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Woman

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Three other people

The person who died during a Dec. 23 fire in Davenport was a

The woman was identified as Marissa Lard, Davenport, according to Wheelan-Pressly Funeral Home and Crematory. Wheelan Pressly handled the services for Lard, which were Friday at its Rock Island branch.

The fire happened about 2:23 p.m. at an apartment build-

Firefighters rescued three

people from the building, the

fire department said. One,

though, had suffered fatal inju-

ries and another was critically

injured. The third person was

As of Friday, further informa-

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Lard can do so through Whee-

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ing at 1650 W. 42nd St., according to the Davenport Fire Department. When they arrived, firefighters found heavy fire coming from the front windows of the two-story building.

rescued from

31-year-old woman.

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Restoration continues on Union Pacific 3985 at Railroading Heritage of Midwest America on Thursday in Silvis.

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Former building to become rail

GRACE KINNICHTT gkinnicutt@qctimes.com

A new railroad museum is chugging along in a former railway-equipment shop in Silvis.

Located in the railroad yard off Route 92 is a 400,000 square foot, brown-bricked building that doned, collecting dust as the it remains closed to the public as once was the largest locomotive repair shop of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railroad before building that already houses his-

it shut down in March 1980 and toric locomotives and passenger Officer of RHMA, Steve Sand-Railway Equipment.

A year ago, the Railroading preservation museum Heritage of Midwest America, or tives, a diesel locomotive, and a someday, having a public mu-RHMA, a nonprofit organization, few passenger rail cars - ready to seum where people can come, bought the former shop to use it be restored to their former glory. kids can come and work and ride for the preservation of rail cars The equipment was donated to and see some real old-fashioned and engines, leasing a portion of it for equipment-shop uses.

Driving down the long gravel road to the building, one might presume the building is abandays go by. But on the inside, the restoration of the locomothrough the bright red doors, is a

and reintroduced to the public. in-demand tourist attraction.

It houses two steam locomo-RHMA in November by Union trains," Sandberg said. Pacific.

Eventually, the nonprofit will transform the sprawling old building into a museum. For now,

tives begins. President and Chief Operating code and tap the link. NEWSVU

later was taken over by National rail cars, waiting to be restored berg, said the goal is to create an

"The vision is eventually,

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Police respond to a shooting at Richneck Elementary School on Friday in Newport News, Va. A shooting at a Virginia elementary school sent a teacher to the hospital and ended with "an individual" in custody Friday, police and school officials in the city of Newport News said. **BILLY SCHUERMAN/THE** 

## Police: 6-year-old shot teacher

Woman hospitalized after shooting in Virginia classroom

### **BEN FINLEY Associated Press**

6-year-old student shot an altercation inside a firstgrade classroom Friday, po- woman in her 30s – suffered

city of Newport News said.

shooting involving a 6-yearold is extremely rare, although not unheard of, while NORFOLK, Va. – A be punished for such a crime.

and wounded a teacher at in the shooting at Richneck was not an accident. his school in Virginia during Elementary School, police said. The teacher -a

lice and school officials in the life-threatening injuries. Her condition had improved Experts said a school somewhat by late afternoon, Newport News Police Chief Steve Drew said.

"We did not have a situa-Virginia law limits the ways tion where someone was goin which a child that age can ing around the school shooting," Drew told reporters, No students were injured later adding that the gunshot

Drew said the student and

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