Nov. 20 and Nov. 30, as well as a Nov. 28 robbery near West High School.



The boy had been charged with 11 counts of first-degree sexual assault. Five of those counts, three counts of holding a victim captive and one count of intimidation of a victim were dismissed in exchange for the plea in the rape path assault, as well as one count of larceny in the robbery incident.

## ATC line an issue in town of Rutland race

**By Nick Grube**  
Riding on a bike grown to him by George W. Bush when he was governor of Texas, a Calcutta man took the globe carrying a message of environmental sustainability.

Avin Chakraborty, 26, started his journey late last March and plans to visit 62 countries and take 64,000 kilometers (about 40,000 miles) by November.

## Bike tour of world sends pollution message

**By Nick Grube**  
Riding on a bike grown to him by George W. Bush when he was governor of Texas, a Calcutta man took the globe carrying a message of environmental sustainability.

part his message to youth. So far he has visited 80 to 85 schools around the world. He tells the students that they should focus more on themselves and what they can do to reduce pollution through their individual actions.

From Madison Chakraborty will go to Minneapolis and after a brief stop will cycle to the Pacific Northwest, from California through Latin America, across the southern tip of Africa, and into Australia before rounding the last leg of his global expedition through East Asia and heading home to Calcutta.



Avin Chakraborty of Calcutta, India, was in Madison today and says he plans to bike 64,000 kilometers by November.

