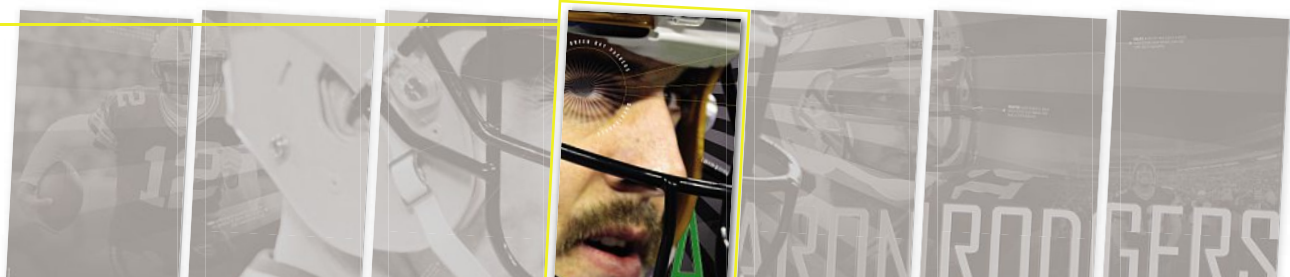


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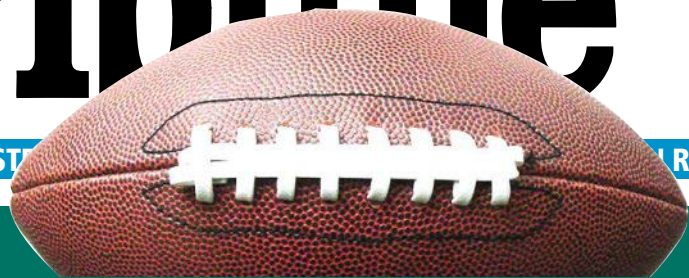
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Navy veteran Ray McSherry, 69, of Wisconsin Rapids, holds a wreath Wednesday. He raised more than \$3,600 to have wreaths placed today on veterans' graves in King. CASEY LAKE/DAILY TRIBUNE MEDIA

## Veteran dedicated to wreath project

Wisconsin Rapids man raises money to decorate graves in King cemetery

By Deb Cleworth  
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A Wisconsin Rapids man's efforts to decorate the gravestones of veterans with balsam wreaths at the Central Wisconsin Veterans Cemetery in King come to fruition today.

Ray McSherry, 69, Wisconsin Rapids, is a Navy veteran and member of the American Legion Riders District 8, a group of veterans known for their charitable work. His goal is to someday be able to place a wreath at every one of the more than 6,500 veteran graves at King.

"That won't happen this year," McSherry said.

But he's got a start. At 11 a.m. today, more than 400 wreaths will be placed at the cemetery, thanks to McSherry's efforts, as part of the annual Wreaths Across America Day. McSherry raised more than \$3,600 in donations for the project.

The short ceremony will take place at the same time as others across the country, including at Arlington

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### HOW TO HELP

Call Ray McSherry at 715-421-4117. To donate, send a check made out to: American Legion Riders, in care of Ray McSherry, 1130 13th St. S., Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494.

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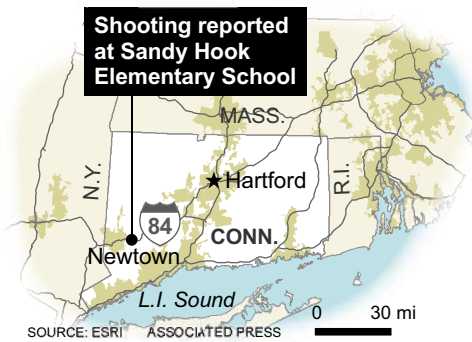
# 'SHEER TERROR'

Man kills 26 at Conn. grade school; 20 children among dead



A woman waits to hear about her sister, a teacher, after a shooting at the Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Conn., where authorities say a gunman opened fire Friday, killing 26 people, including 20 children. AP

By John Christoffersen | Associated Press



NEWTOWN, Conn. — A man killed his mother at their home and then opened fire Friday inside an elementary school, massacring 26 people, including 20 children, as youngsters cowered in fear to the sound of gunshots reverberating through the building and screams echoing over the intercom.

The 20-year-old killer, carrying at least two handguns, committed suicide at the school, bringing the death toll to 28, authorities said.

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## Readers donate nearly \$25,000 to Stock the Shelves

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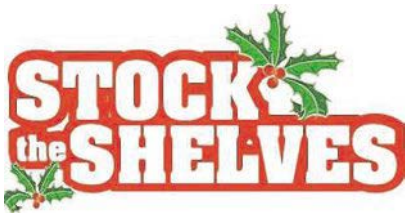
Daily Tribune Media readers donated almost \$25,000 as part of this year's Stock the Shelves campaign.

The \$24,735.50 donated will go to fill needs at the Wisconsin Rapids-based South Wood Emergency Pantry Shelf and the Adams County Food Pantry. Donors had the opportunity to designate the recipient of their donations; a percentage of the donation was given to each of the pantries when no designation was made.

To see a list of donors in this year's campaign, please check out Page 4A of today's Daily Tribune.

As of noon Thursday, 427 people or organizations made contributions to the Daily Tribune's third annual campaign in partnership with Incourage Community Foundation.

More than \$26,000 was raised in the 2011 campaign. Although monetary donations are down, this year's drive saw an increase in individual donors from last year.



Eighty-nine food pantries and programs across Wisconsin will benefit from a record-setting Stock the Shelves fundraising campaign in 10 Gannett Wisconsin Media markets.

Stock the Shelves — which collects financial donations from readers and community partners of GWM sites in Appleton, Fond du Lac, Green Bay, Manitowoc, Marshfield Oshkosh, Sheboygan, Stevens Point, Wausau and Wisconsin Rapids — ended the 2012 campaign with \$637,421.66 in donations for hunger-relief programs.

The goal for the GWM campaign was \$610,000.

## Cheer here



Lois Dover, left, and Jodie Knuteson, both from Wood County Human Services, sort donated Christmas gifts Friday in the auditorium at the Wood County Courthouse in Wisconsin Rapids. Knuteson said about 250 to 300 gifts were donated for children in need as part of the Christmas Cheer Club. For more photos, see the Daily Tribune Media website, wisconsinrapids.tribune.com CASEY LAKE/DAILY TRIBUNE MEDIA

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