

SHEPHERDS COLLEGE

Union Grove steps up with Christmas spirit

Community donates after floodwaters ruin school's trees, decorations

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UNION GROVE — The holiday spirit has arrived early this year at Shepherds College.

The small private school suffered a letdown recently when officials discovered that their holiday trees and decorations had been destroyed by floodwater seeping into a storage area.

But when they reached out to the Union Grove community for

help, officials found many people willing to donate trees and ornaments — some directly from their own attics.

Within a day or two, the college had enough artificial Christmas trees to deck the halls throughout the campus.

"I am so grateful," said Susan Griffis, the college's associate vice president of marketing. "I have no doubt — with our community — that Christmas is go-

How to help

To help Shepherds College recover from the loss of its Christmas decorations, go to shepherdscollege.edu or call 262-878-5620 ext. 2303.

ing to be special at Shepherds College."

Transition to the workplace

Located at 1805 15th Avenue, the college serves about 90 adult students with developmental disabilities, helping them transition from high school to the

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Becci Terrill, right, of Shepherds College, shares a hug Tuesday with Union Grove Village President Steve Wicklund after Wicklund delivered donated Christmas trees to the college campus.