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Green Bay Area Public Schools Interim Superintendent of Schools and Learning Vicki Bayer was at UW-Green Bay on Feb. 13 to announce a Direct Admit partnership between GBAPS and UW-Green Bay. Josh Staloch photo

Green Bay Area Public Schools, UW-Green Bay partner to give students a fair chance

BY WILLIAM KOPP
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

GREEN BAY – On Feb. 13, the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay held a news conference to announce a first-in-the-state Direct Admit partnership with Green Bay Area Public Schools.

“The first-in-the-state collaboration will be available to all class of 2024 students in Green Bay Area Public Schools,” a Feb. 10 press release stated. “The program removes the barrier of admission and instead invites a conversation with students and their families about the

options available for further learning after receiving a high school diploma.”

UW-Green Bay Chancellor Michael Alexander opened up the ceremony, speaking on the importance of this step and what that meant moving forward for UW-Green Bay and Green Bay as a whole.

“About five years ago, UW-Green Bay changed its mission,” he stated. “At that time, it determined it was going to become an access institution. And when we made that change we began realigning the university immediately

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Five vie for spot on Unified School District of De Pere spring ballot

BY LEE REINSCH
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

DE PERE – Four of the five people running for seats on the board of education of the Unified School District of De Pere will proceed on to the election in April, following the Feb. 21 primary.

The two winners of the April 4 election will replace David Youngquist and Doug Seeman, who serve as president and vice president, respectively.

Youngquist and Seeman filed papers of non-candidacy.

Youngquist has served on the board since 2014, and Seeman has served since 2009.

Former school board member, Mark Meneau, who served four terms, 2010-22, is among the contenders.

For serving on the board, board members receive \$3,200.

The vice president, treasurer and clerk receive \$3,400, and the president receives \$3,600.

Terms are three years.

Two candidates, Mike La Bouve and Melissa

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Following unanimous approval from the Seymour City Council on Feb. 13, plans to move the Seymour Police Department from an adjacent building into the Municipal Building have been finalized. Rick Cohler photo

Seymour to move police department

BY RICK COHLER
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

SEYMOUR – Following unanimous approval from the Seymour City Council on Feb. 13, plans to move the Seymour Police Department from an adjacent building into the Municipal Building are finalized and will move forward.

The city will use a portion of a \$336,525 American Rescue Plan Grant to fund the move.

The police department

moved out of the Municipal Building and into the former Homestead Savings and Loan building adjacent to city hall in June 1990 and has outgrown its facility.

Discussions about moving the police department back into the Municipal Building have periodically surfaced since the Seymour Fire Department moved out of the Municipal Building in 2002 for the new

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St. Norbert names Laurie Joyner as next president First female president in college's 125-year history



In July, Laurie Joyner will take on the position as SNC's ninth president and as the first-ever female president in the school's history. Janelle Fisher photo

BY JANELLE FISHER
CITY PAGES EDITOR

DE PERE – A new president is coming to St. Norbert College (SNC).

In July, Laurie Joyner will take on the position as SNC's ninth president overall and as the first-ever female president in the school's history.

It's a position Joyner said she looks forward to taking on.

“I'm just incredibly excited to have the opportunity to lead such an amazing institution,” she said. “St. Norbert College is so well respected for academic excellence and for its commitment to its Norbertine values and of course, providing students with a really strong liberal arts background that prepares them

not only for successful careers, but also meaningful lives and to provide leadership in their local community. So I just couldn't be more thrilled to have this opportunity.”

Once she takes office, Joyner said her first order of business will be to get to know the campus and the community to inform her leadership.

“In terms of priorities, obviously I need to get to campus and listen to the community and find out what their concerns are and what they're excited about,” she said. “I'm thinking we'll probably focus on shared governance issues. It's really important to have our faculty and staff and administration

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Long Johns for St. John's continues to make a difference

Local advocate helps make shelter wish list happen

BY JOSH STALOCH
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

GREEN BAY – For students at Notre Dame de la Baie Academy in Green Bay, community service is simply part of the high school experience.

The school's website states, "Sophomores are required to complete social justice service. To do this, they must serve the poor and vulnerable, which refers to people deprived of their basic rights and/or equal participation in society."

It was during her sophomore year at Notre Dame Academy (NDA) that Delaney Gallagher began "Long Johns for St. John's," a local non-profit organization dedicated to providing essential winter clothing items to those in our area experiencing homelessness.

Long Johns for St. John's is now well into its third winter of making a difference for those who most need a hand in Green Bay.

Gallagher, who has long since exceeded the require-

ments for community service laid out by her school, said she never considered taking her foot off the gas.

"Not really," Gallagher, now a senior at NDA, replied when asked if she had thought about doing something else with her time after finishing her first year with Long Johns for St. John's. "This is really where my passion lies. I just love being able to help out the shelter and the guests here. I feel like quitting was never a question, I want this to be a focus."

She said she takes pride in being able to draw attention to the issue of homelessness in our community and that she also gets a lot of gratification from knowing that what she's doing has a direct impact on those in need.

Winters in the Midwest are difficult, but most of us take for granted how well protected we are from things like frostbitten fingers.

This year, gloves top the list of items most needed by individuals served by St. John's.



Delaney Gallagher, a senior at Notre Dame Academy and creator of Long Johns for St. John's, got some help from Steve Schauer of St. John's Ministries as she unloaded more than 500 of essential winter clothing items that will go directly to individuals experiencing homelessness. **Josh Staloch photo**

Gallagher has been seeing a lot of gloves piling up in the silver minivan she uses to collect donations around town.

Gallagher noted that she volunteers her time doing other things at St. John's, and that she has had several proud moments this win-

ter serving meals and noticing that guests had gloves in their jacket pockets that came from her efforts.

"I think it's very important to engage the community and help to remember the importance of warmth for the homeless in our

community," she said. "So I really love being able to send a message to the guests here that there are people in the community who care."

Much appreciated

The folks at St. John's Ministries are very much appreciative of the concentrated effort Long Johns for St. John's makes at helping them keep their shelves stocked with the essentials that the individuals who come through their doors looking for help need the most.

"It's tremendous, to see what she's been able to accomplish" Steve Schauer, Director of Community Engagement at St. John's Ministries said. "The effort and the time she puts in, to truly make a difference, is very valuable and meaningful to us as an organization."

The numbers

In its first year of existence, Long Johns for St. Johns put 950 donations to good use.

Last winter, the number climbed to north of 1,600.

Going off of the St. John's wish list of items their guests need the most, Gallagher collected from her drop-off sites and delivered about 500 pieces to the shelter on Tuesday alone, bringing this year's total items donated to over 1,200.

Gallagher has dedicated at least 80 hours each winter to the cause since her sophomore year.

Where to donate

Those who wish to help can check the Long Johns for St. John's website to find out which necessities Delaney is currently focusing her efforts on.

From there, items can be dropped off at any of the area's five Festival Foods locations, Notre Dame Academy and also at Active Chiropractic & Rehabilitation in Allouez, which is operated by Delaney's father, Matthew.

De Pere residents can drop items off at St. Mary's and St. Francis Xavier churches.

For more information, visit longjohnsforstjohns.org.

Brown County Sheriff's Office recognizes staff, citizens

FOR THE PRESS TIMES

GREEN BAY – On Feb. 7, the Brown County Sheriff's Office Benevolent Association awards banquet was held at the Rock Garden Supper Club in Green Bay where the 2022 department award recipients were recognized.

Good Samaritan awards

Matthew Riehl and Jacob Beauchaine as well as Colleen Lacy and Maureen Noack were presented with the Good Samaritan awards.

On April 25 at 9:30 p.m., Riehl and Beauchaine were traveling on Kewaunee Road when they observed a female laying face down on her porch.

They stopped to check the welfare and found the patient had fallen and hit her head.

She was suffering serious bleeding and was in and out of consciousness.

She had been laying on the ground for approximately 45 minutes and was unable to move or call 911.

The men provided immediate medical attention to the injury until EMS responded.

EMS stated that without the response of Riehl and Beauchaine, the patient likely would not have survived the night.

On Nov. 18 at 9:45 a.m. officers were dispatched to a vehicle versus tree crash where the vehicle caught fire.

Passersby Lacy and Noack stopped to assist before emergency responders arrived on scene.

As flames began to spread, they worked together to remove the driver from the vehicle, and with the help of others, were able to get him into a nearby garage where



Brown County Sheriff's Deputy Kyle Mason, at right, was named "Officer of the Year" during the 2022 awards ceremony. He was presented with the award by Sheriff Todd Delain.

Submitted photo

medical staff began treatment.

They remained on scene to answer questions and complete statements, which assisted in the investigation.

Had they not stopped to render aid, EMS said there was a high probability the driver would have perished in the flames.

Correctional Officer of the Year

Correctional Officer of the Year Jennifer VonHaden has served the Brown County Jail for 24 years.

In 2019, she became the court coordinator, which entails setting up and maintaining all virtual court appearances for both in-and-out-of-county cases.

This assignment has become increasingly complex throughout COVID-19.

VonHaden willingly adjusts her schedule to accommodate early and late court cases and has regular contact with stake-

holders including attorneys, county judges and court officials who routinely comment on how professional she is.

She is viewed as a leader whom others go to for guidance.

She has stepped up to speak on behalf of correctional officers to address concerns with the profession and the benefits afforded them.

Officer of the Year

As a 7 and a half year veteran, the Brown County Sheriff's Office said that Officer of the Year Deputy Kyle Mason has made a significant impact on his peers, the agency and the community.

He has served as a patrol deputy, narcotics investigator and K-9 handler.

In his time with the Drug Task Force (DTF), he has eagerly taken on the role of training new narcotics investigators — challenging and supporting them in their efforts

to develop their investigative skills.

Mason has been at the forefront of the implementation of the DTF interdiction team, focusing on parcel interdiction and controlled deliveries. That has led to record seizures.

He has been instrumental in developing working relations with local, state and federal agencies, relations that aid in fighting drug activity in Brown County and beyond.

He has been the case agent in large scale drug investigations leading to the disruption of drug trafficking organizations, never once taking credit for his successes but always recognizing the efforts of the team.

His character and compassion was showcased during a parking lot arrest of a couple making a fentanyl delivery while their 10-year-old son with autism was left alone in

the store.

Following the successful arrest of the drug offenders, Mason returned to the store to locate the young boy — ensuring his safety and well-being — then used his own money to purchase over \$100 of items the boy had selected while left alone.

Mason's actions were known only because the store clerk posted the story on social media.

Other awards

Certificate of Appreciation – US Postal Inspector Matthew Schmitz

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Excellence in Training – Training Section Crew

Unit Citation – Correctional Officers Sarah Pecor and Chris Kujava

Unit Citation – Drug Task Force

Unit Citation – Sgt. Reese, DEO Estano, SRO Dzekute, and Deputies

Jacob Frye, Tanner Tanck and Charles Nelson

Merit Award/Arrest – Deputy Zachary Walters

Distinguished Service – Lt. Tom Zeigle

Distinguished Service – Sgt. Michael Calmes

Distinguished Service – Sgt. Paul Giesler

Distinguished Service – Lt. Trevor Bilgo

Life Saving – Lt. Jolly, Correctional Officers Goss, Foss and Davies

Life Saving – Deputy Kyle Messer and citizens Riley Linssen and Chad Nelson

Life Saving – Deputy Joseph Mleziva

Life Saving – Deputy Eric Mueller

Life Saving – Deputies Kyle VonLoh, Dalton Desmond, John Kowalski and Carly Resch

Sheriff's Award – Retired Captain Dan Sandberg



State champs

The Ashwaubenon boys' Nordic ski team won the overall state championship, placing four guys in the top 10, at the Birkebeiner Trailhead in Cable on Feb. 12. Notre Dame Academy's Joe Stumpf won the individual overall title for Ashwaubenon. The boys also won the distance state title and the Ashwaubenon girls' team took third place. The boys' and girls' teams include, from left: Nordic Ski Coach Scott Putman, Lauren Carlton, Owen Wick, Viggo Sorbo, Jon Hanson, Joe Stumpf, Lilly Franzen, Noah Jahnke, Ben Buchmann, Paige Beining, Ben Kelleher, Alex Bogenschutz and Nordic Ski Coach Evan Haas. **Submitted photo**



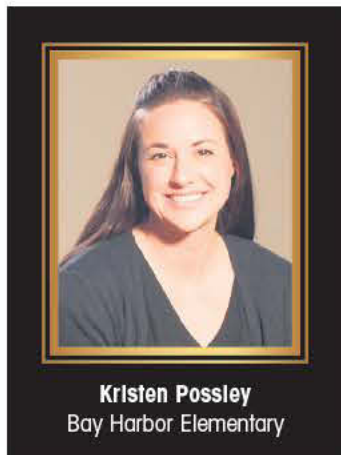
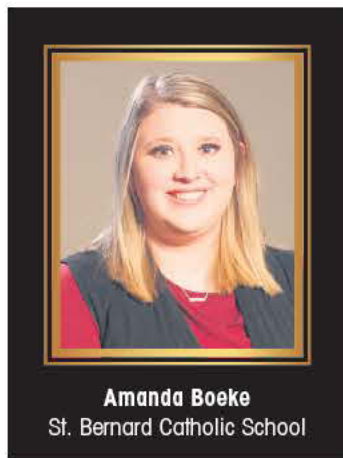
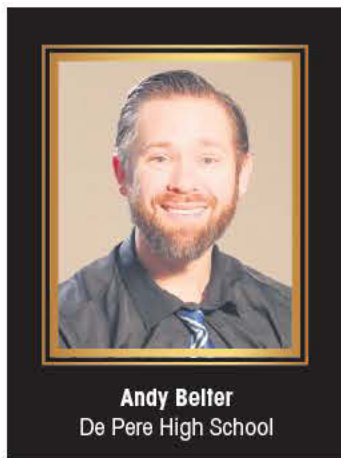
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Brown County officials announce Opioid Action Plan

FOR THE PRESS TIMES

BROWN COUNTY – Brown County Executive Troy Streckenbach, Brown County Sheriff Todd Delain, Brown County Health and Human Services Executive Director Jeremy Kral and Brown County Board of Supervisors Chair Patrick Buckley announced a proposed Opioid Action Plan that outlines how Brown County will allocate its allotment of opioid settlement funds during a press conference held Feb. 13 at the Brown County Medical Examiner's Office.

"In September of 2022, I declared a community health crisis in Brown County due to the spike in opioid overdose deaths involving fentanyl," said Streckenbach. "Since that time, Brown County has



Brown County Executive Troy Streckenbach, in front, surrounded by, from left: Brown County Board of Supervisors Chairman Patrick Buckley, Brown County Supervisor Keith Deneys, Brown County HHS Executive Director Jeremy Kral, Brown County Supervisor Emily Jacobson and Brown County Sheriff Todd Delain speak on the plan for opioid settlement funds in the county.

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worked hard to increase awareness of this public health and safety issue. These funds from pill manufacturers, distribu-

tors and retailers who acknowledged their role in this crisis will further enable Brown County to enact strategies to reduce

the deadly impact opioids and other illegal synthetic drugs are having on our community."

The proposed resolu-

tion will be voted on by the Brown County Board of Supervisors at its meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 15, at the Resch Expo.

If approved, funds will be invested over a 10-year period to hire a clinical professional with disciplines in mental health treatment and addiction, to disburse a grant for local non-hospital detox services, to offer sober living support and case management for 10-12 new clients and to hire two new investigators within the Brown County Drug Task Force who will focus on investigating lethal and non-lethal opioid overdoses.

The proposal includes an annual review to ensure the methods are effective in abating the opioid crisis.

The Opioid Action Plan

was formed as a collaboration between the Brown County Health and Human Services Department and the Brown County Sheriff's Office.

It features a four-sided approach in the areas of prevention, treatment, recovery and enforcement.

"Brown County has seen annual overdose deaths surge since 2018 to the point where they comprise one-third of all autopsies performed. These tragedies involve people's loved ones across all spectrums, including last year a baby just 16 months old," said Buckley. "These funds provide Brown County a unique opportunity to explore new approaches to address this serious issue and help save the lives of family members, friends and neighbors."

Building a more effective, efficient workforce

BY MELANIE ROSSI
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

GREEN BAY – With the goal of building a more effective and efficient workforce, University of Wisconsin-Green Bay is offering the Modern Workplace Certificate, an online course for women dedicated to providing them with the soft skills necessary for success as employees.

The program is provided with grant funds by AT&T, and there are still seats available for the spring course.

Laura Nolan, UW-Green

Bay's program manager of business and government outreach, said that the certificate program is designed to build a stronger workforce by addressing many new hires' lack of soft skills.

"According to LinkedIn and a survey they did, 75% of employers said they can't find graduates who have soft skills," she explained.

Soft skills include good communication, dynamic and active listening, critical thinking and — more recently — an understanding of professional technology.

With the inability to per-

form these skills comes challenges with "customer service, communication and productivity," Nolan added.

Funded by AT&T, the Modern Workplace Certificate specifically focuses on providing women from under-served communities with these necessary soft skills.

"One of the challenges that people deal with, particularly women, is balancing life and work," Nolan explained. "AT&T, when they gave us this grant, wanted us to really focus on women. Our goal was to re-

ally help women who have a hard time saying no and creating boundaries."

She continued, "Sometimes as a woman you feel like you have to work harder just to be recognized for what you contribute and do. It's really helping them to understand that it's okay to take care of yourself so that you can be a more efficient and effective worker."

Women at many different stages in their careers are able to take the online course — from those who are recent graduates looking to enter the workforce for the first time to mothers

hoping to return to work after spending time at home with their kids.

With this special focus on women from underrepresented populations comes an equally heightened attention to their busy schedules and the importance of creating a work-life balance.

According to Nolan, the program allows its students to "create a personal strategy for work-life balance. It's very interactive and has them creating and doing hands-on exercises that help make sure that they learn these skills."

To help create this personalized balance, the program is online and lets students work at their own pace.

Nolan added, "[The women] can log in and out, they can do it at midnight, they can do it early in the morning, they can do it around their work schedule."

The certificate program consists of seven modules, each focusing on one specific skill necessary for success in the workplace and taking between three and four hours. In total, Nolan

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Overcrowding was an issue for the reformatory in the early 1900s. Neville Public Museum of Brown County photo

Green Bay Correctional Institution: Chronic overcrowding

BY KRIS LEONHARDT
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Continued from the previous edition

In April 1902, the reformatory was preparing for another addition, which was direly needed.

"The new cell house will accommodate, when completed, 192 prisoners, making cell room for a total of 296 inmates. The institution now has nearly 150 inmates and cell room for but 101, making it necessary for all first class prisoners to be allowed to sleep on cots arranged one above the other outside of the cells," an article in the *Green Bay Semi-Weekly Gazette* stated.

"In erecting this new cell building it will be necessary to change the present entrance, which will be located on the north side of the main building."

Reformatory staff struggled with containing inmates over the first years, as unwilling young men sought out ways to escape.

But the previous fall brought about a new means of escape and increased concerns for the reformatory staff.

"Fred Pinfold, an inmate of the Wisconsin state reformatory, was found dead

in his cell... Pinfold had committed suicide by hanging, using a piece of suspender strap for the purpose," the *Semi-Weekly Gazette* stated of the man who had taken his life at just 20 years of age.

Staff had noticed Pinfold's despondent demeanor in the weeks leading to his death and tried to aid him by giving him work outdoors, so he might reap the benefits of the sun and fresh air for his mental health.

Health and busyness became a focus for staff and administrators.

In 1902, the reformatory began work on establishing a brickyard on an adjoining farm for the intern to manufacture brick, first for the building of the new addition and later for contracting services.

In December, plans were made to construct a hospital and a new administration building at the cost of a quarter million dollars.

The former office building would be allocated to use as a school, and an existing broom factory was to be expanded.

Construction on a 40x80-foot stone and brick barn also began late that year.

By September 1904, the reformatory was up to 238

inmates and looking to add more space.

By May 1905, the institution reached its 296 limit and closed its doors, sending letters out to Wisconsin county judges that all further commitments would be denied.

Meanwhile, a requested \$110,000 in appropriations was made for an additional wing, a powerhouse, machinery and improvements, but the asking price was high.

In 1907, the state enacted a law providing parole from prison by the Wisconsin Board of Control, with the governor's approval, which helped, but could only do so much.

Overcrowding persisted and in January 1909 work was finally underway on an addition, with lesser funding that was appropriated in 1907.

Overcrowding was again an issue in December 1914, as the Board of Control began to purchase beds to set up in corridors.

In October 1915, excavation began on a new cell wing, only to be put on hold as inmates were allocated for work on the Green Bay-De Pere concrete road.

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On Aug. 2, 1961, East Germany began construction of the Berlin Wall. In response, President Kennedy ordered 148,000 guardsman and reservists to active duty. Here in Green Bay, soldiers of the 32nd Division prepare to depart from the Chicago & Northwestern Railroad Depot (now The Depot), for training at Fort Lewis. Fort Lewis was a major training facility in Washington state that continued to train soldiers for the Vietnam War.

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said, the time for completion should be just under 20 hours.

In order to choose what skills to focus on in each module, Nolan and UW-Green Bay identified "skills that were 'in-need areas'" with local employers.

Some of these modules in the program include Strengthening Personal Communication; Building Problem Solving and Critical Thinking; Embracing Diversity and Inclusion; and Advancing Technology and Digital Literacy.

Advancing Technology and Digital Literacy is one of the main skills that Nolan highlighted as being

necessary for success in the workforce.

"One of the areas that's sometimes a challenge even with today's digital native generation is understanding digital technology and how to use it professionally in the workplace. Sometimes workers are so used to texting or utilizing technology in their day-to-day lives that they don't know when is an appropriate time to use professional technology," Nolan explained.

Another important module, Building Problem Solving and Critical Thinking, prepares women by "helping them to be able to look at situations, analyze them and improve

their problem solving skills. It ties into dynamic decision making and critical thinking."

At the completion of all seven modules, each woman in the program will receive a badge and a certificate from UW-Green Bay that they can add to their resume and include in their email signatures.

The grant's main purpose is to support women by preparing them with the soft skills necessary for the workplace. In providing these skills, Nolan said, the program hopes to "support building our workforce up, especially with the shortage of workers these days."

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Green Bay approves purchase of visual cues/crisis management system

BY KRIS LEONHARDT
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

GREEN BAY – During a Feb. 13 special meeting, the Green Bay Area Public School District voted to purchase Centegix/Singlewire visual cues/crisis management system.

Green Bay Interim Superintendent Vicki Bayer explained the impetus behind the need for the system.

“The catalyst was a swatting incident that happened at one of our schools earlier in the year,” she explained.

“This is something that was happening across the country, and as we do anytime we have an incident, we debrief and afterwards recognize that there was concern about communication in rooms that are typi-

cally loud — physical education, music rooms, tech education rooms — and it was requested by school staff that we do a better job, that we take a look at what is out there to help improve upon this. They were asking for a solution.”

The Centegix and Singlewire would provide a crisis management system, as well as visual cues to situations that occur in district buildings, using battery operated badges and strobes.

Review of the Centegix/Singlewire began in the 2021-22 school year, but was placed on hold and brought back during the 2022-23 school year and was presented at the Jan. 23 meeting.

“Three weeks ago, we delayed the motion to purchase the synthetic security system. Since that time,



During a Feb. 13 special meeting, the Green Bay Area Public School District voted to purchase Centegix/Singlewire visual cues/crisis management system. **File photo**

there has been a lot of conversation about Centegix and I appreciate that. But personally, I would continue to pump the brakes a bit on entering into a contract at this time,” said School Board Member Nancy

Welch during discussion. “The task force will be finishing up in April or May with their recommendations for addressing the 2024 budget shortfall. At the last task force meeting, the number of possible school

closings vary quite a bit from one scenario to another. The cost of the system is over \$40,000 per school. Therefore, I continue to feel we have very little to lose by seeking competitive bids to determine the best products, features, costs, and contract terms for our school district, as we wait for the task force recommendations.

“The district is assuming an increased risk with prepayment and a five year contract term.”

Staff said that the district would save \$180,400 by prepaying for a five-year term and that funding would come from operation/general fund dollars.

The total cost of the system is \$1,825,455.

The motion was approved 6-1, with Welch voting no.

East and West High School architecture and engineering services

During the Feb. 13 meeting, a motion to award ATS&R the bid for engineering and design services for West High School at \$540,385 — 5.75% of the total cost of construction — was approved by unanimous vote.

A bid for East High School engineering and design services from Somerville Architects & Engineers was also approved by unanimous vote at a cost of \$536,050 — 7.1% of the total cost of construction.

Both projects were part of the Nov. 8 referendum that passed in the Green Bay Area Public School District.

West De Pere School District looks to hire part-time dean

BY LEE REINSCH
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DE PERE – West De Pere School District plans to hire a part-time dean of students to help with growing pains.

It's a position the district had around two decades ago, from about 1999 to 2003, according to Superintendent of Schools Dennis Krueger.

“We know we are going to continue to grow even more than we have, so this is taking small steps toward what will eventually become the role of a full-time dean,”

Krueger said.

It will be a 10-month contract.

Krueger said the need stems from growth in the district, especially co-curriculars.

“The size, volume and frequency of co-curriculars is becoming a strain on our administrative staff,” West De Pere High School Principal Russ Gerke said. “Our co-curricular events are no longer just home events; we are traveling with teams during certain seasons, or we are supervising at ‘away’ facilities.”



West De Pere School District plans to hire a part-time dean of students to help with growing pains. **File photo**

Krueger said that the salary would be based on years of experience and what the hiree would earn if they were a teacher of the same number of years of experience, plus 25% of that amount.

Krueger said he expected the part-time associate dean position to pay around \$55,000.

Last year, the school board revamped the job description of dean of students in the event that it would hire or reinstate the

position in the future.

The school board also unanimously approved hiring a student services coordinator in the 2023-24 school year.

Twenty years ago, the district had one director of student services.

At that time, there were 150-200 special education students in the district, Krueger said.

In 2016-17, the number of special education students had grown to 367.

The current number is

469 students in special education in the district, according to Director of Student Services Amy Schuh.

But there's still just one director.

“Surrounding school districts have more than one position, more than one person in student services,” Krueger said.

He named several districts in the area, such as Howard-Suamico, Pulaski, Wrightstown and Unified School District of De Pere, that have more student services staff than West De Pere.

Schuh indicated that developing individualized education programs (IEPs) for each student is time consuming, as are evaluations.

“With the number of special ed students that we have, I feel like having another person there will help me do a better job, both in

the student services area and in special education,” Schuh said.

She said the ideal candidate would need a background in psychology, special education law, and student services, as well as an administrator license to conduct evaluations.

That position will pay \$75,000 to \$80,000 per year and start out as a 10-month-per-year position, with the likelihood of it growing to 12 months with increased compensation.

The district will use ESSER funds to pay for the position in the 2023-24 school year.

ESSER is the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund grant program authorized under the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act, which provides additional money to schools in response to COVID-19.



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behind what that means.” The meaning behind an access institution is certainly a new concept for many, but it represents a new concept to build on for future generations of university students.

Alexander continued, “An access institution believes that it is the goal of the university to make sure that people who want education can get [education].”

“UW-Green Bay’s direct admissions initiative removes the application process that — for some students — may feel like an overwhelming barrier to overcome in order to pursue any type of higher education dream, especially for students who may be the first in their families to graduate from a high school,” said Vicki Bayer, superintendent for Green Bay schools.

Most universities search out students with the highest GPAs, with the most promising futures coming straight out of high school, but that’s not what access institutions are about.

They search to give everyone a fair chance, and as Alexander put, “[To us] education is a lifelong pursuit, it’s something that you don’t stop when you graduate high school. The average student age at UW-Green Bay is around 24 years old.”

The goal for them is to bring in new students, no matter the age, and offer opportunities that other schools wouldn’t due to GPA, among other things.

UW-Green Bay has already offered 31 local students direct admin access, and 21 have committed to attending the college while 10 have pursued other institutions for higher education.

“We are not, as a direct admission, trying to influence a student choosing between us and another university,” Alexander said. “They’re [going to] choose us based on our merit and [select] the fit that is right for them. What we know is there are a ton of students who need a local solution. They have family reasons, they have economic reasons or they’re actively contributing to the workforce of northeast Wisconsin. And rather than fight that, we need to make sure we have great local options.”

With colleges like St. Norbert College, Northeast Wisconsin Technical College (NWTC) and UW-Green Bay all working to solve the issue, northeast Wisconsin is steadily moving toward an education focused on potential and accessibility, not prestige and past achievements.

“By working together we not only improve the lives of our students at Green Bay Area Public School District (GBAPSD) and their families, but we strengthen the community,” Bayer stated.

Alexander added, “To us this is really the beginning of what it means to be an institution that is really about access.”

Through the elimination of the application process, the barrier of an application is removed and instead invites anyone — regardless of age, GPA or current career path — to pursue a higher education.

Current high school juniors can begin preparing for enrollment now by doing well in their current studies, and families can prepare by utilizing the direct admin team to help answer questions throughout the enrollment process.

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Ashwaubenon board approves school budget plans

Jaguaress Dance Team recognized

BY JOSEPHINE HINDERMAN
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ASHWAUBENON – During its February meeting, the Ashwaubenon school board approved several school budget plans and recognized a high school team on its success.

The board acknowledged the Ashwaubenon Jaguaress Dance Team for their first place honors in Division 2 Kick at the 2023 WACPC Varsity Dance Competition that took place in La Crosse on Feb. 3-4.

“We have this opportunity to recognize an amazing program with amazing student athletes and amazing coaches and just some really dedicated kids,” said Superintendent Kurt Weyers. “Not only are they great dancers, but they are even better people.”

With her whole team there to present their trophies, dancer Kennedy Van-

DenElzen said, “I just [want to] say thank you to the team. It was a hard year; we had our struggles, we had our ups and downs, but from the beginning I knew that it was going to be good. We had a great year, a great season.”

The first action on the board’s agenda this meeting was to approve the Ashwaubenon School District’s three-year school library plan.

Librarians Nadine Mathu, Erin Sawaski and Dawn Austin gave a PowerPoint presentation on what the funding would be used for, how it would be spent and what kind of amenities Ashwaubenon school libraries would use.

This included two major goals: curriculum instruction and assessment and the use of library spaces and time.

The board approved the budget for the plan.



The board acknowledged the Ashwaubenon Jaguaress Dance Team for its first place honors in Division 2 Kick. Submitted photo

Technology plan

The 2023-24 technology budget plan and five-year financial plan was presented by Scott Truskowski, information technology coordinator for the school district.

In Truskowski’s presentation, he detailed what the budget would be used for — including making internet security programs, firewall costs, licensing, maintaining upkeep of software and replacing electronics like

Chromebooks, iPads and projectors.

The board approved the plan at \$664,100.

Facilities improvements

A 10-year facilities improvement plan was also presented by Ashwaubenon District Buildings and Grounds Coordinator Tom Schmitt.

This plan proposed renovations and improvements to be made to several build-

ings across the district over the next 10 years and has been put together using input and discussions with staff members.

The plan was also approved by the board.

Spring referendum

Weyers reminded and encouraged the district to attend upcoming meetings regarding the April referendum, including informational meetings on Wednesday, Feb. 22 at 6 p.m. at

Pioneer Elementary School and Wednesday, March 22 at 6 p.m. at the Cormier Early Education Center.

To learn more about the referendum and upcoming dates, visit www.ashwaubenon.k12.wi.us/community/2023-referendum.cfm or contact Weyers at (920) 492-2905, Ext. 1003, or kweyers@ashwaubenonk12.org or Keith Lucius at (920) 492-2905, Ext. 1005, or klucius@ashwaubenonk12.org.

Howard-Suamico School District looks at enrollment trends

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HOWARD-SUAMICO – The Howard-Suamico School District (HSSD) was briefed on future enrollment trends at its Feb. 13 meeting.

The board also discussed critical thinking strategies and recognized community outreach efforts within the district.

Nick Johnson from MDROffers Consulting in Madison presented the board with a condensed form of a 60-page report that the firm prepared for the district.

MDROffers worked on the project from September 2022 to January 2023.

The report indicated that the district should expect an additional 305 students by the 2035-36 school year.

Most of the enrollment growth will be spurred by projected developments along the Highway 29, Shawano Avenue and Milltown Road corridors.

Meadowbrook Elementary School is expected to grow by about 200 students by 2035, which will leave



The Howard-Suamico School District (HSSD) was briefed on future enrollment trends at its Feb. 13 meeting.

Janelle Fisher photo

the building significantly over capacity.

Lineville Intermediate School is also expected to be over capacity by the time 2035 rolls around with a projected growth of about 100 students.

The projected increase of 305 students represents a 5.2% increase on the current enrollment of 5,879 students.

Enrollment in the district has been roughly stable for the past decade.

Slight decreases in enrollment at the elementary and intermediate levels have been offset by slight

increases at the middle school and high school levels.

Total population in the HSSD attendance area increased by 19% in the 2020 Census, but most of the growth was concentrated in older demographics.

The report indicated that just under 4,000 new housing units are projected to be built in the district by 2035 — 80% expected in Howard and the remainder in Suamico.

Johnson told the board that on average, housing units send the most children to school within the

first decade of being built.

When discussing buildings that are projected to be over capacity, Johnson gave the board a couple of potential paths forward.

Those included shifting the attendance boundaries of the elementary school, changing the grade groupings that attend each school or building a new elementary school.

Board Member Vanessa Moran agreed that something should be done, but said that “it’s just always challenging to shift boundaries.”

District Superintendent Damian LaCroix said, “Time is on our side” and noted that the timetable is far enough in the future that the board does not need to rush into any large decisions.

LaCroix also said that the report will be shared with village staff of both Howard and Suamico to keep them informed.

Focus on critical thinking

Another presentation from the board highlighted strategies that the dis-

trict is using to implement critical thinking skills.

LaCroix noted that critical thinking is a large part of the ideal graduate profile and cited a recent study of over 800 employers that said the same.

At Bay Harbor Elementary School, students plant seeds and then have to decide when to move them to a larger pot.

By engaging with a dynamic process of the plant growing and the requirements to move the plant to a larger pot, students enact critical thinking by interacting with multiple processes at the same time.

At Bay Port High School, students in upper-level culinary classes are given open-ended recipes and have to think critically to create a finished product.

The presentation also noted how the district aims to have students work to proactively solve

problems instead of reacting to problems when necessary.

Outreach recognition

The board recognized the Giving Tree, an organization of HSSD employees that work to help underprivileged students within the district.

The group started in 2008 in an old concession stand at Bay View Middle School and grew so much that it moved into a space at Green Bay Community Church in 2016.

Giving Tree works with school nutritionists to provide healthy food to students in the district who may not have access to that outside of the school day.

It also runs supply drives and provides other essential items to underserved students in the district.

OBITUARIES



David R. Quimby, age 82, of Sheboygan, passed away on February 5, 2023, at the Aurora Medical Center in Grafton. He was born on August, 9, 1940, in Lansing, MI to the late Raymond and Patience (Smith) Quimby. He graduated from Eaton Rapids High School and then proudly served his country in the United States Navy from 1958-1961. He furthered his education at Michigan State University, earning a masters degree in educational administration. In 1963, Dave married

Phyllis Hollister and together they had three beautiful daughters. Dave was an administrator at St. Norbert College in De Pere, retiring in 2002. Dave loved being outdoors, such as hunting, fishing and boating. He had a generous heart and always willing to help others. He will be deeply missed. He is survived by his daughters, Heather (David) Schuster and Jennifer (Ben) Withers; his significant other, Jan Miller; grandchildren, Anne (Nathan), John, Brian, Hugh, William and Leon and ex-wife Phyllis Jean. Along with his mother, Patience Pratt, Dave was preceded in death by a daughter, Summer Ann Quimby. A Celebration of Life for Dave will be held at 11:30 AM on June 24, 2023, at the Wind Jammers Sailing Club, 4009 Channel Road in Saumico, WI 54173, with Military Honors to follow. Memorial donations can be made in David’s name to either National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Breast Cancer Research Foundation, or to the Wind Jammers Sailing Club in Suamico. The family would like to thank the staff at both St. Nicholas Hospital and Aurora Medical Center in Grafton for the excellent care given to Dave. To leave the family an online condolence please visit www.ballhornchapels.com

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NEWS BRIEFS



New BayCare Clinic location in Green Bay

GREEN BAY – BayCare Clinic’s orthopedics and sports medicine providers have begun seeing patients at a new facility in the Horizon Square building at 1110 Kepler Dr.

BayCare’s subspecialty and fellowship-trained orthopedics, sports medicine, podiatry and physical therapy providers and services will be consolidated to this location.

As a result, BayCare Clinic’s orthopedics and sports medicine providers will no longer see patients at the Aurora BayCare Medical Center on Kepler Drive, the Aurora BayCare Health Center on West Mason Street or the South Ridge Road location.

The patient-centered facility features 52 exam rooms, a rooftop track open to the public, conference rooms designed for pre-surgical education classes, three X-ray suites, large windows, natural light and a fish tank.

Canary Fund awards grants to local projects

GREEN BAY – The Canary Fund, a Green Bay-based charitable foundation, recently awarded a total of \$15,200 for northeast Wisconsin individuals and organizations working on original projects to address unmet needs in their communities.

Since its founding in 2019, The Canary Fund has distributed more than \$100,000 in grants to 55 individuals.

“Twice a year, we accept grant applications and then award funds of between \$1,000 and \$5,000 to activists, visionaries and change-makers across 12 Wisconsin counties,” Pete Angilello, president of The Canary Fund, said. “With each grant cycle, we continue to be in awe of the many individuals who roll up their sleeves and work to make a difference in our communities. We’re also grateful for the many generous people who continue to support these difference-makers with donations to The Canary Fund. Together, we are all creating more compassionate, just and sustainable communities across our region.”

Recipients of this round of grants include Cara Wreen, with STEM2 Girls, Inc.; Kim Ricker, with The Pink Warrior Foundation; Sandra Shackelford, with The Sandra Shackelford Papers; Amy Behrend, with You Belong Saturday Respite Events; Barbara Koldos, with 2023 InspirASIAN Speaker Series; Andrew Phillips, with In-Depth Journalism on Addiction and Child Welfare in Door County; Rachel Kuehl, with Tanya’s Touch; and Don Krumpos, with “Krampos,” A Community Puppet Performance.

The Canary Fund’s next granting cycle will be open May–July with winners announced in August. To find more information on how to apply, visit thecanaryfund.org.

School choice app launches in Wisconsin

BROWN COUNTY – A new tool is available to Wisconsin families to help make them aware of educational opportunities — a website called Schoolahoop.

Schoolahoop offers a way for parents to compare and find local schools to fit their child’s educational needs, as well as discover what scholarship assistance might be available to them.

“Enrollment for Wisconsin’s private school choice programs began last week,” Nic Kelly, president of School Choice Wisconsin, said. “This is a great tool for parents who might otherwise never know about the options they have.”



Elevate Communities applications open now

BROWN COUNTY – Applications are now open for Capital Credit Union’s Elevate Communities program.

Started in 2018, Elevate Communities assists local fire, police and EMS organizations in upgrading or purchasing

lifesaving resources by alleviating the financial stress and time spent fundraising for those necessary resources.

Applications will be accepted through March 31 with awards ranging between \$5,000–\$100,000.

Any fire, police or EMS organization located in Brown, Calumet, Door, Kewaunee, Manitowoc, Marinette, Menominee, Oconto, Outagamie, Shawano, Waupaca or Winnebago counties are eligible and encouraged to apply.

“Capital Credit Union wants to show our appreciation for the role service organizations play in our communities every day, and we want to ensure they have the best equipment available while doing so,” Capital Credit Union’s President and CEO Laurie Butz said. “This is such an impactful way for us to make a difference and help these organizations keep our communities safe. Our Elevate Communities program allows us to show how much our Capital Credit Union employees and members care.”

For more information about the Elevate Communities program and to apply, visit capitalcu.com/elevate-communities.

Packers Vice President Paul Baniel to retire

GREEN BAY – Paul Baniel, the Green Bay Packers’ vice president of finance and administration, will retire in October after 14 seasons with the organization.

“As a lifelong Wisconsinite and Packers fan, it’s been an honor and a privilege to be a steward of the organization and help move it forward,” Baniel said. “I’m happy to start the next chapter of my life knowing the Packers are on strong financial ground and able to field many more championship teams.”

During his time with the Packers, Baniel was involved with Lambeau Field’s renovation projects, contributed to the development of Tittletown and represented the Packers at the NFL level on economic issues.

“On behalf of the Packers, we thank Paul for all he has done during his tenure here,” Packers President/CEO Mark Murphy said. “His strong leadership and financial expertise over the past 14 years have been crucial as the business of the Packers has grown tremendously. We are particularly appreciative of his work to help enhance Lambeau Field and develop Tittletown.”



Oneida Airport Hotel Corporation sells Wingate Hotel

GREEN BAY – As of Feb. 7, Oneida Airport Hotel Corporation has sold the Wingate by Wyndham Green Bay for \$4.1 million.

The hotel will remain open as a Wingate with all staff having been retained by the hotel’s new owners and management company.

“We believe we made a good business decision to sell this property and we are confident the new owners will be happy with the purchase as well,” Kathy Hughes, a spokesperson for the Oneida Airport Hotel Corporation, said. “The selling price will cover all outstanding obligations that are owed. This property is on county land, and we are more interested in investing in businesses on our lands.”

Brown County announces local nonprofit grants

BROWN COUNTY – Local nonprofit organizations providing services to the Brown County community are eligible to apply for up to \$1 million in grants as part of Brown County’s American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds.

In 2022, the first round of grant funding provided \$1 million to 16 different local nonprofit organizations.

Applications submitted by March 3 will be reviewed by a panel, which will make recommendations to the Brown County Human Services Committee. The committee will make final grant award recommendations to the Brown County Board of Supervisors for consideration.

Eligible organizations must be nonprofits serving Brown County and comply with all rules and regulations for the ARPA State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, as deter-

mined by the Department of the Treasury.

More information can be found on the Brown County Health and Human Services website — browncountywi.gov/departments/health-human-services/general-information/.



Free therapy services for foster care families

GREEN BAY – Foundations Health and Wholeness is now offering free mental health therapy services for foster families, foster youth and teens and the biological families of foster youth associated with the Foster Care by Foundations program.

Compassionate outpatient therapy services will be provided by Foster Care Resident Therapist Katie Szerkins both in-person at the Green Bay mental health clinic or virtually to increase accessibility of care.

“What makes our Foster Care by Foundations program distinct from other organizations is the level of high-quality support we offer to our foster parents,” Ryan Good, President and CEO of Foundations Health and Wholeness, said. “We consider Foster Care by Foundations to be a parent-first program because we understand that our foster parents are the ones working with foster youth around the clock at home. Our foster parents are the reason we can do the work we do! In turn, we offer them 24/7/365 excellent support from expert case workers, training, tools and warm connection that our foster parents need to feel supported and successful on their fostering journey.”

Project Play 60 returns to Lambeau Field

GREEN BAY – Project Play 60, the Green Bay Packers’ event focused on getting kids out the house and physically active, will take place Saturday, March 11.

The free event will be held in the Lambeau Field Atrium and feature inflatables, interactive games, a climbing wall and face painting.

A ninja obstacle course and gymnastics circuit will be on-site courtesy of Tri-County Gymnastics and Bellin Health certified instructors will be running 10-minute mindful yoga sessions to teach kids how mindfulness and yoga techniques can strengthen their minds and bodies.

More details and waivers for the event can be found at packers.com/projectplay60.

MOVE

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Mainline Drive fire station.

New walls, doors and windows will be added, and the evidence rooms and offices will be renovated.

New HVAC will also be installed for that portion of the building. Seymour Mayor Ryan Kraft said the move will help centralize city services.

“One of our objectives over the past couple years has been to consolidate infrastructure wherever we can; servers, staff and resources,” he said. “By bringing the police department back into this building we can accomplish a lot of those goals.”

Seymour Police Chief Isaac Schultz leads a department of six full-time officers, including himself, and said the move will help the department be more efficient in serving the city.

“We’re the first point of contact for people even if it is something like a broken water main,” he said, saying it will help the department remain a very good police department for a long time.

“I hope the public sees this as a great investment,”

he added.

The move will provide better space for evidence storage as the current evidence room is in an old vault in the Municipal Building basement which is crowded and has no proper ventilation.

The new area will also have better interview facilities and an improved place for members of the public to discuss complaints with officers.

City Administrator Sean Hutchinson said the ARPA funds were designed to be used for one-time expenditures, so the police department move and Municipal Building remodeling were a good fit for the grant.

McMahon and Associates of Neenah was selected as the consultants and architects for the project, and with Council approval, the firm will now draw up detailed plans.

“We focused on what was needed and not just wanted,” Hutchinson said. “This will provide offices for the chief, the officers, a locker room and equipment all in one location.”

Bids for the remodeling are expected to be let in April.

Curry in a hurry

Need a creative way to utilize leftover chicken? Look no further. Well, look a little further, at least to the end of the article.

I was trying to find a way to use up some grilled chicken from a cookout a while back and discovered that it makes great sandwiches with just a few ingredients in no time, but takes the profile to great heights with a little curry, some red grapes and a technique to toast up some sweet and spicy cashews.

mistakable when in any dish, but this recipe uses such a small amount that it really enhances the other ingredients perfectly.

With only four main ingredients — chicken, cashews, red grapes and celery — it's important that each ingredient has a chance to shine while still being part of the overall balance in profile.

Curry, when eaten raw, has a bitter, earthy taste, so it's more at home when cooked in dishes or, as in this case, "candied," for

Use a heavy bottom skillet to disperse and retain heat evenly, toast the cashews until golden, then add the other ingredients until they form a candied appearance and let them cool at room temperature to harden and become crunchy.

This not only gives a spicy sweet crunch to the dish, but the coating allows the cashews to stay crunchy even after spending time in the mayo based dressing.

Any leftover cooked chicken will work whether it is last night's roast, rotisserie style, baked, grilled or broiled; it will just have different flavors depending on the preparation method.

Give this recipe a try and you'll be loving curry in a hurry!



Chef Andy

BY ANDY MUELLER
BLACK & TAN GRILLE

Probably most comfortable on a croissant, the curried cashew chicken salad can also be enjoyed on any type of bread or on a bed of mixed greens for a lighter lunch or snack.

Curry powder is not something I have often because it's a very pronounced flavor that is un-

lack of a better word.

The only time we're adding curry powder is when we are toasting and caramelizing the cashews with butter and brown sugar on the stove top.

The process is simple, but make sure to do this process over medium heat or the cashews will burn.

Curried cashew chicken salad

For the curried cashews: In a heavy bottomed skillet over medium heat add:

2 cups cashews
Stir continuously until the cashews are golden brown (about 5 - 7 minutes).
Add to the skillet:
2 tablespoons butter
Stir until butter is melted.

Add:
1 teaspoon curry powder, pinch salt and pinch cayenne pepper (optional), stir to combine, then add:
2 tablespoons light brown sugar
1 tablespoon water
Cook for 3-5 minutes while stirring until the sugar starts to caramelize and coats the cashews. Transfer the cashews to a

parchment lined tray, separating the cashews so they are not touching. Allow to cool at room temperature to harden.

For the chicken salad
In a mixing bowl add:
1 cup mayonnaise
4 cups diced cooked chicken
1/2 teaspoon salt
Fresh cracked pepper to taste

1 cup seedless red grapes, washed and sliced in half
1 1/2 cups curried cashews (the rest are for snacking)

1 celery stalk finely diced
1 Tablespoon chopped fresh parsley
Mix all ingredients together. Chill for one hour, serve on a croissant or your favorite bread. Enjoy!

Subnivean zone: What lies beneath

As a person who loves cross-country skiing and snowshoeing I can think of few things worse than a winter without snow.

For the myriad of plants and animals that spend most of winter in the subnivean zone, a winter without snow is really bad; their chances of survival are greatly reduced.

spiders and many plants and fungi spend much of the winter in the subnivean zone.

Although we can't see into the subnivean zone, we can see signs of the activity taking place there.

If you are hiking on a trail you will see tracks where voles, mice and weasels had to leave the subnivean to scurry across the trail.

Voies are the engineers of the zone, digging complex sets of tunnels and chambers under the snow. The tunnels connect separate eating, sleeping and toilet chambers.

Voies are essentially a short tailed mouse.

In the Green Bay area the common species is the eastern meadow vole, *Microtus pennsylvanicus*.

Just a little further north, particularly in areas that are predominately forest, will be found the boreal, a.k.a. southern, red-backed vole, *Myodes gapperi*.

The deer mouse *Peromyscus maniculatus* spends time in the subnivean, but is not as tied to it as the voles.

Particularly in woodland areas they spend a lot of time in trees and frequently sleep and nest in hollow trees.

It would seem that life would be pretty cushy for voles and mice living in the subnivean zone; a comfortable, consistent temperature, a ready food supply of grasses, herbaceous plants

and seeds under the snow, hidden away from all of those hungry predators.

The insulation effect of the snow is very important; on a -20 degree day any warm blooded animal living in the subnivean zone is going to burn far fewer calories than if they were out on the surface of the snow.

However, many preda-

tors have developed adaptations to effectively prey on voles and mice that are hidden from our sight.

Wisconsin has several species of shrews, all of which are small enough to move around in the subnivean and prey on voles, mice, insects, spiders, earthworms, snails, other shrews and even consume a

small amount of fungi and seeds.

The most common shrew in this area is the northern short-tailed shrew *Blarina brevicauda*.

Shrews have an extremely high metabolism and can consume up to three times their weight daily.

Continued in an upcoming edition



Bay Area Birds

BY CHARLIE FRISK
GUEST COLUMNIST

The subnivean zone is a thin layer between the ground and the layer of snow on top of it.

"Sub" means beneath, and "nivium" means snow.

If the snow is six or more inches deep, the temperature in the subnivean zone will stay around 32 degrees Fahrenheit, even if it is -20 degrees outside.

Meadow voles, deer mice, shrews, weasels, insects,

On both sides of the trail will be a small hole where the critters re-enter the zone.

In the spring when the snow melts you can see the remnants of the trail network that existed under the snow.

If you would like to be able to identify the tracks, a great field guide is *Animal Tracks of the Great Lakes* by Ian Sheldon.



The subnivean zone is a thin layer between the ground and the layer of snow on top of it. Stock photo

People of Brown County



About five years ago, Kari Alvey, was, looking for a way to spend her time post-retirement and ended up attending an expo at the KI Center highlighting volunteer opportunities in the area. After considering several options, Alvey determined that St. John's Ministries was the best fit for her. She's been a receptionist at the downtown men's homeless shelter ever since. Alvey, who has lived in Green Bay her whole life, aside from some time spent in Iowa as she studied dietetics, has two grown children who live in the area with their families.

Josh Staloch photo

How to cover dental care in retirement

DEAR SAVVY SENIOR,

I had dental insurance through my work for many years but lost it when I retired and joined Medicare. Where can retirees find affordable dental care?

Uninsured Al

are stuck paying full out-of-pocket prices every time they visit a dentist.

While there's no one simple solution to affordable dental care, there are a variety of options that can help cut your costs.

Here's where to look:

approved health plans (usually HMOs and PPOs) sold by private insurance companies that you can choose in place of original Medicare.

To shop and research Advantage plans in your area visit [Medicare.gov/plan-compare](https://www.medicare.gov/plan-compare) or call (800) 633-4227.

Dental insurance

If you have gum problems and need extensive dental care, a dental insurance plan may be worth the costs versus paying for care yourself.

Monthly premiums for individual plans range from about \$20-\$80.

A typical plan includes two or three cleanings and checkups per year, but these plans will likely have a waiting period — anywhere from a few months to a few years —

before coverage for more expensive procedures kicks in.

To find dental plans in your area, see [eHealthInsurance.com](https://www.eHealthInsurance.com).

Dental savings plans

While savings plans aren't as comprehensive as insurance, they are a good option for those who don't have dental insurance.

How this works is you pay an annual membership fee — around \$80-\$200 a year — in exchange for 10-60% discounts on service and treatments from participating dentists.

To find a savings plan, go to [DentalPlans.com](https://www.DentalPlans.com), or call (888) 632-5353, where you can search for plans and participating dentists as well as get a breakdown of the discounts offered.

Veterans benefits

If you're a veteran enrolled in the Veterans Affairs (VA) health care program or are a beneficiary of the Civilian Health and Medical Program, the VA offers a dental insurance program that gives you the option to buy dental insurance through Delta Dental and MetLife at a reduced cost.

The VA also provides free dental care to vets who have dental problems resulting from service.

To learn more about these options, visit [VA.gov/dental](https://www.VA.gov/dental) or call (877) 222-8387.

Cheaper dental care

Because prices can vary by dentist, one way to ensure you get a good deal on your dental care is to call multiple providers

and compare prices.

To get an idea of what different dental procedures cost in your area, see [FairHealthConsumer.org](https://www.FairHealthConsumer.org).

If you're paying cash, it's also perfectly reasonable to ask your dentist for a discount.

There are also a number of health centers and clinics that provide low-cost dental care to those in need.

Additionally, all university dental schools and college dental hygiene programs offer dental care and cleanings for less than half of what you would pay at a dentist's office.

Students who are supervised by their professors provide the care.

See [TeethWisdom.org](https://www.TeethWisdom.org) to search for a center, clinic or school near you.



Savvy Senior

YOU ASK THE SENIOR QUESTION — WE FIND THE SAVVY ANSWER. SYNDICATED COLUMN

DEAR AL,

Unfortunately, about two-thirds of U.S. retirees don't have dental insurance today. Without coverage from traditional Medicare, and with private dental insurance typically costing too much to be feasible, most seniors

Medicare Advantage

While dental services are mostly excluded under original Medicare, many Medicare Advantage plans do provide coverage for dental care, but it's usually very limited.

Medicare Advantage plans are government-

CANDIDATES

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Niffenegger, did not respond.



Jeff Dickert

Bio: Retired teacher with 44 years of experience, including 10 years as a teacher and coach, three years as principal, 17 years as superintendent and 14 years as leader of CESA 7.

Why are you running for school board?

Public Education is one of the cornerstones of democracy. I understand Public Education like no other candidate. During my career I attended over 600 School Board meetings. I know public school curriculum, finance, operations, etc. I am kids-focused and am very grateful for the education my son received at De Pere and want to continue the fine traditions of the district while making sure we are preparing students for the future, not our past.

What do you feel are three of the biggest issues in the Unified School District of De Pere, and how will you address them?

Future focus:
De Pere Schools has done an excellent job in educating our students as indicated by the State Report Card. We need to look ahead and design learning programs that will advance our students in any career they would like to continue with after graduation. Computer Coding should be infused into our curriculum beginning in kindergarten. The high school should have a career, college and citizen preparation focus as each student and their family design their future. Apprenticeships and early college

credits would be standard practice for our students in their junior and senior year.

Future growth:

De Pere School District is growing, and all indications are that it will continue growing well into the 2030s. The district will need to plan for this growth and what the new facilities needs will be and where to place future schools, based on the growth and new educational programming.

All students:

While the State Report Card shows the District is doing a great job educating our students, it also shows that some of our students are being left behind. We need to target these students and help the students and their families reach newer heights of performance in our schools. This will take not only highly trained personnel, but also new technology for the students that will allow them to keep up with their peers.



Mark Meneau

Bio: I am currently employed at Conger Industries as an account manager. I served on the Unified School District of De Pere school board from 2010-2022.

I hold a bachelor's degree from UW-Stevens Point in Marketing and Communications. I have resided here since 1996 and I am active in volunteering my time in the school district.

Why are you running?

To use my past experience to help lead the district in assessing our current facilities and how to address them in the upcoming phase of district growth.

What do you feel are three of the biggest issues in the district and

how will you address them?

Facilities growth:

I will address this issue by participating in focus groups to determine where our tax dollars need to be spent on what facilities.

Growth of our technology education areas:

In order to prepare our students for the future, we need to upgrade this area.

Attracting and retaining quality staff:

We need to make sure that we are listening to our staff's concerns and giving them the support and resources that they need to be world-class educators.



Wolf Hindrichs

Bio: I retired from the Army in 2019 from a career that took me from Alaska to Australia, and a lot of less desirable places in between, but my time in those struggling nations underscored the gift that is public education and its profound impact on shaping and maintaining the kind of world in which we want our youth to grow up, thrive and leave to future generations.

I'm the end product of a diverse education, starting in Berlin, Germany, as the son of an American spy during the Cold War. I attended public school in Virginia and inner-city Philadelphia, experiencing both rural and urban education; safe and dangerous environments.

By comparison, De Pere is nothing short of amazing. For most of my life, I was raised by a single mother — looking back as an adult, I have an appreciation of the resolve and strength of families trying to make it.

By high school I moved back in with my father,

and attended a preparatory school in Virginia which lends me another vantage point into American education.

I joined the Army at 17 with the intent to ship out after graduation, but received a Presidential nomination to the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, earning a B.S. in Human Geography tracked in Environmental Engineering.

Eight years later, after multiple deployments and countless moves, I got my Masters in International Policy and Practice from George Washington University, and finished my military career assigned to the Pentagon.

Since then, I have moved into tech, and my work centers around delivering digital transformation to the deskless workforce, empowering those who feed, fuel and build our society with the technology needed to succeed in an increasingly automated world. So I spend a lot of time these days balancing being in front of a computer and wearing a hard hat to ensure people aren't being left behind.

Why are you running?

I've been married for 14 years, and I have a fourth grader at Heritage, so I'm invested for both the immediate and the foreseeable future. I plan to live in De Pere for the rest of my life.

I'm tired of education always being treated as an afterthought, and I'm unhappy with the polarization we see in our nation and our community; education shouldn't be partisan. A decade of budget cuts has left us having to do more with less, and while fiscal responsibility is important, it is a poor excuse to leverage against the success of our children. Having spent my entire career being non-partisan, working for Presidents from both sides of the aisle, and being in D.C. for some of the most tumultuous periods of our recent history, I know I can bridge the gap and bring common sense into decision-making, steering our community away from knee-jerk reactions and towards a long

term strategic plan.

Children are naturally curious, and inquisitive — they have an innate desire to learn and succeed, and somehow, over the course of 18-21 years of their life, society has a tendency of stifling those desires, putting kids into the very boxes we complain about them not being able to think outside of, and turning them into boring adults. And again, a lot of this is because education is an afterthought in everything from voting to resourcing. We have a tendency of relying on what we think worked in the past, instead of continually driving innovation and learning.

Whether it's a mindset or the very facilities our children are learning in, we can't afford to continue to operate as if we're in the 1970s. I'm running because I bring a fresh perspective, a level head and a real desire to set our kids up for future success.

Hearing parent, teacher, student and resident concerns about the last few years and our future, I believe I am well positioned to responsibly represent the interest of this community, having managed a project 40x larger than our city budget, experience in crisis management and the ability to work alongside stakeholders for a winning end state.

What are the three biggest issues in the district and how would you address them?

Infrastructure and resourcing:

Infrastructure and resourcing are at the top of everyone's list for the district — and there's already an ongoing assessment and plan in development — but it still leaves the question of what we can do in the immediate, and ultimately how we end up paying for these needed improvements.

Whether we expand, whether we build up, whether we build additional schools — these are great questions that the commission and the community have a voice in, but when class sizes approach 30 students to a single teacher,

cafeteria tables crowd onto stages and that bullying is unseen in overcrowded hallways, we know that something needs to change. Coming from Philadelphia, I am a big fan of building up — but also want to balance that against the need for modern facilities.

Near term, I would consider moving the district office away from the high school and making use of that building for class space.

Safety:

One of the most mentioned issues concerns children not feeling safe. Children deserve to learn in an environment that is free of discrimination, violence and harassment — point blank.

Much of this bullying is happening on social media. And it happens in the classroom when kids are allowed to be on their phones, in the hallways, in the locker rooms and at home.

Addressing this requires a joint effort between the schools, families and the community — rebuilding trust, and not immediately casting blame. These issues cannot be tolerated, and cannot be swept under the rug without setting our kids up for failure.

Technology:

We want to ensure all of our kids become productive members of society — whether they are pursuing a trade or going to school, technology education needs to be front and center.

Resourcing: It will be addressed with the district technology plan, but tech starts in elementary school, building on concepts like safety, and continues to grow with our children so that they have relevant classes.

Mike LaBouvé

LaBouvé did not respond to three messages from The Press Times seeking his input.

Melissa Niffenegger

Niffenegger did not respond to three messages from The Press Times seeking her input.

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PUBLISHER'S LETTER

'Cuba Libre'



Dear Reader,
Recently I visited Havana, Cuba with a few friends. I traveled there five years ago and was interested in seeing how things had changed. From what I could see, things were not better for the people living there for a number of reasons, starting with the peso's devaluation against the dollar last year.



cleaning rooms, which was more than she could get if she had worked in her field.

Cigars were offered by hotels, which were government businesses, at \$60 to \$80 per cigar. That also is not a typo; one cigar costs \$60 to \$80. Obviously the Cuban people can't afford to pay a month's wages for a cigar from their own country, unless they buy it on the black market. But that is a risk that many do not want to take.

I would recommend going there to see how this vibrant culture still flourishes under the thumb of a few selfish authoritarians. The people living there make possessions last for a long time; dishes of paella were creative and delicious; our driver ferried us around in a 1957 Chevy Belair; music groups sang beautiful harmonies; and the jazz and salsa dancing were exceptional. Yes, the Cubans are not free. But they are masters of the workarounds needed to survive and even celebrate life.

I learned two lessons from this trip. First, that a person can make a happy life with whatever one has on a beautiful country island. And second, that we must appreciate the abundance of riches we earn in this beautiful land of opportunity. We must not take our freedom for granted. Not everyone has the opportunity to live with the individual self-determination and personal autonomy that we do.

PATRICK J. WOOD - Publisher
Author of "Dear Reader" and "Tapestry of Love and Loss"

A peso doesn't buy what it used to, and the people are suffering from the decline. The devaluation resulted in a huge drop in pay for ordinary people trying to get by on an average income of just \$40 to \$60 dollars a month. That's not a typo; that's what an average Cuban makes in a month.

Because Cuba is a communist country, it doesn't matter if you are a highly trained doctor working in a medical center or an unskilled laborer toiling in the tobacco fields. Most of the people - 90% of the population - work for the government, because nearly all employment is regulated and controlled by the state. It's even illegal to go fishing. You get the feeling that the dictatorship would regulate the use of air if they could.

We hired a car and driver who had his own business to help us navigate. He had been a doctor but was unable to prescribe medicine because none was available. The \$60/month he made helping tourists get around was more than he could make as a doctor. Similarly, a woman who had a degree in finance was making \$3/day for



BE OUR GUEST

Legislation introduced to ban strip searches in schools

FROM REP. DAVID STEFFEN
WISCONSIN FOURTH
ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

On Feb. 13, legislation that would ban strip searches from occurring in Wisconsin schools was released to members of the Legislature to garner co-sponsorship support.



Steffen

State Representatives David Steffen (R-Howard) and Elijah Behnke (R-Oconto), and State Senator Eric Wimberger (R-Green Bay) worked collectively to introduce the bill, which would effectively prohibit school officials from strip searching students.

This issue received statewide attention when a Suring School District employee allegedly ordered six teenage girls to disrobe

down to their underwear in search of a nicotine vape cartridge.

According to media reports, neither the girls' parents nor law enforcement were notified of the strip search prior to it occurring, and the girls were required to stand in their underwear in front of the school district employee.

"The allegations surrounding this incident are a clear violation of basic privacy expectations, and the fact that this involves minors is even more concerning," said Rep. Steffen. "We have joined with parents in demanding that these types of strip searches performed by teachers or school staff never happen again in Wisconsin. We are

committed to protecting the privacy of our students and this legislation reflects a common-sense change."

"Orders to disrobe on mere suspicion are not even permitted for the worst criminal suspects," said Sen. Wimberger. "It's important that we give students basic dignities, and be the example to instruct them how to respect others when they ultimately leave the school environment."

"This is a common-sense bill that will help protect every student's dignity while in school," said Rep. Behnke. "I look forward to getting it passed through the legislature and signed into law."

This bill is currently circulating for co-sponsorship support, after which it will be referred to a committee for a formal public hearing.

For more information please reach out to the offices listed above.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

We the people

DEAR EDITOR,
We all know how important it is to vote, but with the spring elections being mostly for local offices often we just blow it off, figuring somebody who knows more than we do will go to the voting booth and elect the right people.

To the contrary, our founding fathers who drafted the Constitution believed that we, the common people, have the good sense to deal with the issues, figure things out and select the person we think is best for the office.

In addition to the local elections for mayor, county board and school board, there is another election that could impact your life in a very significant way.

That is the election for one Supreme Court of Wisconsin justice.

This is definitely one

where you should make your voice heard. Why should you care? Does it seem that the Supreme Court of Wisconsin doesn't deal with anything that might touch your life?

To the contrary.

The Wisconsin Supreme Court takes on cases like education policy, women's rights, voting rights, labor rights, etc...

The State Supreme Court election is so important because the cases that come before the justices often have to do with our basic rights as citizens.

This primary election on Feb. 21 will select two of four candidates to run in the general election in April.

There are four candidates running in the primary on Feb. 21.

Major issues that will

certainly come before them are abortion law in Wisconsin and legislation dealing with how legislative district lines are drawn, i.e. gerrymandering.

You can find out more about these candidates by looking at their websites and social media, plus numerous other websites including non-partisan organizations like the League of Women Voters of Wisconsin, Vote411, Common Cause and the Wisconsin Democracy Campaign.

It's important.

I urge you to check out the candidates and vote for the candidates you believe will do the best job in the important position of State Supreme Court Justice.

Anneliese Waggoner
Green Bay

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and board of trustees on the same page about a shared vision for the future. I'll be listening and looking at the strategic planning priorities and will likely end up tweaking those a bit, you know, it's an ongoing process. And of course focus on enrollment management given some of the challenges in that area and philanthropy."

Joyner said another priority will be supporting the work already taking place at SNC and fostering the high level of engagement seen across the campus.

"The great thing about this opportunity is St. Norbert College is in the enviable position of having really engaged students, faculty and staff," she said. "What I've heard most is they just want to continue the excellent work that they're doing with students. One of the things that really impresses me about the college is its emphasis on engaged learning. St. Norbert is really about educating the whole person - intellectually, spiritually and also instilling a sense of social responsibility for the good of others... So I think they just want extra support to con-

tinue the good work they're already doing."

Before accepting her new position at SNC, Joyner served as president at St. Xavier University in Chicago, president of Wittenberg University in Ohio and in various vice presidential and dean roles at Rollins College in Florida.

Throughout all of her roles, Joyner said she especially values adherence to one's mission and the importance of following through - a philosophy she plans to bring with her to SNC.

"One of the things I really emphasize is mission," she said. "I think it's really important that every decision, every resource allocation decision, really be closely tied to institutional mission... And one of the things that I've spent a lot of time on is student success. So I think it's a moral imperative for students who get into St. Norbert College that they actually complete, and hopefully complete in four years. So lots of engaged learning, opportunities like student/faculty collaborative research and study abroad opportunities - some of those out of class activities that help deepen learning and engagement

that we know are associated with students' success. That will continue to be a major focal point."

An emphasis on student success, Joyner said, is what will give SNC a competitive edge as educational institutions across the country face declining enrollment.

"This definitely is something impacting the entire education sector," she said. "There's just fewer individuals that were born about 18 years ago. But colleges with great reputations and with a very clear value proposition and that can point to all the success that their graduates are having I think have a distinct edge. And based on everything I've seen at St. Norbert College, the one thing that really stands out is this is a place who knows what it values, knows who it is and has a very clear identity and I think that is going to serve us really well moving forward."

Joyner said she's looking forward to exploring the community and getting involved off-campus as well with places like the St. Norbert Abbey, Seroogy's and walking paths along the Fox River on her list of sights to see.

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THE BEAT

Jo Dee Messina to make a stop in Green Bay on Heads Carolina Tails California tour



By Janelle Fisher
City Pages Editor

Country music star Jo Dee Messina is scheduled to perform at Green Bay's Epic Center on Friday, Feb. 24, as part of her Heads Carolina Tails California tour.

With two platinum and three gold-certified albums under her belt and recognitions from the Country Music Association and the Academy of Country Music, Messina has come a long way since she first moved to Nashville at the age of 19.

"When I first got to Nashville, I was very naive," she said. "I didn't realize there were so many people trying to do the same thing that I was trying to do. I didn't realize that there were tens of thousands of people trying to get a record deal. I just thought that's what you did — you moved to Nashville to get a record deal. I don't know that I had any great expectations. Now, to be involved in the industry and watch how it has developed and changed over the years has been fascinating for me."

Being in the industry for so long, Messina said she's seen many trends come and go and observed how expectations of country music have changed.

"I've been able to be in the industry long enough to see the ebbs and flows of it," she said. "So when people are like 'I can't believe they're not doing this,' I'm like, 'well, it will.' Even traditional or pop, you know, they have different names for it but

it's like 'well now it sounds like this.' What happened to country music? It'll come back around. It always does. If you look at Dolly Parton, look at her career, it's like the coat of many colors. '9 to 5' was considered pop. Amy Rogers was considered pop and then it comes back around here to George Strait. Everything kind of has its season."

Although she lives in Nashville, Messina said Green Bay feels familiar to her.

"I love the people and really just have a wonderful time with the people that show up at the shows up there and just the people in the community," she said. "I'm from outside of Boston, so Green Bay, for me, is very familiar, you know, within the city."

Messina said she and her family are especially looking forward to getting their hands on a particular dessert they discovered while in Green Bay for a previous show.

"My husband's gonna want us to go to Uncle Mike's for kringle," she said. "We had 40 of them shipped to people in our neighborhood — that was our Christmas present last year."

Messina said her friends didn't know what kringle was, to which she informed them, "it's a piece of heaven with lots of sugar on it."

For those on the fence about coming to the show, Messina encourages "just come on out, grab some tickets."

"It's a really good time," she said. "Even if you bring a friend that's never heard the



▲ Jo Dee Messina will perform at the Epic Center in Green Bay on Friday, Feb. 24. Submitted photo

music, there's going to be something in the show for them."

Messina said the likelihood of there being something for everyone in her show is because each of her shows is a little bit different.

"The setlist is merely a suggestion," she said. "I see somebody do something and then tell a story, sing a song, bring someone on stage, who knows?"

The direction of the show, Messina said, really depends on the conditions of the show itself.

"It really depends on the day, the mood and the crowd," she said. "I might be having

a funky day, so 'Bring on the Rain' might be my song and I'm like 'yes, I can't wait to get to that.' But it also depends on the crowd — like if the crowd's crazy about 'I'm Alright' or 'Lesson in Leavin'.' At the shows lately, it's pretty much been every song that the crowd sings so loud, like the speakers don't even matter. I don't even have to sing. I can just stand there and the audience sings for me. That response is huge." **CP**

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Hailey Marcks

Seymour Community High School

Parents: Christine Marcks and Robert Marcks

Area of Interest: Theater

When did you first get involved in theater?

In the summer of 2022.

What do you like most about theater?

I really enjoy working with all the kind people here, because it makes me feel welcome and like part of a community. I also really enjoy getting to help make the sets; seeing the end results is always worth it.

What has been your favorite experience related to theater so far?

Really just meeting everyone here. I've been able to meet so many new people and make many very good friends that I wouldn't have met otherwise.

What's something you hope to do/accomplish as a performer in the future?

I hope to eventually get out of my comfort zone and be in the cast of one of the plays.

What advice would you give to someone looking to get into theater?

Just go for it, ask your theater teacher (or teachers). I'm sure everyone will be happy to meet you, and they will accept you fully.

Do you have any hidden talents?

I'm good at drawing and sewing.

What subject do you enjoy most in school?

Science, because I hope to someday be an archaeologist or paleontologist and they both use science, so it helps me prepare. Plus it's just fun to learn about science.



What's your biggest pet peeve?

When people over-sing happy birthday

What plans do you have for after you've finished school?

I plan to go to college so that I can pursue

my dream of becoming an archaeologist or paleontologist.

Do you have any pets?

I have a black lab named Storm.

If you could switch lives with anyone for a day, who would you choose?

My dog, that way I can understand her better and so that I can improve her happiness as much as I can.

What's one skill you think everyone should have?

Common sense, because it would make everything much easier.

Favorites

Book: *The Trials of Morrigan Crow*
by Jessica Townsend

Show: *Over the Garden Wall*

Movie: *Knives Out*

Color: Green

Season: Fall and winter

Time of day: Night

Snack: Fruit or carrots

Candy: Chocolate

ARTIST ANGLE

QA & A

with

LAUREN ZENS



Medium/Art Form:
Visual



When and how did you start making art?

My interest in contemporary abstract and geometric art started in 2008 with a hard-edge assignment during a high school painting class.

I wasn't by any means a great math or science student, but I loved using line-making tools like protractors, compasses and rulers to concoct shapes, resulting in eye-catching rhythm and movement. My colorful array of Golden acrylic paint, 3M blue painter's tape and a quilting ruler were my most cherished tools.

While I opted to major in arts business in college, I continued to create hard-edge paintings in my spare time and further developed my art practice once I graduated from college.

What inspires your work?

Living in two metropolitan cities (Milwaukee and Chicago) and growing up exploring the Northwoods of Wisconsin, I find inspiration in the organic and inorganic patterns in nature and architecture.

I am perpetually curious and fascinated by nature's forms. The spirals, ripples, branchings, meanders, waves, spots, stripes and cracks in our natural environment organically repeat and multiply in mathematical and scientific complexity, and urban architecture tends to mimic these patterns.

I love that art allows me to investigate these in a tangible way. Art is also focal to me as it is important to people (even though many are not fully aware of that).

My graduate research focused on equitable and inclusive community arts engagement and progressive, student-centered learning. I have worked with many people, youth in particular, who have been completely transformed by art in just minutes of creating.

I love what art can teach a person, and it usually has little to do with the end product they create.

The process, to me, is what is important and I love art for giving us that freedom. Holistically, this is an immense inspiration for me.

How would you describe Green Bay/NE Wisconsin's arts community?

I currently reside in southeast Wisconsin, but will soon be moving to central Wisconsin.

Overall, art often fosters a collaborative spirit, among neighbors, businesses and artists.

In southeast Wisconsin, I have worked within the community through arts nonprofits, managing youth programming on the northwest side of Milwaukee as well as running process-based art-making workshops for all ages.

Many of those I've collaborated with in the community highly value the arts, even if they don't feel confident in their art-making skills.

People are open and excited about the power of the arts — in all forms and media — as a tool for healing, unity, personal growth, social justice and economic development.

Within the community of artists themselves, I see a lot of mutual support.

Art is a deeply personal experience and the inevitable transformations of one's art can be difficult to process (I'm currently experiencing this).

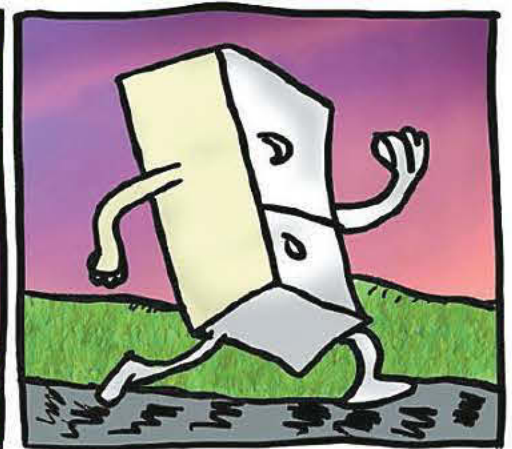
Artists often develop networks of other creators who become close confidants. Sharing time with artist friends has been incredibly soul-filling for me. We all get genuinely enthused for one another as our practices develop.

I'm looking forward to maintaining those connections in Milwaukee while also finding what the arts community in central Wisconsin will bring!

What is the best advice you have for other artists?

I can speak from experience here, because I'm going through some transformation in my practice that's very common, yet can be profoundly confusing and challenging for artists.

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FROSTY challenges and FIERY competitors

Fourth annual Tiletown Winter Games hits Green Bay

By William Kopp
Contributing Writer

As the winter season continues its approach towards spring, both in temperature and calendar date, Green Bay is brought back to the cold with a growing staple of Tiletown — their fourth annual Tiletown Winter Games.

“[Tiletown Winter Games] started with a partnership with U.S. Venture, who wanted

to get the community involved and bring awareness to Olympic winter sports in the area,” said Hannah Meyer, Tiletown’s marketing and digital coordinator. “It grew over the past couple of years to what it is today, and that’s where we bring in several different Winter Olympic sports for people in the community to participate in, free of charge.”

A majority of Tiletown’s events are built in that way, free of charge for the

▲ The United States Nordic is a ski jump event, which kids and adults alike will have the opportunity to try out at Tiletown’s Winter Games Feb. 18 and 19. Tyler Gajewski photos



community, but not many bring the uniqueness that the Winter Games do.

With a focus on bringing winter sports to the Green Bay area, the event involves activities like luge, curling, figure skating, a biathlon and United States Nordic — which consists of a ski jump for kids and adults alike to try.

Event highlights

Luge, known for its speed and being the fastest Olympic Winter sport, consists of lying in a special kind of sleigh and participating in a difficult course on Ariens Hill.

The course is created by members of the USA Luge team, and those participating just need to sign up with their respective age group — the participants with the fastest times in each group win a prize.

“Similar to the actual [Winter] Olympics, there will be gold, silver and bronze for each league,” Meyer said. “The leagues consist of boy’s, girl’s, men’s and women’s leagues. There’s gold, silver and bronze for each of those and all the prizes are donations from the community, and U.S. Venture adds in prizes as well.”

In addition to the normal Winter Olympics’ medals of gold, silver and bronze, winners can also expect things like gift cards, winter apparel, Tiletown apparel, football items and lots of other exciting prizes.

For those new to curling, it can be best described as a team sport in which two teams take turns attempting to slide stones made of granite towards a target which is

▲ The biathlon event consists of a combination of cross country skiing and shooting. In the Olympics, the shooting is done with a rifle, but for Tiletown’s Winter Games, laser shooting will be substituted.

segmented into four concentric circles — known as a house.

Other events, like figure skating, speak for themselves, but a winter biathlon — to those inexperienced with Winter Olympics sports — may seem a bit confusing.

The biathlon, which will take place on the football field, consists of cross country skiing and laser shooting — normally rifle shooting in the Winter Olympics.

Meyer continued, “There are lots of cool items [and events] for each level and each age group.”

Olympian attendees

Participants can expect a great number of Olympians attending the games, and not just the USA Luge team for the creation of the course.

Some Olympians to expect at this year’s Winter Games include Gordon Sheer, Bethany Bedford, Allison Howell, Madison Bear and Annmarie Dubberstein.

Also in attendance may be other Team USA Olympians, but no more were named to be attending beforehand.

Participants may just have to wait and see what the future holds for unnamed Olympian attendees.

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for the Tiletown event may have evolved throughout its four years, but its layout remains the same.

Just like the Winter Olympics, the Tiletown Winter Games begins and ends with its respective opening and closing ceremonies.

"We really try to bring in the overall experience of what a Winter Olympics or Winter Games event looks like and bringing that here to Green Bay, Wisconsin," Meyer said. "So it's just that little community element to get people involved and bring awareness to what these Winter Games are really about."

With free admission for any participants and plenty of fun events to try out, friends and family alike can experience the activities that most interest them Saturday,

▲ Prizes for the events will be awarded in true Olympic fashion, with gold, silver and bronze awards being given out for winners of each age group.

Feb. 18 from 12-7 p.m. and Sunday, Feb. 19 from 12-5 p.m.

Meyer added, "A waiver is required in order to participate in these activities, so you can sign up in advance to make the process quicker, but you can also fill out the waiver once you get here."

For those looking to participate in the fourth Annual Tiletown Winter Games and looking to make the process quicker, you can sign up at titletown.com/waivers.

CP



▲ Ariens Hill will be transformed into a challenging luge course by members of the USA Luge team for Tiletown's Winter Games.

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The reminders I give myself and would relay as advice to other artists are:

- 1) Practice, develop, learn, repeat.
- 2) Trust the process.
- 3) Take one day at a time.
- 4) Try to create every day.
- 5) Find and lean on your community.
- 6) Creation first, sales second.
- 7) "Artist" IS a profession.
- 8) Get out in nature.
- 9) Prioritize your mental and physical wellness.
- 10) Don't compare yourself to others — be confident.

Where can people find your work?

People can view and purchase my work and other merchandise on my website — laurenzens.com.

I am also on Instagram and Facebook at [@laurenzensart](https://www.instagram.com/laurenzensart). CP

Artist Angle is presented in partnership with The Art Garage, a Green Bay nonprofit arts organization whose mission is to encourage an appreciation for and participation in the visual, performing and literary arts. Learn more about The Art Garage at www.theartgarage.org.

Our Local Flair



Lucas Schmechel

Some of the biggest smiles in the business can be found at Grounded Cafe, located inside the Aging and Disabilities Resource Center on S. Adams St. in Green Bay. As the cafe's official ambassador, Lucas Schmechel's is among the brightest in the building. Schmechel has been a volunteer at Grounded Cafe for nearly six years now and knows every inch of the cafe and how to do nearly every job that comes up. He said it makes him happy to greet cafe customers and get their orders started. Schmechel, who recently began caring for a new friend — a cat named Spooky — said he also likes helping new volunteers get familiar with what is going on at Grounded. Josh Staloch photo

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LIVE MUSIC

Friday, Feb. 17

Film Favorites • Walter Theatre, De Pere. Family concert of tunes from popular movies performed by the Civic Symphony of Green Bay. 7 p.m. \$18 for adults, \$15 for seniors and \$10 for students. Head to gbcivic.org/events for more details and to purchase tickets.

Saturday, Feb. 18

District Solo & Ensemble Festival • Preble High School, Green Bay. Piano and vocal festival for grades 6-12. 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Free and open to the public. Visit wsmamusic.org for more details.

Steve Arnold • WINEaLOT Vineyards, Greenleaf. Live performance of your favorite hits. 2 p.m. No cover charge. (All minors must be accompanied by an adult) Find more details at winealotvineyards.com.

Sunday, Feb. 19

Music of the Big Bands • Riverside Ballroom, Green Bay. Live concert of big band music performed by the AVB Community Big Band. 2 p.m. Free admission. Donations accepted at the door. Head to avbcommunityband.org for more information.

Wednesday, Feb. 22

Rob Anthony • EPIC Event Center, Green Bay. Part of the Music in the Mezz concert series. 6 p.m. Free admission, reservations for tables of four available for \$25. Visit epicgreenbay.com for more details.

Thursday, Feb. 23

Adam Lee • WINEaLOT Vineyards, Greenleaf. Performance by a rising local country musician. 5 p.m. No cover charge. (All minors must be accompanied by an adult) Find more details at winealotvineyards.com.

Acoustic Endorphins • Station 1 Brewing, Suamico. Special set list of recent adult hits, indie, and classic deep cuts. 6 p.m. No cover charge. Check Acoustic Endorphins' Facebook page for more information.

Ongoing

Jazz, Blues, and Brews • Copper State Brewing Co., Green Bay. Tuesdays at 6 p.m. No cover charge. Visit Copper State Brewing Co.'s Facebook page for more information.

Titletune Tuesdays • Titledown Brewing Co., Green Bay. Weekly concert series featuring local musicians, tacos and beer. Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. No cover charge. Follow Titledown Brewing Co. on Facebook for more details.

Original Beer+Original Music • Zambaldi Beer, Green Bay. Live performance by a different local musician each week. Thursdays at 6 p.m. No cover charge. Follow Zambaldi Beer on Facebook for more information.

Friday Night Acoustics • Badger State Brewing Company, Green Bay. Fridays at 7 p.m., through April. No cover charge. Visit Badger State Brewing Company's Facebook page for a complete line-up of musicians.

ON STAGE/SCREEN

Friday, Feb. 24

Mischief & Magic • The Tarlton Theatre, Green Bay. Interactive magic show with pre-show face painting and balloon art. 5 p.m. \$5 at the door. Visit thetarlton.com for more information.

Bert Kreisler • Resch Center, Green Bay. Live comedy performance. 7 p.m. \$40+. Visit reschcomplex.com for more details and to purchase tickets.

Ongoing

Seroogy's: Green Bay's Willy Wonka • The Meyer Theatre, Green Bay. Play by Let Me Be Frank Productions. Feb. 17, 18, 23, 24 and 25 at 7:30 p.m., Feb. 23 and 25 at 1 p.m. \$35. Find more information and purchase tickets at meyertheatre.org.

Shrek the Musical • Pulaski High School, Pulaski. Musical based on the 2001 animated film and its sequels. Feb. 18 at 7 p.m., Feb. 19 at 2 p.m. \$8. More information and tickets can be found at pulaskihs.ludus.com.

Ghost Light; Good Benches, Good Neighbours; and The Garage Sale of Amazing Items • Webb Theatre, De Pere. Collection of three one-act plays put on by Evergreen Theater. Feb. 17, 18, 23, 24 and 25 at 7 p.m., Feb. 19 and 26 at 2 p.m. \$21. Visit snc.edu/tickets for more information and to purchase tickets.

ComedyCity Improv Show • ComedyCity, De Pere. Fridays at 7:30 p.m., Saturdays at 8:30 p.m. (18+) See thegreenroomonline.com for more details.

OUTDOORS/RECREATION

Sunday, Feb. 19

Bird of Prey Tour • Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary, Green Bay. Learn about the birds that live at the sanctuary and get up close with some bird of prey ambassadors. 1 p.m. Free. Find more information on Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary's Facebook page.

Wednesday, Feb. 22

TILL Talk: Behind the Green Fence • Green Bay Botanical Garden, Green Bay. Learn about the plans, plants and people involved in the new Bell Children's Garden. 12 p.m. Free. Visit gbbg.org for more information.

Ongoing

Thursday Night Rides • Suamico Bike Company, Suamico. 8-10 mile group bike ride. Thursdays at 5:30 p.m., through Feb. 23. Free. Follow Suamico Bike Company on Facebook for more details.

Winter Tubing • Triangle Sports Area, Green Bay. \$7 per person. Follow Triangle Sports Area's Facebook page for more details and schedule updates.

Glow Skate • Hy-Vee Plaza, Ashwaubenon. Brightly-colored lights illuminate the ice rink. Thursdays from 4-8 p.m., through Feb. 23. Paid skating admission required. Visit titledown.com for more details and to purchase tickets.

Cribbage League • Badger State Brewing and Ahnapee Brewery, Green Bay. Eight-week season of regular matches followed by an end-of-season tournament. Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m., through March 22.

\$5 per player weekly buy-in. Follow Badger State Brewing or Ahnapee Brewery, Green Bay on Facebook for more details and to sign up.

Think and Drink Trivia • Zambaldi Beer, Green Bay. Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. (21+) Follow Zambaldi Beer on Facebook for more details.

FAMILY/KIDS

Tuesday, Feb. 21

Teen and Family Game Night • Brown County Library - Central Branch. Evening of old favorites and new board games. 5:30 p.m. Free. Visit browncountylibrary.org for more information.

Thursday, Feb. 23

Sensory Friendly Night • Children's Museum of Green Bay, Green Bay. Altered lighting, reduced noise, resources and directive signs designed especially for children with different abilities and their families. 3-5 p.m. Free admission. Head to gbchildrensmuseum.org for more details.

Ongoing

Disney On Ice • Resch Center, Green Bay. Classic and modern Disney stories and songs performed by award-winning figure skaters. Feb. 17 at 7 p.m.; Feb. 18 at 10:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.; and Feb. 19 at 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. \$23+. Visit reschcomplex.com for more information and to purchase tickets.

Children's Story Time • Green Bay Botanical Garden, Green Bay. Nature-themed stories and activities. Tuesdays at 10 a.m. through Aug. 29. Included with daily admission. Find more details at gbbg.org.

Wiggle, Move and Giggle • The Children's Museum of Green Bay, Green Bay. Games, music and movement activities for toddlers. Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. \$8. (Ages 5 and under) Visit gbchildrensmuseum.org/programs for more information.

Junior Golf and Games • Hilly Haven Golf Course, De Pere. Lesson and fun on the simulators. Tuesdays at 4:30 p.m. through March. \$10 per session. Find more details and sign up at hillyhaven.com.

ComedyCity Family Fun Show • ComedyCity, De Pere. Saturdays at 6:30 p.m. Find more info at thegreenroomonline.com.

ARTS/EXHIBITS

Friday, Feb. 17

Adult Canvas Painting Class • Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary, Green Bay. Guided painting with Stephanie Lemberger of Peanuts Gallery Art. 5 p.m. \$40, snacks and art supplies included. Visit greenbaywi.gov/Calendar.aspx?EID=4576 for more details and to register.

The Tarlton's Art War: Live Painting Competition • The Tarlton Theatre, Green Bay. Interactive live painting competition featuring live jazz. 7 p.m. Free admission. Follow The Tarlton Theatre's Facebook page for more information.

Saturday, Feb. 18

Artist Conversation • newARTSpace, De Pere. Conversation with newART III artists Rebecca Carlton, Dane Schumacher and Lauren Semivan. 1 p.m. Free. Head to newartspace124.com or contact art@newartspace124.com for more details.

6th Annual Bark & Wine • Art Garage, Green Bay. Animal-themed art show with raffles, live music and wine tasting. 6 p.m. \$35. Visit lucky7dogrescue.com for more information and to purchase tickets.

Ongoing

Object Matters • Busch Art Center, De Pere. Open during gallery hours through Thursday, Feb. 16. Free admission. Visit snc.edu/tickets for more details.

Stephanie Carpenter: Cultivating Community • Busch Art Center, De Pere. Open during gallery hours through Thursday, Feb. 16. Free admission. Visit snc.edu/tickets for more details.

Youth Art Month • Neville Public Museum, Green Bay. Multi-media exhibit featuring works from northeast Wisconsin students emphasizing the value of art education. Through Feb. 19 during regular museum hours. Included with general admission. Visit nevillepublicmuseum.org for more information.

newART III • newARTSpace, De Pere. Curated group exhibition at newARTSpace featuring Cristian Andersson, Dennis Bauer, Rebecca Carlton, Dane Schumacher, Lauren Semivan and Lisa Wicka. Open during gallery hours through Feb. 23. Head to newartspace124.com or contact art@newartspace124.com for more details and to register.

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Northeast Wisconsin Watercolor Society Monthly Meetings • St. John's Lutheran Church, Green Bay. Monthly group meeting with social time and demonstrations. First Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m., September through May. Find more details at newiswatercolors.com.

Reaching for the Mountaintops • Neville Public Museum, Green Bay. Creative works of local students inspired by the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Through March 5 during regular museum hours. Included with general admission. Visit nevillepublicmuseum.org for more information.

Green Bay Arts Unlimited Call for Art • The Art Garage, Green Bay. Submissions open for 2023 Spring Art Show through March 17. Contact Diane Lovegren at fluffydupree@yahoo.com with any questions.

Habitat Exhibit • Green Bay Botanical Garden, Green Bay. On display through April. Head to gbg.org/habitat for more information.

Above and Beyond • Neville Public Museum, Green Bay. Interactive science exhibition exploring transformative innovations in aerospace. Open during museum hours through May 7. Included with regular admission. Visit nevillepublicmuseum.org for more information.

Rail Ties • National Railroad Museum, Ashwaubenon. Exhibit bringing together loaned objects and objects from the museum's collection with stories of the people who owned and used them. Open during normal museum hours through Dec. 31. Included with daily admission. Find more details at nationalrrmuseum.org.

FOOD/DRINK

Tuesday, Feb. 21

Fat Tuesday - Mardi Gras Celebration with Chef Ace Champion • Paradise North Distillery, Green Bay. Cajun/creole light dinner with several classic mardi gras cocktails. 5 p.m. \$35. Check out Paradise North Distillery's Facebook page for more details and to register.

Ongoing

Championship Cheese Contest • Resch Expo, Green Bay. 21st biennial cheese and butter competition hosted by the Wisconsin Cheese Makers Association. 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Feb. 21 and 22. Visit uschampioncheese.org for more details.

Afternoon Tea • Cultivate Taste Tea Salon, Green Bay. Sundays at 12 p.m. \$50 per person. Follow Cultivate Taste Tea Salon's Facebook page for more details and to purchase tickets.

LECTURES/WORKSHOPS

Saturday, Feb. 18

Land Records • Brown County Library - Central Branch, Green Bay. Finding property and who owned it. 9:10 a.m. Free. Visit browncountylibrary.org for more details.

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walking tour of the park. 1 p.m. Free. Visit Green Bay Conservation Corps' Facebook page for more information.

Tuesday, Feb. 21

Roadside Geology of Wisconsin • Neville Public Museum, Green Bay. Presentation by Dr. John Luczai of UW-Green Bay. 6:30 p.m. Free admission. Visit nevillepublicmuseum.org for more details.

Wednesday, Feb. 22

CEO Breakfast Series: Sachin Shivaram • Bemis Center, De Pere. Presentation and networking event with the CEO of Wisconsin Aluminum Foundry. 7:30 a.m. \$60. Find more details and register at snc.edu/tickets.

Ongoing

Iridian Moon • The Artemystic, Green Bay. Drop-in resource center for LGBTQ+ teens in the Green Bay area. Mondays at 11 a.m. Free. Find more details at wiartemystic.com.

Holistic Mystic-Sound Bath Meditation • The Artemystic, Green Bay. Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. Book an appointment at holisticmysticmagic.com.

COMMUNITY EVENTS/RESOURCES

Saturday, Feb. 18

Green Bay Seasonal Job Fair • Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary, Green Bay. Check out a variety of summer jobs with the potential to apply and interview at the event. 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Free. Visit greenbaywi.gov/Calendar.aspx?EID=4578 for more information.

Memory Show • Brown County Library - Weyers-Hilliard Branch, Green Bay. 15th annual show presented by the Howard-Suamico Historical Society. 1 p.m. Free. Visit hshistoricalociety.org for more information.

Ongoing

Green Bay Boat Show • Resch Expo, Green Bay. Display and sale of boats of all sizes and styles. 2-8 p.m. on Feb. 17, 10 a.m.-7 p.m. on Feb. 18 and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. on Feb. 19. \$10 per day for adults, \$9 for seniors over age 62 and military members if tickets are purchased in advance. Free for ages 17 and under. Weekend passes available for \$16. All prices go up \$2 at the door. Find more details and purchase tickets at reschexpo.com.

Wisconsin State Hunting and Fishing Expo • Resch Expo, Green Bay. Display of gear and seminars for hunting and fishing enthusiasts. 12-8 p.m. on Feb. 24, 9 a.m.-7 p.m. on Feb. 25 and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. on Feb. 26. \$10 for adults ages 13 and up, \$8 for seniors and veterans, free for ages 12 and under. Weekend passes are available for \$20. Visit reschexpo.com for more information.

Winter Market on Military • 1481 W Mason St, Green Bay. First, third and fifth Saturdays, through April at 9 a.m. Free admission. Find more details at militaryave.org.

Gamblers Anonymous • Annunciation Parish, Green Bay. 5:30 p.m. Tuesdays, 7 p.m. Thursdays, 9 a.m. Saturdays. Free. Contact Brandon at 920-676-9498 or greenbaywisconsin.ga.com.

Alcoholics Anonymous • The Bridge, Green Bay. Free. Find a schedule of meetings and more information at thebridgeofgb.com.

Al-Anon • Support group for people affected by someone else's drinking. Visit al-anon.org/meetings for a complete list of meeting locations and times or call (920) 430-1420.

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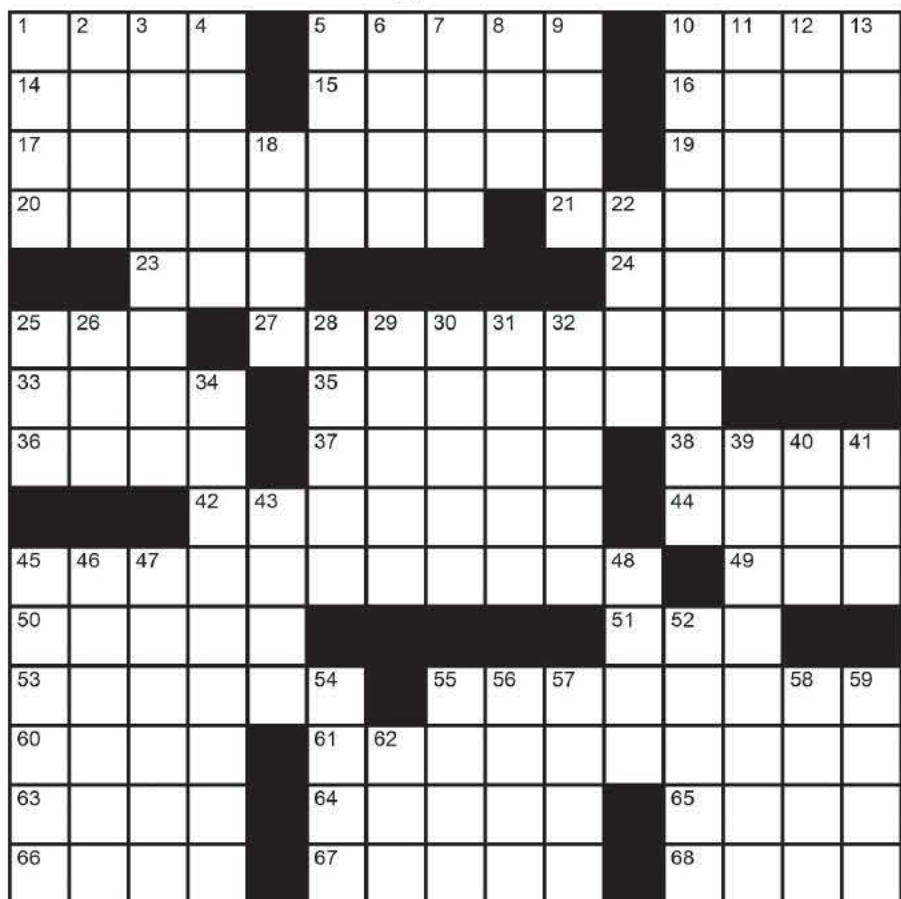
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Where Is the Library? - read-y or not.



by Matt Jones

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Crossword answers on page 7. No peeking!

Across

1. "Will you allow me to demonstrate?"
5. Rainbow fish
10. Comedian Miranda
14. Multivitamin additive
15. "Explain, please?"
16. Latin for "you love"
17. Feat in a two-on-two wrestling match?
19. Traveled by bus or bike
20. What a welcome sight relieves, idiomatically
21. "The old-fashioned way" to make money, per a classic ad
23. Mag. positions
24. Billy Ray or Miley Ray (that is her full name)
25. Long March leader
27. "Air mail" or "63 cents," for instance?
33. Magnum follower
35. "Ya know?"
36. "Little Women" character
37. Type of code or colony
38. News story
42. Repetitive
44. Bird that a "de-extinction" company is trying to bring back
45. Fake info leading to a wrong (but funny) location?
49. ___ Brands (KFC owner)
50. Accumulate
51. What you can't stand to have?
53. "Big" WWI cannon
55. Short personal stories?
60. "Cinderella Man" antagonist Max
61. Nickname for a gangster with bags under his eyes?
63. Neighborhood
64. Window features
65. Poker throw-in
66. Highway entrance
67. Lock of hair
68. Word that can follow both words of each long answer

Down

1. Medium range speakers, slangily
2. Buck's ending
3. Ump's statement
4. Asleep, usually
5. Pronoun chosen as the American Dialect Society's latest Word of the Decade
6. Flower in a dozen
7. Nocturnal flyers
8. Stadium chant, sometimes
9. Big volume
10. Senate Majority Leader from 2007 to 2015
11. King of gods, in Egyptian myth
12. The "R" in "pi R squared"
13. Malaria fly
18. Decreased
22. German for "eight"
25. Type of mentality
26. Koko, e.g.
28. Not live, so to speak
29. Make changes to
30. Secondary course of study
31. Babble on
32. Lots (of)
34. It helps keep your heel from falling out of your heel
39. Small keyboard
40. Scholastic URL ender
41. Tattoo of the ancient mariner?
43. Still-alive member of CSNY
45. Name after Abdul-
46. 1998 Masters and British Open winner Mark
47. Name before Abdul-
48. Scheduling spot
52. Cult classic Britcom with the theme song "This Wheel's On Fire"
54. Planner abbr.
55. Dermatology case
56. Tiny Tim's strings, for short
57. "___ of the D'Urbervilles"
58. Bi- times four
59. Hide-and-go-___
62. Rower's need

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HIGHLIGHTS

by Janelle Fisher



Green Bay Boat Show

Feb. 17, 18 and 19 | Resch Expo, Green Bay

Display and sale of boats of all sizes and styles along with docks and lifts. Seminars featuring local fishing experts on topics such as water safety and more will take place throughout the weekend. Coffee will be available from Benjamin Brewer, and Unbound Spirits will have its first batch of The Maelstrom available for sampling. The show is open 2-8 p.m. on Feb. 17, 10 a.m.-7 p.m. on Feb. 18 and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. on Feb. 19. Tickets are \$10 per day for adults, \$9 for seniors over age 62 and military members purchased in advance. Weekend passes available for \$16. All prices go up \$2 at the door. Children ages 17 and under get in free. Find more details and purchase tickets at reschcomplex.com.

Seroogy's: Green Bay's Willy Wonka

Feb. 17, 18, 23, 24 and 25 | The Meyer Theatre, Green Bay

Play by Let Me Be Frank Productions about Green Bay's own Willy Wonka chocolate factory — Seroogy's. Shows start at 7:30 p.m. on Feb. 17, 18, 23, 24 and 1 p.m. on Feb. 23 and 25. Tickets are \$35. Find more information and purchase tickets at meyertheatre.org.

Green Bay Seasonal Job Fair

Saturday, Feb. 18 | Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary, Green Bay

Check out a variety of part-time and full-time summer jobs available with the City of Green Bay in all divisions — Bay Beach Amusement Park, Forestry, Green Bay Conservation Corps, Parks, Pools, Recreation and Wildlife Sanctuary. Computers will be available on-site to access applications and hiring managers will be present to meet applicants and potentially conduct interviews. The event runs from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. and is free to attend. Visit greenbaywi.gov/Calendar.aspx?EID=4578 for more information.

Music of the Big Bands

Sunday, Feb. 19 | Riverside Ballroom, Green Bay

Live concert of big band music performed by the AVB Community Big Band. Songs will include "Sir Duke," "Come Fly With Me," "Don't Get Around Much Anymore," "Sing, Sing, Sing," "Misty," "All or Nothing at All," "Mambo Swing," "Route 66," "Fly Me to the Moon" and more. Music begins at 2 p.m. Admission is free. Donations will be accepted at the door. Head to avbcommunityband.org for more information.



Sheepshead Review Call for Submissions

Now through Feb. 26 | UW-Green Bay, Green Bay
Submit your work to Sheepshead Review, UW-Green Bay's student-run international journal of art and literature. Works of poetry, fiction, nonfiction and visual arts are eligible for submission. Submissions are free and will be accepted through Feb. 26. Visit sheepsheadreview.com/submit to find more details and submit your work.



Open water season comes early

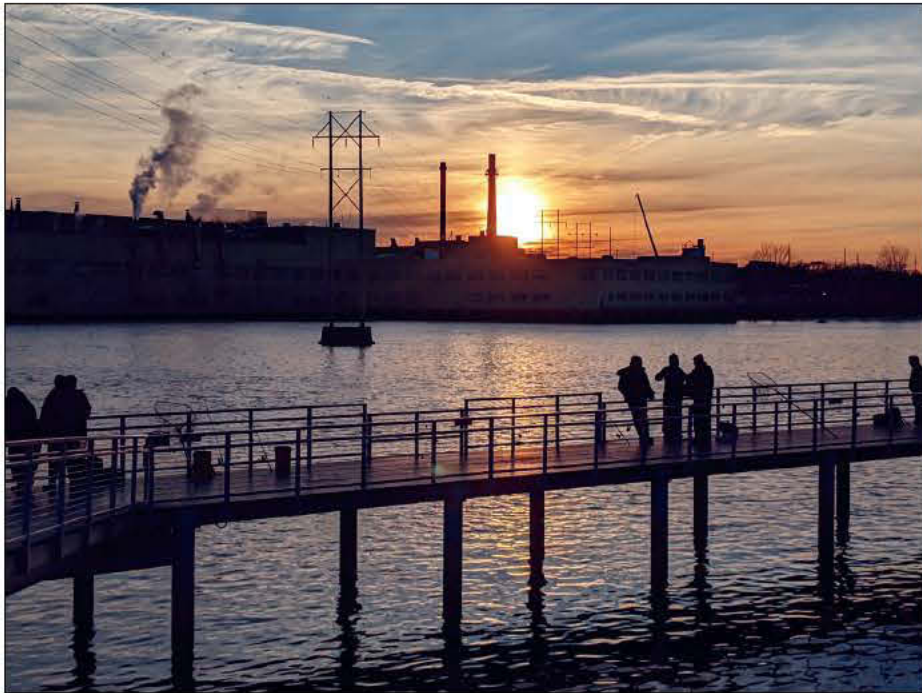
Fox River, Lake Michigan and tributaries luring anglers

One week ago, ice anglers were still targeting walleyes on the Fox River.

This week, it's mainly open water with no safe ice on the river itself. Meanwhile, the main bay is a mix of open water and rapidly-thinning, honeycombed ice.

Even though some spots still had 6-10 inches of ice earlier this week, any remaining ice has been severely weakened by this month's above-average temperatures and Tuesday's rain.

Many fishermen have already put away the ice



A lone angler tried his luck casting below the wildlife viewing pier at the De Pere Riverwalk last week. That spot is a refuge from March 1-May 31. If you look closely, you can see an angler in a kayak, top left, and a number of fishermen on the ice, top center. **Kevin Naze photo**



In the Outdoors

BY KEVIN NAZE
GUEST COLUMNIST

With another prolonged thaw in the immediate forecast, a couple cold days late this week won't be enough to restart the 2022-23 ice fishing season.

In his four decades of guiding on Green Bay, professional angler Dale Stroschein of the Sand Bay Beach Resort said he's never seen another where he couldn't get out on the famed Larsons Reef that sits just north of his business.

While Stroschein chose to fish inland for fun with family instead of risking putting his shacks out, many others have worked the lower bay off Suamico and Dyckesville, or the protected bays and harbors off southern Door County.

gear and have been casting open water below the De Pere Dam, as well as in Lake Michigan and Green Bay tributaries. Some are even getting out in kayaks and boats.

As usual, DNR safety experts are reminding anglers that the water is very cold and extra precautions should be taken if planning a trip.

Whether heading out in a boat, fishing the piers and shorelines or wading the rivers, the use of a life jacket is considered essential. If going solo, tell someone where you plan to be and when you expect to return.

Walleyes, perch and pike on the Green Bay tributary and steelhead and brown

trout on the Lake Michigan side are already luring anglers.

Spring hearings

For the fourth straight year, the Wisconsin Conservation Congress and DNR spring hearings will offer online voting on a variety of natural resource-related questions and proposed rule changes. The online comment period will run from noon April 10-noon April 13.

New this year, election for Conservation Congress delegates and alternates

will take place during Open Houses to be held April 3-6 around the state. More information after the events are finalized.

The Wisconsin Conservation Congress is an independent organization of citizens that advises the state Natural Resources Board and DNR on how to responsibly manage Wisconsin's natural resources.

Citizens may introduce resolutions of a statewide impact now through March 1. The concern must be practical, achievable and reasonable, along with be-

ing within the mission and vision of the Conservation Congress.

An individual may submit no more than two resolutions per year. To learn more, visit <https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/about/wcc/springhearing>.

Outdoor shorts

Email comments on the proposed draft wolf management plan through the end of the month to DNRWildlifeSwitchboard@wisconsin.gov. Watch a recent Zoom public listening session at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZAMpsiAPWoc>

and find a link to an online wolf management plan comment form at <https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/wildlifehabitat/wolfmanagementplan>.

• A 177-pound lake sturgeon was speared Tuesday, the seventh heaviest ever on the Lake Winnebago system. With ice conditions deteriorating, it's likely that fewer spears will risk it this weekend.

• The Green Bay Boat Show runs through Sunday afternoon at the Resch Expo. Next weekend, Feb. 24-26, the Resch hosts both the Wisconsin State Hunting Expo and SCI Hunter Expo.

• You can participate in the Great Backyard Bird Count this weekend, through Monday. Learn more at <https://www.birdcount.org/>.

Get updates from DNR

The Wisconsin DNR offers a variety of email updates that you can subscribe to for free. The latest is a newsletter that'll report opportunities to learn how to hunt, fish, trap or participate in recreational target shooting, and how you can volunteer or support these programs.

Join the mailing list at https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/WIDNR/subscriber/new?topic_id=WIDNR_1308.

ICE BEARS

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few seniors on the squad.

"I feel that our biggest strength is our depth," Bradford said. "We run three lines and six D, so against teams who run two lines we definitely have the advantage in the third period. Being able to have a full team of good players, many who play hockey outside of high school, is something that has helped us be successful."

A common theme with the Ice Bears is their culture. Even though this is a team with players from different high schools, Gerarden's motto has left a lasting impact.

"Our culture is 'We > Me.'" This statement was echoed by Bradford.

"We need everyone to play hard for us to win. Our team's motto is 'We > Me' — meaning we have to play for each other and not for ourselves," Bradford said. "Being selfish or a bad teammate won't win games or help us be successful."

That said, it's still an interesting dynamic combining multiple schools to create one program.

"Many high school sports aren't a co-op, so the relationship we have with each other is special," Bradford said. "Since we don't go to the same school, coming to the rink is exciting because it's the only time we get to see each other."

"Absolutely it is hard," said Gerarden when asked about the girls being from different schools. "They all have different schedules and other activities. They are able to bond during practice, team workouts and meals. Our road trips are additional times we can bond on the bus."

One of the other seniors on the Ice Bears is Anna Byczek. Byczek is a goalie, and this

is her first year on the team. While it's not her first year playing hockey, she wasn't a part of the squad last year that lost in a sectional final.

Byczek spoke highly about the state of this team.

"We have a very strong, but young team," she said. "The underclassmen this year are very talented hockey players and willing to put in the work. Being that we have very few seniors this year, I feel that a few sophomores have stepped up to fill in gaps. These younger girls are the future of our team and already play a major role in our team's success."

Even with the youth, the Ice Bears have the experience and team chemistry to win the state title.

"A large number of these girls have been playing together since 10U; a majority of them are sophomores, so they blend well with the upper- and [under]classmen,"

Gerarden said. "This group has been very coachable, asking questions, trying new things and not afraid to make mistakes."

The Bay Area Ice Bears were upset in a sectional final last season, falling one game short of a state appearance. This year, the state tournament will be held on March 2 and 4 at Bob Suter's Capitol Ice Arena in Middleton.

"There is a core of girls that talks about last year's loss still having a 'sting' to it," Gerarden said. "So now we know how it feels to be so close and want it even more. Focus on taking one game at a time and not looking too far ahead and managing our emotions will help."

The loss still sticks with Bradford.

"I have thought about that feeling of being so close to our goal of winning state and having it taken away," Bradford said. "Every time we

play Fox Cities, I think about that game and how I never want that to happen again."

The Ice Bears were 3-1 in their four meetings against the Fox Cities Stars this season, outscoring them 8-3. Their lone loss to the Stars was a 1-0 game, with that goal being given up with two of the Ice Bears' players in the penalty box.

While Byczek wasn't a part of the team last season, she knows this team is motivated.

"I feel hearing about last year's season and the loss in sectionals gives all of us motivation to make it farther than last year," Byczek said. "I, too, have been a part of teams in the past that have gotten very close to a state title but fell short, so I know how they feel. I believe we all have a lot of motivation and drive going into playoffs this year."

Gerarden knows what it

will take for his team to win it all.

"It will take everyone playing their role and picking up each other when a mistake happens," Gerarden said. "Our goaltending and strong defense has been very consistent, and that can take us a long way. Scoring goals, high energy and using our team speed are key."

Throughout their 24 regular-season games, the Ice Bears scored an average of 4.12 goals per game and only allowed an average of 0.79.

Byczek has been sensational in net, which is arguably the toughest position on the ice.

"Being a goalie is an extremely nerve-wracking position at times," she said. "I have played the goaltender position for years, and I am confident in my abilities, along with help from my defensemen."

With the postseason upon

them, Bradford has two moments that stand out as her favorite from the season.

"First is winning conference," Bradford said. "Being able to celebrate with my team is the best feeling ever. My second favorite moment was playing against the Metro Lynx. That game felt different. Everyone was playing for one another, and I believe that was the turning point in our season where everyone realized that to win in big games we can't just rely on one person."

If the Ice Bears can win their sectional semifinal game at the Cornerstone Community Center on Feb. 21, it will advance to the sectional final. That game will be played at the Fond du Lac Blue Line Ice Center on Feb. 25 at noon, with the winner advancing to state.

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“NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR AQUATIC PLANT MANAGEMENT PERMIT
 The Village of Ashwaubenon intends to apply for a permit from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources to selectively target up to 0.4 acres of the Sherwood Forest Park Pond to control nuisance invasive aquatic species. The proposed treatments may occur between April 1st and August 31st, 2023. Any request for a public meeting on the proposed treatments must be made within 5 days after this notice is published. The request must specify the topics to be discussed at the meeting, including problems and alternatives and be sent in writing to: Aquatic Biologists, Inc. N4828 Highway 45 S., Fond du Lac WI. 54937 and Mary Gansberg, WDNR, 2984 Shawano Ave. Green Bay WI 54313-6727. This notice is required by Chapter NR107, Wisconsin Administrative Code.” Publish 02.17.23 WNAJLP

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PUBLIC NOTICE
 The City of Green Bay, Wisconsin has adopted an Annual Action Plan for Housing and Community Development covering federal fiscal year 2022. Notice is being provided to the public with a posting of The Redevelopment Authority agenda dated February 14, 2023, that an amendment will be made to this plan to transfer \$367,384.00 of Home Investment Partnership Program (HOME) funding from the Single Family Rehabilitation Loans budget to the Housing Development Advancement Projects budget to support the development of affordable housing units in the City of Green Bay. The public is invited to comment on this change to Krista Cisneroz, Community Development Specialist, at 920-448-3404 or by email at Krista.Cisneroz@greenbaywi.gov. If persons commenting on the amendment require special accommodations or translation of this notice, please contact the Community and Economic Development Department at 920-448-3400. Additional information regarding this change is available in the Community and Economic Development Department, 100 N. Jefferson Street, Room 608, Green Bay, Wisconsin. The comment period will run from February 15, 2023 through March 15, 2023. Written comments received at the office of the Community and Economic Development Department on or before March 15, 2023, will be considered. Publication Date: February 17, 2023 WNAJLP

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Public Notification Proposed Street Vacations of Unimproved Rona Lane and Unimproved Unnamed Road located east of Crestwood Drive and south of West Mason Street (SV 22-02)
 The Common Council of the City of Green Bay will hold a public hearing on **Tuesday, March 7, 2023**, at 6:00 p.m. This meeting will be held in person in Room 203 of City Hall and virtually through Zoom. Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81148427359> Meeting ID: 811 4842 7359 Passcode: 254148 One tap mobile +19292056099,, 81148427359#,,,,,0#,,254148#

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Bellevue WNAJLP

Request for Proposal (RFP) Announcement
 Video Surveillance System Implementation The Village of Bellevue (Population 16,568 and 14.38 Square Miles), Wisconsin, is seeking a vendor in the Green Bay Metropolitan area only (or within a 10-mile radius from 3100 Eaton Road, Bellevue, WI) to provide integration and installation with Bellevue's current OpenEye Surveillance System. The Vendor shall provide the specified service below and must complete the project no later than October 31, 2023. The Village of Bellevue seeks to replace all surveillance systems at various locations throughout the municipality. A total of seven(7) locations will need to be integrated into one system. The surveillance system must work with Bellevue's cloud OpenEye platform, allowing easy video and video storage access. The Village will not accept a different solution other than OpenEye or a vendor who is not authorized to resell the OpenEye brand. Project work must include planning, design, installation, and training (If needed) of the product(s). The Vendor may respond to this RFP by providing information in an email (must be in PDF format) or by mail as follows:
 • One or more pages about the Vendor, years of service, and three customer references. The Vendor's contact person, phone number, email, business hours, and address must be included.
 • One or more pages regarding the proposal of service.
 • One page regarding the price sheet of service. Please visit the Village of Bellevue's RFP webpage for more information on the project's requirements. The web address is <https://www.villageofbellevue.wi.gov/government/>

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bids__r_f_ps The Vendor may email Tim Hennig, GIS/IT Manager, regarding questions about the surveillance project. The email address is thennig@villageofbellevue.wi.gov. No phone calls, please. All RFP submissions should be in a .pdf and emailed to thennig@villageofbellevue.wi.gov or sent to: Attention: Tim Hennig Village of Bellevue - Video Surveillance System Implementation 2828 Allouez Ave Bellevue, WI 54311 The Village reserves the right to reject or negotiate any or all RFP proposals. All requested information is due by March 3, 2023, at noon. Publish 02.17.23 WNAJLP

Bellevue WNAJLP

SECTION 00 11 13 ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed bids for the Village of Bellevue **2023 Roadway Construction – Manitowoc Road, Contract C-23**, project will be accepted through Quest vBid electronic bid service or by submitting a paper copy at the Village Office: 2828 Allouez Avenue, Green Bay, WI 54311, by 11:00 AM (local time) on March 1, 2023; and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud. The work, in general, will include the approximate quantities and items listed below:
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 • 5,300 CY – Common Excavation
 • 4,300 CY – Crushed Aggregate Base Course
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 • 132 LF – 75"x112" CMP Culvert Replacement
 • 20 EA – Manhole/Catch Basin Adjustments
 • Landscape Restoration
 The proposals shall be submitted on the forms furnished with the specifications. Each proposal shall be accompanied by a bid bond of a bonding company duly authorized to do business in the State of Wisconsin in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the proposal. This proposal guarantee shall be subject to forfeiture as provided by law. When submitting an electronic bid, Bidder is required to deliver the original bid bond within 72 hours of bid opening to Cedar Corporation. For this project, bids will be received and accepted via the online electronic bid service through QuestCDN vBid online bidding, or by sealed paper copy. Complete digital project bidding documents can be downloaded at www.cedarcorp.com or www.questcdn.com. Reference [QuestCDN project number 8389378](https://www.questcdn.com/project-number/8389378) for a nonrefundable charge of \$50. Contact QuestCDN Customer Support at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in membership registration, and downloading digital project information, and vBid online bid submittal. Project bid documents must be downloaded from QuestCDN which will add your company to the Planholder List and allow access to vBid online bidding for the submittal of your bid. The QuestCDN website will be updated periodically with addenda, lists of registered plan holders, reports, and other information relevant to submitting a Bid for the Project. All official notifications, addenda, and other Bidding Documents will be offered only through the designated website. Neither

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Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for Bidding Documents, including addenda, if any, obtained from sources other than the designated website. **Prequalification of Bidders is required.** The Village of Bellevue's Bidders Proof of Responsibility forms will be issued with the Bid Documents. The Village of Bellevue's Bidders Proof of Responsibility forms shall be completed, submitted and received by the Owner by 4:00 p.m., a minimum of five (5) calendar days prior to the Bid Opening. Bidders who have been previously qualified for a Village of Bellevue project during the 2022/2023 construction season will not be required to resubmit separate qualifications for this project. The Village of Bellevue's Bidders Proof of Responsibility forms can be obtained at the Village of Bellevue, 2828 Allouez Avenue, Bellevue, WI or at their website: www.villageofbellevue.org. No bids will be accepted from any Bidder who has not submitted the Village of Bellevue's Bidders Proof of Responsibility. The Owner reserves the right to reject the Bid of any Bidder who has been determined to be unqualified. Proposals shall not be withdrawn for a period of 60 days after the date of opening. The Village of Bellevue reserves the right to reject any or all of the proposals and to waive any informalities therein. Dates of Publication: February 10 and February 17, 2023 By Authority of: Karen Simons, Director of Finance/Clerk-Treasurer WNAJLP

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SECTION 00 11 13 FEBRUARY 10, 2023 – FEBRUARY 17, 2023 CITY OF DE PERE ADVERTISEMENT TO BID PROJECT 23-02 RIDGEWAY AND EAST RIVER DRIVE PAVEMENT REHABILITATION

Online bids will be received and accepted for Project 23-02 Ridgeway and East River Drive Pavement Rehabilitation via the online electronic bidding service through QuestCDN.com, until 1:00 PM, Wednesday, March 1, 2023, at which time they will be publicly accepted, displayed and read aloud. Project 23-02 for which proposals are being sought includes the following approximate quantities:
 • 2,300 LF Relay Water Main (6-Inch to 8-Inch) Open Cut Construction and/or Directional Drill and Associated Appurtenances
 • 100 LF New and Relay Storm Sewer (12-Inch) and Associated Appurtenances
 • 1,000 CY Unclassified Excavation (Alleys)
 • 26,100 SY Pulverize Asphaltic Concrete Pavement
 • 6,650 Tons Asphaltic Concrete Pavement
 • 2,100 LF Replace Concrete Curb and Gutter
 • 350 SY Replace Concrete Sidewalks and Driveways (4-Inch to 8-Inch Depth)
 • Traffic Control
 • Restoration
 Complete digital project bidding documents are available for viewing and/or downloading at www.questcdn.com or may be examined at the office of the Director of Public Works. Digital plan documents may be downloaded for \$15 by inputting Quest project #8350099 on Quest's Project Search page. Project documents must be downloaded from QuestCDN which will add your company to the Planholder List and allow access to vBid online

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bidding for the submittal of your bid. Bidders will be charged an additional fee of \$30 to submit a bid electronically. The QuestCDN website can also be accessed through the City website at www.deperewi.gov/projects or by pressing the Projects icon at the bottom of any City website page. Contact QuestCDN Customer Support at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in membership registration, downloading digital project information and vBid online bid submittal questions. Each proposal shall be accompanied by a bid bond in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the bid, payable to the City of De Pere, as a guarantee that if the bid is accepted, the bidder will execute a contract and furnish a contract bond as set forth in the General Conditions of the City of De Pere. In case the bidder fails to file such contract and bond, the amount of the bid bond shall be forfeited to the City of De Pere as liquidated damages. The letting of the contract is subject to the provisions of the following Wisconsin Statutes: Section 62.15 regarding Public Works. Section 66.0901(3) regarding Prequalification of Contractor. Each bidder shall pre-qualify by submitting proof of responsibility on forms furnished by the Director of Public Works. Such forms shall be filed with the Director of Public Works no later than 4:00 PM, Monday, February 27, 2023. Prospective bidders who have previously submitted such forms subsequent to January 1, 2023 will not be required to separately submit such form for this project. The City of De Pere reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any informalities in bidding and to accept any proposal which the Common Council deems most favorable to the interest of the City of De Pere. Dated this 10th day of February 2023. Board of Public Works City of De Pere Eric Rakers, P.E. City Engineer Project 23-03 Publish 02.10.23 & 02.17.23 WNAJLP

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SECTION 00 11 13 FEBRUARY 10, 2023 – FEBRUARY 17, 2023 CITY OF DE PERE ADVERTISEMENT TO BID PROJECT 23-03 SEWER LINING

Online bids will be received and accepted for Project 23-03 Sewer Lining via the online electronic bidding service through QuestCDN.com, until 1:00 PM, Thursday, March 2, 2023, at which time they will be publicly accepted, displayed and read aloud. Project 23-03 for which proposals are being sought includes the following approximate quantities:
 • 10,000 LF of 8" to 36" Cured-In-Place Lining and Associated Work
 Complete digital project bidding documents are available for viewing and/or downloading at www.questcdn.com or may be examined at the office of the Director of Public Works. Digital plan documents may be downloaded for \$15 by inputting Quest project #8350101 on Quest's Project Search page. Project documents must be downloaded from QuestCDN which will add your company to the Planholder List and allow access to vBid online bidding for the submittal of your bid. Bidders will be charged an additional fee of \$30 to submit a bid

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electronically. The QuestCDN website can also be accessed through the City website at www.deperewi.gov/projects or by pressing the Projects icon at the bottom of any City website page. Contact QuestCDN Customer Support at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in membership registration, downloading digital project information and vBid online bid submittal questions. Each proposal shall be accompanied by a bid bond in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the bid, payable to the City of De Pere, as a guarantee that if the bid is accepted, the bidder will execute a contract and furnish a contract bond as set forth in the General Conditions of the City of De Pere. In case the bidder fails to file such contract and bond, the amount of the bid bond shall be forfeited to the City of De Pere as liquidated damages. The letting of the contract is subject to the provisions of the following Wisconsin Statutes: Section 62.15 regarding Public Works. Section 66.0901(3) regarding Prequalification of Contractor. Each bidder shall pre-qualify by submitting proof of responsibility on forms furnished by the Director of Public Works. Such forms shall be filed with the Director of Public Works no later than 4:00 PM, Monday, February 27, 2023. Prospective bidders who have previously submitted such forms subsequent to January 1, 2023 will not be required to separately submit such form for this project. The City of De Pere reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any informalities in bidding and to accept any proposal which the Common Council deems most favorable to the interest of the City of De Pere. Dated this 10th day of February 2023. Board of Public Works City of De Pere Eric Rakers, P.E. City Engineer Project 23-03 Publish 02.10.23 & 02.17.23 WNAJLP

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SECTION 00 11 13 FEBRUARY 10, 2023 – FEBRUARY 17, 2023 CITY OF DE PERE ADVERTISEMENT TO BID PROJECT 23-04 KINGSTON PRESERVE UTILITY AND STREET CONSTRUCTION

Online bids will be received and accepted for Project 23-04 Kingston Preserve Utility and Street Construction via the online electronic bidding service through QuestCDN.com, until 1:00 PM, Thursday, March 2, 2023, at which time they will be publicly accepted, displayed and read aloud. Project 23-04 for which proposals are being sought includes the following approximate quantities:
 • 1,800 LF New Sanitary Sewer (8-inch) and Associated Appurtenances
 • 1,800 LF New Water Main (8-inch) and Associated Appurtenances
 • 2,000 LF New Storm Sewer (8-inch to 24-inch) and Associated Appurtenances
 • 7,350 CY Pond Unclassified Excavation
 • 2,500 CY Street Unclassified Excavation
 • 6,400 SY Crushed Aggregate Base Course – 15-Inch Depth
 • 3,500 LF New Concrete Curb and Gutter
 • 500 SY New Concrete Sidewalk (4-Inch to 6-Inch Depth)
 • 300 SY Remove and Replace 9-Inch Doweled Concrete Pavement
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• 4,000 Tons of Asphaltic Concrete Pavement Placement
 • Erosion Control & Restoration
 • Traffic Control
 Complete digital project bidding documents are available for viewing and/or downloading at www.QUESTCDN.com or may be examined at the office of the Director of Public Works. Digital plan documents may be downloaded for \$15 by inputting Quest project #8350102 on Quest's Project Search page. Project documents must be downloaded from QuestCDN which will add your company to the Planholder List and allow access to vBid online bidding for the submittal of your bid. Bidders will be charged an additional fee of \$30 to submit a bid electronically. The QuestCDN website can also be accessed through the City website at www.deperewi.gov/projects or by pressing the Projects icon at the bottom of any City website page. Contact QuestCDN Customer Support at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in membership registration, downloading digital project information and vBid online bid submittal questions. Each proposal shall be accompanied by a bid bond in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the bid, payable to the City of De Pere, as a guarantee that if the bid is accepted, the bidder will execute a contract and furnish a contract bond as set forth in the General Conditions of the City of De Pere. In case the bidder fails to file such contract and bond, the amount of the bid bond shall be forfeited to the City of De Pere as liquidated damages. The letting of the contract is subject to the provisions of the following Wisconsin Statutes: Section 62.15 regarding Public Works. Section 66.0901(3) regarding Prequalification of Contractor. Each bidder shall pre-qualify by submitting proof of responsibility on forms furnished by the Director of Public Works. Such forms shall be filed with the Director of Public Works no later than 4:00 PM, Monday, February 27, 2023. Prospective bidders who have previously submitted such forms subsequent to January 1, 2023 will not be required to separately submit such form for this project. The City of De Pere reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any informalities in bidding and to accept any proposal which the Common Council deems most favorable to the interest of the City of De Pere. Dated this 10th day of February 2023. Board of Public Works City of De Pere Eric Rakers, P.E. City Engineer Project 23-04 Publish 02.10.23 & 02.17.23 WNAXLP

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS Contract: **"PAVEMENT 1-23 S. VAN BUREN STREET RECONSTRUCTION"** City of Green Bay, Wisconsin Proposals will be received and accepted **ONLY** through QuestCDN.com via their electronic VirtuBid™ (vBid) online bid service until 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 7, 2023 at which time they will be opened for Public Works Improvement Contract: **"PAVEMENT 1-23 S. VAN BUREN STREET RECONSTRUCTION"** in accordance with the plans therefore, the City of Green Bay Standard Specifications and Construction Standards for Public Works Construction, 2023 Edition, and the special provisions of this contract, all of which are on file in the City

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Clerk's/Treasurer's Office and the Director of Public Works Office in the Green Bay City Hall. The work under this Contract includes construction of approximately 1,740 linear feet of 4", 6", and 8" water main including service relays, and water construction staking; sanitary spot repairs, 58 linear feet of sanitary sewer construction, installation of 2,540 linear feet of 8" sanitary sewer CIPP lining, including sanitary sewer lateral reconstructions, sanitary sewer manhole construction and replacement, and sanitary sewer manhole reconstruction; construction of 1,130 linear feet of 12", 15", and 18" storm sewer, construction of inlet leads, storm sewer laterals, storm sewer inlets, and storm manholes; 2,800 cubic yards of excavation, 2,680 linear feet of curb and gutter, 980 cubic yards of 1 1/4" crushed aggregate base course, 850 cubic yards of breaker run, 850 tons of HMA pavement, 1,650 square feet of concrete sidewalk reconstruction and 7,800 square feet of concrete driveway reconstruction; construction staking, and sod restoration. The Contract Documents, including plans and specifications, may be examined electronically at www.questcdn.com and downloaded for a fee of \$42.00. Prospective bidders must register with QuestCDN in order to download documents which will add your company to the Planholder List and allow access to vBid online bidding for the submittal of your bid which is required for this project. The charges for bidding documents are non-refundable. Contact QuestCDN Customer Support at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in membership registration, downloading digital project information and vBid online bid submittal. The work shall be let in accordance with the following Sections of the Wisconsin Statutes.
 1. Section 62.15 regarding public works construction.
 2. Section 779.15 regarding lien on contractors.
 3. Section 66.0901(2) regarding proof of responsibility.
 All bidders shall provide proof of responsibility on the form furnished by the Director of Public Works and it shall be filed with the Director of Public Works not less than five (5) days prior to the time set for opening of bids. Said proof of responsibility shall not be valid if filed prior to one year of the date of opening bids. In accordance with Section 42-2 of the City of Green Bay Code of Ordinances, any corporation, firm, or individual violating Chapter 133.01 of the Wisconsin Statutes, or any subsequent amendment thereof, shall upon conviction thereof be thereby disqualified as a bidder on any City of Green Bay project for a period of three (3) years from the date of such conviction; however, nothing herein shall be interpreted to preclude such corporation, firm, or individual from completing any and all contracts he/she may already have with the City at the time of such conviction, nor shall this ordinance be applied retroactively to convictions occurring prior to the adoption and publication of this ordinance. This prohibition applies with like force to officers of convicted corporations, firms, or individuals who thereafter have business interest in new corporations or business enterprises of whatever kind or description. The City of Green Bay, Wisconsin reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informality in bidding. No bids shall be withdrawn

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after the opening of bids without the consent of the City of Green Bay, Wisconsin for a period of sixty (60) days after the scheduled time for closing bids. All proposals must be submitted through QuestCDN.com via their electronic vBid online bid service provided for that purpose and issued to the specific bidder by the Director of Public Works together a bid bond equal to at least five (5) but not more than ten (10) percent of the bid payable to the City of Green Bay as a guarantee that if his/her bid is accepted, he/she will execute and file the contract and a performance bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the total bid within ten (10) days after the award of the contract. Only the Proposal Pages, Surety Bond, Affidavit of Compliance, Disclosure of Ownership and any Addenda issued shall be submitted. Only Proposals submitted by firms appearing on the City of Green Bay list of plan holders will be opened. In case the successful bidder shall fail to execute such contract and performance bond, the amount of the check or bid bond shall be forfeited to the City as liquidated damages. Published by the authority of the Improvement & Services Committee of the Common Council of the City of Green Bay, Wisconsin. BY: Mark Steuer, Chairperson Advertised: February 17, 2023 February 24, 2023 WNAXLP

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS Contract: **"PAVEMENT 2-23 HURON ROAD SIDEWALK ADDITION"** City of Green Bay, Wisconsin Proposals will be received and accepted **ONLY** through QuestCDN.com via their electronic VirtuBid™ (vBid) online bid service until 2:00 p.m. on March 7, 2023, at which time they will be opened for Public Works Improvement Contract: **"PAVEMENT 2-23 HURON ROAD SIDEWALK ADDITION"** in accordance with the plans therefore, the City of Green Bay Standard Specifications and Construction Standards for Public Works Construction, 2023 Edition, and the special provisions of this contract, all of which are on file in the City Clerk's/Treasurer's Office and the Director of Public Works Office in the Green Bay City Hall. Work under this Contract shall consist of approximately 16,750 square feet of concrete sidewalk construction, 1,550 square feet of concrete sidewalk and driveway construction, and 170 linear feet of curb reconstruction; 240 linear feet of sidewalk curb retaining wall 6" construction; 1,000 cubic yards of excavation; 220 cubic yards of CABG ¾"; storm sewer manhole replacement and reconstruction, storm sewer catch basin construction, 10 linear feet of storm sewer construction, construction staking, traffic control and restoration. The Contract Documents, including plans and specifications, may be examined electronically at www.questcdn.com and downloaded for a fee of \$42.00. Prospective bidders must register with QuestCDN in order to download documents which will add your company to the Planholder List and allow access to vBid online bidding for the submittal of your bid which is required for this project. The charges for bidding documents are non-refundable. Contact QuestCDN Customer Support at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in membership registration, downloading digital project information and

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vBid online bid submittal. The work shall be let in accordance with the following Sections of the Wisconsin Statutes.
 1. Section 62.15 regarding public works construction.
 2. Section 779.15 regarding lien on contractors.
 3. Section 66.0901(2) regarding proof of responsibility.
 All bidders shall provide proof of responsibility on the form furnished by the Director of Public Works and it shall be filed with the Director of Public Works not less than five (5) days prior to the time set for opening of bids. Said proof of responsibility shall not be valid if filed prior to one year of the date of opening bids. In accordance with Section 42-2 of the City of Green Bay Code of Ordinances, any corporation, firm, or individual violating Chapter 133.01 of the Wisconsin Statutes, or any subsequent amendment thereof, shall upon conviction thereof be thereby disqualified as a bidder on any City of Green Bay project for a period of three (3) years from the date of such conviction; however, nothing herein shall be interpreted to preclude such corporation, firm, or individual from completing any and all contracts he/she may already have with the City at the time of such conviction, nor shall this ordinance be applied retroactively to convictions occurring prior to the adoption and publication of this ordinance. This prohibition applies with like force to officers of convicted corporations, firms, or individuals who thereafter have business interest in new corporations or business enterprises of whatever kind or description. The City of Green Bay, Wisconsin reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informality in bidding. No bids shall be withdrawn after the opening of bids without the consent of the City of Green Bay, Wisconsin for a period of sixty (60) days after the scheduled time for closing bids. All proposals must be submitted through QuestCDN.com via their electronic vBid online bid service provided for that purpose and issued to the specific bidder by the Director of Public Works together a bid bond equal to at least five (5) but not more than ten (10) percent of the bid payable to the City of Green Bay as a guarantee that if his/her bid is accepted, he/she will execute and file the contract and a performance bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the total bid within ten (10) days after the award of the contract. Only the Proposal Pages, Bid Bond, Affidavit of Compliance, Disclosure of Ownership and any Addenda issued shall be submitted. Only Proposals submitted by firms appearing on the City of Green Bay list of plan holders will be opened. In case the successful bidder shall fail to execute such contract and performance bond, the amount of the check or bid bond shall be forfeited to the City as liquidated damages. Published by the authority of the Improvement & Services Committee of the Common Council of the City of Green Bay, Wisconsin. BY: Mark Steuer, Chairperson Advertised: February 17, 2023 February 24, 2023 WNAXLP

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p.m. on Tuesday, February 28, 2023, at which time they will be opened privately for Public Works Improvement Contract: **"PAVEMENT REPAIR 2023 (INCLUDING CONCRETE AND ASPHALT PAVEMENT)"** in accordance with the plans therefore, the City of Green Bay Standard Specifications and Construction Standards for Public Works Construction, 2023 Edition, and the special provisions of this contract, all of which are on file in the City Clerk's/Treasurer's Office and the Director of Public Works Office in the Green Bay City Hall. This Contract includes concrete sidewalk and driveway construction or reconstruction (approximately 25,000 square feet), concrete pavement reconstruction and replacement (approximately 6,800 square yards), replacement of inlets (approximately 15 each), replacement of inlet leads (approximately 75 lineal feet), reconstruction of concrete curb and gutter (approximately 2,400 lineal feet), 715 cubic yards of excavation below subgrade, 850 tons of HMA replacement, 1,000 square yards of HMA patching and 1,000 square yards of Asphaltic Milling at various locations throughout the City, and restoration at various locations throughout the City. The Contract Documents, including plans and specifications, may be examined electronically at www.questcdn.com and downloaded for a fee of \$42.00. Prospective bidders must register with QuestCDN in order to download documents which will add your company to the Planholder List and allow access to vBid online bidding for the submittal of your bid which is required for this project. The charges for bidding documents are non-refundable. Contact QuestCDN Customer Support at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in membership registration, downloading digital project information and vBid online bid submittal. The work shall be let in accordance with the following Sections of the Wisconsin Statutes.
 1. Section 62.15 regarding public works construction.
 2. Section 779.15 regarding lien on contractors.
 3. Section 66.0901(2) regarding proof of responsibility.
 All bidders shall provide proof of responsibility on the form furnished by the Director of Public Works and it shall be filed with the Director of Public Works not less than five (5) days prior to the time set for opening of bids. Said proof of responsibility shall not be valid if filed prior to one year of the date of opening bids. In accordance with Section 42-2 of the City of Green Bay Code of Ordinances, any corporation, firm, or individual violating Chapter 133.01 of the Wisconsin Statutes, or any subsequent amendment thereof, shall upon conviction thereof be thereby disqualified as a bidder on any City of Green Bay project for a period of three (3) years from the date of such conviction; however, nothing herein shall be interpreted to preclude such corporation, firm, or individual from completing any and all contracts he/she may already have with the City at the time of such conviction, nor shall this ordinance be applied retroactively to convictions occurring prior to the adoption and publication of this ordinance. This prohibition applies with like force to officers of convicted corporations, firms, or individuals who thereafter have business interest in new corporations or business enterprises of whatever kind or description. The City of Green Bay, Wisconsin reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informality in bidding. No bids shall be withdrawn after the opening of bids without the consent of the City of Green Bay, Wisconsin for a period of sixty (60) days after the scheduled time for closing bids. All proposals must be submitted through QuestCDN.com via their electronic vBid online bid service provided for that purpose and issued to the specific bidder by the Director of Public Works together a bid bond equal to at least five (5) but not more than ten (10) percent of the bid payable to the City of Green Bay as a guarantee that if his/her bid is accepted, he/she will execute and file the contract and a performance bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the total bid within ten (10) days after the award of the contract. Only the Proposal Pages, Bid Bond, Affidavit of Compliance, Disclosure of Ownership and any Addenda issued shall be submitted. Only Proposals submitted by firms appearing on the City of Green Bay list of plan holders will be opened. In case the successful bidder shall fail to execute such contract and performance bond, the amount of the check or bid bond shall be forfeited to the City as liquidated damages. Published by the authority of the Improvement & Services Committee of the Common Council of the City of Green Bay, Wisconsin. BY: Mark Steuer, Chairperson Advertised: February 10, 2023 February 17, 2023 WNAXLP

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The City of Green Bay Park, Recreation & Forestry (PRF) Department ("City") is soliciting Proposals from qualified vendors for Playground Equipment for Farlin Park #2023-07. Quotes are due on March 2, 2023 2:00 PM CST. Complete specifications and free registration at www.demandstar.com or <http://vendornet.wi.gov> Publish 02.17.23 WNAXLP

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The City of Green Bay proposes to accept bids for RFB #2023-08 The City of Green Bay Purchasing is soliciting Bids from qualified vendors for Mudjacking Services. Quotes are due on March 2, 2023 2:00 PM CST. Complete specifications and free registration at www.demandstar.com or <http://vendornet.wi.gov> Publish 02.17.23 WNAXLP

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Briana VandenLangenberg, Seymour dance and track and field

BY WILLIAM SOQUET
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Name: Briana VandenLangenberg
Parents: Robert and Brenda VandenLangenberg
Activities: Dance, track and field
Instagram: @briana.vdl

Briana is the co-captain of the Thunder dance team and a four-time state dance qualifier as a member. She qualified individually for state dance this year. Briana also jumps for the Seymour track and field team, participating in both the long and triple jump.

You went to state dance as part of the Seymour team this year. How was the experience?

"It was once again probably the most fun experience being able to spend a whole weekend with the team and being able to spend a few more moments with them at the floor. We still have basketball games, but competitions are always a lot more fun. Being able to go for the fourth year in a row and being able to perform on the floor in La Crosse was an amazing feeling."

You knew state would be your last competition. Did that bring extra pressure?

"I personally always put a little bit more pressure on myself, and especially with it being senior year, I pushed a lot harder than I would have. I wanted to go out with a bang and be able to come home with another trophy, and we accomplished that."

So I'm really proud of the whole team.

You also went to state as an individual. How was that different than team state?

"I would say it was a bit more stressful having to keep my energy high during the routines, but be able to contain some energy to be able to go back out on the floor later. I was nervous more for my individual than I was for the team, because I had faith in my team and I believed in them, that they would also be there to support me during my individual, but they were strong dancers in the team routine."

How did you get started in dance?

"When I was 4, my mother put me in a dance club, because when she was in high school she had danced for a few years — she wanted to get me in to dance. It just kind of stuck. Probably halfway through my first year of dance, I was having so much fun with all the girls in my class that Monday night I was so excited to come home from school. I couldn't wait for 6 o'clock because I got to hang out with my friends and do something that I enjoy. In middle school, I started to take it more seriously. Even though I didn't compete, I was constantly practicing to

do my best. I'd take up the whole living room practicing just about every night of the week. Then in high school, it just skyrocketed."

How have you grown as a dancer throughout high school?

"I got a lot more comfortable performing in front of people. Coming into high school, I had never competed before, so my freshman year, I got a lot of nerves every weekend. Instead of people watching me and just enjoying what they were seeing, there were people watching me and picking apart everything we did. I think that I grew a lot more through just being able to not be as worried about people judging me. I think I've opened up a lot since my freshman year, and I'm more outgoing because of dance and having to spend nine months with the same girls."

What made you gravitate to the jumping events in track?

"The jumping coach had always been trying to recruit dancers. With dance, all the leaps and everything, I thought it would translate well to jumping. I thought that I had long legs, so it was something that I could catch on to. I tried it once, and I've always been a person that tries to challenge myself, so having something that I could challenge myself and work on to perfect gave me something to look forward to at practice."

What is the hardest

part of the triple jump technique for you?

"My coach would probably say the second phase [middle jump]. I cut it short every time. Sometimes I get scared that the ground won't be there, so I stop myself."

What is a highlight of your track and field career?

"Not even in jumps, it would probably be taking fourth place in the 300 low hurdles [at a meet]."

Where is your favorite place to go out to eat?

"Buzz's in Freedom."

Which artists are at the top of your music playlist right now?

"Probably Lewis Capaldi, and then the rest are country artists. I'm a big Duke FM listener."

What are some of your hobbies?

"I like to do art — all forms, including drawing, painting, traditional and digital. I also like to spend some of my weekends with my dad in the shop doing woodworking, which is the opposite of what you'd expect."

Where is one of your favorite places you've traveled to?

"Potato River Falls. It's somewhere in northern Wisconsin. There's this big waterfall and then a mini waterfall. My mom wanted to take a waterfall tour one summer, so we stopped at a bunch and it was my favorite that we stopped at on the trip. It's very pretty."

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Moon calls the men's basketball opening an attractive position even though the program could have the fewest number of wins in its tenure as a Division I sport. In the 1984-85 season, Green Bay won four games.

"We've got a lot of interest; this is an attractive place to live," Moon said. "It's awesome. I think this is a really good job and just look at the history and tradition of people that have been in here before from the coaching and then from the players' standpoint. There's awesome success and a lot of schools would love to have the success that this program's had, going back from the Division II days to Division I with five NCAA Tournament appearances, it kind of speaks for itself, multiple NBA guys. The tradition and history is really good, so people need to respect that and that's where this program deserves to be."

Even though it's early in the process, Moon noted that he received around 50 calls from throughout the United States in the first few days of the posting from individuals interested in learning more about the position.

"There's lots of interest, which is great," Moon said. "There's people from all over the country, people that have ties, people that don't have ties, people in the profession, people outside the profession."



Moon, a Wautoma native, has become an integral part of the Green Bay community, speaking at events around the area. He wants the new Green Bay men's basketball coach to be a big part of the community as well. **Green Bay Athletics photo**

The good news is we've got a good pool, we've just got to build that base program here so we can be attractive when it gets down to like, 'Well, I'm interested, but what does the whole picture look like?' We've got to make that whole picture really attractive."

One way Green Bay is going to make the men's basketball position more attractive is by raising its salaries for the head coach and his assistants.

When Linc Darner was fired in May 2020 after going 92-80 in five seasons, he was making \$230,000 per year. Ryan signed a six-year deal in June 2020 worth \$175,000 per year.

"We're working on that and we're going to be more competitive, we know that for sure," Moon said. "So we know we have to pay what the market is demanding to get

just told them, let's just focus on the next 11 games that we had and give it everything you have in the classroom and obviously in competition and then everything on a daily basis that you're making good decisions and that you're pouring yourself into these areas right now," Moon said. "We'll figure it out after the season's done, new head coach, you can sit down, where's the fit, all those questions will get answered. Right now, their focus is just on [the next game] and the next couple weeks. How can we finish strong, and then we'll answer those questions at a later date."

Moon — who grew up in Wautoma, just 100 miles from the Green Bay campus — wants the Phoenix program to keep homegrown talent from leaving the area.

"We've got to make sure that we get the best talent to stay home here and make it attractive for them to stay home and make it an easy decision for them," Moon said. "We can't miss on those high school kids. Then finding the transfers that maybe are from the Valley. There's been a lot of talent that have transferred somewhere, but they haven't transferred to GB, so we have to get those kids."

With its recent struggles, there has been plenty of chatter swirling around various social media sites that the Green Bay men's basketball program should drop from Division I to Division III.

Moon wants to squash any sort of rumors about that scenario.

"There's no doubt we're staying Division I, so that shouldn't be any question from anybody that the institution has made this one of the six priorities of the institution," Moon said. "Sustainable Division I athletics is critical to where the university's going, so Division I athletics is critical to that vision."

When it comes to hiring the new men's basketball coach, once Moon identifies his top candidate, he will bring a recommendation to UW-Green Bay Chancellor Dr. Michael Alexander for approval.

The timeline for Moon to have a new coach in place is approaching quickly.

"It's pretty clear that early March, mid-March range is where we need to be," Moon said. "The [transfer] portal opens up around then, so we've got to be cognizant of that time period because that's a real deadline, I guess, in terms of you don't necessarily need to have it right on March 14 when the portal opens, but you want to be in that ballpark of where it is."

"But, again, you're talking about coaches who are coaching their teams currently and balancing all that stuff. So we don't know exactly what that date looks like, but we know it has to be sometime in March."

ON THE HARDWOOD

GIRLS' BASKETBALL CONFERENCE STANDINGS

(Through Feb. 14 games)

Fox River Classic

	Conf	Overall
Notre Dame	17-0	22-1
Sheboygan North	13-4	14-9
De Pere	12-5	13-9
Bay Port	11-6	12-11
Green Bay Southwest	11-6	15-8
Green Bay Preble	7-10	11-12
Manitowoc Lincoln	6-11	9-14
Ashwaubenon	4-13	8-15
Pulaski	3-14	4-18
Sheboygan South	1-16	2-21

Area teams' next games: Pulaski @ Wausau West, Feb. 18; Pulaski @ Ashwaubenon, Feb. 21; Bay Port @ Fond du Lac, Feb. 24; De Pere @ Divine Savior Holy Angels, Feb. 24; GB Preble @ Kaukauna, Feb. 24; GB Southwest @ Menomonee Falls, Feb. 24.

Bay

	Conf	Overall
West De Pere	10-1	18-5
New London	10-1	18-3
Menasha	6-5	14-8
Xavier	6-5	8-15
Shawano	5-6	10-12
Seymour	2-10	5-18
Green Bay East	0-11	0-21

Area teams' next games: GB East @ Manitowoc Lincoln, Feb. 21; Seymour @ Plymouth, Feb. 21; Luxemburg-Casco @ West De Pere, Feb. 24.

Packerland

	Conf	Overall
Sevastopol	14-0	21-1
Oconto	12-3	17-6
Peshtigo	11-4	14-8
Kewaunee	8-7	8-15
Southern Door	8-7	13-10
Green Bay N.E.W. Lutheran	6-9	10-12
Algoma	6-9	10-13
Gibraltar	2-13	4-19
Sturgeon Bay	0-15	2-20

Area teams' next games: N.E.W. Lutheran @ Reedsville, Feb. 21.

AREA LEADERS

Points

Gracie Grzesk, Notre Dame, 18.6
Ebony Sinclair, N.E.W. Lutheran, 17.1
Trista Fayta, Notre Dame, 17.0

Rebounds

Ebony Sinclair, N.E.W. Lutheran, 9.3
Ellie McDermid, Bay Port, 9.2
Margie Stevens, GB Southwest, 8.0

Assists

Elise Smith, GB Preble, 3.6
Addison Pytleski, GB Southwest, 3.2
Faith Walder, West De Pere, 3.0
Ella Francois, West De Pere, 3.0
(Some area teams don't log rebounds and assists.)

PLAYOFF SEEDINGS

Division 1

No. 9 Bay Port @ No. 8 Fond du Lac, Feb. 24 — the winner plays No. 1 Germantown, Feb. 25; No. 12 De Pere @ No. 5 Divine Savior Holy Angels, Feb. 24; No. 14 Green Bay Preble @ No. 3 Kaukauna, Feb. 24; No. 11 Green Bay Southwest @ No. 6 Menomonee Falls, Feb. 24; No. 18 Green Bay East @ No. 15 Manitowoc Lincoln, Feb. 21.

Division 2

No. 9 Seymour @ No. 8 Plymouth, Feb. 21 — the winner plays No. 1 Notre Dame, Feb. 24; No. 3 West De Pere vs. No. 6 Luxemburg-Casco, Feb. 24; No. 7 Ashwaubenon vs. No. 10 Pulaski, Feb. 21 — the winner plays No. 2 Fox Valley Lutheran, Feb. 24.

Division 5

No. 9 N.E.W. Lutheran @ Reedsville, Feb. 21 — the winners play No. 1 Lourdes Academy, Feb. 24.

SNC secures share of NACC title

BY RICH PALZEWIC
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

DE PERE — With a conference title and an 11-game winning streak on the line, the St. Norbert women's basketball team pulled away in the fourth quarter against Concordia University Chicago on Feb. 11.

The Green Knights outscored the Cougars 24-8 in the final 10 minutes on their way to a 75-46 Northern Athletics Collegiate Conference (NACC) victory at the Mulva Sports Center in De Pere.

The win gave St. Norbert (20-3 overall, 16-0 NACC) at least a share of the conference title. On Feb. 15, the Phoenix had the shot to win the title outright with a victory over Wisconsin Lutheran College.

"I don't like talking about (winning) streaks," St. Norbert coach Amanda Leonhard-Perry laughed. "This team has good chemistry and works hard. We have good energy for this time of the year. Many times, it feels like you're dragging and hitting a wall."

Casey Jepson (West De Pere) scored 11 first-half points before Kaycee Gierczak (Notre Dame Academy) pumped in 20 points after intermission to lead the Green Knights.

"Casey made some nice drives to the lane (in the first half), finished strong and gave us a nice boost," Leonhard-Perry said. "Kaycee was struggling to finish in the first half, but I told her, 'You're fine — be tough around the rim and stay strong mentally.'"

Gierczak also pulled down a team-high 10 rebounds.

"The first half was an



St. Norbert guard Emma Morrisey looks for open teammates as Concordia University Chicago's Melia Perry defends during their game on Feb. 11. Rich Palzewic photo

adjustment, but I think we stepped it up in the second half," Gierczak said. "Because I'm a shorter player in the post, I need to get good position in the lane, which I thought I did."

Concordia came out strong to begin the game — bolting out to an 18-10 lead.

St. Norbert then went on a 7-0 run to end the first quarter.

"We talked about how (Concordia) could come out on fire, and they did," Leonhard-Perry said. "They shot 50% in the first quarter, but we weathered that storm. They have good athletes who can drive and shoot."

The Green Knights didn't help their cause in the first quarter — shooting 33% from the field.

St. Norbert outscored the

Cougars 18-10 in the second quarter to grab a 35-28 lead at the break.

After scoring four points in the first quarter, Jepson followed that up with seven in the second — including a baseline 3-pointer late in the half.

With a 51-41 lead early in the fourth quarter, the Green Knights left little doubt from there.

Gierczak's 15 points were part of a 24-5 surge to end the game.

"We're taking it one game at a time right now," Gierczak said. "Our mentality is to go 1-0 every game, no matter who we're playing."

Olivia DeCleene (De Pere) had a game-high 11 assists for St. Norbert, who shot 42.6% overall from the field.

Mikalsh Ellis led Concor-

dia with 19 points and 11 rebounds.

St. Norbert's four seniors — Natalie Cerrato, DeCleene, Gierczak and Ashley Orschmid — were also recognized before the game.

"The seniors always hold a special place in my heart," Leonhard-Perry said. "You get close with them over their time here."

If St. Norbert can lock up the No. 1 seed in the upcoming NACC tournament, it would host both games.

The winner of the NACC tournament gets an automatic bid into the NCAA Division III national tournament.

"It would be nice to host both games, assuming we can win that first one," Leonhard-Perry said. "We wouldn't have to travel, and we can sleep in our own beds."

De Pere outlasts GBSW to climb standings

BY MARA ALLEN
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

DE PERE — With playoff seedings coming out on Sunday, the De Pere girls' basketball team picked up an important victory on Feb. 10.

The host Redbirds used 22 points from Sophie Hafeman and a late push to beat Green Bay Southwest, 53-41, in a battle to break a fourth-place tie in the Fox River Classic Conference (FRCC) standings.

"It's definitely a really big win against a really solid team," Hafeman said. Southwest's Addie Pytleski opened up the scoring within the first minute.

Led by Sophie Hafeman, De Pere (13-9, 12-5 FRCC) went on a 7-0 run, forcing the Trojans to call a timeout.

With 13:30 left in the first half, Hafeman left the game with two fouls. Southwest (14-8, 11-6 FRCC) made a push, taking an 8-7 lead.

Pytleski picked up her second foul of the contest with 10:23 remaining in the first half, forcing her to leave the game and putting both teams' top scorers on the bench.

Allison Wettstein made back-to-back field goals to give the Redbirds a 13-8 lead just over halfway through the first period.

De Pere's Jaden Ciesiel-



De Pere's Addie Chapman is double-teamed by Green Bay Southwest's Taylor Deines (left) and Addie Pytleski (back) during their game on Feb. 10. Jason Coisman photo

czyk hit the first 3-pointer of the game with less than seven minutes remaining in the half, giving De Pere a 16-8 lead.

Foul trouble continued to plague the Trojans as Margie Stevens picked up her third foul.

The Redbirds extended their lead to 23-11 — the largest of the game — on a Kaylei Anderson 3 with four and a half minutes to go before the break.

Just as it looked like De Pere would pull away, Eajah Danforth answered for the

Trojans, hitting consecutive 3s, pulling Southwest within six, 23-17.

Led by Pytleski, Southwest scored three field goals in the final two minutes of the half.

De Pere, which earned the No. 12 seed in its playoff bracket, entered halftime with a 26-23 lead.

Hafeman opened the second half with a bucket for the Redbirds.

With just over three minutes gone in the second period, Southwest scored its first points of the half off

of a Stevens field goal in the paint.

Both teams continued to trade baskets, with De Pere holding on to a small lead.

Abby Tassoul hit a 3 for the Redbirds with 9:24 remaining, extending De Pere's lead to five, 38-33.

Pytleski countered on the following possession, hitting a 3 of her own.

Less than a minute later, the junior tied the game up at 38-38 on a layup with 8:30 to go in the game.

From there, De Pere dominated on both ends of the floor. Hafeman scored three field goals in a row, including an and-1 conversion, stretching the lead to 47-38.

The Redbird defense held the Trojans scoreless for over eight minutes. Southwest hit a 3 with 17 seconds to go, its first points since Pytleski tied the game at 38.

De Pere coach Jeremy Boileau credited his team's defense for locking down Pytleski during the final stretch.

"That brought a big spark to us defensively, which helped us find some better offensive opportunities as well," Boileau said.

Southwest, which had won seven of its last eight games prior to the loss, couldn't pull out the game down the stretch.

"We had the fight to fight back, it just wasn't our night," Southwest coach Tony Lee said.

ON THE HARDWOOD

De Pere wins battle of No. 1s

BY GREG BATES
SPORTS EDITOR

DE PERE — The stands were jam-packed, the lights were bright and the stars aligned — at least most of them — as Wisconsin may have crowned its top boys' basketball team.

The matchup of the season with De Pere, ranked No. 1 in Division 1, hosting Pewaukee, the top-ranked team in Division 2, didn't disappoint on Saturday night.

Like two heavyweight fighters, both traded punches, but it was De Pere that was left standing.

The undefeated Redbirds broke a 45-45 tie with a 12-4 run and never trailed from that point on, earning a 70-63 victory in front of a sold-out crowd of over 1,800 spectators.

The game featured five Division I college prospects as De Pere's big three players combined for 44 points, led by Illinois State signee John Kinzinger with 19 points. Will Hornseth added 15 points and Zach Kinzinger put in 10 points.

Pewaukee's Nick Janowski went off for a game-high 32 points. Iowa State commit Milan Momcilovic was held to 12 points by De Pere's hounding defense.

"Really big win — it was fun," De Pere coach Brian Winchester said. "It was a great atmosphere and it had the feel of a sectional final, it had the feel of a state game. Our kids really stepped up and our kids made plays.

"Janowski, that was fun. I shouldn't say it's fun to watch, but it was impressive how good he was. I thought we made him take tough shots and he still hit them. Milan was good. I thought we did a really good job. We put Will Hornseth in a lot of difficult positions on switches and he was terrific on defense and he had some really good possessions on offense. He was really good tonight."

For how good De Pere's stars were, it was some role players that proved to be



De Pere guard Hogan Demovsky drains one of his three 3-pointers on the evening during the Redbirds' 70-63 victory over Pewaukee on Feb. 11. A sell-out crowd of over 1,800 saw a great game between possibly the two best boys' basketball teams in the state. **Greg Bates photo**

the difference.

Senior Hogan Demovsky had 13 points — nailing three critical 3-pointers — to go with two assists and two timely steals.

"I play off John and Zach well when the guys come and double on them, I just kind of sit in the corner and wait to get kickouts and then I knock down my shots," Demovsky said.

Two of Demovsky's shots from beyond the 3-point arc came in the opening half. He hit four free throws in the final minute to help ice the game.

"Hogan was tremendous tonight," Winchester said. "Not only did he hit big shots, he was great on the defensive end. He had a really key strip, I thought, on Milan, and his length is bothering people. He's always in the right position. Then, offensively, he hits a couple of big shots."

De Pere also received key shots from Pryce Gregoire off the bench. The sophomore sank three 3-pointers in the first half at key moments.

"It was a great overall win, everyone contributed — it wasn't just one guy," said

John Kinzinger, who completed a double-double with 10 rebounds. "You look at the stat sheet, it's 13, 15, 10, all points right up there.

Momcilovic entered the game averaging 24.2 points. Winchester's defensive game plan was to match up Momcilovic against fellow 6-foot-8 big man Hornseth and make his life miserable.

Mission accomplished.

Momcilovic was just 4-for-10 from the field and made just one basket outside of the paint. It was the first game all season in which Momcilovic didn't convert a 3-point field goal.

Momcilovic, who is the 45th-rated player in the country by ESPN for the class of 2023, couldn't get on track early.

Pewaukee (17-3) had a favorable start to the game as Kaeden Osterman drained three 3-pointers to put the visitors up, 15-9.

The Pirates stretched their lead to seven, 30-23, after back-to-back baskets by Janowski.

De Pere (21-0) got its long-range shots going as John Kinzinger put in a 3-pointer and Gregoire hit consecutive corner 3s to

send it into half, 32-32.

A pair of Hornseth dunks put De Pere in front, but Janowski hit a contested 3-pointer to tie it, 45-45.

The Redbirds responded with a 12-4 run and another Hornseth dunk — this time with him driving baseline past Momcilovic, going under the basket and sending in for a one-handed flush.

"At that point, we knew, like, alright this is the closing, this is the fourth quarter and we just have to go out and grind it away," said John Kinzinger, who three nights later broke the Green Bay metro all-time scoring record with 1,988 points. "It's not going to be perfect from this point on, it's going to be a hard-fought, strong win from here. Slow possessions on offense, strong stops on defense and that's what we did to get our dub."

Pewaukee cut its deficit to three, 59-56, with a 7-2 spurt. However, Zach Kinzinger hit a jumper on De Pere's next possession to give his team some cushion.

Hanging onto a five-point lead, De Pere was 9-for-10 from the free throw line in the final 58.4 seconds of the game.

BOYS' BASKETBALL
CONFERENCE STANDINGS

(Through Feb. 14 games)

Fox River Classic

	Conf	Overall
De Pere	16-0	22-0
Sheboygan North	11-4	17-4
Bay Port	11-5	15-6
Notre Dame Academy	9-7	13-9
Ashwaubenon	8-8	12-9
Green Bay Southwest	8-8	10-12
Manitowoc Lincoln	7-9	11-11
Pulaski	5-10	9-12
Green Bay Preble	3-13	5-17
Sheboygan South	1-15	5-17

Area teams' next games: Eau Claire North @ Bay Port, Feb. 18; Pulaski @ Sheboygan North, Feb. 20; Ashwaubenon @ West De Pere, Feb. 21; GB Preble @ GB Southwest, Feb. 23; Notre Dame @ Ashwaubenon, Feb. 23; De Pere @ Pulaski, Feb. 23.

Bay

	Conf	Overall
Xavier	10-2	20-2
West De Pere	9-3	11-9
Shawano	8-4	16-5
New London	7-5	14-8
Menasha	6-6	8-13
Seymour	6-6	10-11
Green Bay East	1-11	3-19
Green Bay West	1-11	5-16

Area teams' next games: Beaver Dam @ West De Pere, Feb. 20; Freedom @ Seymour, Feb. 20; GB West @ Mishicot, Feb. 21; GB East @ Menasha, Feb. 23.

Packerland

	Conf	Overall
Southern Door	12-1	18-3
Peshigo	11-3	17-5
Kewaunee	10-2	13-5
Green Bay N.E.W. Lutheran	9-4	16-5
Oconto	7-6	13-7
Gibraltar	4-9	7-13
Sturgeon Bay	4-10	7-14
Algoma	3-12	7-14
Sevastopol	0-13	2-19

Area teams' next games: N.E.W. Lutheran @ Sevastopol, Feb. 20.

AREA LEADERS

Points

Tristian Lynch, N.E.W. Lutheran, 22.9
Connor Pytleski, Green Bay Southwest, 22.3
Emmett Lawton, Notre Dame, 21.5

Rebounds

Ethan Wall-Atim, Notre Dame, 10.0
Pytleski, 9.8
Thomas Michaels, Green Bay Preble, 8.8

Assists

Elijah Meerstein, N.E.W. Lutheran, 8.6
John Kinzinger, De Pere, 5.3
Drew Tomashek, Ashwaubenon, 4.4

Milestone

West De Pere senior Ethan Heck recently scored the 1,000th point of his career.

Bay Port earns redemption vs. Notre Dame

BY GREG BATES
SPORTS EDITOR

SUAMICO — The Notre Dame Academy-Bay Port boys' basketball rivalry was turned up an extra notch when NDA won its record third consecutive game in the series with a buzzer-beating shot on Jan. 31.

Just 10 days later, the two programs were back in the gym to play again.

Notre Dame was looking for back-to-back season sweeps, while Bay Port was looking for redemption after that recent late-second loss.

Bay Port broke a 45-45 tie midway through the second half when it went on a 19-7 run. The Pirates never looked back, scoring a 76-63 victory at home in a key Fox River Classic Conference (FRCC) game on Feb. 10.

"Huge win, especially coming off that heartbreaker last game," Bay Port senior Vince Vandervest said.

"We were out for blood



Notre Dame Academy's Henry Weber finds an open layup against the Bay Port defense during their game on Feb. 9.

Greg Bates photo

with them and came out and performed."

Down one point with about 2 seconds remaining in overtime, Notre Dame star Emmett Lawton hit a game-winning 3-pointer to pull off the win on Jan. 31.

"Couldn't stop thinking about that," Vandervest said. "Right in my face at the end — can't forget it."

Bay Port coach Nate Rykal had a similar thought as Vandervest about that tough loss.

"I hate to say it, but a little redemption for us," Rykal said. "I think we kind of blew that game and that's a game I think we kind of gave to them. They earned it with a shot at the end there, but we did a lot of things wrong that cost us that game, but we've learned from that and played a lot better tonight. A loss like that on a positive note gets you to pay attention, and guys have paid attention. We're doing things the right way and hopefully that will help us down the stretch, taking a tough loss like that."

Bay Port played a solid game against Notre Dame, having an assist-to-turnover ratio of 2-to-1 at 19 assists to 10 turnovers. The Pirates also hit 56% (27-for-48) of their shots from the field and were 15-for-17 (88.2%) from the free throw line.

Notre Dame (11-9, 8-7 FRCC) erased a nine-point halftime deficit by outscoring Bay Port (14-6, 10-5 FRCC) 18-9 the first eight minutes of

the second half.

At 45-45, Buchinger drained a pair of 3-pointers to go along with a layup and a putback basket.

Vandervest added a basket and Lieuwen hit a 3-pointer to push the Pirates' lead to 64-52 with 5:07 left in the game.

During that stretch to pull away, Rykal noted he saw a lot of toughness from his players.

"I think we rebounded the ball well in that stretch and took care of it and got good shots," Rykal said. "We got the good shots that we wanted in those stretches and did not force anything. We didn't force the issue, it was just, hey, we take what was there."

The Tritons cut their deficit to nine points, but Lieu-

wen iced the game with a three-point play with 2:29 on the clock.

Lawton scored a game-high 26 points in the loss as Notre Dame shot 50% (24-for-48) from the field.

Andrew Rader added 15 points on 6-for-7 shooting and Henry Weber scored 11 points.

The Tritons missed the inside of play of forward Ethan Wall-Atim, who sat out after suffering a foot injury in his team's game on Feb. 5.

"Ethan can certainly help us scoring wise, but honestly, he's such a difference-maker for us defensively and rebounding," Bobinski said. "He's averaging over 10 rebounds a game, and we had trouble rebounding. We gave up some big offensive rebounds in the second half."



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events to Leadership Conferences. One of the highlights for the De Pere FFA is attending the National FFA Convention held in Indianapolis every year. While at the convention, students are able to network with various Agriculture Companies and colleges throughout the United States. The De Pere FFA has a strong understanding of the De Pere Community and its needs that they have. The FFA participated at the Shillcox Shamrock Lines Alpaca Farm open house helping with children activities and helping handle the Alpacas. In late April, the De Pere FFA assisted the City of De Pere with the Urban Orchard Initiative. Over the past few years, the FFA has helped plant over 50 fruit trees at various locations throughout the De Pere Community. Over the course of the year, the De Pere FFA members also enjoy doing some fun events with the members ranging from paintballing to jumping at a trampoline park. De Pere FFA strives to change lives and prepare members for premier leadership, personal growth, and career success through Agricultural Education.

The De Pere FFA is a youth organization with a passion for leadership in Agriculture. De Pere FFA has various events they do over the course of a year that range from community service

Bayport FFA

Bayport FFA has 140 members. 42 of those members attended the FFA Leadership Conference, giving members an opportunity to focus on their leadership skills. There are nine officers who plan 150 events per year! Recent events included the Pizza and Fruit Fundraise that raised \$12,000! Another recent activity was hosting a Day Camp for 72 kids in grades 4-6 to help them learn about agriculture. Bayport FFA is proud to have sent ten people to the National Convention in Indianapolis.



Some highlights of the West De Pere FFA chapter so far this year: Sent 8 members to the FFA Connect/I am Conference in November in Wisconsin Dells. During this event our members had a great time learning about leadership and brought many new ideas back to our chapter. We sent 6 members to the National FFA Conference in Indianapolis, where we explored the Broken Wagon Bison Farm, Garfield Conservatory and we visited the National FFA Center (pictured). At the convention and expo our members also learned new skills through attending workshops and explored different agriculture jobs and business at the expo. During the Fall and Winter, West De Pere coordinated two service projects including a Canned Food Drive and Holiday Card Project. We also sent two FFA officers to the FFA Halftime Conference in January and most recently had 8 members compete in various speaking contests at Leadership Development Events.

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Preble FFA

Established in 1957, Preble FFA is the oldest FFA Chapter in Green Bay. This year Preble FFA members represented Wisconsin at the National FFA Nursery/Landscape Contest in Indianapolis, Indiana. The event included plant and tool identification, surveying and drainage practicums, landscape design, and an extensive knowledge exam. As a bronze winning team, Preble FFA took home three silver medals and one bronze medal. This is the first team from Preble to compete in the National FFA Nursery/Landscape Contest.

People in photo L to R
Faith VandeHei, Libbie Pelishek, Haley Ellenbecker and Riley Stieglitz

GREEN BAY SOUTHWEST: Southwest FFA is devoted to promote leadership and a change in the world with a twist of rural living and urban life. One of their activities is Beekeeping. They have an active colony. They also have a functioning orchard featuring many varieties of apples, pears & grapes. Each year they take part in the district speaking contest and volunteer at the Brown County Fair Ag-Venture tent.



Pulaski FFA

Pulaski FFA is proud of their unique chapter activities. One of their main community service activities includes Day on the Farm. They take Pulaski districts 4th grades out to tour a local dairy farm. They get to see all aspects of the farm through stations taught by local high school FFA members. Stations include dairy production, tractor safety, equine, small animals, horticulture, poultry and wildlife. Another annual community service event is "Ag in the Classroom". Officers and members go to the second grade classroom and do a presentation using pizzas, showing how all ingredients are because of agriculture. The kids then make their own mini-pizzas. Each month the chapter also does a unique member activities. Popular events include sledding, skating, a holiday party and pumpkin carving.

Green Bay East FFA Alumni and Supporters Partner with East FFA Chapter

This year brought opportunities for Green Bay East FFA Alumni and Supporters to partner with East and Washington FFA advisors and members.

In August, 2022, East FFA Alumni member, Ashley Vanden Bush and East FFA Advisor, Zach Markhardt visited the east side Green Bay Boys and Girls Club teaching hands-on Wisconsin agriculture lessons. The participants learned jobs in agriculture require skills in science, technology and communications.



In November the group sponsored a tree as part of the National Railroad Museum's Festival of Trees. Members looked at ways to promote Wisconsin FFA, agriculture and Agriscience education to hundreds National Railroad Museum visitors.

In February members will treat school staff and FFA members at East and Washington Middle School to a maple syrup pancake breakfast. FFA alumni and supporters enjoy interacting with school educators and FFA members during National FFA Week.

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Bay Port wins team sectional to advance to state

BY GREG BATES
SPORTS EDITOR

GREEN BAY – The Bay Port wrestling team had 13 individuals place in the top four — including five champions — to advance to sectionals as the Pirates won their WIAA Division 1 regional at Green Bay West on Feb. 11.

Bay Port (275.5 points) moved on to team sectionals along with Fox River Classic Conference foe Pulaski (248.5), which finished runner-up at regionals. The Red Raiders also had 13 individuals place in the top four to move on, including four champions.

Shawano (155) came in third at regionals, followed by Ashwaubenon (149), De Pere (116.5), Green Bay Preble (92), West De Pere (74.5) and Green Bay West/East/Southwest (34).

“The goal going in was we wanted to be regional champs, that was the goal from Day 1,” said Bay Port senior Peyton Garcia, who was a regional champ at 126. “We knew that from the beginning of the season. We knew we had a special team this year and that if we just put in the effort, all the practices that we have that we could do it and that we’d have a great team to go to team state.”

Bay Port coach Brad Shefchik thought his guys wrestled well in preparation for deeper postseason runs.

“Our goal coming in was to finish two top and then individually is really just to come in and wrestle tough and set



Bay Port's Jacob Ward (left) pins Pulaski's Griffin Vanlannen in 1:08 during the finals of the 145-pound weight class during a WIAA Division regional at Green Bay West on Feb. 11.

Greg Bates photos

the tone for the postseason,” Shefchik said. “We feel like the kids came out strong today, looked good, wrestled hard and had a lot of energy.”

In a good bracket at 126, Garcia (23-12) beat Green Bay Preble's Mason Vandebush in the semifinals, 8-6, and then downed Pulaski's Conner Nooyen (27-10) in the championship match, 2-0.

The regional title is Garcia's first in his varsity career.

“Going into the day, I knew I had the chance, I knew I had the opportunity, I just had to wrestle my matches, be the aggressor and I knew that if I just did that that I could come out on top,” Garcia said.

Also winning regional titles for Bay Port were Alois Schlumpf (33-8), who won both his matches by first-period falls at 113; Owen Noel (35-6) at 132 had a hard-fought match in the finals, beating Pulaski's Colin Pratt, 7-4; Nicholas Schomaker (35-11)

dominated at 138, winning all three matches; defending state champion Jacob Ward (34-1) cruised at 145 with a pair of first-period pins.

For Pulaski coach Nathan Preslaski, everything kind of shook out as planned with his guys.

“It was us and Bay Port kind of coming in, and that's kind of what we expected,” Preslaski said. “I don't think we wrestled our best, but I think (Bay Port) wrestled really good. It's good for them. But, really, the sectionals is the one that really matters, so hopefully we can figure it out this week and compete at our best next week.”

Coming off a broken arm, Mason Wells (4-1) wrestled well at 220 and took home the title. He scored two first-period takedowns in his only two matches.

“I just want to go out there and wrestle my best match possible,” Wells said. “Coming back from injury, I just



Pulaski's Trenton Gibbons flips De Pere's Michael Alexander during their championship match at 182. Gibbons handed Alexander his first loss of the season, 6-3.

want to get in and get out quicker rather than longer so I don't aggravate it.”

Along with Wells, Trenton Gibbons (35-3) competed well at 182 and handed De Pere's Michael Alexander (14-1) his first loss of the season with a 6-3 decision in the championship match. Also winning regional titles for Pulaski were Ethan Eggert (36-3) at 120 and Tristan Taylor (21-2) at 160.

Coach Preslaski wants his guys to wrestle better at sectionals this coming weekend.

“It's a mentality,” Preslaski said. “It's realizing that this is it — everyone's got to be at their best this time of year otherwise you get knocked off and that's just how it goes and that's a good thing. You want to be at your best and you want to beat other teams' best kids, that's what we're working for.”

De Pere had two individual champions in Mycah Beckett (39-2) at 106 with a first-period pin and major decision

and Brennan Kincade (30-5) at 195, where he pulled off a come-from-behind victory in the championship match to beat Ashwaubenon's Easton Hockers, 8-7.

Troy Deitzler (32-3) from Ashwaubenon took home first at 285 with three falls.

Bay Port and Pulaski will wrestle in team sectionals at D.C. Everest on Feb. 14. Division 1 individuals will compete at sectionals at Shawano on Feb. 18.

Division 2 regional results

Seymour competed in a Division 2 regional at Oconto Falls on Feb. 11 and placed second as a team to advance to team sectionals.

The Thunder moved 10 wrestlers on to individual sectionals.

Ryan Tomazevic (30-2) was the lone champion for Seymour, winning the 138 bracket with three falls.

Placing runner-up at their respective weight classes for

the Thunder were: Connor Steffens, 120; Conner Patz, 126; Nicholas Peters, 132; Cael Leisgang, 195; and Brock Socha, 285.

Seymour will compete in team sectionals at Freedom on Feb. 14 and individual sectionals at Wrightstown on Feb. 18.

Team sectionals

At Division 1 team sectionals at D.C. Everest on Feb. 14, Bay Port wrestled well and advanced to state.

Bay Port won its semifinal match against D.C. Everest, 58-16. Wisconsin Rapids downed Pulaski 38-27 in the other semifinal.

In the finals, Bay Port trailed 31-27 with two matches to go: 285 and 106. After getting a pin at 285, the Pirates led by two points but needed another victory at 106 to move on to state.

Senior Landen Heim came up big. He earned one pin via a stall call and held onto that for a 1-0 victory.

“Wisconsin Rapids competed hard tonight and really made us earn this sectional title,” coach Shefchik said.

“We are super proud of our team and how they responded after taking some tough individual losses throughout the dual. Our kids kept fighting back and ultimately gave Landen Heim an opportunity to close out the dual with a gutsy win in the final match of the night.”

In Division 2, Seymour traveled to Freedom and lost to Luxemburg-Casco 59-18 in a semifinal.

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he feels right at home on the Rangers wrestling squad.

“I've fit right in, bonded with these guys,” he said. “I spent the summer down here training and getting to know guys and getting to know the team. We're bonding great, doing a great job in that field.”

Bruss is in his fifth season wrestling with the Marauders and wound up using a medical redshirt his sophomore year. The COVID-19 pandemic also helped his eligibility situation.

“I started as a true freshman at 149 [pounds], and then I hurt my knee my sophomore year and I took a redshirt,” Bruss said. “The following year was COVID, but we were able to wrestle a shortened season. Did some conference duals, had regionals and I qualified for nationals that year. But because of COVID, the NCAA gave us that year back, so that didn't count against me for anything.”

He is planning on returning to UMary for his final year of eligibility in 2023-24.

Bruss has gone from the 149-pound weight class to 157 and has settled at 174 for the past two seasons.

“There's definitely a difference in the style of wrestling and what you have to do to succeed [in different weight classes],” he said. “Wrestling at 149, it's a lot lighter, guys are a lot smaller, a lot quicker. I would say speed is probably the biggest difference and the quickness of wrestlers. The more you go up, they're either short or stocky and just strong or they're a medium build. The more you go up, the stronger the wrestlers



Max Bruss, a De Pere graduate, has had a solid junior season on the mat at the University of Mary.

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get, and with that, the slower wrestlers wrestle. Bumping all the way up to 174, making that jump, I didn't know how I was going to do against stronger opponents — I was kind of undersized my first year at 174 so I didn't know how that was going to go. I was not a fast wrestler at 149, I was probably one of the slowest wrestlers in the conference, let alone the country at 149 pounds. Going up to 174, I think that it benefitted me because I'm more equal to the speed of other wrestlers. I'm a lot stronger than most other people I wrestle, so I think that benefits me there.”

Kincade noted that Bruss

excelled both on and off the mat at De Pere.

“Max was probably one of the hardest working kids I've ever had the privilege of coaching,” Kincade said. “Max was not always the most talented from a technique standpoint or he wasn't always the strongest, but when he came into the room every day, he would attack it. There was nobody who was ever going to outwork him. By the time he was a senior, I think that there were some people that the took by surprise. He wound up in the state finals, and he was right there, he could have won that match. His freshman year

was my first year as the De Pere head coach, so he was one of the integral pieces in changing the culture from what it was before.”

Corrigan recalls seeing Bruss from afar when Corrigan was in middle school and Bruss was wrestling for a state championship.

“I remember being around the program and stuff with my uncles, I remember being down at the state tournament to watch his senior year run to the state finals,” Corrigan said. “That was awesome to look forward to that and say ‘I want to be out there someday. I want that to be me.’”

Both Bruss and Corrigan

have siblings who wrestle.

Bruss' younger brother Sam is also on the UMary wrestling team.

“He's a great practice partner, I practice with Sam probably three days a week,” Bruss said. “It's fun, getting to still be able to compete, not in wrestling, but in college. We grew up wrestling around the house and in the high school wrestling room. Now we get to do that at a higher level. It helps with being away from home too, we're 10 hours away from De Pere.”

Corrigan's younger sister, Brooke, was crowned as the inaugural WIAA girls wrestling champion in 2022.

“It was awesome to see someone that I care so much about do big things,” Shane Corrigan said. “It was awesome to see our family's hard work and everything go into that to be successful and to see the outcomes.”

Bruss is ranked second in the nation at 174 pounds and Corrigan is ranked fifth at 125 pounds.

Bruss said that it doesn't matter to him.

“It's just background noise. I'm not looking at them every day or every week or whenever they do the updates,” Bruss said. “People talk about it, our social media guy, whenever a new ranking comes out, he makes a social media post about it. At the end of the day, you can't get caught up in rankings.”

Corrigan takes a lighter attitude towards them.

“You love to look at the rankings. It's cool, everyone loves to look at that and see that number five in the country,” Corrigan said. “It's not a big deal to me. I know that I'm a true freshman, not a lot of people like to put true

freshmen high in the rankings.”

Both have their gaze firmly fixed on the postseason.

“You can be unranked coming into the tournament, have a .500 record and you can qualify for the national tournament,” Bruss said. “There's no at-large bids like there are at the Division I level. Anything can happen in two weeks — you throw the seeds out, and there's been multiple times in the past few years where the number-two-, number-one-ranked guy who doesn't even qualify for the national tournament. You just got to block out the noise, focus on the next match and wrestle hard.”

“I'm so excited for the postseason,” Corrigan said. “Go out there, have fun, score points, keep doing what I've been doing all year.”

Additionally, both believe that they can make it all the way this year.

Bruss stated that “the goal is to win a national title. That's what I've been working towards all year.”

Corrigan is a little more ambitious.

“I want to be a national champ,” he said. “I don't want to go out there and win the national title, I want to go out there be the most dominant dude in the national tournament. I want to go out there and put on a show for the crowd.”

Their high school coach has a full load of confidence in both.

“Knowing those two individuals and the coaches that are coaching them now, they will be extremely prepared,” Kincade said. “I expect nothing but the best from both of them. They live for this, this is the time of year they get to shine.”

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'14 Toyota Avalon XLE Premium 1 Owner, 91K Miles, Auto, Heated Leather, Full Power Options, Remote Start, Bluetooth, Backup Camera, Navigation, Moonroof, Alloys, Stk# V322055	\$17,990	'15 Jeep Cherokee Latitude 4x4 157K Miles, Auto, Full Power Options, Power Seat, Bluetooth, Remote Start, Backup Camera, Keyless, AC, Cruise, Alloys, Stk# V1222035	\$10,990
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Important hire awaits

Green Bay AD looking to fill hoops opening around mid-March

BY GREG BATES
SPORTS EDITOR

GREEN BAY — Josh Moon has a crystal clear vision of where he wants the Green Bay men's basketball program to be next season: at the top of the Horizon League standings.

Green Bay's Director of Athletics knows what happens in the next month will have a monumental impact on the future of Phoenix basketball.

Green Bay is in the process of finding its next basketball coach after Will Ryan was let go on Jan. 24 after posting a 15-67 record in two-plus seasons at the helm.

Moon — who was hired by Green Bay in July 2021 — has a passion to get the Phoenix program back to the NCAA Tournament for the first time since 2016.

"It is important to this region — it's a sports-loving, basketball-loving region. It's Tittletown, so GB basketball's a really important part of that," said Moon, who sat down with The Press Times on Feb. 9. "Men's and women's basketball should be the flagship programs that are driving the brand for UW-Green Bay. GB basketball should be one of the best mid-major programs around."

Moon said letting Ryan go with just one-third of the season remaining was the right time for two main reasons.

"We needed a spark. We needed a change in terms of the voice for the student-athletes in terms of where they needed to perform — obviously, from the day-to-day pieces, but just in terms of the energy and the focus of what we needed to do right



Josh Moon has been the Green Bay Director of Athletics since July 2021. Finding the right head coach to take over the men's basketball program will be Moon's biggest hire to date.

Greg Bates photo

now, so that was one piece," Moon said. "Number two, would be to give us time to lay everything out and make sure we weren't scrambling kind of last minute, that we were the first school out of the gate here in the country. So mapping out exactly what we need and then rally in the community and people to invest in the program. We need people's help right now to invest with us not just financially, but just be a part of this — buy season tickets and be a part of the solution, so that will give us more time to do that."

Assistant coach Freddie Owens was assigned as the interim head coach when Ryan was fired. He has a 1-5 record (through Feb. 15) since taking over.

The last 10 games of the

regular season along with the postseason conference tournament could be an audition for Owens, if he's interested in permanently taking the head coaching position.

Parker Executive Search out of Atlanta is running the coaching search and the position was just posted the first full week of February, so it's early in the process.

"We're just finalizing some stuff with our search firm and then getting our group together and then full steam ahead the next two, three weeks-ish is kind of the plan," Moon said.

The search for a new coach is completely open, but Moon certainly has some ideas on what his ideal candidate looks like.

"We're looking for someone that embraces this com-

munity and can get embedded in this community, because it's really important that there's connections; relationships are really important here in northeastern Wisconsin," Moon said. "So someone that understands that and embraces that, and then a proven track record of a strong culture for a program. Every little detail that goes into a successful program, we want to see a plan of what that looks like and how do they manage everything knowing that we're not a Big Ten school, we don't have 15 people on the bench, so you've got to be more efficient, you've got to be higher energy and have a better plan than our competition."

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Corrigan, Bruss making mark on college mats

BY WILLIAM SOQUET
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Max Bruss and Shane Corrigan have a lot in common.

Both come from wrestling families.

Both are De Pere High School graduates.

Both wrestle collegiately at the NCAA Division II level.

And most importantly, both are nationally ranked in their respective weight classes as the postseason draws near.

Bruss is a redshirt junior at the University of Mary in Bismarck, N.D. He owns a 27-3 record in the 2022-23 season, wrestling in the 174-pound weight class.

"So far, it's gone great, but obviously the work is not done," said Bruss about his current season.

Corrigan is a true freshman at UW-Parkside in Kenosha. He is 27-6 this season, wrestling in the 125-pound weight class.

"Season's been going awesome for me so far," Corrigan said. "Obviously, there's been some learning moments with being a true freshman, but it's been great."

At the beginning of the season, Corrigan was planning on using a redshirt year. That changed quickly.

"It was definitely something that wasn't easy to decide, but talking to my coaches back at home, my parents, my family, coaches here, I just thought it was the right decision for me and the team at the time. It's definitely been paying off," said Corrigan.

He noted that it is a transition to go from high school wrestling to collegiate wrestling.

"Every match is far more difficult because everybody is pretty good," Corrigan said. "You don't get to the college D-II level and you're not a starter for no reason. Everybody's good. It's just been a lot of fun with my team having a lot of success too — we're going to win our conference title."

Matt Kincade coached Corrigan at De Pere High School. "From the time Shane came in, we knew we had something special with Shane," Kincade said. "He was small as a freshman and honestly that's probably what kept him off the podium his freshman year. Talk about a guy that battled adversity, was in the finals his sophomore year, couldn't punch the golden ticket, was in the finals his junior year, couldn't get that gold ticket. But as a senior, he came in, wrestled fantastic — 51-0 and won a state title."

Despite the jump in competition level, Corrigan said that



Bruss



Corrigan

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Ice Bears primed for postseason push

BY JORDAN LAWRENZ
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With a 21-3 record and a first-round bye in the postseason, the Bay Area Ice Bears are one of the most feared high school girls' hockey teams in the state.

The Ice Bears won the Eastern Shores Conference title this season and are currently ranked No. 3 in the state by Wisconsin Prep Hockey.

Also referred to as the De Pere Co-op, coach Joe Gerarden's squad pulls players from De Pere, Green Bay and Ashwaubenon.

On Feb. 9, the Ice Bears' regular season concluded with a 5-0 win over Central Wisconsin Storm. One of the Ice Bears' three losses came to the Storm earlier in the season, so that victory meant a little extra even though the Ice Bears' first-round bye was already

locked up.

Gerarden's squad won't be in action again until Feb. 21, a rare 12-day layoff. The Ice Bears will play either Brookfield Central Co-op or Xavier Co-op. Brookfield Central hosts Xavier on Feb. 17.

Gerarden has a plan in place to deal with the lengthy break between games.

"We will keep doing regular scheduled on-ice practices and off-ice workouts. Mix some things up during those

times with some game play," Gerarden said. "Our practice times are pretty late, so sometimes I will end early or give them a night off. Our parents also organize some team meals and things like that help with the change of pace."

While the Ice Bears may be a very young team, they don't play like one.

Claire Bradford is the team captain and one of the

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The Bay Area Ice Bears, ranked No. 3 in the state, won the Eastern Shores Conference title this season. The team is a No. 1 seed in their sectional for playoffs. Submitted photo

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