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Market Street Boutique owner Maggie Simmons recalls her start in retail in 2020. **Kris Leonhardt photo**

De Pere's Market Street Boutique unveils new look

BY PRESS TIMES STAFF
DE PERE - Downtown De Pere's Market Street Boutique unveiled a new look on May 10, following the completion of the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation's (WEDC) 24-hour Main Street Makeover contest. While renovations have been in process over the last few months, much of the finishing work took place in the final 24-hours.

WEDC and the Retailworks worked with Market Street Boutique owner Maggie Simmons to create a space that was welcoming to customers and would improve the overall shopping experience. "With assistance from WEDC and Retailworks Inc., a Milwaukee-based retail branding and design company, Market Street Boutique updated its indoor space and added exterior signage to increase

visibility. The business, which opened its doors in 2020, has developed a loyal customer base, specializing in on-trend clothing, unique gifts and stylish accessories for women of all ages and sizes," a WEDC release stated. "The makeover seeks to make the interior space more inviting and engaging as the business continues to

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Breaking the cycle: Substance abuse — a constant across generations

BY KRIS LEONHARDT EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

As generational cycles occur, negative patterns and traits are known to transfer through multiple generations via learned behavior, family dynamics and environment.

We continue to explore five northeast Wisconsin inter-generational family issues — physical health, alcoholism and drug use, mental health, education and housing — and what some organizations are doing to address the trends.

NORTHEAST WISCONSIN - Substance abuse — alcohol, tobacco and illicit drugs — has been a constant across all generations; however, these behaviors may look a little different from age group to age group.

The hallucinogens of the 1960s and 1970s, the cocaine and methamphetamine fixation of the 1980s and 1990s and the crystal meth craze of the 2000s are

a few examples of how use can change over generations. The tobacco pipes and cigarettes of yesterday are another example, as they become the vaping products of today.



Alcohol was the most common substance used across all generations, while marijuana was the second-most-used drug throughout all generations. **Stock photo**

Current trends

The "National Survey on Drug Use and Health" is prepared by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration — a division of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Service — each year to provide a snapshot of substance use in the country.

The 2020 report shows that among those ages 12 and older, 58.7% had used tobacco, alcohol or an illicit drug in the previous month, including the 50% who drank alcohol, 18.7% who used a tobacco product and 13.5% who used an illicit drug.

Among people aged 12 or older, See **SUBSTANCE ABUSE** page 9

Spinning a yarn and doing it with love

BY MELANIE ROSSI CONTRIBUTING WRITER

DE PERE - In her new children's book, "Spin Me A Yarn: A Sweater's Story", De Pere resident Jenny Von Der Ruhr teaches that "doing something with love can elevate it into something special" — and nowhere is that theme more evident than through the process of creating the book itself.

Jenny Von Der Ruhr's picture book, spotlighting hand-knit mice and the magic of love, is perfect for children, their parents and anyone in love with knitting.

Born in the Milwaukee area, Von Der Ruhr graduated from Marquette University with a degree in social work and moved to De Pere with her husband in 1999.

As a kid, Von Der Ruhr said, she always thought that writing chil-



De Pere author, Jenny Von Der Ruhr spotlights hand-knit mice and the magic of love in her picture book. **Submitted photo**

children's books would be her passion when she was older.

With her degree, however, she

pushed her desire to the side, working for many years in her stable job as a social worker.

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Veterans helping veterans

BY MELANIE ROSSI CONTRIBUTING WRITER

DE PERE - To support the families of a recently deployed Green Bay unit, the Soldier and Family Readiness Group (SFRG), De Pere Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post No. 2113 and Village Roasters are partnering to hold a special fundraiser.

Green Bay's 432nd Civil Affairs Battalion recently deployed to Eastern Europe and will be there for nearly a year.

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Renovations to Simmons' business included new dressing rooms, expanded jewelry station, upgraded lighting, improved merchandise displays, lighting, signage, improved checkout counters and mural work. **Kris Leonhardt photo**

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grow and expand, as well as amplify the overall image of Main Street De Pere."

Simmons received a \$5,000 grant toward the project.

During the unveiling, Simmons said she started the business at the "height of COVID."

"Prior to that, we were new to Wisconsin — my husband, myself and my daughter. I was trying to juggle practicing law, as well as virtual kindergarten because of COVID. Things were tough with my mental health. I was really in a bad place for a while, so I made a really hard decision and quit my job practicing," she recalled.

She began helping a family member with an

online boutique.

"I kind of fell in love with the business and that is how this was developed," explained Simmons.

"It was one of the best decisions I made, because I love coming to work now."

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This is the WEDC's eighth annual running of the makeover program.

The contest is a part of the organization's Wisconsin Main Street program, which is designed to revitalize downtowns and commercial districts

in communities.

"A vibrant downtown is vital to a community's economic growth, and Market Street Boutique will play a key role in bringing visitors, future residents and businesses to Main Street De Pere," said Missy Hughes, secretary and CEO of WEDC, said in the release. "Investing in our communities aids business efforts to recruit and retain workers by making Wisconsin an even more attractive place to live and work."

Wisconsin Main Street Program provides support and training for communities and organizations dedicated to downtown revitalization efforts and provides services and tools for businesses and property owners within these districts.

Helping the Seymour community prosper

BY RICK COHLER
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

SEYMOUR – The Seymour Business League has a mission to serve Seymour businesses, but it goes much further than that.

"Our vision is to help grow, sustain and support a strong and welcoming community in Seymour through cultivating business relationships, with a special attention to the downtown district," the organization's webpage said.

President Madilyn Heinke landed back in her home town after COVID-19 changed her post-college plans, taking a position in Green Bay, but continuing to work weekends at the family-owned Mel's Coffee House in Seymour.

Heinke had a conversation with Tashia Leisgang, owner of Ollie's Frocks, a clothing boutique in Seymour, about forming a group to succeed the Chamber of Commerce chapter which had dissolved several years earlier.

"What if we created an organization that would be like a Chamber of Commerce for Seymour, but we put our own spin on it that would best fit the Seymour community," she said. "We are a community-focused business league that is set out to help Seymour prosper using the talent and resources we have in our



The Seymour Business League welcomed a new business to Seymour with a ribbon cutting on May 12. Josh and Amy Woods have opened Favoryt Brand at 241 S. Main St., Seymour, offering natural hair and skin products. **Rick Cohler photo**

backyard."

Leisgang serves on the league's board of directors as director of marketing and communications.

Other board members include Courtney Heagle, Performance Corporation, vice-president; licensed massage therapist Melissa Hanson, secretary; and Kayla Raether, Kailhoffer's Greenhouse, treasurer.

"A chamber of commerce isn't just about business," Heinke said. "When you have a strong community that can support those businesses, you have strong businesses that can turn around and support

the community."

Each board member has their own designated concentration.

Heagle is the business growth leader, helping new business owners navigate opening a location within Seymour city requirements and coordinates educational efforts through webinars and meet and greets.

"We have 'Coffee and Connections' the last Thursday of the month to talk about opportunities, issues and topics in the community," Heinke explained.

Leisgang coordinates the league's social media

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Genius is realizing the mood

By Jay Luck



Americans spend more money on diets and drugs to lose weight, stop smoking, reduce stress, and manage pain than any other country, and yet we are still the most obese country in the world and have the most stress-related health issues! Money and drugs alone do not have the power to fix the challenges we face when trying to find success and break painful habits. Whether it's quitting smoking vapes or cigarettes, losing weight or overcoming an addiction, insomnia or pain management, the missing

ingredient is belief and confidence. Belief is the cornerstone of success.

Belief is currently the scientific test for every pharmaceutical you have ever taken. As of 2013, antidepressants were still only beating placebos by 9%! That is a shocking statistic and scientists are now studying the placebo effect more than ever. Placebo surgeries are even being given and showing incredible effectiveness versus real surgeries. The power of belief cannot be overstated, and in the world of health, self-improvement, and better living, it is certainly the name of the game.

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If the power of belief can be so strong as to influence medical trials, how powerful do you think non-belief is? If deep down you think you can't do it, then no amount of money, training, education, or special trick is going to help you. The difference with professionally-guided hypnosis and the hundreds of weight loss programs is that hypnosis lasts, unlike the 94% who fail within two years with the popular and well-advertised national diet programs.

It's fraudulent to think past = future.

Yet, that is what most people think. Successful people don't think that way.

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coffee roasts — Chaos Brew and Heroic Roast — will go towards providing care packages for the soldiers, holiday gifts for their children and holiday meals for the families while they are away.

The SFRG, a group of family members and community volunteers, is a “military command sponsored program connecting soldiers and families with the command team and providing a network of community support,” according to the Village Roasters website.

The Post 2113, a non-profit veterans organization, has honored veterans throughout the entire

month of May and is working with the SFRG and Village Roasters to sell these specific coffee roasts.

Randy Hansen, quartermaster of the De Pere VFW Post 2113, explained that the fundraiser began because of the need to care for the families left behind.

“The 432nd Civil Affairs Battalion, because they’re a civil services unit that goes out and reestablishes community services — whether that’s water, electricity, government services — gets deployed more than anybody else,” Hansen said. “They’re one of the most deployed units in the services. Because of that, it’s very important that the families and children of the deployed

soldiers aren’t forgotten.”

“VFW really just felt that because we’re made up of veterans who have been through the deployment, in peace time or war time, we can really step up and help [the families], and we are honored and privileged this year that the Soldier and Family Readiness Group of the 432nd selected the VFW post and Village Roasters as the keynote family and children support fundraising program.”

According to Hansen, Village Roasters, an independent coffee roaster in Green Bay, was an ideal company to work with because they are small and locally-owned, not a large corporation.

“This is a local, family-owned business that truly supports veterans, and that’s why they were selected,” Hansen said.

Owner of Village Roasters, Mitch Josephs said, “I’ve always been in support of our veterans... and [Hansen] approached me with the project — because I had been doing a lot of out-of-house fundraising before — and he asked me if I wanted to do any in-house, and he was the perfect person to partner with.”

The store had been selling the Heroic Roast for the past few Memorial and Veterans Days, but because of the recent deployment of the 432nd Civil Affairs Battalion, they decided to begin selling the Chaos Brew as a way to provide added support.



To support the families of a recently deployed Green Bay unit, De Pere Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 2113 and Village Roasters are partnering to host a special fundraiser.

Submitted photo

“We are at roughly 40% higher than we would have been in the past,” Josephs said. “So adding that one on was a good plan.”

Village Roasters is selling both Chaos Brew and Heroic Roast — each name especially chosen to honor those who have served — until June 3.

The name Heroic Roast, according to the Village Roasters website, “is a way to honor the servicemembers who have given the ultimate sacrifice while defending our great nation.”

For Chaos Brew, the name comes directly from the motto of the 432nd

Civil Affairs Battalion, “Bringing Order to Chaos.”

“Chaos Brew truly creates a relationship between all the groups and shows that we are really supporting the unit, and that’s why the name Chaos Brew was selected,” Hansen said.

He said \$5 from each bag of Chaos Brew and Heroic Roast will be evenly split and donated to the De Pere VFW Post 2113 and the 432nd Civil Affairs Battalion.

What the funds will specifically go to is “always evolving,” Hansen added.

“We know that the families of deployed soldiers will have special burdens on them during the holidays, whether it’s for meals, Christmas gifts, birthday gifts. As those events occur, the money will be spent for that purpose, either by the 432nd SFRG, which has half the funds, or by our VFW Post, which puts the other half in our fund, which is restricted and just used on soldiers’ families and their children — it’s a very restrictive fund.”

According to Hansen, the combined work of the VFW, the SFRG and Village Roasters “makes a family of support” for the children and family members of recently deployed soldiers.

“It’s really and truly veterans helping veterans.”

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The grand opening of the 20,000-square-foot facility was celebrated by Schneider President/CEO Mark Rourke, cutting ribbon, and Schneider Executive Vice President and Chief Innovation and Technology Officer Shaleen Devgun. **Kaity Coisman photo**

Creating a place to collaborate

BY KAITY COISMAN
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

GREEN BAY – On May 17, the doors officially opened at Schneider’s innovation center, The Grove.

The grand opening of the 20,000-square-foot facility was highlighted by Schneider President/CEO Mark Rourke and Schneider Executive Vice President and Chief Innovation and Technology Officer, Shaleen Devgun.

The team said that they had to go through many challenges to see their vision come to life, including a pandemic and a global supply chain crisis.

“(We) came out the other side of that a stronger organization and one even more committed to making sure that all of our associates have the tools necessary to continue to thrive, adapt and innovate into the future,” Rourke added.

The space was intentionally designed by a com-

ination of companies to produce a space conducive to collaboration and interaction.

An example of the intentional design included noise-canceling components installed on the walls and ceilings to provide a quiet environment.

The space will not only be used for employees but also for community events and customer consultations.

“We’re going to use this space to collaborate with our customers. We’re going to bring in customers from all over the country to solve their most difficult supply chain issues. We’re going to go create symbiotic opportunities for them,” explained Devgun.

He said the space also presents other opportunities.

“The ability to come together as a team quickly when we see a problem and in a rapid fashion — not in weeks, not in months, but

in days — to figure out a solution and even faster implement that solution that creates sustainable business change; that is what we are doing in this building,” Devgun continued.

The team said that The Grove is not just a building but a place for progress which will propel Schneider further.

“When [Mark and I] first talked about this space, we wanted to curate an environment where our associates — the best in the industry — could come together and really reimagine our business without any inhibitions, without any boundary conditions. The ability to dream, the ability to really ask ourselves, ‘What if?’ and we’re going to do just that in The Grove. I sincerely believe that we will define, here in Green Bay, the future of freight mobility, and The Grove is the first step in being able to set out on that journey...,” Devgun said.

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presence to keep members up to date on various events.

One unique event is the holiday “Hobbie Whatty” a take-off from the Grinch story.

The event, for Seymour residents, features children’s games, crafts, cookies, Christmas trees and more.

Other events include “Rock My City,” where rocks are hidden in parks to get people outside in the spring, and the annual golf outing in the summer as the league’s main fundraiser.

Heinke, along with Lisa Rickert from Nicolet National Bank and Seymour Community School District Superintendent Kellie Bohn, lead the student engagement programs which includes a \$500 business scholarship, events interacting with students to help prepare them for job opportunities, mock job interviews with eighth grade students and meeting with businesses and teachers to better integrate students into the business world.

The league has also taken on some aspects of surrounding Burger Fest, Seymour’s annual celebration of being named the Home of the Hamburger.

Along with coordinating the annual Burger Fest parade, a new aspect this year will be “The Battle of the Burger.”

The contest for local restaurants will kick off on May 28 — National Burger Day — and run through the month of July.

The league will utilize Seymour Community High School’s new tech education center to create trophies for the winners of the contest, which will be selected on July 31.

The Seymour Business League now has 32 members and has partnered with the Fox Valley Chamber of Commerce as an added resource.

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said. “When you’re shelving books, you have a lot of extra time to make up these stories in your head.”

She worked at the school until the start of the pandemic, at which time she began to reevaluate what she wanted to accomplish in her life.

“I’m a knitter, so I do a lot of making, a lot of creating. I really just have this strong desire to create something and share it with the world. So I just tried to think, how can I incorporate my love of knitting — I love making people gifts, knitting for other people. How could I incorporate that into a story and kind of share that idea with kids — that when you do something, almost anything, if you do it with love, it really elevates it to something really special.”

To combine these two passions, Von Der Ruhr decided to write a children’s book that, rather than having drawings or paintings as the illustrations, instead used photographs of her own knitted creations.

In charge of both the story and the pictures, Von Der Ruhr faced some interesting challenges while trying to create the perfect combination.

“I actually wrote four different stories; this (the book published) is actually the fourth,” she said. “After I had written it, it was the one that had the most promise, so I just started focusing on this one. It’s funny because the characters in this one initially were birds... but when I made the final decision that I was going to knit the characters rather than illustrate them in a different way, I felt like doing mice was going to be a lot more conducive to that process — and my daughter used to have mice as a pet, so we’re sort of fans of mice in this house.”

The next step for Von Der Ruhr after deciding on a story idea was choosing how to publish her work — while she wanted her story to be published, she also

wanted the creative freedom to use her knitted mice as the characters, not drawings or paintings from outside illustrators.

Ultimately, Amazon was the publisher that gave her that freedom.

“Any place that I would have submitted, I discovered people would be interested perhaps in the manuscript, but someone else would have been picked to illustrate... That was a bit of a deal-breaker for me because I had a vision and I knew what I wanted it to look like; I would knit the characters and photograph them myself,” she said.

“That’s when I stumbled across Amazon, and they would let you have complete creative freedom... For me, that was worth any other trade-off of being published by a big publishing company — I had creative license over the whole thing.”

With complete control, she added, “I found myself out of my depth quite a few times. I had to sometimes take a break from it. I’m really grateful I have a lot of talented friends who... were so willing to share their own areas of expertise with me without trying to change my vision.”

While navigating the intricacies of photography and computer formatting, Von Der Ruhr noted that she “learned so much through the process” in ways she never would have otherwise been able to.

And as a result of what she was able to learn and accomplish using her own creative freedom and the help of those around her, Von Der Ruhr’s book is now available to buy on Amazon.

“Through this whole process, my goal was just to put it on Amazon so that I could buy some copies and have them here,” she said. “But I’ve had such support from family, friends and people in the community... I do think I’d like over the summer to really sit with the idea of, ‘how might I be able to share it with even more people?’ Either on social media or, because it has a tie-in with

knitting, I’ve been talking to a knitting store in Appleton to see if they could put it in the store.”

For Von Der Ruhr, being able to reach out with her book to so many people and hear their reactions has been one of the best parts of the whole process.

“It has been the best feeling to hear when someone’s read the book, when they’ve really enjoyed looking at the photos, or if they’ve had a personal connection to it or felt inspired themselves in some way... If I do it again, that’s going to be why,” she explained.

“Spin Me A Yarn: A Sweater’s Story” has been taking shape for nearly three years, involving a long, arduous process and Von Der Ruhr initially thought that this book would be a “one-off.”

She never would have imagined starting another book, but after taking some time away, she noted that she “missed the process.”

“Now that it’s done, I find myself thinking about maybe doing it again. I’m not sure if I would do it in the same format, but I think I might because it’s a very unique perspective on a children’s book... So if I think that people are interested in it and appreciative of it, I think I would love to do another one — we’ll see,” Von Der Ruhr said.

Reaching out to readers, both parents and children, was her whole goal.

With a process that started while shelving books in a library and a desire to use storytelling as a means of teaching, Von Der Ruhr, through her work, led by example.

“Spin Me A Yarn: A Sweater’s Story” teaches readers — through the creative journey of its knitted mice and their sweaters — that “when you do something, if you do it with love, it elevates it into something even more special.”

With the love, care and dedication that she poured into her book, Von Der Ruhr and her work exemplify this theme to the highest degree.

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De Pere Police Department seeks replacement for K-9 officer

BY KANA COONCE
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DE PERE – With the retirement of the De Pere Police Department’s (DPPD) resident canine officer, Kurt, the department is seeking donations to acquire his replacement.

“The K-9 Unit is completely donation-funded, absent the squad car,” said DPPD Field Services Captain Nathan Mrstik, who served as Kurt’s handler before Mrstik’s promotion.

Kurt joined the DPPD in 2016 to replace his predecessor, Elsie.

Now that Kurt is “just short of nine years [old],” Mrstik said that Kurt has earned his retirement. “He’s been around the block quite a few times,” Mrstik said. “It’s time for him to enjoy his final years and just kinda relax.”

On May 10, the DPPD published a statement on Kurt’s retirement, “We thank him for his loyal and valuable service during his award-winning career, including assisting with numerous drug and money seizures that have helped make our community a safer place.”

Along with narcotics intervention, Kurt’s duties also included handler protection and tracking.

The department is currently searching for another German Shepherd similar to Kurt who can conduct his former duties just as effectively.

Mrstik said that having a canine officer in the DPPD is “a huge benefit



Kurt joined the DPPD in 2016 to replace his predecessor, Elsie. **De Pere Police Department photo**

for the agency” and that the department doesn’t want the city to go without such a resource.

“We were very fortunate that Bark ‘n Blue gave a donation,” he said, referring to the Green Bay-based non-profit organization whose mission according to its website is “to provide funding and resources for police K-9 units to acquire the best available tools to

maintain the highest level of public safety.”

Mrstik estimated that the department still needs about two-thirds of its \$60,000 goal to fund Kurt’s replacement, which the DPPD hopes to acquire by fall of this year.

The funds will be split between the purchasing and training of the dog and its assigned officer and the cost of food and care for the remainder of its service.

Donations can be made to De Pere Police Department at 335 S. Broadway, De Pere.



The Green Bay Police Department recently announced their addition of two new K-9s in Nox, a two-year-old male German Shepard, and Mattie, a two-year-old, female Belgian Malinois. **GBPD photo**

Green Bay Police Department returns to full-staff K-9 numbers

BY WILLIAM KOPP
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

GREEN BAY – The Green Bay Police Department (GBPD) recently announced their addition of two new K-9s; Nox, a two-year-old male German Shepard and Mattie, a two-year-old female Belgian Malinois.

The two new K-9s will put their unit up to five dogs and handlers, bringing the unit back to where they’ve historically been.

“Actually the K-9 unit has been down,” said Lieutenant Jena Luberda, GBPD. “We’ve had 5 to 6 in the past, so we’re actually down a few, and this is really just getting us back to where we want to be.”

With five K-9s, the unit can now cover each patrol shift and allow for dogs to be available during night shifts.

“Having a K-9 on shift is an incredible resource for officers,” said Luberda. “They’re an incredibly im-

portant tool that we can use to help us do our job more effectively. So now the two new K-9s — one’s actually on evening shift, 7 p.m. - 3:30 a.m., and one’s on night shift..., we now have K-9 coverage 24 hours a day.”

According to the GBPD’s press release, Mattie and Nox underwent three months of extensive training at a kennel in North Carolina that specializes in police K-9s for dual-purpose use for the department.

Luberda added, “We have a trainer here that works with our handlers two days a month, training all day. He has connections all over the nation, but this one kennel in particular he had worked for in the past and knew that they had really high quality dogs. And so then he went out there for the selection — they talk about having a high energy and being able to turn it off and on.”

Following the selection, the K-9s also completed local training with their handlers over a four week period.

Responsibilities and safety

The K-9s will be assigned patrol and narcotics work as well as assisting in searches, tracking and suspect apprehension.

In regards to the officers that become handlers, they go through a competitive interviewing process that can include a paper, peer evaluations and they have to be effective officers — they have to work hard, work well with others and do the right thing on the job in order to get the honor of having a K-9.

With the announcement of the two new K-9s through the GBPD’s press release, some Green Bay residents responded with worry for the dogs in relation to K9s being used

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20.7% used tobacco products or used an e-cigarette or other vaping device to vape nicotine in the past month.

However, nearly two-thirds of those aged 12-17 who used nicotine products in the past month, 63.1% vaped nicotine but did not use tobacco products.

Meanwhile, of those ages 26 or older that used nicotine products, 88.9% used only tobacco products.

Alcohol was the most common substance used across all generations, while marijuana was the second-most-used drug throughout all generations.

Root of the cause

A 2019 report from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said that if all children grew up in a home free from alcoholism, mental illness, drugs and domestic violence, depression would drop by 44% and there would be 24% less alcoholism and 33% less smokers.

Adverse childhood experiences, or ACEs, are most often passed from generation to generation.

During a February presentation, Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS), Trauma-Informed Care Coordinator Scott A. Webb said that approximately 16% of the Wisconsin adult population report four or more ACEs.

Webb referred to this as the “tipping point,” making those individuals twice as likely to smoke, seven times more likely to experience alcoholism and 10 times more likely to inject street drugs.

Failures in addressing

According to the American Lung Association’s 21st annual “State of Tobacco Control” report, Wisconsin received mostly failing grades for policies created to prevent and reduce tobacco use.

“Wisconsin lags behind when it comes to tobacco control policies, and as a result, (and despite reductions over the past decades) we still have higher than average adult smoking rates at 13.3%, and 22.2% of high school students use a tobacco product,” said Molly Collins, director of advocacy for the American Lung Association in Wisconsin. “This gives us an important opportunity to improve the health of our state through proven policies, such as increasing tobacco prevention and control program funding.”

Despite receiving \$721 million in tobacco settlement payments and tobacco taxes, the state only funds tobacco control efforts at 12% of the level recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Successes in awareness

Last September, Brown County Executive Troy Streckenbach and Public Health Officer Anna Nick declared fentanyl a community health crisis in Brown County and earlier this year announced a local push in response.

Last year, the Brown County Drug Task Force seized about 10,000 grams of fentanyl, compared to about 1,100 grams seized in 2021.

“We’re seeing fentanyl as



the No. 1 issue facing northeast Wisconsin as far as a drug,” Brown County Sheriff Todd Delain said during a recent press conference.

“Fentanyl and opioid misuse know no boundaries, and it has been our mission to raise awareness of how communities across Wisconsin can better tackle this invasive threat,” Streckenbach explained. “Brown County and Waukesha County have created blueprints that provide all 72 counties with the tools necessary to help with their own awareness campaigns. We continue to work with the state and Wisconsin Counties Association to make this a state-wide campaign.”

The awareness campaign was completed through billboards, social media, mailers and through a partnership with county school districts in Brown County.

“If you ask your children what fentanyl is, would they be able to answer you?” Nick said. “Would they be able to tell you that just a little bit can be mixed into other drugs and can kill you? It may seem harsh, but this is the reality of the situation we’re facing that fentanyl just once can be deadly.”

The county was also involved in initiating a task force to promote prevention, response and recovery work occurring in the county and identify any gaps in those areas.

County officials also approved an Opioid Action Plan that outlines how Brown County allocated its portion of opioid settlement funds from manufacturers, distributors and retailers this spring, investing the funds over a 10-year period.

According to county officials, the funds are being used 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 to 12 new clients and to hire 2 new investigators within the Brown County Drug Task Force focusing investigating lethal and non-lethal opioid overdoses. This proposal includes an annual review of these expenditures to assure the methods chosen to abate the opioid crisis are effective.”

Integrated programs

Organizations such as

the Boys & Girls Club have instituted programs that work to prevent substance abuse.

“Boys & Girls Clubs across Wisconsin serve more youth-per-population than any other state in the country. We are working with more than 100,000 youth across 199 sites in 73 Wisconsin communities,” said Wisconsin Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs Director Andy Gussert.

The organization said that an estimated 75% of individuals with substance use disorders have experienced trauma.

SMART Moves — one of the club’s cornerstone programs — helps youth learn how to avoid substance abuse.

The program provided the following statistics regarding those behaviors.

- Every day, approximately 4,000 youth ages 12 to 17 try their first cigarette and 2,000 youth ages 12-17 abuse a prescription drug for the first time.

- Before the age of 13, 25.6% of youth report having their first drink of alcohol.

SMART Moves enacts club staff, peer leaders, parents and community representatives to engage with youth ages 6 to 15 to promote abstinence from substance abuse through the “practice of responsible behavior.”

The result of doing nothing

According to Wisconsin DHS data, the opioid epidemic affects all genders, all races and many age groups in both rural and

urban communities.

In 2021 — the latest full year of data available — there were 1,427 opioid-related deaths in state.

In the latest county numbers gathered by the DHS for deaths related to alcohol, tobacco or other drugs, three northeast counties ranked below the state average of 179.3 per 100,000.

Kewaunee County showed 106.8 per 100,000; Brown County showed 142.3 per 100,000; and Door County had 175.3 per 100,000.

Three northwest counties were above the state average — Manitowoc County: 283.2 per 100,000; Winnebago County: 189.9 per 100,000; and Outagamie County: 188.7 per 100,000.

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USDDP shares data from annual mental health screenings

BY LEE REINSCH
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DE PERE — The percentage of Unified School District of De Pere (USDDP) 10th graders participating in mental health screenings was up this year, a sign that school administrators take as positive.

Eighty-seven percent of those students who were offered the screenings this school year took them, up from 80% last year, 81% in 2020-21 and 78% in 2019-20.

Members of the district's Allies in Mental Health Education team updated the board of education at the board's most recent meeting.

They gave an overview of the work the high school team has done this year and presented aggregate data from results of the 10th grade wellness screening.

In another positive sign, the percentage of parents opting their students out of the screenings — 4% — was down this year, compared to 9% in 2021-22, 5% in 2020-21 and 8% in 2019-20.

That was despite making opting out easier than it was previously, according to Melanie Brick, district social worker.

"We went to online opt-outs, so instead of signing a form and sending it back to the school district,

which should make it easier for parents to opt out," Brick said.

The findings were positive on a variety of data points:

- The number of students who said they had self-harmed this year — 6% — was down compared to last year's 9%.

- Those reporting ruminating behavior dropped to 18% this year from 24% last year.

- Twenty-two percent reported internalizing their feelings, down slightly from 23% in 2021-22 and 27% in 2020-21.

- The percentage of students who reported externalizing their feelings, or acting out, this year remained the same as last year at 2%.

- The percentage of students who declined the screening was down this year, 9% compared to 11% in 2021-22.

Some findings are cause for concern, however:

- Those who said they had tried to commit suicide in the past rose to 8% this year compared to 6% last year, 7% in 2020-21 and 5% in 2019-20.

- The percentage of students reporting the abuse of alcohol or drugs remained steady from last year at 2%, up slightly from 1% in 2020-21, but down from 3% in 2019-20.

- The percentage of students screened whose re-



Eighty-seven percent of those students who were offered the screenings this school year took them, up from 80% last year, 81% in 2020-21 and 78% in 2019-20. **File photo**

sults signified they might need help rose slightly, 33% this year compared to 32% last year.

Of that 33%:

- 12% were referred for inside help (from a school counselor or social worker, etc.), up from 5% in 2021-22 but down from 23% in 2020-21.

- 36% were referred for outside help, up from 31% in 2021-22 and 33% in 2020-21, although it's down from 47% in 2019-20.

- The percentage reporting they were already in treatment rose to 41% from 31% last year.

- Those reporting that they had followed the primary recommendations given to them — 60% this year — decreased slightly from 61% last year and 68% in 2020-21.

Open enrollees approved

In other business, the board voted to accept 17 students who are currently enrolled in the school district and applied to remain in the district for the 2023-24 year through the open enrollment program.

In addition, the board voted to accept 20 new students in 4K who have applied to attend district schools for the 2023-24 school year.

The board denied the applications of 105 students through open enrollment who applied to attend district schools for the 2023-24 school year.

Based upon the 2022-23 figures, the district will

receive \$8,224 for each non-resident general education open-enrollment student and \$13,076 for each non-resident special education open-enrollment student attending the district.

CESA renewal

The board unanimously approved the 2023-24 Cooperative Educational Service Agency (CESA) 7 contract for \$1,595,780.95.

Services include staff development and school improvement activities, instructional aides for Educating Exceptional Needs (EEN - Special Education) and English Language Learner (ELL) students, the Learning Lab and 4K programs, as well as support for the Infinite Campus student information system.

"CESA is very cost-effective in terms of what they offer," Pupil Services Director Jerry Nicholson said.

He said the district relies on CESA 7 for its special education paraprofessionals and others who work part-time with the district or without benefits.

CESA enables the district to benefit from highly educated paraprofessionals who are able to find full-time work by working for more than one district through CESA.

"If you can't keep someone at full time or give them job security, they leave and go somewhere else where they know they have that job security," Nicholson said, adding that CESA has provided the district with many highly educated and qualified people.

Speaker system

In other business, the board voted to approve new public address system equipment for all six schools in the district, at a cost of about \$108,000, from Camera Corner Connecting Point.

The PA Systems in five of the district's six school buildings are about 30 years old.

Those at the middle school, Heritage Elementary and Dickinson Elementary School have failed to work properly in crucial situations, according to the district's technology director, Curt Pieschek.

The system at Alt-mayer was installed with the construction of the building, making it newer than systems in the other five buildings, but the district will replace the equipment in all six buildings so it all functions similarly, and also to facilitate district-wide pages or alerts in the event of an emergency.

GBAPS board approves therapy dog policy

BY KRIS LEONHARDT
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GREEN BAY — During their May 22 meeting, the Green Bay Area Public School (GBAPS) Board of Education approved a policy that would allow therapy dogs, aka "curricular dogs," in a school setting via a certified handler accredited by an approved therapy dog training organization.

District staff said that requests for therapy dogs in a district school had historically been denied.

"For a number of years, notably since returning to in-person learning from the pandemic, there have been increased requests

to GBAPSD from staff to be able to have therapy dogs in classrooms. The majority (if not all) of these requests have been from staff wanting to bring their own certified therapy dog to school in the capacity of their employment. These requests largely cite to the research on the impact of therapy dogs on student learning and emotional health that universally indicate a therapy dog's presence enhances the classroom environment socially and educationally," a district memo stated.

"Thus, it was determined to explore the possibility of developing a

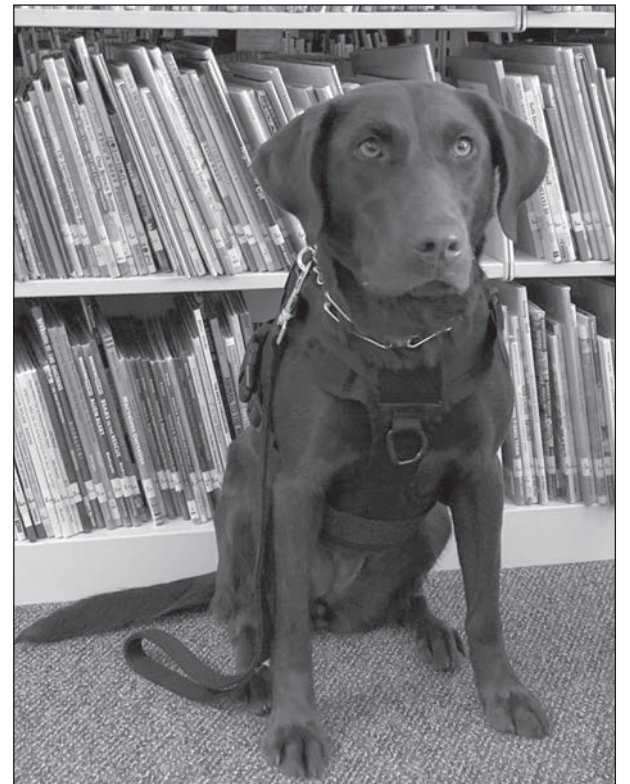
board policy to permit therapy dogs in district classrooms. In doing so, the district gathered sample therapy dog policies from school districts nationwide. The district also consulted with its liability carrier and a number of therapy dog organizations that train and certify dogs."

Discussion revolved around liability surrounding a dog's presence in the classroom, proper terminology when labeling the support animals and getting the policy right.

GBAPS Board Member Bryan Milz stressed that the policy could be amended moving forward.

"This policy also gives us a roadmap for people that choose; there's obviously steps with it. I imagine that police departments that have therapy dogs are going to go through the same thing. I imagine that hospitals that have therapy dogs are probably going to look at this and find out as well and that the insurance agencies are going to come up with a solution on this at some point. So, this gives us a path, you know, and this is going to be brought back as this evolves..." he stated.

The board ultimately voted 6-1, with Nancy Welch voting no, to approve the policy.



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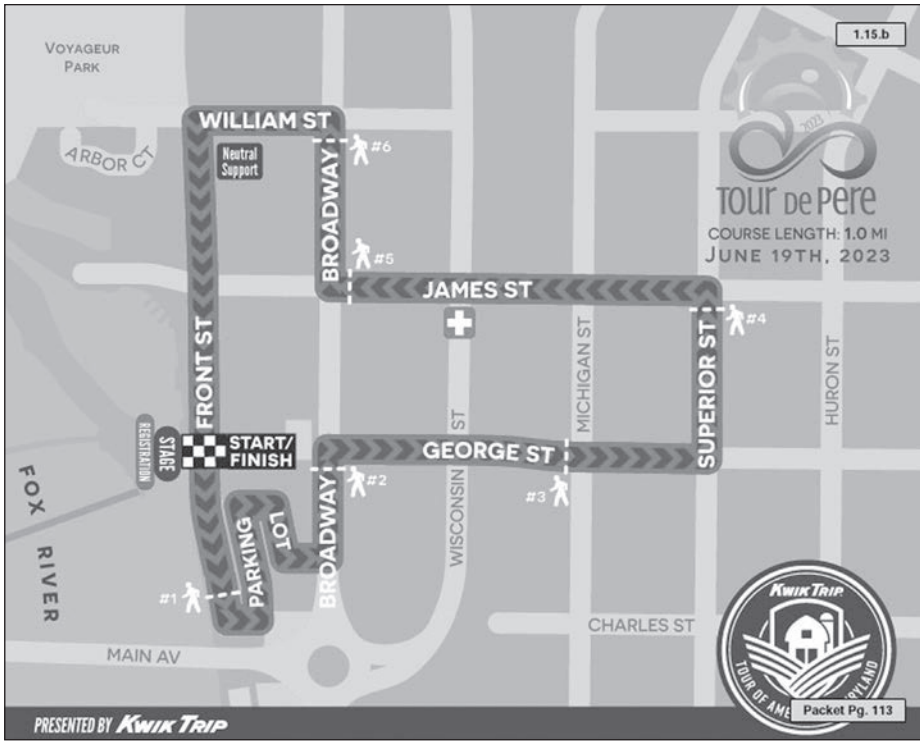
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Tour De Pere is an 11-day bike racing event expected to draw 500 pro and amateur racers from 15 counties for races. The one-mile course starts and ends on Front Street in downtown De Pere. City of De Pere map



The board voted to grant a 270-day option to purchase land in the West Industrial Park to Smet Construction. City of De Pere image

De Pere Common Council approves public alcohol consumption for special events

BY LEE REINSCH
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

DE PERE – Visitors to special events this summer in downtown De Pere will once again be able to imbibe al fresco.

The Common Council approved Definitely De Pere's request for special permits allowing consumption of alcohol beverages on public ways this summer, starting with the June 8 farmers market and wrapping up at the end of September.

They include:
• The farmers markets on Thursdays, June 8 - Aug. 31, 3-8 p.m., and on Thursdays, Sept. 7-28, 3-7 p.m. on the George Street Plaza, on George Street between Wisconsin Street and Broadway.

• The food truck rallies on Sundays, June 11, July 9, and Aug. 13, 4-8 p.m., in the Nicolet Square parking lot.

• Tour De Pere on Monday, June 19 from noon to 8 p.m. as part of Tour of America's Dairyland — an 11-day bike racing event expected to draw 500 pro and amateur racers from 15 countries for races throughout the day. The one-mile course starts and ends on Front Street in downtown De Pere.

• Music on the Plaza on Fridays, June 23, July 28, and Aug. 25, 5-9 p.m., at the Michael J. Walsh Plaza, at James Street and Broadway.

In other business, the board voted to award a contract of \$1,937,777 to Kruczek Construction, Inc. for sewer and water relay and street resurfacing.

Left turns nixed

The Common Council

voted unanimously to make traffic ordinance changes to two downtown streets.

• Southbound drivers on Broadway won't be able to turn left onto Lewis Street.

• Westbound drivers on Lewis Street will no longer be able to turn left onto Broadway.

• On George Street, parking on both sides of the street will be limited to three hours between Superior and Huron streets from Monday through Saturday between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m.

The board voted to end left turns from Lewis onto Broadway and from Broadway south onto Lewis, and restrict daytime parking on George Street.

Safer crossing

Students crossing Ryan Road during school hours will have an easier time.

The common council voted in favor of installing a midblock crosswalk with flashing lights on Ryan Road near the entrance to Altmayer Elementary School.

The crossing means Altmayer students living west of Ryan Road may no longer need to be bused to school, since crossing Ryan will no longer be considered to be hazardous.

The crossing is similar to those for West De Pere School District on Ninth and Grant Street for the West De Pere School District and Notre Dame School on Superior Street.

The Unified School District of De Pere will fund the crossing.

The County Highway Department is in charge of busing requirements.

Possible industrial expansion

The board voted to grant a 270-day option to purchase land in the West Industrial Park to Smet Construction.

Smet is working with an unnamed local company to build and lease 45,000 square feet of manufacturing and office space, with the caveat that if the company decides not to build, Smet will notify the city as soon as possible before the 270-day term ends.

After 270 days, Smet will have the option of renewing for another 90 days.

Smet will pay \$2,098.97 for the option-to-purchase courtesy.

De Pere Mayor James Boyd did not name the company and said it's standard to keep company names under wraps until details are solidified.

The company is doing its commercial due diligence and evaluating its ability to access the rail spur for product deliveries, according to documents filed.

Floor plans show 7,350 square feet of office space and 37,650 square feet of shop space, two loading docks and parking for 90 employees.

The company could expand within five years.

The city owns the property, which is approximately 5.675 acres and part of Parcel WD-L492-B, near Green Bay Packaging.

Lifeguard-training compensation

In light of the current summer lifeguard shortage, the board voted to make it easier for them to get reimbursed for the cost of their training.

It can cost up to \$250 to get certified, and life guards at De Pere pools have to work 250 hours before they can be reimbursed.

Now they'll be reimbursed after working 100 hours. The board voted unanimously in favor of the measure.

The city offers certification but only a limited number of classes are available, due to the short time window prior to pools opening for the season.

When fully staffed, the pools have about 45 seasonal employees who are certified lifeguards.

Of that number, generally 20-23 are up for certification each year.

Indoor drone

The board voted in favor of the purchase of an indoor drone for the De Pere Police Department.

According to De Pere Police Chief Jeremy Muraski, the drone can be used for indoor search and rescues, indoor chemical spills, barricaded person incidents, basement or crawlspace searches, industrial accidents, train wrecks and more.

It will cost \$2,075.

Police honored

The City of De Pere and the De Pere Police Department honored several officers for their efforts over the past three years.

Mayor James Boyd and Chief Muraski recognized:

• Tyler Dawson, Jennifer Renon and Nate Mrstik for their efforts with a child struck by a vehicle; Brianna Delvaux for her work leading to the arrest of a 31-year-old man who sexu-

ally assaulted two children.

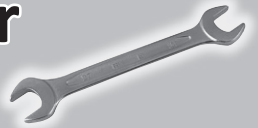
• Jacob Eberhardt, Tyler Dawson, Brian Rates and Aaron Albert for their work in a drug bust; Walter Pappas and Matthew Mengel for talking a suicidal woman off the

Claude Allouez Bridge.

• Walter Pappas for talking a suicidal man off the Claude Allouez Bridge.

• Jacob Nowak, Matthew Mengel and the night shift for their work in drug enforcement.

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Addressing domestic rabbit abandonment



Rehab Animal of the Month

BY FREDDY MOYANO
GUEST COLUMNIST

Perhaps once in a while seen hopping around and running late in the wilderness of Alice in Wonderland, or running around every other residential backyard, there seems to be a progressive misconception that domestic rabbits would survive — or even thrive — in the wild.

Such were some of the thoughts shared with us by rabbit breeder, Jenna Dais, of Dais Farm in Howard, also known as Sunset Haven.

Dais more specifically suspects financial hard-

ship weighs in as a main reason domestic rabbits are abandoned to their own luck near ditches and wildlife areas.

“People are sometimes reluctant to pay a donation fee to the Humane Society. We want to raise awareness about rabbit abandonment. Domestic rabbits are not cut to survive in the wild,” said Dais.

A litter of eleven

As recently as early April, still during cold temperatures, Dais said some friends rescued two Blanc de Hotot rabbits just



Two Blanc de Hotot rabbits were rescued just past Ken Euer's Nature Area in the Green Bay area near the Leo Frigo Memorial Bridge. One of the rabbits was pregnant, resulting in a litter of 11 baby rabbits born about a week after the rescue.

Freddy Moyano photos

past Ken Euer's Nature Area in the Green Bay area near the Leo Frigo Memorial Bridge.

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“We did not suspect she was pregnant right away. But then we saw movement in her stomach area. So we put her in a bigger case. The day before she delivered the babies, they pulled hair to build a nest,” says Dais, confirming that was the definite behavior that confirmed new life was coming.

Dais said it is hard to tell the sex of these Blanc rabbits, and even their vet is not sure at times.

Because they were together when the pair was found, it is likely that one

of the adults is male.

The male was enjoying the recently warm temps in Green Bay inside the cage.

This was not the case four to five weeks earlier.

“When the [Blanc] couple was found, it was very cold so they are lucky they survived,” Dais added.

Nineteen tenants

Over the years, the Dais family has rescued Polish, Flemish Giants and other breeds of domestic rabbits.

Inside the heated barn area where the Netherland Dwarfs and the Mini Rex in cages.

The sizes varied from cage tenant to cage tenant.

The female Blanc and her three-week-old offspring were together in a larger cage.

One of the nine babies — the runt of the group — looked much less-developed than its siblings.

“We have helped the runt latch onto mommy before to make sure he could get the nutrients, but it's not easy,” Dais explained.

“You noticed how they have a bed of timothy hay? That's their most important diet for their GI system. You can't just give them grain,” Schumacher said.

She said carrots are more of a treat for them.

Alfalfa cubes were also seen in the cage where the nine babies spent time with their mommy.

Dais said these cubes bring important nutrients for the babies.

Dais' mom, Kathleen Schumacher, said two of

the 11 Black rabbits that were born in April ended up dying, which is “normal” she said.

There were a total of 19 rabbits at Dais Farm and they are willing to find new homes for the babies.

We'll take two

Schumacher said last year someone in the Hortonville area who owned a hobby farm with goats, pigs and smaller animals, including domestic rabbits, broke his ankle and could no longer take care of the animals.

They put out an alert on social media looking for volunteers to adopt the animals.

“We took two [Netherland Dwarf] rabbits,” Schumacher said, stating that the baby dwarfs eventually came out of this couple.

One of Dais' cousins found a white Mini Rex last year with multiple injuries.

Dais said her cousin kept it as a pet and the injuries healed well, but if it had not been rescued, “the story would have been different.”

“As far as my recollection goes, my family has always raised domestic rabbits everywhere I lived,” recalled Davis, who also owns several horses, goats, cats and dogs.

While the Dais family enjoys operating the rescue, they said they have many friends who visit and help out.



Jenna Dais, of Dais Farm in Howard, said there seems to be a progressive misconception that domestic rabbits would survive — or even thrive — in the wild.

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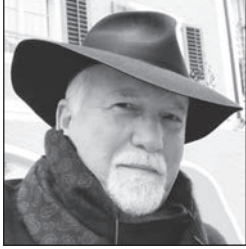
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PUBLISHER'S LETTER

Beyond the picnics of Memorial Day

Dear Reader,
The majority of Americans have the day off on Memorial Day. Most spend the time with their families and many traditionally go on a picnic in the afternoon.

But the true meaning of Memorial Day goes far beyond a picnic and a day off. Memorial Day was established to honor the dead – those who died in service of defending our country. Observance of those who had fallen first began three years after the Civil War; originally, it was referred to as Decoration Day. It was expanded to honor everyone in our armed forces who had fallen in all American wars. In 1971 Congress declared it a national holiday to be observed the last Monday each May.



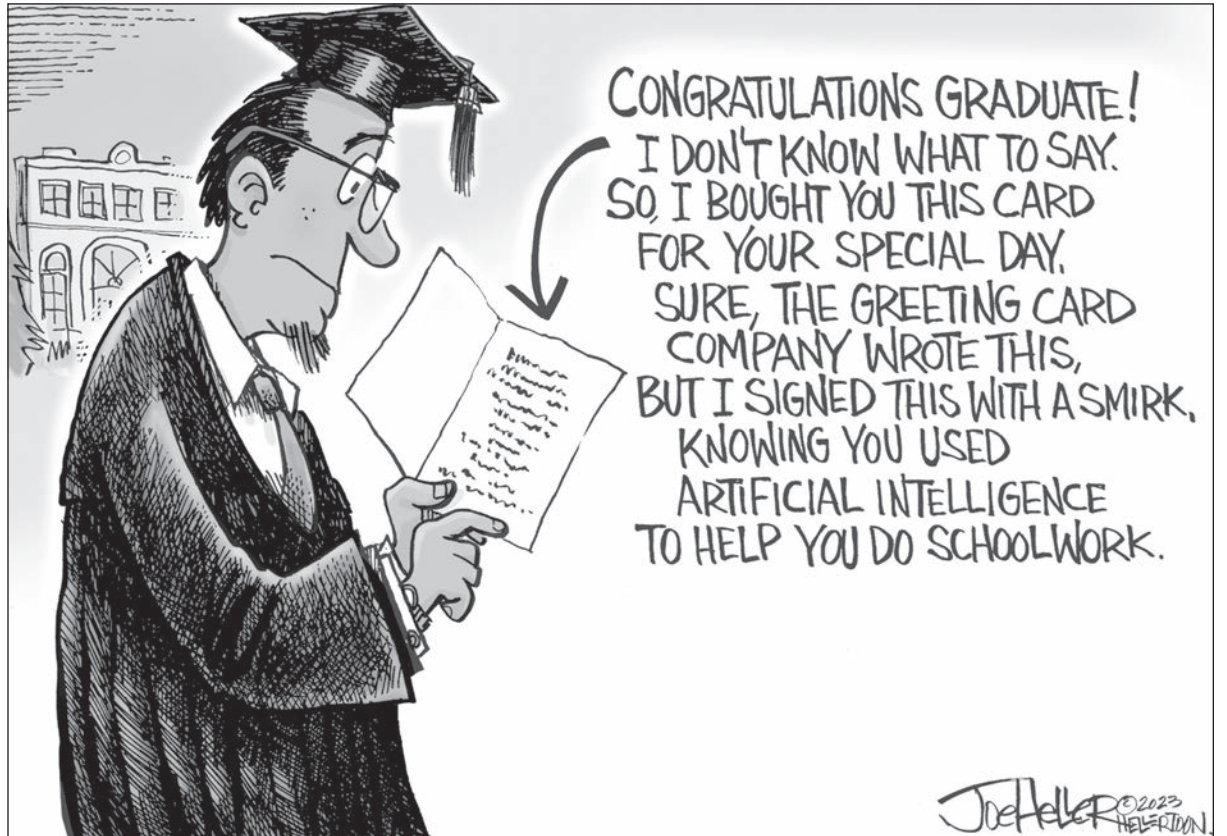
There are parades in many cities, towns, and boroughs that honor the veterans who died in past and current wars to keep our country free. Many of us go to the cemetery to plant flowers and place flags, to “decorate” the graves (hence the name) of those we love to commemorate their actions to preserve our country’s freedom. Others at home will run a flag at half staff until noon when it will be raised to the top until sunset. Each year there is a national ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington, Virginia where a wreath is placed upon it to commemorate the day.

In 2000 Congress passed The National Moment of Remembrance Act so all American citizens would pause for a moment of silence to remember our fallen brothers and sisters. This Memorial Day at 3 PM most in our Country will stop grilling and other leisure pastime activities to remember those who gave the ultimate gift of their lives in service to America and its freedom.

Pause and give thanks. It’s the least we can do.

PATRICK J. WOOD
Publisher

Author of “Dear Reader” and “Tapestry of Love and Loss”



OPEN LETTER

Summer travel suggestions for Simone Biles and all Wisconsin tourists

Two of the things I love most in this world are traveling Wisconsin and Simone Biles.

As a former gymnast — much more of the hobbyist, as opposed to the legendary Olympian variety — I have long admired Simone for her athleticism, leadership and empathy.

So, I pretty much flipped out when I heard the news Simone and husband Jonathan Owens (Go Pack Go!) will be repping Green Bay and Wisconsin.

On behalf of all Wisconsinites, I want to offer the warmest of welcomes.

And, Simone, since you asked social media for recommendations of things to do in Green Bay, which BTW was just named the Best Place to Live in the U.S., it got me thinking about the gold medal-worthy experiences of summertime across all of Wisconsin that you must experience.

Here is my inspiration list for you — and everyone else — to get to know our beloved state and all we have to offer in the summer.



Sayers

For someone who loves to fly high, why not check out EAA AirVenture.

More than 10,000 aircraft fly into Oshkosh over 11 days in July for the largest aviation celebration in the world.

The event is so popular that Wittman Regional Airport temporarily becomes the world’s busiest airport.

And because you’re used to being on top of the world, you’ll be right at home at nearby Eagle Tower.

Panoramic views of Lake Michigan’s Green Bay wait at the top of the 60-foot observation tower in Door County.

And a fully accessible

ramp to get to the top carries you through the canopy.

Champions of all kinds are crowned in Wisconsin, including the chainsaw variety.

The Lumberjack World Championships in Hayward feature the best chopping, sawing, climbing and log rolling in the world, while the artful side of the power tool is on display in Eau Claire for the U.S. Open Chainsaw Sculpture Championship.

As someone who has cruised to victory, you’ll feel right at home cruising the Wisconsin Great River Road.

Charming towns, sweeping blufftop views and fresh culinary adventures characterize this All-American Road as it winds along the Mississippi River.

When you hit the springboard, it looks like you’re taking off on wings.

Well, Wisconsin has a pair of wings itself.

The Milwaukee Art Museum is known worldwide for the Burke Brise Soleil, a stunningly designed sun-screen on top of the mu-

seum that opens and closes like wings twice a day.

Fuel up by savoring Wisconsin’s culinary traditions.

Check out the Ishnala Supper Club in the Wisconsin Dells for an iconic dining experience in a picturesque lakeside setting — where you can turn cartwheels on the beach as you wait for a table at this no reservations restaurant.

Then stick a perfect landing to the end of summer at the Taste of Madison over Labor Day weekend with its 80 food vendors and all-day live entertainment.

Come fall, I and millions more will join you in cheering on Jonathan and the Packers, but for the downtime between wins, find further travel inspiration at TravelWisconsin.com.

I look forward to losing to you in a handstand contest in Titledown soon.

*Your biggest fan,
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Secretary Anne Sayers*

OPEN LETTER

A message from the Green Bay Area Public School District

FROM THE GREEN BAY AREA PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Green Bay Area Public School District (GBAPS) currently is in the process of addressing the district’s aging facilities, declining enrollment and projected budget deficit, with the end goal of all students having access to modern learning facilities.

On May 8, a citizen task force presented its recommendations to the board of education after a four month process of reviewing facility data, enrollment projections and associated costs with repairing schools.

The month of May was identified as a time for the Board to listen to community feedback regarding the recommendations.

On May 9 and 10, community tabletop discussions were held.

A listening session was held on May 24, at Washington Middle School.

Interpreters will be available.

Individuals who were unable to attend the public forum are encouraged to fill out the feedback form at <https://support.google.com/drive/answer/6283888>, or email the

board at boardofeducation@gbaps.org.

On May 18, two board of education members, GBAPS Interim Superintendent Vicki Bayer and members of the administrative team met with members of Northeast Wisconsin Latino Educational Task Force (NEWLET).

During the meeting, district representatives shared that the work of the task force was part one of the Facilities Master Plan process.

On June 5, the board of education will vote during a special board meeting on which recommendations they would like the administration to explore further.

The next step will be to consider boundary changes, programming and school demographics, with a focus on equity in any potential future school closings or movement of students.

Stakeholders will continue to be engaged in the work, as the board is committed to ensuring a transparent process that includes all voices.

The 2023-24 school year is a planning year, and the 2024-25 school year would be the soonest any changes could be implemented.

The Press Times welcomes readers to share their thoughts and opinions as a letter to the editor.

Letters must be no more than 400 words and be emailed to

kleonhardt@mmclocal.com with the subject line “letters to the editor.”

Letters must be received by Monday in order to be included in the Friday edition.

Letters must be submitted via email. Handwritten letters will not be accepted.



NEWS BRIEFS



Aaron Jones donates 1,025 pairs of shoes to Wisconsin students

GREEN BAY – Aaron Jones, running back for the Green Bay Packers, donated 1,025 pairs of shoes this week to Wisconsin students through his Yards for Shoes campaign.

Jones and his A&A All The Way Foundation pledged to donate a pair of shoes for every rushing yard gained by Jones during the 2022 season, up to 1,000 pairs. An additional 25 pairs of shoes were contributed by Packer fans.

Each pair of shoes donated will also include custom socks and stickers courtesy of Cousins Subs.

Recipients of the shoes include students at 15 different schools and Boys and Girls Clubs across the state.

In Green Bay, students at Howe, Fort Howard, Lincoln, Tank and Nicolet Elementary Schools; Washington and Franklin Middle Schools; Green Bay West High School and Dr. Rosa Minoka-Hill School received shoes.

“I love this campaign,” Jones said. “Seeing the smiling faces on these kids every year is really touching. It feels great to give back to the Wisconsin community and support these kids.”

Kimberly Clark announces scholarship winners

BROWN COUNTY – Kimberly Clark has announced the recipients of its 2023 Bright Futures scholarships.

More than 20 Fox Valley students will receive awards in recognition of their academic achievements and leadership in their schools and communities.

“The Bright Futures class of 2023 has demonstrated an unwavering commitment to academic excellence and community service,” said Russ Torres, North American Group President, Kimberly-Clark. “We are honored to support these students in their pursuit of higher education and look forward to seeing the impact they have in their chosen field.”

From Brown County, Emily Brinkman, Seymour Community High School; Jonah Bouchard, West De Pere High School; and Joshua Hodgdon, De Pere High School have been selected to receive scholarships.

Bright Futures recipients will be awarded scholarship grants of up to \$20,000, or \$5,000 per school year.



Golden House wins 2023 Purple Ribbon Awards

GREEN BAY – The winners of the 2023 Purple Ribbon Awards, presented by Theresa’s Fund, have been announced and Golden House, Brown County’s comprehensive domestic abuse agency, has been selected as a winner in two of the 34 categories.

The Purple Ribbon Awards honor heroes of the domestic violence movement, including advocates, programs, shelters, survivors and members of the community support system.

Golden House’s Jodi Nuthals-Mikulsky was awarded Program/Shelter Employee of the Year. Throughout her 27 years with Golden House, Nuthals-Mikulsky has responded to domestic violence crises, supported children and families and overseen shelter operations with volunteers and interns.

“I am honored to receive this award,” she said. “It has been my pleasure to serve the families who experience domestic violence and to be a part of their growth over the years. This award is more about the team around me than any one individual. We will continue to help families find safety and support them through the trauma of domestic violence”

Golden House was also awarded the Most Innovative Service award for its Be Safe Campaign.

The Be Safe Campaign offers a free, local resource for those dealing with domestic violence to access via a phone number to call or click.

Since the launch of the Be Safe Campaign, an average of 4.5 calls have been received weekly from the dedicated phone number, (920) 212-SAFE.

“Golden House is so grateful for recognition of the Be Safe Campaign,” said Cheeia Lo, Golden House executive director “This award represents individuals and a community who remain committed to spreading awareness of local resources available to those experiencing domestic violence.”

Nominations open for Silver Knight Award

DE PERE – The De Pere area service clubs are currently accepting nominations for the 2023 De Pere Community Silver Knight Award.

Since De Pere Community Night began in 1968, the Silver Knight Award has been awarded to individuals nominated by De Pere area service clubs, civic organizations or members of the community.

Winners are recognized for their contributions to civic development, church activities, services to the elderly, handicapped or needy, recreation programs for children, scouting programs, or other civic/philanthropic activities. Nominations will be accepted through August 14.

This year’s recipient will be honored Oct. 23 at the Swan Club in De Pere.

More information is available at deperesilverknight.org.

Jehovah’s Witness convention returns to Green Bay

GREEN BAY – The “Exercise Patience!” Convention will return to the Resch Center Friday, May 26, after a three-year hiatus due to the pandemic.

“As much as we loved the convenience and quality of our virtual conventions, nothing can replace being together in a large group setting,” said Tommy Allen, spokesman for Jehovah’s Witnesses. “While our online conventions reached millions around the world and kept our communities safe, we long to get back to our joyful fellowship at these large gatherings.”

The convention will be open to the public with no collection taken.

“Patience is a beautiful quality that all Christians desire to display in their daily lives,” Allen said. “Despite our good intentions, however, maintaining patience in the face of life’s many challenges can be a daily struggle. Spending three days exploring aspects of this quality will be very timely for all of us.”

For more information, visit jw.org.



Sworn into action

The Green Bay Police Department swore in 10 new officers on May 22 on City Deck, following approval from the Green Bay Police and Fire Commission. The new officers include: Colton Moore, Ryan Baumann, Robert Ganzel, James Elsinger, Kyle Kruppstadt, Omar Patino, Victoria Loberger, Madison Voecks, Mason Saharsky and Tonya Brice. Each of the new officers received a newly designed badge, which was just issued department-wide courtesy of the Green Bay Police Foundation to honor the city’s heritage.

Green Bay Police Department photo

An artist rediscovers her muse

BY MICHAEL SHAW
UW-GREEN BAY

GREEN BAY – Kasie Lin Bazan still remembers her first art exhibition — on the family refrigerator. “My mom, especially, has always been very encouraging with my art and signed me up for art classes when I was younger. So, I assumed that I was as good as Leonardo or anybody else.”

With her mom’s encouragement and DaVinci’s inspiration, Bazan enrolled in art classes as a child and quickly discovered her natural talent. “I’ve been painting and creating works since I could hold a paintbrush,” she said.

And there’s still a child-like imagination to her art.

Elegantly drawn images that glimpse into a world where an apple may possess a core of wood surrounded by a field or a fanciful village scene constructed of arms, hands and legs.

Bazan’s influence? Only the space and opportunity to create.

“To me, a canvas is a portal to another world where I have full creative control,” she said.

Now Bazan has the opportunity to take her creativity to the next level, graduating with a bachelor’s degree in art with a pre-emphasis in art therapy.

Even with family support, finding that opportunity and feeling in control has often been a daunting challenge.

Bazan grew up near Louisville, Ky., struggling with anxiety and ADHD.



Kasie Lin Bazan, art major, poses with two pieces of her artwork inside Studio Arts’ 407 Gallery.

Sue Pischke photo

She attended the University of Kentucky in 2010, majoring in art education, but didn’t connect with the prospect of teaching.

“I just wasn’t drawn to it as much,” she recalls. “I stopped — just getting my associate degree until I could figure out what it was that I actually wanted to do with art.”

Then life happened — a decade’s worth.

She had a son and moved to Sheboygan, where her parents had relocated.

She worked in the retail

world but couldn’t give up on the calling of her art.

“I decided to come back to college to finish my degree, after 10 years,” she said.

Bazan enrolled in 2021 and immersed herself into new disciplines — printmaking, photography and sculpture at the Manitowoc campus — under the tutelage of Professor Emeritus Beryl Lutsky (now retired) and Associate Professor Lisa Wicka.

Ironically, the COVID-19 lockdown made returning to college easier.

She began with an online painting class.

But even working remotely, Bazan experienced a level of faculty/student engagement that was absent from her first college experiences at a larger university.

“It was the professors who go that extra step further,” she recalled. “If I had taken a photograph and thought, ‘it would be really cool if I was able to turn it into a print, but I don’t know how to do that,’ the professors there would be

like, ‘Oh, well, we got this. Let’s do that.’ And they would literally teach me how to do it.”

All these different techniques she learned — from sewing and textiles to printmaking or painting — led Bazan to discover a new path beyond her own art and the next step in her professional development.

“I would love to be able to share with people how to do some of those things as part of art therapy,” Bazan said.

And now, having rediscovered her muses, she’s

not about to let them slip away again.

“It will take me a little bit of time after graduation to work on and show my art,” she explained.

And though graduation is a milestone to celebrate, she won’t abandon her new mission to help others seek their better world through art.

“I would love for everyone to know that a 38-year-old single mother with ADHD was able to get through college,” she added.

K-9
from page 8

over officers in dangerous situations, as well as the harm brought to these dogs through the work they’re involved in — some even using words like animal abuse.

Luberda’s response to this was simple, “There are situations in which the dogs help us, but there are a lot of situations where we do not use our dogs. And one of them is in any situation where someone possesses a weapon. We don’t just blindly send the dogs into any situation, it’s always an evaluation done by the handler. If the situation puts the dog at risk of being hurt, we don’t send them.”

Besides the preliminary evaluation done by handlers before sending K-9s into any situation, the dogs are also outfitted with ballistic vests when on duty, courtesy of Wisconsin Vest-A-Dog, Inc. to offer protections against blunt trauma.

“Since 2005, Wisconsin Vest-A-Dog, Inc. has worked towards the goal of providing a bullet proof and stab proof vest for every police dog in Wisconsin. With the generous donations of so many people, we’ve been able to support K-9 units like the City of Green Bay to continue our mission to protect the dogs that protect us,” said President of Wisconsin

Vest-A-Dog, Inc. Donna Morgan.

The dogs, as well as their training, were fully funded by direct dona-

tions from the community to the GBPD K-9 program and the Bark ‘n Blue Foundation, a 12 year supporter of the po-

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“Without the community, none of this would have been possible,” Luberda said. “The dogs

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St. Norbert College graduates attended their commencement ceremony on May 14, in the Mulva Family Fitness & Sports Center on campus. **Hannah O'Brien photos**



Andrea Fuentes speaks to St. Norbert College's 2023 graduating class during the commencement ceremony. Following her graduation from St. Norbert, Fuentes will pursue a master's degree in international relations at Johns Hopkins University.



Green Bay Packers President and CEO Mark Murphy shakes hands with St. Norbert College Interim President Tom Kunkel during the college's 2023 commencement ceremony. Murphy served as the commencement speaker and received an honorary degree from the college.



Families of St. Norbert College graduates watch and cheer during the college's commencement ceremony on May 14.

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Cooper Zerjav, 19, is a Brown County native who just got back into town for the summer after completing his first year at UW-Milwaukee where he studies marketing. A West De Pere graduate, Zerjav is looking forward to relaxing a bit this summer while working on putting some money in the bank and hanging out with friends before his sophomore year in college starts. **Josh Staloch photo**

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De Pere's elementary level technical challenge team, Words, competed at Global Finals in Kansas City May 20-23. **Submitted photo**



De Pere's elementary-level team, You Will Never Know, competed in the fine arts challenge against nearly 50 teams from around the world at Destination Imagination Global Finals May 20-23. **Submitted photo**



In the middle level, De Pere's The Rubber Duckies competed in the engineering challenge at Destination Imagination Global Finals May 20-23. **Janelle Fisher photo**



We're Puzzled, from Green Bay's Leonardo da Vinci School for Gifted Learners, placed second in the middle level of the technical challenge at Destination Imagination Global Finals May 20-23. **Janelle Fisher photo**

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I'm assuming most of you have already fired up the grill this year at least once. The weather has been perfect for grilling, and those legendary aromas of brats and burgers on the grill, wafting through the neighborhood are what culinary dreams are made of.

A few times a year I splurge and throw steaks on the barbie but with the cost of meat, especially steaks, so ridiculously high, tenderloins, ribeye and New York Strips are going to have to wait a bit. This means I'll choose less expensive cuts like flank, skirt or hanger, or I'll keep an eye on if prices drop on sirloin every so often.

Sometimes these less expensive meats can be tougher compared to tenderloin or ribeye, but that doesn't have to be the case - you just need to know how to master the marinade to create a tender juicy steak full of flavor, and it requires very little effort. The keys to an effective marinade are its ability to penetrate the meat to help break down sinew. Ingredients like vinegar, lemon juice, buttermilk, even vermouth (both dry and sweet work well) can break down the tougher muscle and make even the toughest steak tender.

Be careful not to marinate the steaks too long in an acidic based marinade (One to two hours for thinner steaks and four to six hours for thicker cuts), or the meat will lose its integrity and become mushy. Another key is to help the marinade penetrate the meat before it hits the bath. Using the rough side of a meat mallet, give the steak a few good whacks to get the party started and when you place the steaks in the marinade, it won't take long for them to get tender. If you don't have a mallet, use a few forks and poke holes liberally all over the cut, flip it over and do the same.

Things I won't add to a marinade: fresh garlic and cracked black pepper. One simple but potentially destructive reason I don't use either in a marinade or directly on meat I put on the grill - they burn! Nothing better than the flavor of garlic, nothing worse than the flavor of burnt garlic. If you want the garlic flavor, use garlic salt in the marinade and grind some fresh pepper on the steak after for full effect.

Try this marinade for your next steak cook out and watch your guests enter culinary bliss - Enjoy!

Steak Marinade

In a mixing bowl add:

- 1/2 cup red wine vinegar
- 1 teaspoon Dijon mustard
- 1/2 teaspoon liquid smoke
- 1/2 teaspoon garlic salt
- 1 tablespoon soy sauce
- 2 tablespoons

- Worcestershire sauce
- 1/4 teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes

Whisk ingredients together then slowly add in:

- 1/2 cup canola oil (olive oil burns to easily)

Place the steaks in a large Ziploc bag, add the steaks, make sure

all the air is pushed out, seal it tight, work the marinade into the meat by squeezing the bag and let marinate two hours for flank and skirt steaks, four to six hours for thicker cuts like sirloin). Place the bag in a 13 x 9 inch pan in the fridge to make sure there isn't any leaks. Make sure to let your steaks come to room temperature before cooking, grill over medium coals until your desired temperature.

Enjoy!

Consumer Safety Warning! Make sure you discard all of the marinade - DO NOT use it on your steak after grilling or anything else. Do not save it for later use. This is a one time marinade only. It has raw meat in it and could make you and your guests very sick.



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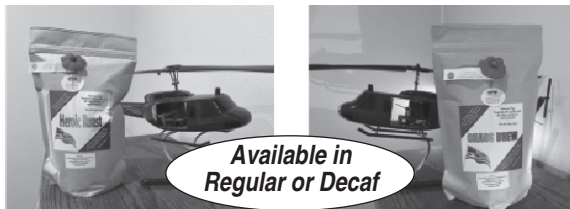
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Whether you're interested in dating again or just looking for a friend to spend time with, online dating sites and apps have become an easy and convenient way for older adults to meet new single people without ever having to leave home.

And to make things even easier, most sites today use matchmaking algorithms that factor in your interests and preferences so they can steer you to matches that are best suited for you. Here

are some other tips to help you get started.

Choose a site

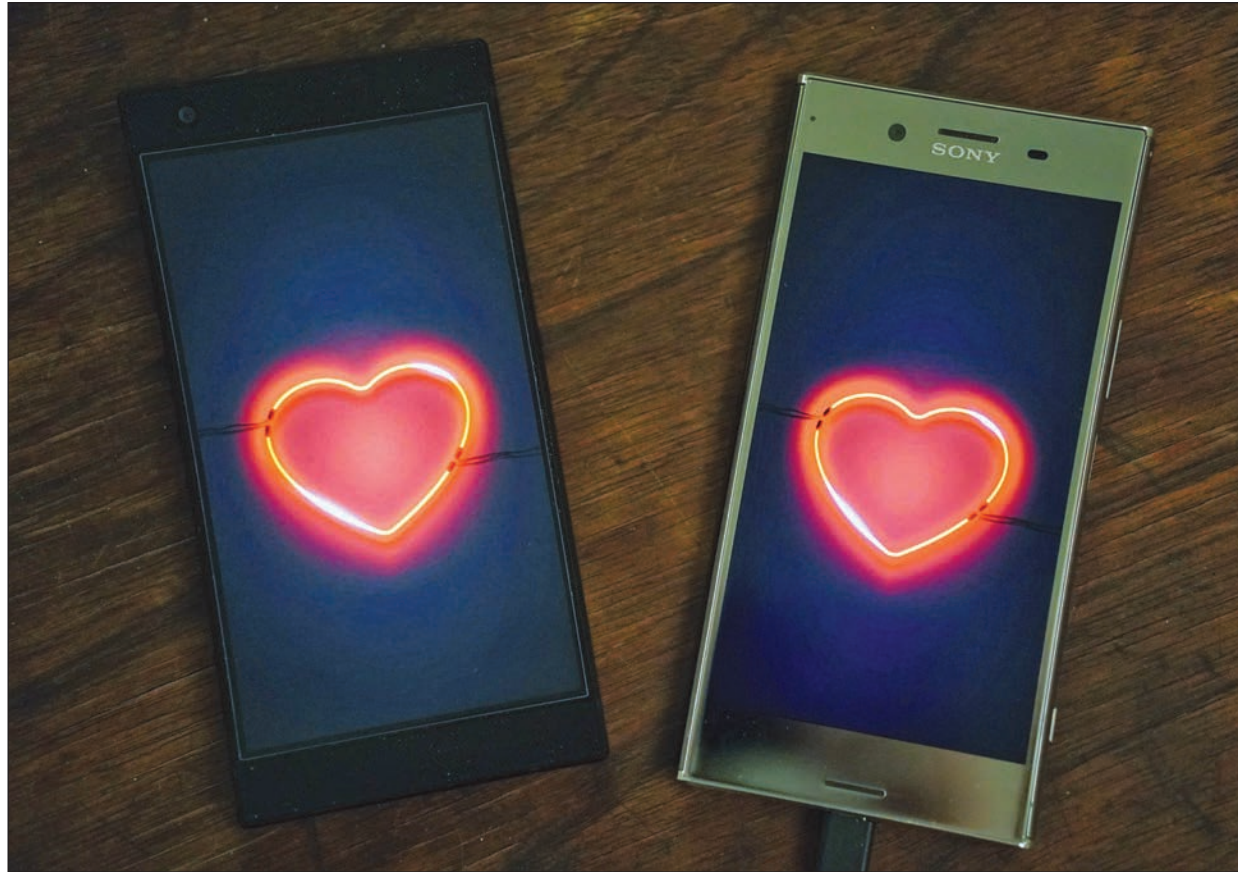
There are dozens of different matchmaking websites and apps available today, so choosing can be a bit confusing.

While many sites offer free trials or watered-down free content, finding out the price can be difficult until you register and provide some information.

In general, viewing complete profiles and messaging potential dates will require a monthly fee, which can range anywhere between \$10-\$40 per month.

Some top mainstream sites/apps that are popular among older adults are eHarmony.com, Match.com and OKCupid.com.

If, however, you're interested in more age spe-



cific sites, some great options are OurTime.com or SilverSingles.com.

Or if you have a specific kind of person you'd like to meet, there are dozens of niche sites like EliteSingles.com for educated professionals; ChristianMingle.com for Christian singles; BLK-app.com for black singles; JSwipeApp.com for Jewish singles; and Facebook.com/dating for people who love Facebook.

Create a profile

When you join a matchmaking site, you'll need to create a personality profile that reflects who you

are, including recent photos, hobbies, interests, favorite activities and more. If you need some help, sites like ProfileHelper.com can write one for you for a fee.

Practice caution

When you register with a site you remain anonymous.

No one gets access to your personal contact information until you decide to give it out, so be prudent to whom you give it.

Before meeting, you should chat on the phone or video chat a few times, and when you do meet in person for the first time, meet in a public place or

bring a friend along.

And if someone asks for money or your financial information, don't give it out.

Online dating/sweet-heart scams are rampant, so be very cautious.

Be skeptical

In an effort to get more responses, many people will exaggerate or flat out lie in their profiles, or post pictures that are 10 years old or 20 pounds lighter.

So, don't believe everything you see or read.

Make an effort

A lot of times, people — especially women — sit

back and let others come to them.

Don't be afraid to make the first move.

When you find someone you like, send a short note that says, "I really enjoyed your profile. I think we have some things in common."

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Dear Monty

BY RICHARD MONTGOMERY
SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

Seven steps to sell your home faster for more money

DEAR MONTY,

Our home has been on the market for a month. We have a sign in the yard and we bought an ad on a For Sale By Owner (FSBO) website. So far, we've had no offers. We've had several showings and they seem interested, but only at a low price. They want the commission we are trying to save. Agents call looking for a listing but have yet to bring in a buyer. They say the market has softened. We are discouraged but are not ready to pay a commission. Do you have any suggestions?

The background

In the 1950s, many home buyers complained that they were deceived when purchasing their homes. After moving in and early in their occupancy, they discovered defects that were not disclosed or hidden. They blamed home sellers (including for sale by owners) and real estate agents. The effect of these many complaints inspired two reactions. Some creative observers began charging buyers for home inspections. State governments created legislation requiring home sellers to reveal defects and needed, expensive repairs.

MONTY'S ANSWER

There are buyer, seller and balanced markets today. High-interest rates and economic worries have taken many buyers out of the market or forced them to lower their expectations. You can significantly improve your chances of selling your home on your own and for a higher price.

The evolution

It took 50 years for these ideas to evolve into a new industry, home inspections, and 49 of the 50 states requiring home sellers to provide seller condition reports to home buyers.

Then something big happened. About 20 years

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Then & Now

The 400 block of Grant Street in De Pere, yesterday and today. De Pere Historical Society photo



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Signing Day

A Career Signing Day ceremony was held May 17 at The Boldt Company in Appleton to recognize Cole Bellin, a Preble High School graduate, and Landon Mittelstady, a graduate from DePere High School. Both students were youth apprentices who took advantage of the opportunity to learn career-building skills while attending high school. Bellin and Mittelstady will now begin a career with the Boldt Company and become members of the North Central States Regional Council of Carpenters (NCSRCC). Pictured are the students with their mentors and representatives from Local 1146, Local 310 and Local 1056.

NCSRCC photo



ON THE ROAD WITH ALICE

Springing into veggie season

BY TAYLOR SCHAEFER
WISCONSIN'S 75TH
ALICE IN DAIRYLAND

Spring is one of my favorite times of the year. The chirping birds, blooming flowers, and return of the outdoor garden season.

There's just something so exciting about watching those vegetable sprouts popping out of the freshly worked ground.

Unless a gardener has a greenhouse-type setup over their space, the outdoor planting season is heavily dependent on the last average frost dates for your area.

According to the Farmer's Almanac, the last frost date for my hometown of Franksville, was expected May 11.

With a significant variance in climate throughout the state, Wisconsin's last frost dates vary from late April to late May, so it's important to check dates for your specific area and plan your planting accordingly.

Wisconsin's backyard gardens can be just a few rows or an acre or more, but you don't even need your own backyard to grow your own vegetables.

According to Dane Gardens, Dane County alone has more than 4,000 community garden plots that are available to members of the community to use as their own place to grow fresh produce.

These gardens are often operated by local governments or community groups but are individually managed by the person renting them for the season.

Ask around your local area to see what public resources may be available to you.

Wisconsin's vegetables aren't just grown by small scale gardeners. In fact, Wisconsin is currently the top producer of green beans for processing in the country.

Our state also ranks third in the nation for growing all varieties of potatoes, plus sweet corn, carrots and peas for processing.

All of these fresh-grown veggies make their way to consumers in a variety of ways.

People that grow for themselves may eat fresh from the garden, freeze their bounty, or can their harvest to enjoy all year long. Each summer, I spent days canning with my mom and grandma, but I loved visiting local farmers mar-



Schaefer

kets to purchase a variety of cucumbers to make into pickles — one of my favorite year-round snacks.

Many gardeners who grow more than they are able to eat will swap with neighbors or send home their extras with anyone who will take it! Others will sell produce at their local farmers markets.

This allows consumers to buy produce right from the grower, oftentimes within hours of it being picked.

Farmers markets also provide a great way to fill your fridge with what is in season at that time of year.

The Wisconsin Farmers Market Association houses a list of all the markets across the state, and just about every county has at least one! Visit www.wi-farmersmarkets.org to find one near you.

When vegetables are grown on a large scale, they are typically transported somewhere for further processing to lock in freshness and nutrients while remaining available year-round.

There are a handful of these processors across the state.

Some of them grow their own produce in addition to sourcing from other growers.

Others work with farmers to stagger their planting times, allowing the processing facilities to keep up during harvest time.

This allows Wisconsin's farmers to plant different crops in their fields each year; maybe field corn for their cows one year and sweet peas to be processed the next year.

Whether you're a first-time gardener or a seasoned professional, it's an exciting time of year.

I look forward to watching the vegetables available at the local farmers markets change throughout the summer while watching my own plants start to produce fresh food for my family to enjoy.

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Don't miss out on this summer's night sky

For the patient observer, the night sky holds something interesting to see on any given night.

But summer nights are the best, as relatively comfortable temperatures allow lengthy stays outdoors. Summer nights also bring an array of sensations, including the smells of blooming flowers and fresh-cut grass, along with the sounds of whispering leaves, chirping crickets and croaking frogs, all adding to the ambiance of the overhead stars.

So, grab a light jacket, a comfortable reclining lawn chair and soak it all in, as our summers are short.

Here are some of the night sky highlights this summer:

June

The evening of June 3, features a full moon, rising moments after sunset in the southeast and traveling across the southern sky as the night wears on.

Because of the Earth's tilt and the Moon's orbit, the Moon's path across the sky all summer long appears closer to the horizon, giving the illusion of a bigger, more yellow appearing moon - unlike the nearly overhead position of the bright white moon of winter.

As for the planets, Venus takes center stage this month, shining bright white in the west after sunset and setting in the northwest before midnight.

Use Venus as a landmark and look to its upper left to spot a dimmer, orange Mars.

In the eastern sky, yellow-white Saturn rises well after midnight (1:22 a.m.) at the start of the month, with a brighter and whiter Jupiter rising at 3:26 a.m. - so best viewing is mostly for early morning risers.

But by the end of the month, both planets rise earlier: Saturn 11:32 p.m.; Jupiter 1:46 a.m.

Of special note: Mark your calendar for the summer solstice June 21 (9:57 a.m.); despite being the longest day of the year, that evening will bring a beautiful grouping of the crescent Moon, Venus and Mars.

July

Just like June, a full moon kicks off the month of July, technically full at 6:38 a.m. July 3, so it may look to be fullest the night of July 2. Either way, a nearly full moon will be still present during area fireworks the night of the Fourth.

Venus reaches its greatest brilliance the evening of July 7, bright - but only visible a few hours, setting in the west at 10:30 p.m.

Mars is still to the upper left of Venus, and the crescent Moon joins the two once again the evening of July 20, though not as tightly grouped as in June.



Weather Watch

BY BRAD SPAKOWITZ
WBAY METEOROLOGIST



The early evening of June 21 will feature a close grouping of the crescent moon, Venus and Mars in the western sky. A similar configuration repeats July 20. Brad Spakowitz images

Enjoy Venus while you can, by the end of the month it will be difficult to see, as it will be very close to the Sun by then and heads below the horizon just minutes after sunset.

Similarly, a very faint Mars sets earlier by month's end, 9:46 p.m. on July 31.

Throughout July, Saturn is rising earlier each night; by mid-July it appears in the east, shortly after 10:30 p.m.

Bright white Jupiter also rises in the east earlier, mid-month poking over the horizon just minutes before 1 a.m., but noticeably earlier over the next two weeks, rising at 11:56 p.m. by month's end.

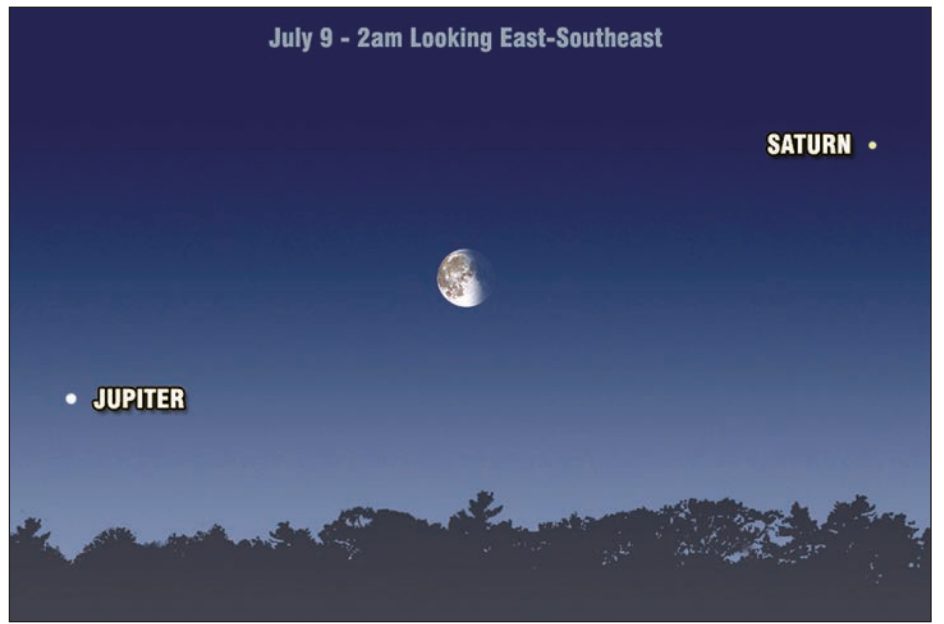
August

An action-packed month starts with a full moon the night of Aug. 1.

This is the first of two full moons this month, and both are 'supermoons' - a term used to describe a moon that appears slightly larger and brighter than most - this occurs because the Moon's orbit around the earth isn't a perfect circle, so at times the Moon is closer to earth and when it coincides with a full moon it is referred to as a supermoon.

As for the planets, Venus is no longer visible in the evening sky, but by the end of the month will appear in the east just before sunrise.

Mars is very difficult to



If you are having difficulty identifying Jupiter or Saturn, use the moon as a landmark around 2 a.m. July 9. Looking east-southeast you will find the moon perfectly centered between bright white Jupiter to the left and yellow-white Saturn to the right.

AUGUST 11-13
PERSEID METEOR SHOWER

- Get Away From City Lights
- Give Your Eyes Time to Adjust
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What is typically the best and most reliable meteor shower of the year is the Annual Perseid Meteor Shower peaking Aug. 11-13. Stray Perseids can be spotted in the weeks leading up to and after the peak.

see; it is faint and barely above the western horizon, setting shortly after the sun.

Saturn and Jupiter continue to rise earlier in the east and will be prominent evening sky objects

by the end of the month; Saturn rising at 7:21 p.m.; Jupiter rising at 10 p.m. on Aug. 31.

The highlight of the summer occurs Aug. 11-13, as the Perseid meteor shower will be at peak

bringing the potential for dozens of meteors per hour.

This is the most famous and reliable meteor shower of the entire year and is known for fast moving bright meteors, often leaving a persistent trail.

And then to cap it all off, Aug. 31 brings the second full moon of the month, as mentioned earlier it, too, is a supermoon, and also a blue moon (second full moon in the same month) - and the first blue moon since August of 2021.

Northern Lights

Although northern lights are difficult to predict, we have already seen two amazing displays this year - the first one was on the night of March 23, and the second one was on the night of April 23.

The sun is currently very active as we approach the midway point of its 11-year solar cycle.

As a result, more solar storms are likely to occur, any of which could create more northern lights.

Keep your eyes open. There is much awaiting you in this summer's night sky.

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MONTY
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ago, the internet and technology came along, and people discovered that it made their lives easier. They became educated and evolved along with it. Consumers have become more innovative. Today we expect everything to be fast, good, simple and cheap. Who would have thought 20 years ago that you could shop for appliances, buy them online and have them delivered and installed without leaving the house?

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CLASS "A" BEER
 Fleet Farm, 2460 Main Street, Jose Chavez, Agent
COMBINATION "CLASS A" INTOXICATING LIQUOR AND CLASS "A" BEER
 Fleet Farm, 2460 Main Street, Jose Chavez, Agent
 Festival Foods, 2534 Steffens Court, Jason A. Jacobs, Agent
 True North #816, 2011 Allouez Avenue, Michelle Autumn Knox, Agent
 True North #817, 2646 Manitowoc Road, Michelle Autumn Knox, Agent
 Truth North #880, 2721 Manitowoc Road, Michelle Autumn Knox, Agent
 Walgreen's #11576, 1979 Lime Kiln Road, Andrew Scott Krueger, Agent
 Wal-Mart #1908, 2292 Main Street, Bonnie Ahlsen, Agent
 Costco Wholesale 1162, 2355 Costco Way, Jennifer Kay Hawkins, Agent
 Pick 'n Save #8111, 2064 Lime Kiln Road, Lynn A. Lyon, Agent
 Kwik Trip #416, 2618 Monroe Road, Sandra Lee Perkins, Agent
 Terry Naturally LLC, 2625 Development Drive, Suite 40, Terrence J. Lemerond, Agent
"CLASS A" INTOXICATING LIQUOR
 Josephine's Gifts & Décor, 2654 continental Drive, Christine M. Pierquet, Owner
COMBINATION "CLASS B" INTOXICATING LIQUOR & CLASS "B" BEER
 The Tundra Smokehouse & Spirits, 2774 Manitowoc Road, Linda Jean Schultz, Owner
 The Rite Place LLC, 1580 Bellevue Street, Gerald VanRite, Agent
 El Dorado Cantina & Grill, 2545 Manitowoc Road, Juan Perez, Agent
 Keith's Bar, 3234 Manitowoc Road, Joseph Emory Umentum, Owner
 The Goal Post Bar & Grill, 3007 Manitowoc Road, Teresa M. Bellin, Agent
 The Ravine LLC, 2633 Manitowoc Road, John Robert VanRite, Agent
 Luigi's Italian Bistro, 2733 Manitowoc Road, Fara T. Sollena, Owner
 A'Bravo Bistro & Wine Bar, 2069 Central Court, David A. DeMarco, Agent
 Green Bay Country Club, 2400 Klondike Road, Jerome Geiger, Agent
 Willow Creek Lanes, 2020 Verlin Road, Jill K. Groshek, Agent
 Umi Sushi, 2066 Central Drive, Suite E, Lin Li, Agent
COMBINATION "RESERVE CLASS B" INTOXICATING LIQUOR & CLASS "B" BEER
 Buffalo Wild Wings, 2394 Costco Way, Suite 100, Alexis A. Kincaid, Agent
 Grapevine Café, 2058 Allouez Avenue, Diane Lynn Gerhard, Agent
 The Village Grille, 1390 Bellevue Street, Suite 110, Kathleen Ann Proctor, Agent
 Back 9 Pizza & Pub & Nextgen Golf, 1671 Hoffman Road, Ste 50 - 70, Troy Wolf, Agent
 Plae Bistro, 1671 Hoffman Road, #10, Jill M. Bassett, Agent
 Tuscan's Southwest Grill & Bar, 2080 Central Drive, Richard Svoboda, Agent
CLASS "B" BEER & CLASS "C" WINE
 Holiday Inn Express & Suites, 1663 Hoffman Road, Adam Wolf, Agent
 Mr. Brews Taphouse, 2665 Monroe Road, Suite 140, Tammy Verhagen, Agent
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East, 2628 Manitowoc Road, Himanshu Goel, Agent
 Umi Sushi, 2066 Central Drive, Suite E, Lin Li, Agent
 Montes Taqueria LLC, 1541 Bellevue Street, Suite 6, Rodrigo Rodriguez Montes, Agent
CLASS "B" BEER
 Hunters Edge Archery, 1887 Commercial Way, David J. Heath, Owner
 Dated this 23rd day of May 2023.
 Karen M. Simons
 Clerk-Treasurer
 Published: May 26, 2023
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De Pere, Green Bay & Ashwaubenon WNAIXLP

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Proposed Flood Hazard Determinations for the Cities of De Pere, and Green Bay, and the Village of Ashwaubenon, Brown County, Wisconsin, and Case No. 23-05-0990P. The Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) solicits technical information or comments on proposed flood hazard determinations for the Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM), and where applicable, the Flood Insurance Study (FIS) report for your community. These flood hazard determinations may include the addition or modification of Base Flood Elevations, base flood depths, Special Flood Hazard Area boundaries or zone designations, or the regulatory floodway. The FIRM and, if applicable, the FIS report have been revised to reflect these flood hazard determinations through issuance of a Letter of Map Revision (LOMR), in accordance with Title 44, Part 65 of the Code of Federal Regulations. These determinations are the basis for the floodplain management measures that your community is required to adopt or show evidence of having in effect to qualify or remain qualified for participation in the National Flood Insurance Program. For more information on the proposed flood hazard determinations and information on the statutory 90-day period provided for appeals, please visit FEMA's website at <https://www.floodmaps.fema.gov> or call the FEMA Mapping and Insurance eXchange (FMIX) toll free at 1-877-FEMA MAP (1-877-336-2627). Publish 05.19.23 & 05.26.23 WNAIXLP

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NOTICE TO PUBLIC OF A FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT

City of Green Bay, Wisconsin
 100 North Jefferson Street
 Green Bay, WI 54301
 (920) 448-3400
 Eric Genrich, Mayor
TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS, AND PERSONS:
 The above-named City of Green Bay proposes to request the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to release Federal funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (PL 93-383) for the following project:
 Project Name:
 Nature of Project: City East Apartments
 Location of Project: 1100 Block E. Walnut Street Green Bay, WI
 Estimated Cost of Project: \$400,000 Total
 It has been determined that such request for release of funds will not constitute an action significantly affecting

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the quality of the human environment and, accordingly, the above-named City of Green Bay has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (PL 91-190). An Environmental Review Record respecting the within project has been made by the above-named City of Green Bay which documents the environmental review of the project and more fully sets forth the reasons why such statement is not required. This Environmental Review Record is on file at the above address and is available for public examination and copying, upon request, in Room 608, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. No further environmental review of such project is proposed to be conducted prior to the request for release of Federal funds. All interested agencies, groups, and persons disagreeing with this Finding of No Significant Impact decision are invited to submit written comments for consideration by the City to the Office of The Redevelopment Authority, Attn: Ronda Bitney, Real Estate Specialist, 100 North Jefferson Street, Room 608, Green Bay, WI, 54301. Such written comments should be received at the address specified on or before 15 days after the date of publication. All such comments so received will be considered and the City will not request the release of Federal funds or take any administrative action on the within project to the date specified in the preceding sentence. Please specify which notice is being addressed.

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS, AND PERSONS:
 On or about one day after the public comment period, the City will request the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to release Federal funds for the project described above. The City is certifying to HUD that the City and the chief executive officer, in his capacity as Mayor, consent to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal courts if any action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to environmental reviews, decision-making, and action; and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The legal effect of the certification is that upon its approval, the City of Green Bay may use the Federal CDBG Funds, and HUD will have satisfied its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969. Objections to Release of Funds
 HUD will accept an objection to its approval of the release of funds and acceptance of the certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date, or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if it is on one of the following basis: (a) that the certification was not, in fact, executed by the chief executive officer or other office of applicant approved by HUD; or (b) that applicant's environmental review record for the project indicates omission of a required decision, finding or step applicable to the project in the environmental review process. Objections to the Release of Funds must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58), and may be addressed to HUD CPD Director, Suite W950, 310 West Wisconsin Avenue,

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Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53203-2289. Objections on basis other than those stated above will not be considered by HUD. Potential objectors should contact HUD Environmental Field Officer, David Nuccio, at (414) 935-6690, to verify the actual last day of the objection period. Publication Date: May 26, 2023 WNAIXLP

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OFFICIAL PUBLIC NOTICE

The following decisions were rendered by the City of Green Bay's Zoning & Planning Board of Appeals at a public hearing on Monday, May 15, 2023, in consideration of the following petitions for variance from the zoning code of the municipal ordinance.
 1. (Appeal 23-11) Consideration with possible action on the variance request submitted by Maureen P Trafford-Braun and Dan Braun, property owners and applicants, to create a wider parking stall within the front yard setback at 2626 He-Nis-Ra Lane (Ald. J. Brunette, District 12).
 To grant the variance as requested for the driveway taper extended to the front of walk as the applicant did satisfy the required variance findings by the Board of Appeals: Preservation of Intent, Exceptional Circumstance, Preservation of property rights, Absence of Detriment, and Hardship. To deny the variance for parking stall expansion past 2 feet of the garage door opening within the front yard setback.
 2. (Appeal 23-13) Consideration with possible action on the variance request submitted by Colin Meise of Ruckert-Mielke, Inc., applicant; and Patrick Waeghe, property owner, to request exceeding maximum impervious surfacing coverage within the General Industrial (GI) district at 1124 N. Baird Street (Ald. S. Campbell, District 6).
 To grant the variance as requested as the applicant did satisfy the required variance findings by the Board of Appeals: Preservation of Intent, Exceptional Circumstance, Preservation of property rights, Absence of Detriment, and Hardship.
 3. (Appeal 23-14) Consideration with possible action on the variance request submitted by Juliane Kania, property owner and applicant, to create surface parking within the permitter parking lot landscaping setback at 333 S. Webster Avenue (Ald. B. Galvin, District 4).
 To grant the variance as requested as the applicant did satisfy the required variance findings by the Board of Appeals: Preservation of Intent, Exceptional Circumstance, Preservation of property rights, Absence of Detriment, and Hardship.
Chapter 44-142 Green Bay Zoning Code - Finality of decisions of Zoning Board of Appeals. All decisions and findings of the Zoning Board of Appeals, on appeal or upon application for a variance after a hearing, shall in all instances be final administrative determinations and shall be subject to review by court as may be provided by law.
 a.) Expiration of variance. If construction has not begun or if the variance has not been acted upon within twelve (12) months of the approval date, the variance shall expire.
 b.) If the use ceases to exist or ceases to be conducted for a period of twelve (12) consecutive months, the variance shall expire.
Building Permits Required - all applicants that are granted a variance shall obtain the required building permits which may require a site plan

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and/or building plan approval prior to construction. Publish 05.26.23

Hobart WNAIXLP

VILLAGE OF HOBART NOTICE OF LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATIONS

The Village of Hobart has received the following applications for Combination Class "B" and "Class B" Retailer's Licenses:
 1. Long Drive Inn - 897 Riverdale Drive
 Agent: Thomas Jackson - 2693 E. River Drive, Green Bay WI 54301
 2. Oneida Golf Enterprise - 4470 N. Pine Tree Road
 Agent: Lily Jones - 2611 Newberry Avenue, Green Bay WI 54302
 3. Fleet & Alice's Gas Light Inn - 915 Edgar Drive
 Agent: David Jordan - 915 Edgar Drive, Hobart WI 54155
 4. White Eagle Bar & Grill - 2994 E Service Road
 Agent: Wayne Metoxen - 254 Florist Drive, Hobart WI 54115
 5. D2 of Hobart - 530 Larsen Orchard Parkway
 Agent: Howard Johnston - 2743 St. Ann Drive, Green Bay WI 54311
 The Village of Hobart has received the following applications for Class "B" Retailer's Licenses:
 1. Scott's Subs - 550 Centennial Centre Boulevard
 Agent: Heather Leonard - 565 Sunlite Drive, Hobart WI 54155
 The Village of Hobart has received the following application for a Temporary Class B "Picnic" License:
 1. Hobart Volunteer Firefighters Association - August 26, 2023 at 4 Seasons Park
 The Village of Hobart has received the following applications for Cigarette & Tobacco Products Retail License:
 1. Jimmy O's Golf Shop - 897 Riverdale Drive
 2. Thornberry Creek at Oneida - 4470 N. Pine Tree Road
 The applicants were presented to the Hobart Village Board at the May 16, 2023 Village Board Meeting and will be considered for licenses at the June 20, 2023 Village Board Meeting.
 Katrina Bruecker, Hobart Clerk / Treasurer
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Howard WNAIXLP

The Village of Howard Board of Trustees has received the following new 2023-2024 Class B beer license applications:

Establishment Applicant
 Howard Commons Activity Complex, 2750 Howard Commons Melissa Martinson - Agent

The Village of Howard Board of Trustees has received the following renewal 2023-2024 Class B beer license applications:

Establishment Applicant
 Brown County Sportsmen's Club, 1711 W. Deerfield Ave. David Holub - Agent

The Village of Howard Board of Trustees has received the following new 2023-2024 Class C wine license applications:

Establishment Applicant
 Howard Commons Activity Complex, 2750 Howard Commons Melissa Martinson - Agent

The Village Board will consider the license applications on June 12th, 2023 at 6:30 pm. All license applications are open to public inspection from 7:30 am-5:00 pm, Monday through Thursday Friday 7:30 am to 11:30 am at Howard's Village Hall, 2456 Glendale Avenue Publish 05.26.23 WNAIXLP

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Ashwaubenon WNAIXLP

VILLAGE OF ASHWAUBENON ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID BITUMINOUS PAVING CONTRACTORS

The Village of Ashwaubenon will accept sealed bids up to 10:00 a.m., CST on Wednesday, June 14th, 2023, in the office of the Village Clerk, in the Ashwaubenon Village Hall, 2155 Holmgren Way, Ashwaubenon, WI 54304-4605.
 Bituminous Paving & Planing Contract. Detailed specification and proposal forms are on file and may be obtained at the office of the Village Engineer, Ashwaubenon Village Hall, 2155 Holmgren Way Ashwaubenon, WI 54304-4605.
 The Village of Ashwaubenon reserves the right to accept and/or reject any and all proposals. Proposals will be opened and publicly read at 10:00 a.m., in the Village Hall on Wednesday, June 14th, 2023. Each proposal must be accompanied by a Bid Bond or Certified Check equivalent to 5% of the maximum proposal.
 Dated at the Village of Ashwaubenon, Wisconsin, on this 22nd day of May, 2023.
 BY: STEVE BIRR
 VILLAGE ENGINEER
 VILLAGE OF ASHWAUBENON Publish 05.26.23 & 06.02.23 WNAIXLP

Green Bay WNAIXLP

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS
 Contract: GBMFD 1-23 Station 7 Window Replacement

City of Green Bay, Wisconsin
 Sealed proposals will be received in the Office of the City Clerk/Treasurer of the City of Green Bay, Room 106, City Hall, 100 North Jefferson Street, Green Bay, Wisconsin, 54301 until 2:00 P.M. on June 6, 2023 at which time they will be opened in Room 310, City Hall, for Public Works Improvement Contract:

GBMFD 1-23 Station 7 Window Replacement
 in accordance with the contract documents, 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.

In general, this project includes replacing windows at Fire Station 7.

A pre-bid meeting will be held at Fire Station 7 located at 3489 Humboldt Road at 2:00 P.M. on May 24, 2023. Bids will be received for one contract which includes all work necessary and/or required to complete the project per the Contract Documents.

All work required in this contract shall be completed by September 29, 2023. The Contract Documents, including plans and specifications, may be examined electronically and downloaded at www.demandstar.com or <http://vendornet.state.wi.us/vendornet>.

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 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.

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In accordance with Section 9.16 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. Comm. No. 22CGB16.00 00 11 00-2 Sealed bids shall be delivered or addressed to the City Clerk/Treasurer, Room 106, City Hall, 100 North Jefferson Street, Green Bay, Wisconsin 54301. The City of Green Bay, Wisconsin reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities 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 on the Bidder's Proposal provided for that purpose and issued to the specific Bidder by the Director of Public Works together with a certified check or 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 or Certified Check, Affidavit of Compliance, Disclosure of Ownership and any Addenda issued shall be submitted. 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: May 12, 2023 May 19, 2023 May 26, 2023 WNAXLP

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS Contract: WSG 1-23 Truck Wash Beam Replacement City of Green Bay, Wisconsin Sealed proposals will be received in the Office of the City Clerk/Treasurer of the City of Green Bay, Room 106, City Hall, 100 North Jefferson Street, Green Bay, Wisconsin, 54301 until 2:00 P.M. on June 6, 2023 at which time they will be opened in Room 310, City Hall, for Public Works Improvement Contract: WSG 1-23 Truck Wash Beam Replacement in accordance with the contract documents, 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. In general, the Project involves removal and replacement of damaged structural beam and surroundings walls. Removal

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of overhead door, relocation of HVAC roof equipment and subsequent patching. A pre-bid meeting will be held at the West Side Municipal Garage located at 519 S. Oneida Street at 10:00 A.M., May 24, 2023. Bids will be received for one contract which includes all Work necessary and/or required to complete the project per the Contract Documents. All work required in this contract shall be completed by September 29, 2023. The Contract Documents, including plans and specifications, may be examined electronically and downloaded at www.demandstar.com or http://vendornet.state.wi.us/vendornet. 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. Proof of Responsibility form can be found on the City's website: https://greenbaywi.gov/796/en? 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. Sealed bids shall be delivered and addressed to the City Clerk/Treasurer, Room 106, City Hall, 100 North Jefferson Street, Green Bay, Wisconsin, 54301. The City of Green Bay, Wisconsin reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities 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 on the Bidder's Proposal provided for that purpose and issued to the specific bidder by the Director of Public Works together with a certified check or 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 or Certified Check, and any

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Addenda issued shall be submitted. 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: May 12, 2023 May 19, 2023 May 26, 2023 WNAXLP

Suamico WNAXLP

Village of Suamico Municipal Services Center 12781 Velp Avenue Suamico, Wisconsin 54313 Sealed bids for East Deerfield Road Reconstruction – Contract "S-2221-1" will be received by the Village of Suamico, at the Village Municipal Services Center, 12781 Velp Ave, Suamico, Wisconsin 54313, until 1:00 p.m. Tuesday June 6th, 2023, local time, and shall include the following schedule of approximate quantities: 3500 LF – 30" Curb and Gutter 900 SF – 6" Concrete Driveway 7 EA – Concrete Flume Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. The Bidding Documents, consisting of Advertisement for Bids, Instructions to Bidders, Bid Form, Bid Bond, Notice of Award, Agreement Between Owner and Contractor, Notice to Proceed, Performance Bond, Payment Bond, Contractor's Application for Payment, Certificate of Substantial Completion, General Conditions of the Contract, Supplementary Conditions, Drawings and Specifications, may be examined at the following location, or can be downloaded from Quest CDN #8522506. Village of Suamico Municipal Services Center 12781 Velp Ave Suamico, WI 54313 Each proposal shall be accompanied by a Bid bond or certified check equivalent to 5% of the maximum proposal. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all Bids, waive or not waive any informalities in the Bids received and to accept any proposal which is deemed most favorable to the interests of the Owner. No Bidder may withdraw his Bid within 90 days after the actual date of the opening thereof. Michelle Bartoletti, Village Clerk Publish 05.19.23 & 05.26.23 WNAXLP

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Bellevue WNAXLP

VILLAGE OF BELLEVUE Notice of Public Hearing PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Public Hearing will be held on June 14, 2023, at 6:30 P.M. at the Bellevue Village Hall located at 3100 Eaton Road for the purpose of obtaining public comment on the following proposed governmental action: CU 2023-0004 - Consider/Discuss/Act on the request by Dalton Ruesch, Ruesch Management Inc., Owner, for a Conditional Use Permit to allow a property management and development company within the LI – Light Industrial District on property located at 1241 Bellevue St (CTH XX) (Parcel B-452). All interested Village of Bellevue residents are welcome to attend. Signed and dated this 24th day of May 2023. Karen M. Simons Clerk/Treasurer Village of Bellevue Posted and notified 5-24-23 Published 5-26-23 and 6-2-23 WNAXLP

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Bellevue WNAXLP

VILLAGE OF BELLEVUE Notice of Public Hearing PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Public Hearing will be held on June 14, 2023, at 6:30 P.M. at the Bellevue Village Hall located at 3100 Eaton Road for the purpose of obtaining public comment on the following proposed governmental action: CU 2023-0005 - Consider/Discuss/Act on the request by Ryan Richeson, Fix It Yourself Auto, Applicant, on behalf of A&D Lawn care, Owner, for a Conditional Use Permit to allow an automotive repair business within the HI– Heavy Industrial District on property located at 1920 Verlin Road (Parcel B-553). All interested Village of Bellevue residents are welcome to attend. Signed and dated this 24th day of May 2023. Karen M. Simons Clerk/Treasurer Village of Bellevue Posted and notified 5-24-23 Published 5-26-23 and 6-2-23 WNAXLP

Howard WNAXLP

The Village of Howard Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on Monday June 5th, 2023 at 4:30 p.m. in the Village of Howard Village Hall, located at 2456 Glendale Ave., concerning a variance petition from Chris & Jackie VanDeHey, 2871 Drake Place, VH-747-H-169 to build a 24x40 garage in the north corner of the lot, 180 sq ft (23%) larger than allowed on specified property. Please contact Community Development Director Dave Wiese at 920-434-4640 for more information. Christopher A. Haltom Village Clerk Publish 05.19.23 & 05.26.23 WNAXLP

Suamico WNAXLP

VILLAGE OF SUAMICO LEGAL NOTICE The Suamico Village Board will conduct the following Public Hearing on Monday, June 5, 2023 beginning at 6:00 PM at the Suamico Village Hall, 12781 Velp Avenue, Suamico, WI 54313 to consider the following: A request by Big Sky Real Estate for a rezone of SU-688 from Agriculture-Farmland Preservation to Rural Residential and a Preliminary Plat approval for Sheedy Farms 1st Addition located on the northeast corner of Westline Road and Westpoint Road. Michelle Bartoletti Suamico Village Clerk Publish 05.26.23 WNAXLP

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VILLAGE OF SUAMICO LEGAL NOTICE The Suamico Village Board will conduct the following Public Hearing on Monday, June 5, 2023 beginning at 6:00 PM at the Suamico Village Hall, 12781 Velp Avenue, Suamico, WI 54313 to consider the following: A request by Maggie Hansen, Practical Obedience, LLC, for a conditional use for a dog kennel to operate a dog training facility at 2784 E. Deerfield Avenue. This parcel, SU-608-11 is located on the southeast corner of Harbor Lights Road and E. Deerfield Avenue and is zoned Business. Michelle Bartoletti Suamico Village Clerk Publish 05.26.23 WNAXLP

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VILLAGE OF ASHWAUBENON VILLAGE HALL-2155 HOLMGREN WAY VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES-April 25, 2023

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Call to Order: The meeting of the Ashwaubenon Village Board of Trustees was called to order by President Mary C. Kardoskee at 6:00 pm. Roll Call: President Kardoskee, Trustees Paul, Flucke, Servais, Zirbel, Krueger, Atkinson Others present: Kris Teske, Patrick Leigl, Joel Gregozeski, Brian Rickert, Greg Wenzholz, Aaron Schuette, Rex Mehlberg, Ryan Ruzziconi Remote: Brennan V., Cheesehead Rentals LLC, Lindsey R., Team First Property Management, The Legendary Collection. Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Action on Agenda: Motion to approve (Krueger, Flucke) the agenda. Motion carried unanimously. Action on Open and Closed Minutes from February 28, 2023: Motion to approve (Atkinson, Flucke) the amended open and closed session minutes from the March 28, 2023 (not February 28, 2023) Village Board Meeting. Trustee Flucke stated she voted no on Item 9.h. - Ridge/Valley View Pavement Marking on the open session minutes. Motion carried unanimously. Comments from the Public: None. Written Communications and/or Announcements: President Mary Kardoskee and Trustee Gary Paul said they received feedback from residents saying Foleys Tree Service did a wonderful job. Action on Consent Agenda: Motion to approve (Krueger, Atkinson) the consent agenda (which included Action on annual renewal of a Conditional Use Home Occupation License located at 1394 Bruce Lane, Budgeted Expenditures, March YTD General Fund Financial Report, Investment Report, Department Reports - April). Motion carried unanimously. Public Hearings: a. Public Hearing regarding Ordinance #O4-2-23 regulating portable toilets: Director of Community Development Aaron Schuette stated this ordinance will provide minimum requirements for the placement, sanitation, and timelines of portable toilets with differing requirements for residential, commercial/industrial, and public use zoned properties. No public comment. Motion to close (Paul, Servais) the public hearing. Motion carried unanimously. INFORMATIONAL ONLY Action Items: a. Action regarding Ordinance #O4-2-23 regulating portable toilets: Director of Community Development Aaron Schuette stated this will be complaint driven. Trustee Paul made a motion to deny but it failed for lack of a second. Trustee Flucke then made a motion to remove the verbiage stating when Lambeau Field events are planned within seven calendar days of each other, a portable toilet may remain on site. Motion to approve as amended (Flucke, Servais) Ordinance O4-2-23 regulating portable toilets removing the verbiage stating when Lambeau Field events are planned within seven calendar days of each other, a portable toilet may remain on site. Motion carried with Trustee Paul voting no. b. Action on Class "A" Beer/"Class A" Liquor License & Class "B" Beer License Request by Black Birch Hospitality LLC dba Wingate by Wyndham Green Bay/Airport: Village Clerk Kris Teske stated there are two separate applications for Wingate by Wyndham Green Bay/Airport. Class "A" Beer/"Class A" Liquor License for the sundries store and a Class "B" Beer License for the hotel excluding the sundries store. Motion to approve (Paul, Atkinson) the Class "A" Beer/"Class A" Liquor License

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and Class "B" Beer License for Wingate by Wyndham Green Bay/Airport. Motion carried unanimously. c. Action on Class "B" Beer/"Class C" Wine License Request for Ruzziconi Restaurant Group, LLC dba Riverside Pizzeria of Green Bay: Village Clerk Kris Teske stated Riverside Pizzeria of Green Bay is requesting a Class "B" Beer/"Class C" Wine License for 2822B Ramada Way. Motion to approve (Paul, Krueger) the Class "B" Beer/"Class C" Wine License for Riverside Pizzeria of Green Bay. Motion carried unanimously. The GIS Coordinator said the address should be 2822 Ramada Way Suite 100. d. Action on proposed ordinance amendment #O4-1-23 regarding regulated tent timelines: Director of Community Development Aaron Schuette stated this ordinance will provide minimum requirements for the maximum length of time regulated tents may be erected in the Village. Motion to approve (Paul, Zirbel) Ordinance O4-1-23 regarding regulated tent timelines. Motion carried unanimously. e. 2022 Audit Update: Finance Director Greg Wenzholz provided an update on the 2022 audit. INFORMATIONAL ONLY. f. Action on Banking Services Contract: Finance Director Greg Wenzholz said the Finance Department has an excellent relationship with Associated Bank and would like to continue the contract through May 31, 2025. Motion to approve (Zirbel, Flucke) the 2-year contract extension with Associated Bank. Motion carried unanimously. g. Timber Lane Bridge Aid Petition: Public Works Director Brian Rickert stated the Timber Lane culvert needs to be replaced and explained the criteria to be eligible for Bridge Aid. The federal funding would support 50% of the construction costs and the remaining would be covered by funds from the Village's Stormwater Utility. Motion to approve (Paul, Krueger) to petition Brown County for Bridge Aid Funds to assist in the replacement of the culvert on Timber Lane north of Ken Drive. Motion carried unanimously. h. Discussion and potential action to use TID 4 funds for W. Main Avenue Trail planning: Director of Parks, Recreation, & Forestry Rex Mehlberg gave an overview of plans regarding the West Main Avenue Trail. The request is to use TID 4 funds to prepare plans and property for future construction which would include the cost estimates for the final stretch. Motion to approve (Krueger, Flucke) proceeding with McMahon & Associates, who the Parks, Recreation, & Forestry department has worked with on the other trail sections. Motion carried unanimously. i. Action on Proclamation Declaring April 28, 2023, as Arbor Day in the Village of Ashwaubenon: Director of Parks, Recreation, & Forestry Rex Mehlberg stated this proclamation fulfills one of the four annual requirements to continue to be a Tree City USA. In 2022 the Village of Ashwaubenon celebrated its 30th year of being a Tree City USA. Motion to approve (Paul, Atkinson) the proclamation officially declaring April 28, 2023, as Arbor Day in the Village of Ashwaubenon. Motion carried unanimously. j. Action on Committee Appointments for May 2023-April 2024: President Mary Kardoskee said attached are the committee appointments she is making. Motion to approve (Atkinson, Krueger) the committee appointments made by the Village President including Kim Schanock and Sharon Cowles to the Bicycle & Pedestrian Committee.

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Motion carried unanimously. Items for Next Agenda: None. Closed Session Items During the meeting, the Village Board of the Village of Ashwaubenon may convene into Closed Session pursuant to: a) Wisconsin Statute Section 19.85(1)(e) to consider/discuss/act on deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business regarding the purchase of land located at 3318, 3300, 3282 Packerland Dr, Tax Parcels VA-862, VA-863, VA-864-1, where competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session.

b) Wisconsin Statute Section 19.85(1)(e) to consider/discuss/act on deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business regarding the Tax Incremental Financing Development Agreement for the Legacy Heights project with Legacy Hospitality, located at parcels VA-41-2-5 and VA-41-2-4, where competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session.

c) Wisconsin Statute Section 19.85(1)(e) to consider/discuss/act on deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business regarding the property located at 1580 W Main Ave/1571 Cypress Rd, Parcels No. VA-883 & VA-859, where competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session.

d) Wisconsin Statute Section 19.85 (1)(c) for the purpose of considering employment, compensation, and other terms and conditions of employment or performance evaluation data over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. The Village Board may thereafter reconvene in open session pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Section 19.85(2) to report the results of the closed session and consider the balance of the Agenda. Motion to convene (Atkinson, Krueger) into closed session at 6:56 pm. Roll call was taken. Motion carried unanimously.

a. Motion to approve (Krueger, Flucke) to direct staff to negotiate the land purchase at 3318, 3300, 3282 Packerland Drive. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Motion to approve (Paul, Atkinson) to direct staff to further discuss Tax Incremental Financing for the Legacy Heights project. Motion carried with Trustee Flucke abstaining.

c. Informational Only

d. Informational Only

Motion to reconvene (Flucke, Servais) into open session at 9:25 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn (Paul, Atkinson) at 9:27 pm. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting minutes of the Ashwaubenon Village Board of Trustees are respectfully submitted by Clerk Kris A. Teske. Publish 05.26.23 WNAXLP

De Pere WNAXLP

Common Council Regular Meeting Final Minutes Tuesday, May 2, 2023 7:30 PM

Council Chambers & Virtual

The following is a summary of actions taken at the 5/2/23 Common Council meeting. A complete copy of the minutes is available in the Clerk's office at 335 S Broadway, De Pere WI or online at www.deperecitywi.iqm2.com/Citizens/Default.asp

1. Call to Order. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Mayor James Boyd.

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Present were Aids. Carpenter, Gantz, Hansen, Kundinger, Ledvina, Perock, Quigley, & Raasch.

2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

3. Approval of the minutes of the April 18, 2022 Common Council meeting. Motion Carpenter second Ledvina **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**

4. Public comment upon matters not on the agenda. Comments made during the public comment period shall pertain only to matters under the jurisdiction of the Common Council. §6-3(f) DPMC.

5. Proclamation for National Small Business Week (April 30 - May 6, 2023).

6. Recommendation from Plan Commission to approve an extraterritorial 3-lot certified survey map at 2130 Fox Field CT in the Town of Lawrence (Parcels L-26-5, L-26-6). Motion Raasch second Perock **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**

7. Recommendation from Plan Commission to approve an extraterritorial 2-lot certified survey map at 3717 Ryan RD in the Town of Rockland (Parcel R-118). Motion Raasch second Quigley **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**

8. Recommendation from the Board of Park Commissioners to accept a \$1,750 donation from Tweet/Garot Mechanical for June Beer Garden. Motion Kundinger second Gantz **ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]**

9. Recommendation from the Board of Park Commissioners to approve alkalinity system quote from Carrico Aquatics in the amount of \$9,360, with the additional \$860 coming from pool referendum funding. Motion Ledvina second Kundinger **APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]**

10. Consideration and Possible Action on Nelson Family Pavilion.

A. Additional funding request for costs in excess of recommended Nelson Family Pavilion Bid.

B. Recommendation from Board of Park Commissioners to approve Nelson Family Pavilion bid from IEI General Contractors. Staff requested that this item be pulled from the agenda based on recent information received on soil issues at the site. **NO ACTION**

11. Resolution #23-40 Adopting a 2023-2025 Capital Improvement Plan. Motion Hansen second Gantz **ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]**

12. Resolution #23-41 Authorizing submission of Fox River Trustee Council National Resource Damage Assessment Grant Application for Voyageur Park kayak/canoe launch. Motion Carpenter second Raasch **ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**

13. Resolution #23-42 Authorizing submission of Wisconsin Department of National Resources Recreational Boating Facilities Development/Renovation Grant application for Voyageur Park kayak/canoe launch. Motion Raasch second Kundinger **ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**

14. Resolution #23-43 Authorizing Agreement for Consulting Services Between the City of De Pere and Lee Recreation, LLC (Modular Playground Equipment Design and Installation - Lawton Park). Motion Hansen second Raasch **ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]**

15. Resolution #23-44 Authorizing Agreement for Consulting Services Between the City of De Pere and Lee Recreation, LLC (Modular Playground Equipment Design Specifications and Installation Services - Legion Park). Motion Ledvina second Gantz **ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]**

16. Voucher approval. Motion Raasch second Ledvina **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**

17. Future agenda items.

18. Adjournment. Motion

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Kundinger second Hansen to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 PM. [UNANIMOUS] Respectfully submitted, City Clerk Carey Danen Publish 05.26.23 WNAXLP

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License Committee Regular Meeting Final Minutes Tuesday, February 7, 2023 7:00 PM

Council Chamber & Virtual

The following is a summary of actions taken at the 2/7/23 License Committee meeting. A complete copy of the minutes is available in the Clerk's office at 335 S Broadway, De Pere WI or online at <http://deperecitywi.iqm2.com/Citizens/Default.asp>

1. Call to Order. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Alderperson Dan Carpenter. Present were Aids. Carpenter, Gantz, & Perock, City Attorney Tony Wachewicz and City Clerk Carey Danen.

2. Approval of the minutes of the January 17, 2023 License Committee meeting. Motion Carpenter second Perock **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**

3. Public comment upon matters not on the agenda. Comments made during the public comment period shall pertain only to matters under the jurisdiction of the License Committee. §6-3(f) DPMC

4. Application for a Class "B" Fermented Malt Beverage License and "Class B" Intoxicating Liquor License for Smeckett Adventures LLC (DBA Cycling Brews Taproom), 1109 Honey Ct. Suite B. Submitted by Smeckett Adventures LLC, Agent: Joshua Smits, Green Bay, WI.* Motion Carpenter second Gantz to open the meeting. [UNANIMOUS] The applicant answered Committee members' questions. Motion Carpenter second Gantz to close the meeting. [UNANIMOUS] Motion Carpenter second Gantz **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**

5. Request by Troy Noack to appear before the License Committee regarding the denial of his Operator Application. Tabled at the January 17, 2023 meeting.*

Motion Carpenter second Perock **LICENSE APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**

6. Future agenda items.

7. Adjournment. Motion Carpenter second Perock to close the meeting at 7:04 PM. [UNANIMOUS] Respectfully submitted, City Clerk Carey Danen Publish 05.26.23 WNAXLP

Green Bay WNAXLP

Board of Education Work Session: 5/8/2023 at Immediately Following Special Board Meeting (Monday, May 8, 2023)

Members present
Andrew Becker, Laura McCoy, Laura Laitinen-Warren, Nancy Welch, James Lyerly, Bryan Milz, Lynn M Gerlach

Meeting called to order at 5:22 p.m.

1. Opening Activities
A. Welcome
The Board of Education met in the Green Bay Area Public School District Office Building located at 200 S. Broadway, Green Bay, WI54303. The open session meeting took place in room #331 located on the 3rd floor. Some individuals joined via zoom and the meeting was live-stream broadcasted on the Green Bay Area Public School District YouTube Channel: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCrBxEp_9xzauvGyUydBvV9g

B. Roll Call
Members present: Andrew Becker, Laura McCoy, Laura Laitinen-Warren, Nancy Welch, James Lyerly, Bryan Milz, Lynn M Gerlach

Also present: Vicki Bayer, Interim Superintendent of Schools; Judy Wiegand, Interim Deputy Superintendent; Angela

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Roble, Chief Financial Officers; Melissa Thiel-Collar, Legal Counsel; Lori Miron, Chief Human Resources Officer; Josh Patchak, Chief Operations Officer; Maisie Socha, ICSC Representative; Stacy Martinez, ICSC Representative; Kinsey Lehr, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent of Schools and Board of Education; Lori Blakeslee, Director of Communications and Public Relations

2. Open Forum
A. Public Forum
There were five individuals who spoke during the Public Forum:
• Helen Vande Hei - Green Bay, WI - Risk vs. Reward
• Nathaniel Jackson - Green Bay, WI - Attendance Boundaries

3. Education
There were no agenda items under Education.

4. Operations
A. Facilities Master Planning Task Force Recommendations
Vicki Bayer, Interim Superintendent, reviewed the history of the District. Jill Thiede, Reed Welsh, Viva Winkler, Sawyer Moens and Lavesa Glover-Verhagen - Members of the Facilities Master Planning Task Force presented the Community Task Force Report to the Board. The Board thanked the members of the Facilities Master Planning Task Force for their time and commitment to this task. Chuck Holden, Nancy LaBissoniere, and Peter Lacey with ATS&R along with Josh Patchak, Chief Operations Officer, joined the Facilities Master Planning Task Force at the table. Discussion ensued regarding JDAL building repurpose, improving student experiences, ties to the Board's guiding principles, November2022 referendum conflicts and reallocation, demographics and fiscal status of the District, proposal for Leonardo Da Vinci, timeline and potential next steps, state budget, capacity listings on schema 12.1, programmatic accommodations, intra district transfer and open enrollment, future enrollment projections, boundary changes and potential for development of a Boundary Task Force, future planned referendums, equity, class sizes set by Board policy, educational adequacy and utilization rates, inefficient operations, Washington building consolidation, declining enrollment and vacant seats, opportunities and the future of GBAPS, and community opportunities to provide input on the Facilities Master Planning Task Force Recommendations. This item will be brought forward for additional discussion and formal action at a Special Board Meeting on June 5, 2023.

B. 2023-24 Fee Schedule
Angie Roble, Chief Financial Officer, reviewed the attachments. Discussion ensued regarding parking permit fees, fee waivers for those who qualify for free and reduced meals, and comparison to other districts. This item will be brought forward for formal action at the Regular Board Meeting on May 22, 2023.

5. Policy and Governance
Melissa Thiel Collar, Legal Counsel, reviewed the attachments for the below policies and rules. These Policies and Rules will be brought forward for formal action at the Regular Board Meeting on May 22, 2023.

A. Policy 100 Series
B. Policy 112.1 - Strategic Planning
Discussion ensued regarding 112.1 - Strategic Planning language. This item will be brought forward for formal action at the Regular Board Meeting on May 22, 2023.

C. Policy 113 - Non-Discrimination in District Programs, Activities and Operations

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D. Policy 130 - School District and School Board Legal Status
Discussion ensued regarding unified vs. common school districts and policy language.

E. Policy 131 - School Board Elections

F. Policy 133 - School Board Vacancies

G. Rule 133 - Procedures for Filling School Board Vacancies

H. Policy 153 - Board Self-Evaluation
Discussion ensued regarding the last time this occurred, establishing routine scheduling, board participation, and facilitated Board retreats.

I. Policy 154 - School Board Advocacy

Policy 162 - School Board Member Orientation

K. Policy 163 - Board Member Development Activities

L. Policy 165.1 - School Board Member Conflicts of Interest

M. Policy 171.1 - Public Notification of Board Meetings

N. Rule 181 - Basic Procedures for Board Meetings
Discussion ensued regarding speaker lists and spotter, policy language, seconding a motion, and point of order, point of information, and point of personal privilege.

O. Rule 187 - Public Participation at Board and Committee Meetings
Discussion ensued regarding public forums and voting to suspend the rules.

P. Policy 188 - Virtual Meetings and Board Member Participation in Meetings via Technology
Discussion ensued regarding board member ability to participate remotely and policy language.

Q. Policy 383.2 - Curricular Dogs in the School Setting
Discussion ensued regarding policy development, service animals, and obtaining insurance.

6. Agenda Setting
A. GBAPSD Board Meeting Schedule
The attached schedule reflects upcoming Board of Education meetings.

7. Adjournment
Motion to adjourn made by Laura Laitinen-Warren, seconded by Andrew Becker. Motion carried with all Board members voting in favor by jointly reciting "aye."
Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m. Publish 05.26.23 WNAXLP

Green Bay WNAXLP

Regular Board of Education Meeting: 4/24/2023 at 5:00 p.m. (closed session) at 6:00 p.m. (open session) (Monday, April 24, 2023)

Members present
Andrew Becker, Laura McCoy, Laura Laitinen-Warren, Nancy Welch, James Lyerly, Bryan Milz, Lynn M Gerlach

Meeting called to order at 5:00 p.m.

1. Meeting Access
A. Convene in Open Session
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B. Roll Call
Roll call was completed prior to going into Closed Session.

C. Pledge of Allegiance
Board of Education members stood, faced the flag, and recited the pledge of allegiance.

D. Mission Statement
Laura Laitinen-Warren recited the district mission statement, "we educate all students to be college, career and community ready, inspired to succeed in our diverse world."

E. Land Acknowledgement Statement
Laura McCoy read the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

3. Recognition
The Board recognized Hope Smeester, Madeline Labott, and Rylee Schmitt as Golden

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and Board of Education; Angie Roble, Chief Financial Officer; Lori Miron, Chief Human Resources Officer; Lori Blakeslee, Director of Communications and Public Relations; Judy Wiegand, Interim Deputy Superintendent; Viva Winkler, ICSC Representative; Tati Kaquatosh, ICSC Representative

C. Convene in Closed Session at 5:01 p.m.

MOTION: That the Board convene in Closed Session pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 19.85 (1) (c) – Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility and Wisconsin Statute 19.85 (1)(f) Considering financial, medical, social or personal histories or disciplinary data of specific persons, preliminary consideration of specific personnel problems or the investigation of charges against specific persons except where par. (b) applies which, if discussed in public, would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person referred to in such histories or data, or involved in such problems or investigations to wit: to consider the administration's recommendation for termination of staff member(s); and Wisconsin Statute 19.85 (1)(f) Considering financial, medical, social or personal histories or disciplinary data of specific persons, preliminary consideration of specific personnel problems or the investigation of charges against specific persons except where par. (b) applies which, if discussed in public, would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person referred to in such histories or data, or involved in such problems or investigations, to wit: consideration of employee's request to cover a medical procedure that has been deemed not medically necessary by the District's medical third party administrator. Motion by Nancy Welch, second by Andrew Becker. Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Andrew Becker, Laura McCoy, Laura Laitinen-Warren, Nancy Welch, James Lyerly, Bryan Milz, Lynn M Gerlach

D. Convene in Open Session at 6:09 p.m.

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Apple Award Winners from Kennedy Elementary School's Autism Focus Program.

4. Open Forum
A. Intra-City Student Council Report
 ICSC Representatives, Viva Winkler and Tati Kaquatosh provided a good news update to the Board.
B. Public Forum
 The following individual spoke during the Public Forum: Kate Janiak - New Franken, WI - Potential Closure of Wequiock

5. Consent Agenda Approval
A. Consent Agenda Approval
MOTION: That the Consent Agenda Items, as presented, be approved.
 Motion by Bryan Milz, second by Nancy Welch.
 Final Resolution: Motion Carries
 Yes: Andrew Becker, Laura McCoy, Laura Laitinen-Warren, Nancy Welch, James Lyerly, Bryan Milz, Lynn M Gerlach
 The below Consent Agenda items were approved:
B. Bills
C. Financial Report
D. Gifts
E. Minutes
F. Personnel Action
G. 2023-2024 Head Start Supplemental Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) and Quality Improvement Grants
 Laura McCoy welcomed the new Principal of Leonardo Da Vinci, Vicki Liesgang.
6. Items Withdrawn from Consent Agenda
 No items were withdrawn from the consent agenda.
7. Presentations
A. Legislative Update
 James Lyerly gave a Legislative Update which included listening sessions on Bill 77, Bill 53, Bill 63, joint resolution number 8, and Joint Finance Committee Listening Sessions. Discussion ensued on Bill 77 and the position from WASBO.
8. Discussion
A. Report of Canvassers
 Andrew Becker, Board Clerk, reviewed the attachment.
9. Election of School District Officers and Secretary to the Board of Education
A. Election of President
 Lynn Gerlach nominated Laura McCoy for President.
 Roll Call Vote: Gerlach - McCoy; Welch - McCoy; Laitinen-Warren - McCoy; Lyerly - McCoy; McCoy - McCoy; Milz - McCoy; Becker - McCoy
 There were 7 votes for Laura McCoy, McCoy was elected President.
B. Election of Vice-President
 Bryan Milz nominated Andrew Becker for Vice President.
 Lynn Gerlach nominated James Lyerly for Vice President.
 Roll Call Vote: Welch - Lyerly; Laitinen-Warren - Lyerly; Lyerly - Lyerly; McCoy - Lyerly; Milz - Becker; Becker - Becker; Gerlach - Lyerly
 There were 5 votes for James Lyerly and 2 votes for Andrew Becker. Becker was elected as Vice President.
 Bryan Milz asked about the potential of adding a parliamentarian position to the Clerk or Treasurer position in the future. Melissa Thiel-Collar indicated that the 100 series policies will be coming to the Board of Education in May and this could be discussed at that time.
C. Election of Treasurer
 Nancy Welch nominated Bryan Milz for Treasurer who declined the nomination.
 Bryan Milz nominated Nancy Welch for Treasurer.
 Roll Call Vote: Laitinen-Warren - Welch; Lyerly - Welch; McCoy - Welch; Milz - Welch; Becker - Welch; Gerlach - Welch; Welch - Welch
 There were 7 votes for Nancy Welch, Welch was elected as Treasurer.
D. Election of Clerk
 Laura Laitinen-Warren nominated Andrew Becker for Clerk. James Lyerly nominated Bryan Milz for

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Clerk.
 Roll Call Vote: Lyerly - Milz; McCoy - Milz; Milz - Gerlach; Becker - Becker; Gerlach - Becker; Welch - Becker; Laitinen-Warren -Becker
 There were 4 votes for Andrew Becker and 3 votes for Bryan Milz. Becker was elected as Clerk.
E. Election of Secretary to the Board of Education
 Laura McCoy nominated Kinsey Lehr as Secretary.
 Role Call Vote: McCoy - Lehr; Milz - Lehr; Becker - Lehr; Gerlach - Lehr; Welch - Lehr; Laitinen-Warren - Lehr; Lyerly - Lehr
10. School Board Organization - Appointments
A. Legislative Liaison
 Lynn Gerlach will serve as the Legislative Liaison.
B. CESA #7 Liaison and Representative to Annual Convention
 Nancy Welch will serve as the CESA #7 Liaison and Representative to Annual Convention.
C. WASB Delegate and Alternate
 Laura McCoy will serve as the WASB Delegate and an alternate will be chosen closer to the convention.
D. Head Start Representative
 Nancy Welch and Lynn Gerlach will serve as the Head Start Representatives.
E. 2023-24 Board Member School Assignments
 Bryan Milz made a motion to table this agenda item until the next meeting, second by Lynn Gerlach.
 Motion carried with all Board members voting in favor by jointly reciting "aye."
11. Action
A. Revisions to Head Start COVID-19 Mitigation Policy
MOTION: That the revisions to the Head Start COVID-19 Mitigation Policy, as presented, be approved.
 Motion by Bryan Milz, second by Laura Laitinen-Warren.
 Final Resolution: Motion Carries
 Yes: Andrew Becker, Laura McCoy, Laura Laitinen-Warren, Nancy Welch, James Lyerly, Bryan Milz, Lynn M Gerlach
B. Approval of Contingency Fee Agreement with Frantz Law Group, APLC and Authorization of Litigation for Participation in a Mass-Action Lawsuit Against Social Media Organizations
MOTION: That the Board of Education approve the authorization of commencement of litigation against various social media organizations as presented and execute the attorney-client fee contract authorizing the legal services of the Frantz Law Group, APLC as attorneys for the District in the mass tort lawsuit against regarding social media.
 Motion by Bryan Milz, second by Laura Laitinen-Warren.
 Final Resolution: Motion Carries
 Yes: Andrew Becker, Laura McCoy, Laura Laitinen-Warren, Nancy Welch, James Lyerly, Bryan Milz, Lynn M Gerlach
C. Memorandum of Understanding with the Green Bay Education Association for the Parties' Roles and Responsibilities with Respect to Various Leaves of Absences for District Employees
MOTION: That the Memorandum of Understanding with the Green Bay Education Association for the Parties' roles and responsibilities with respect to various leaves of absences for District employees who are members of the Association's certified collective bargaining unit, as presented, be approved.
 Motion by Bryan Milz, second by James Lyerly.
 Final Resolution: Motion Carries
 Yes: Andrew Becker, Laura McCoy, Laura Laitinen-Warren, Nancy Welch, James Lyerly, Bryan Milz, Lynn M Gerlach

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D. Approval of Recommendation for Revisions to Employee Handbook Language Regarding Attendance and Leaves (Except Unpaid Leaves and Vacation Revisions)
MOTION: That the revisions to the Employee Handbook regarding attendance and leaves (except revisions to unpaid leaves and vacation), as presented, be approved.
 Motion by James Lyerly, second by Nancy Welch.
 Melissa Thiel Collar, Legal Counsel; Lori Miron, Chief Human Resources Officer; Dave Harswick, GBEA; and Ben Delie, AFSCME reviewed the attachments.
 Discussion ensued on new changes presented at this meeting, removing Christmas and Christmas Eve from the handbook.
 Becker made a motion to amend the motion on the table striking the removal of Christmas Eve and Christmas Day from the proposed handbook changes, second by Milz.
 Becker withdrew his amendment and Milz withdrew his second.
 Final Resolution: Original Motion Carries
 Yes: Andrew Becker, Laura McCoy, Laura Laitinen-Warren, Nancy Welch, James Lyerly, Bryan Milz, Lynn M Gerlach
E. Approval of Recommendations for Revisions to Employee Handbook Regarding Unpaid Leaves
MOTION: That the revisions to the Employee Handbook regarding unpaid leaves, as presented, be approved.
 Motion by Bryan Milz, second by Laura McCoy.
 Discussion ensued on reviewing the handbook more often to ensure policies are working and appreciation to everyone involved.
 Final Resolution: Motion Carries
 Yes: Andrew Becker, Laura McCoy, Laura Laitinen-Warren, Nancy Welch, James Lyerly, Bryan Milz, Lynn M Gerlach
F. Approval of Recommendation for Revision to Vacation Leave Carry Over for Vacation Eligible Employees
MOTION: That the revisions to the Employee Handbook regarding vacation leave carry over for vacation eligible employees, as presented, be approved.
 Motion by James Lyerly, second by Bryan Milz.
 Discussion ensued regarding no changes to what was presented at the last meeting, vacation carryover, accrued liability, and implications.
 Andrew Becker made a motion to amend the motion to allowable rollover days from 10 to 15, second by Nancy Welch.
 Final Resolution: Amended Motion Fails
 Yes: Welch, Becker
 No: Lyerly, Milz, Laitinen-Warren, McCoy, Gerlach
 Back to the original motion.
 Final Resolution: Original Motion Carries
 Yes: Andrew Becker, Laura McCoy, Nancy Welch, James Lyerly, Bryan Milz, Lynn M Gerlach
 No: Laura Laitinen-Warren
G. Approval of Recommendation for Revision to Vacation Accrual Schedule for Non-Exempt Employees
MOTION: That the revisions to the Employee Handbook regarding the vacation accrual schedule for non-exempt employees, as presented, be approved.
 Motion by Bryan Milz, second by Laura McCoy.
 Discussion ensued regarding changes since the proposal at the last meeting, showing value to experienced employees as well as new employees, and impact to employees.
 Final Resolution: Motion Carries
 Yes: Andrew Becker, Laura

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McCoy, Laura Laitinen-Warren, Nancy Welch, James Lyerly, Bryan Milz, Lynn M Gerlach
H. Recommendation for Repeal of Policy 222.1 Rule (2) - Administration Benefits Guidelines
MOTION: That the Board of Education Policy 222.1 Rule (2) - Administration Benefits Guidelines, be repealed.
 Motion by Bryan Milz, second by James Lyerly.
 Final Resolution: Motion Carries
 Yes: Andrew Becker, Laura McCoy, Laura Laitinen-Warren, Nancy Welch, James Lyerly, Bryan Milz, Lynn M Gerlach
I. Approval of Wellness Policy Review and No Recommended Changes
MOTION: That Pursuant to Board of Education Policy 458, the District's compliance evaluation of the Wellness Policy be adopted and that no revisions to Policy and Rule 458 be made, as presented, be approved.
 Motion by Nancy Welch, second by James Lyerly.
 Final Resolution: Motion Carries
 Yes: Andrew Becker, Laura McCoy, Laura Laitinen-Warren, Nancy Welch, James Lyerly, Bryan Milz, Lynn M Gerlach
J. Purchase of Preble Stadium Artificial Turf - Materials & Installation
MOTION: That Midwest Sport & Turf Systems be awarded the bid for artificial turf, materials and installation, at Preble stadium in the amount of \$404,592.10, as presented, be approved.
 Motion by James Lyerly, second by Nancy Welch.
 Josh Patchak, Chief Operations Officer, and Mike Stangel, reviewed the attachment.
 Discussion ensued regarding architecture and design vendor for stadium work, decreased cost overall due to artificial turf installation, and progress towards new stadiums and safety.
 Final Resolution: Motion Carries
 Yes: Andrew Becker, Laura McCoy, Laura Laitinen-Warren, Nancy Welch, James Lyerly, Bryan Milz, Lynn M Gerlach
12. Agenda Setting
A. GBAPSD Board Meeting Schedule
 The attached schedule reflects upcoming Board of Education meetings.
13. Adjournment
 Motion to adjourn made by Nancy Welch, seconded by Laura Laitinen-Warren.
 Motion carried with all Board members voting in favor by jointly reciting "aye."
 Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m. Publish

Green Bay WNAJLP
Special Board Meeting: 05/8/2023 at 4:30 p.m. (closed session) at 5:00 p.m. (open session) (Monday, May 8, 2023)
Members present
 Andrew Becker, Laura McCoy, Laura Laitinen-Warren, Nancy Welch, James Lyerly, Bryan Milz, Lynn M Gerlach
Meeting called to order at 4:31 p.m.
1. Meeting Access
A. Convene in Open Session
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B. Roll Call
Members present
 Andrew Becker, Laura McCoy,

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Laura Laitinen-Warren, Nancy Welch, James Lyerly, Bryan Milz, Lynn M Gerlach
C. Convene in Closed Session at 4:30 p.m.
MOTION: That the Board convene in Closed Session pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 19.85 (1) (c) - Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility, to wit: reconsideration of the preliminary notice of non-renewal for staff previously issued.
 Motion by Lynn M Gerlach, second by James Lyerly.
 Final Resolution: Motion Carries
 Yes: Andrew Becker, Laura McCoy, Laura Laitinen-Warren, Nancy Welch, James Lyerly, Bryan Milz, Lynn M Gerlach
 The Board convened into Closed Session at 4:33 p.m.
D. Convene in Open Session at 5:00 p.m.
 The Board reconvened in Open Session at 5:00 p.m.
2. School Board Organization - Appointments
A. 2023-24 Board Member School Assignments
 Board Member School Assignments for 2023-24 were attached.
3. Action Items
A. Employment of Staff
MOTION: That the employment of staff, as presented, be approved.
 Motion by Bryan Milz, second by Nancy Welch.
 Final Resolution: Motion Carries
 Yes: Andrew Becker, Laura McCoy, Laura Laitinen-Warren, Nancy Welch, James Lyerly, Bryan Milz, Lynn M Gerlach
B. Resignation of Staff
MOTION: That the resignation of staff, as presented, be approved.
 Motion by Bryan Milz, second by Nancy Welch.
 Final Resolution: Motion Carries
 Yes: Andrew Becker, Laura McCoy, Laura Laitinen-Warren, Nancy Welch, James Lyerly, Bryan Milz, Lynn M Gerlach
C. Retirement of Staff
MOTION: That the retirement of staff, as presented, be approved.
 Motion by Bryan Milz, second by Nancy Welch.
 Final Resolution: Motion Carries
 Yes: Andrew Becker, Laura McCoy, Laura Laitinen-Warren, Nancy Welch, James Lyerly, Bryan Milz, Lynn M Gerlach
D. Transfer of Staff
MOTION: That the transfer of staff, as presented, be approved.
 Motion by Bryan Milz, second by Nancy Welch.
 Final Resolution: Motion Carries
 Yes: Andrew Becker, Laura McCoy, Laura Laitinen-Warren, Nancy Welch, James Lyerly, Bryan Milz, Lynn M Gerlach
E. Termination of Staff
MOTION: That the termination of staff, as presented, be approved.
 Motion by Bryan Milz, second by Nancy Welch.
 Final Resolution: Motion Carries
 Yes: Andrew Becker, Laura McCoy, Laura Laitinen-Warren, Nancy Welch, James Lyerly, Bryan Milz, Lynn M Gerlach
F. Edison Asphalt Bid
MOTION: That MCC be awarded the bid for asphalt at Edison Middle School in the amount of \$390,384.96, as presented, be approved.
 Motion by Bryan Milz, second by Nancy Welch.
 Josh Patchak, Chief Operations Officer, reviewed the attachment.
 Discussion ensued on public access to Edison track.

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Final Resolution: Motion Carries
 Yes: Andrew Becker, Laura McCoy, Laura Laitinen-Warren, Nancy Welch, James Lyerly, Bryan Milz, Lynn M Gerlach
G. Preble and Red Smith Asphalt Bid
MOTION: That NEA be awarded the bid for asphalt at Preble High School and Red Smith K-8 in the amount of \$540,843.83, as presented, be approved.
 Motion by Bryan Milz, second by Nancy Welch.
 Discussion ensued on when renewal would be started and the incorrect amount listed in the motion.
 Bryan Milz made a motion to amend the motion to That NEA be awarded the bid for asphalt at Preble High School in the amount of \$540,843.83, as presented, be approved.
 Second by Nancy Welch.
 Bryan Milz then asked for unanimous consent to withdraw his motion.
 Motion carried with all Board members voting in favor by jointly reciting "aye".
MOTION: That NEA be awarded the bid for asphalt at Preble High School in the amount of \$540,843.83, as presented, be approved.
 Motion by Bryan Milz, second by Nancy Welch.
 Final Resolution: Motion Carries
 Yes: Andrew Becker, Laura McCoy, Laura Laitinen-Warren, Nancy Welch, James Lyerly, Bryan Milz, Lynn M Gerlach
MOTION: That NEA be awarded the bid for asphalt at Red Smith K-8 in the amount of \$676,933.43, as presented, be approved.
 Motion by Bryan Milz, second by Nancy Welch.
 Final Resolution: Motion Carries
 Yes: Andrew Becker, Laura McCoy, Laura Laitinen-Warren, Nancy Welch, James Lyerly, Bryan Milz, Lynn M Gerlach
H. Porlier Parking Lot Asphalt Bid
MOTION: That NEA be awarded the bid for asphalt for the Porlier Parking Lot in the amount of \$250,359.05, as presented, be approved.
 Motion by Bryan Milz, second by Nancy Welch.
 Final Resolution: Motion Carries
 Yes: Andrew Becker, Laura McCoy, Laura Laitinen-Warren, Nancy Welch, James Lyerly, Bryan Milz, Lynn M Gerlach
I. Lombardi Track Asphalt Bid
MOTION: That NEA be awarded the bid for asphalt for the Lombardi Track in the amount of \$240,787.25, as presented, be approved.
 Motion by Bryan Milz, second by Nancy Welch.
 Final Resolution: Motion Carries
 Yes: Andrew Becker, Laura McCoy, Laura Laitinen-Warren, Nancy Welch, James Lyerly, Bryan Milz, Lynn M Gerlach
J. Purchase of Southwest Stadium Artificial Turf - Materials & Installation
MOTION: That Midwest Sport & Turf Systems be awarded the bid for artificial turf, materials and installation, at the new Southwest baseball field(s) in the amount of \$690,217.50, as presented, be approved.
 Motion by Bryan Milz, second by Nancy Welch.
 Final Resolution: Motion Carries
 Yes: Andrew Becker, Laura McCoy, Laura Laitinen-Warren, Nancy Welch, James Lyerly, Bryan Milz, Lynn M Gerlach
K. Preble Stadium Redevelopment Project
MOTION: That IEI be awarded the bid for general site and building construction as part of the Preble stadium redevelopment project in the amount of \$4,212,947, as presented, be approved.
 Motion by Bryan Milz, second by Nancy Welch.
 Laura McCoy thanked

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community for voting for the referendum. Discussion ensued regarding positive changes at the schools. Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yes: Andrew Becker, Laura McCoy, Laura Laitinen-Warren, Nancy Welch, James Lyerly, Bryan Milz, Lynn M Gerlach

4. Adjournment
Motion to adjourn made by Bryan Milz, seconded by Nancy Welch. Motion carried with all Board members voting in favor by jointly reciting "aye".
Meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m. Publish 05.26.23 WNXALP

Howard WNXALP**Minutes of the Village Board Meeting May 8, 2023****Village Board Room**

1. CALL TO ORDER
Village President Burt McIntyre called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

President McIntyre called for a roll call. Present: Village President Burt R. McIntyre; Trustee Chris Nielsen, District 2; Trustee Cathy Hughes, District 3; Trustee John Muraski, District 4; Trustee Scott Beyer, District 5; Trustee Ray Suennen, District 6; Trustee Adam Lemorande, District 7; Trustee Craig McAllister, District 8
Excused: Trustee Maria Lasecki, District 1
Staff: Paul Evert, Chris Haltom, Dave Wiese, Geoff Farr, Josh Gerrits, Ed Janke, Leigh Ann Wagner Kroening

3. RECITE THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President McIntyre led the meeting in the pledge.

4. REPORT BY THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT REGARDING COMPLIANCE WITH OPEN MEETING LAWS

President McIntyre read the following notice: Pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.81-19.98, the Village Board is meeting to conduct public business. In accordance with state law, the meeting agenda was posted at Village Hall, other municipal buildings, and on the Village of Howard website and was also distributed to the local media and other requesters at least 24 business hours prior to the start of this meeting.

5. APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR THE MEETING

C. Hughes moved to approve the agenda. A. Lemorande seconded. **The motion carried unanimously.**

6. PUBLIC APPEARANCES

• Karen Will, 438 Woodfield Drive, asked about the setbacks for the new construction on Duck Creek Parkway. D. Wiese explained that the project is a Planned Development District, so the setbacks were approved specific to that development. He also explained the four-step PDD review and approval process. Ms. Will then asked about the profitability of the village-owned Howard Commons Apartments. C. Haltom said the apartments generate a positive cash flow and help support the TIF District.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

• B. McIntyre shared that he attended the Urban Alliance Conference in Madison, where proposed state shared-revenue funding to municipalities was discussed.

8. COMMUNICATIONS (NONE)**9. APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA**

C. Nielsen moved to approve the Consent Agenda. C. Hughes seconded. **The motion carried unanimously** with the following items approved:

- Village Board meeting minutes from April 24, 2023
- Municipal Invoices totaling \$236,811.74, paid with checks #77367-77449

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c. The 2023 World Migratory Bird Day Proclamation
d. Ordinance 2023-05, amending the Zoning Code to allow larger accessory buildings in the R-5 Rural Estate Residential Zoning District
e. Renewal Operator Licenses for the following:

- Lacey E. Anderson
- Shelly M. Bitters
- Nicole S. Dal Santo
- Matthew A. Fischer
- Daniel K. Hall
- Jerald R. Haulotte
- Lisa S. Johnson
- Amanda L. Kabacinski
- Donald J. Kelly
- Shaun P. Konnerd
- Devyn Y. Lehr
- Michael P. Lewis
- Marisa J. Linzmeier
- Amanda J. Malueg
- Bradley P. Malueg
- Aaron D. Miklaszewicz
- Rachel J. Paschen
- Chad J. Perra
- Laurie A. Pilz
- Gregory J. Schroeder
- Phylcia M. Surprise
- Shelly R. Solero
- Kelsey K. Zinkel
- New Operator Licenses for the following:

- Paul S. Astromovich
- Sheyna L. Creighbaum
- Kerri C. Fox
- Stacie J. Keller
- Renee A. Marquardt
- Tia M. Schmidt
- Andrea H. Valentincic
- Paul J. Verstoppen
- The 2023-2024 Class A beer and liquor license renewals for the following establishments:
- Howard Central BP, 2002 Velp Ave. Matt Plautz-Agent
- Kwik Trip # 725, 399 Cardinal Ln Susan Fuller – Agent
- Meijer Store # 298, 2015 Shawano Ave. Heide Datema – Agent
- Piggly Wiggly Supermarket # 36, 2465 Lineville Rd. Todd Delvoe – Agent
- Wisconsin CVS Pharmacy, 2400 Velp Ave. Michelle Saka – Agent

h. The 2023-2024 Class B beer license renewal for Duck Creek Softball Association, 775 Riverview Drive., Wayne Gilson – Agent

i. The 2023-2024 Class B beer and liquor license renewals for the following establishments:

- Iron Duck Restaurant, 2525 Velp Ave Caleb Suda – Agent
- Narrow Bridge Brewhouse, 2840 Shawano Ave. Scott Vann – Agent
- Timsan's Japanese Steakhouse, 1773 B Cardinal Lane Timothy Scott Long-Agent

iv. Village Green Golf Course, 302 Riverdale Dr. James Boockmeier – Agent

j. The new 2023-2024 Class B beer and liquor license application for KSC Mill Center, LLC, doing business as Kropp's Supper Club, 4570 Shawano Ave., Danielle Rusniak – Agent

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS OR OLD BUSINESS ITEMS (NONE)**11. NEW BUSINESS ITEMS**

a. Randy Miller, CPA from Hawkins Ash, will present the auditor's report on the annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the period ended Dec. 31, 2022. Mr. Miller provided a presentation on the Village of Howard's 2022 annual Comprehensive Financial Report. He also reviewed the single audit report for 2022. The board discussed. **No action was taken.**

b. Review and take action on authorizing the Howard Fire Department to pursue paramedic licensure from the Wisconsin Department of Health Services
E. Janke explained the next steps for the Howard Fire Department to take over emergency medical services. He said the department needs to begin the paramedic licensure process and purchase a second ambulance. C. Hughes moved to authorize the Howard Fire Department to secure the necessary paramedic

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licensure from the Wisconsin Department of Health Services to provide paramedic response and transport services for the village. J. Muraski seconded. **The motion carried unanimously.**

12. REPORTS OF VILLAGE OFFICIALS

i. C. Haltom will present the financial report for the General Fund for the period ending April 30, 2023

C. Haltom reviewed the financial report for the General Fund. **No action was taken.**

13. CLOSED SESSION

C. McAllister moved to convene to closed session. R. Suennen seconded. **The motion carried unanimously,** and the Village Board of the Village of Howard convened into closed session at 7:11 p.m. pursuant to Sec. 19.85(1)(e), Wis. Stats, to deliberate the purchase of public properties, to wit a portion of VH-3338.

14. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

C. McAllister moved to return to open session at 7:18 pm; seconded by C. Hughes. **The motion carried unanimously.**

15. ACTION on the offer to purchase a portion of VH-3338

J. Muraski moved to accept the offer to purchase a portion of VH-3338 for \$150,000; seconded by C. McAllister. **The motion carried unanimously.**

16. ADJOURN THE MEETING

C. McAllister moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:19 pm; seconded by S. Beyer. **The motion carried unanimously.**

Leigh Ann Wagner Kroening Administrative Assistant
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West De Pere WNXALP**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WEST DE PERE REGULAR BOARD MEETING DISTRICT OFFICE APRIL 12, 2023 5:30 PM**

Board members present: Fuss, Van Deurzen, Borley, Van Den Heuvel, Bergner
Board members excused: None
The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by Board President Fuss followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. President Fuss stated that the area news media had been notified of the meeting as required by open meeting law and state statutes. It was moved by Barbara Van Deurzen and seconded by Ryan Van Den Heuvel to accept the agenda. Voting Yes: 5 Voting No: 0 Motion carried.

The Board recognized the following students; High School Senior, Stacy Cloute, who is a member of State Champion Ice Bears Hockey Team. The Board congratulated her on her season. Also, recognized was High School Senior, Yadiel Marrero-Flore, he was nominated by administration and staff to receive the Herb Kohl Student Initiative Scholarship. The Board wished them both good luck in all their future endeavors. The meeting was opened to the floor to enable district residents to bring items of general concern to the attention of the Board. Joe Bergner [863 Suburban Dr] thanked the staff and Board for educating all children and continuing to support excellence in our district. It was moved by Barbara Van Deurzen and seconded by Scott Borley that the March 15, 2023 regular meeting minutes be approved as presented. Voting Yes: 5 Voting No: 0 Motion carried. It was moved by Scott Borley and seconded by Joe Bergner that the Treasurer's Report be approved. Voting Yes: 5 Voting No: 0 Motion carried. It was moved by Scott Borley

and seconded by Joe Bergner that previously paid bills to Vos Electric, VDH Electric, and Best Built be approved. Ryan Van Den Heuvel abstained. Voting Yes: 4 Voting No: 0 Motion carried. It was moved by Joe Bergner and seconded by Ryan Van Den Heuvel that previously paid bills be approved excluding bills from Vos Electric, VDH Electric, and Best Built. Voting Yes: 5 Voting No: 0 Motion carried. **Old Business**
It was moved by Joe Bergner and seconded by Barbara Van Deurzen to adopt the following policies as previously presented:

- 4114 Medical Examination, T. B. Test, and Pre-Employment Drug Testing
- 4300 Support Staff
- 8220 Board Members
- 8360.1 Public Records Notice to Employees

Voting Yes: 5 Voting No: 0 Motion carried.

New Business

Committee Chair, Scott Borley gave a verbal update regarding the Finance Committee Meeting. Committee Chair, Barbara Van Deurzen reviewed the April 6, 2023 Curriculum and Policy Committee report. It was moved by Joe Bergner and seconded by Ryan Van Den Heuvel to approve a Foreign Exchange Student at the High School for 2023-2024 school year. Voting Yes: 5 Voting No: 0 Motion carried.

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The Board established upcoming board meeting dates. It was moved by Joe Bergner and seconded by Scott Borley to approve staffing items as presented. Voting Yes: 5 Voting No: 0 Motion carried.

The Board was presented with various reports and communications: such as updates, various thank you's, invitations, and calendar items. Discussion Followed.

It was moved by Barbara Van Deurzen and seconded by Joe Bergner at 6:11 PM that the Board adjourn into closed session as previously stated. Voting Yes: Van Den Heuvel, Bergner, Borley, Fuss, Van Deurzen Voting No: None Motion carried.

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Ordinances 7740**Ashwaubenon WNXALP****VILLAGE OF ASHWAUBENON ORDINANCE O5-1-23**

The Village of Ashwaubenon has repealed and recreated Article 13, Licensing of Short-Term Rentals, Chapter 6, Businesses, of the Ashwaubenon Municipal Code adopted 5-23-23.

A full text of the Ordinance may be obtained or reviewed by contacting the Office of the Village Clerk of the Village of Ashwaubenon at 2155 Holmgren Way, Green Bay, Wisconsin, 54304, Phone (920)492-2302. The full text of the Ordinance may also be reviewed on the Village of Ashwaubenon's website under Ordinances at www.ashwaubenon.gov. This ordinance summary is published pursuant to Wis. Stat. Section 61.50(3).

Dated this 23rd day of May, 2023. /s/Kris A. Teske, Village Clerk (Run) May 26th, 2023 WNXALP

Bids and Request for Proposals 7705**Green Bay WNXALP****NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS**

Contract: "GREEN BAY WATER UTILITY WATER MAIN REHABILITATION"
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, June 6, 2023 at which time they will be opened for Public Works Improvement Contract: "GREEN BAY WATER UTILITY WATER MAIN REHABILITATION"

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.

The work under this Contract includes coordination and execution of rehabilitating approximately 1400 linear feet of 8-inch cast iron water main on Hazelwood Lane in Green Bay, Wisconsin. The rehabilitation of water main is to be completed by lining the existing water mains with a Class IV structural cured-in-place (CIPP), certified for the conveyance of drinking water. The work includes, but is not limited to, reinstatement of services and temporary water supply.

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.

- Section 62.15 regarding public works construction.
- Section 779.15 regarding lien on contractors.
- 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: May 12, 2023 May 19, 2023 May 26, 2023 WNXALP

Bids and Request for Proposals 7705**Howard SECTION 00020****ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**

Village of Howard
1336 Cornell Road
Green Bay, WI 54313-8923
Sealed bids for the Woodman's Pond Expansion will be received by the Village of Howard at the Public Works Facility, 1336 Cornell Road, Green Bay, WI 54313-8923, until **June 14, 2023**, at 1:30 P.M., CT, and shall include the following approximate quantities:

- 2,400 C.Y. - Excavation and Grading
- 1,000 S.Y.- Landscaping Outlet Structure Modification

The project is scheduled to be completed by October 13, 2023. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The Bidding Documents, consisting of Advertisement for Bids, Instructions to Bidders, General Conditions, Supplementary Conditions, Bid Bond, Agreement,

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Payment and Performance Bonds, Notice of Award, Notice to Proceed, Addenda, Certificate of Substantial Completion, and Drawings and Specifications, may be examined at the following locations:

Issuing Office:

Village of Howard Public Works Facility
1336 Cornell Road
Green Bay, WI 54313
(920)434-4060

Bidding and the award of work will be in accordance with the provisions of Section 61.55 and 66.0901.

Each proposal must be accompanied by a Bid bond or certified check equivalent to 5% of the maximum proposal. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids, waive or not waive any informalities in the bids received, and to accept any proposal, which they deem most favorable to the interest of the Owner.

No bidder may withdraw his bid within 150 days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

Complete digital project bidding documents are available at www.questcdn.com. Bidders shall download the digital plan documents for \$30.00 by inputting **Quest project #8534070** on the website's Project Search. Please contact QuestCND.com at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in free membership registration, downloading, and working with this digital project information. No paper plan sets will be provided. Please contact us at 920-434-4060 if you have any questions.

Josh Gerrits, P.E.
Village Engineer
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NOTICE

The City of Green Bay proposes to accept quotes for RFQ #2023-22 for Security Guard Services – Parking Division City of Green Bay. Quotes are due on June 22, 2023 2:00 PM CST. Complete specifications and free registration at www.demandstar.com or <http://vendornet.wi.gov> Publish 05.26.23 WNAXLP

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Suamico

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VILLAGE OF SUAMICO CHAPTER 19, FLOODPLAIN ORDINANCE PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD ON June 5, 2023 6:00 P.M. MUNICIPAL SERVICES CENTER 12781 VELP AVENUE, SUAMICO WISCONSIN

A public hearing for the Village of Suamico to modify Chapter 19, Floodplain Ordinance 19.06.1(2)(h) "For nonconforming buildings that are substantially damaged or destroyed by a non-flood disaster, the repair or reconstruction of any such nonconforming building shall be permitted in order to restore it to the size and use in effect prior to the damage event, provided that the following minimum requirements are met and all required permits have been granted prior to the start of construction:

1. Residential Structures
 - a. Shall have the lowest floor, including basement, elevated to a minimum of 1 foot above the regional flood elevation using fill, pilings, columns, posts, or perimeter walls. Perimeter walls must meet the requirements of Section 19.07.5(2)". This public hearing will be held

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before the Suamico Village Board on Monday, June 5, 2023 at 6:00 pm at the Municipal Services Center. The complete ordinance may be obtained at the Village Clerk's office, located in the Suamico Municipal Services Center, 12781 Velp Avenue, Suamico, WI, or via the Village of Suamico's website, www.suamico.org.

If you cannot attend the public hearing and would like to submit written comments, please send your comments to:

Michelle Bartoletti, Clerk
Municipal Services Center
Village of Suamico
12781 Velp Avenue
Suamico, WI 54313
Email: mbartoletti@suamico.wi.gov

Telephone: (920)434-2212
Michelle Bartoletti, Clerk
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Public Notification Proposed Amendment to the City of Green Bay Smart Growth 2022 Comprehensive Plan (CPA 23-01)

The Green Bay Common Council will hold a public hearing on **Tuesday, June 27, 2023**, at 6:00 p.m. The meeting will be conducted both in person in Room 604 of City Hall (100 N Jefferson Street, Green Bay, 54301) or virtually. If you wish to participate in the Public Hearing virtually, you may access the meeting by internet or telephone, using the access code below.

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The hearing is regarding the following proposed amendment to the City of Green Bay Smart Growth 2022 Comprehensive Plan: ((CPA 23-04) Public hearing on the request to amend the City's Comprehensive Plan for the property located at 2132 Deckner Ave (#21-2284-2) from a split zoning designation of Low Density Residential and Public/Semi-Public to Public or Semi-Public.

An image depicting the affected area is available in the office of Community and Economic Development for the City of Green Bay.

The proposed comprehensive plan amendment would allow for the future rezoning of the property to bring it into compliance with its current religious institution use and for expansion of Preble School Athletics. Public comments will be invited at the public hearing or can be sent in writing to: City of Green Bay Community & Economic Development
Attn: David Buck, AICP
100 N. Jefferson St., Rm. 608
Green Bay, WI 54301
For additional information, contact David Buck at david.buck@greenbaywi.gov or 920.448.3411.
ACCESSIBILITY: Any per-

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son wishing to attend who, because of a disability, requires special accommodation should contact the City Safety Manager at (920) 448-3125 at least 48 hours before the scheduled meeting time so that arrangements can be made.

Publication Date: May 26, 2023 WNAXLP

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Public Notification Proposed Planned Unit Development (PUD) 1265 Lombardi Avenue/Parcel 1-1841-A (ZP 23-17)

The Green Bay Plan Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, June 12, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting will be conducted both in person in Room 604 of City Hall (100 N Jefferson Street, Green Bay, 54301) and virtually. If you wish to participate in the public hearing virtually, you may access the meeting by internet or telephone, using the access code below.

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The hearing is regarding the following:

(ZP 23-17) Public hearing on the request for a Planned Unit Development (PUD) at 1265 Lombardi Avenue for campus signage package, submitted by Green Bay Packers, Inc., on behalf of City of Green Bay, property owner. Public comments will be invited at the public hearing or can be sent in writing to: City of Green Bay Community & Economic Development
Attn: David Buck, AICP
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ACCESSIBILITY: Any person wishing to attend who, because of a disability, requires special accommodation should contact the City Safety Manager at 920.448.3125 at least 48 hours before the scheduled meeting time so that arrangements can be made.

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Public Notification Proposed Conditional Use Permit (CUP) 644 South Quincy Street/ Parcel 14-359 (ZP 23-18)

The Green Bay Plan Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, June 12, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting will be conducted both in person in Room 604 of City Hall (100 N Jefferson Street, Green Bay, 54301) and virtually. If you wish to participate in the public hearing virtually, you may access the meeting by internet or telephone, using the access code below.
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The hearing is regarding the following:

(ZP 23-18) Public hearing on a request for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) at 644 S Quincy for Personal Service/Office Use in the Low-Density Residential District (R-1), submitted by Family Services of Northeast Wisconsin on behalf of Ethan House Inc, property owner. (Ald. W. Galvin, District 4)
Public comments will be invited at the public hearing or can be sent in writing to: City of Green Bay Community & Economic Development
Attn: David Buck, AICP
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Public Notification Proposed Conditional Use Permit (CUP) 1809 Deckner Avenue (ZP 23-19)

The Green Bay Plan Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, June 12, at 6:00 p.m. The meeting will be conducted both in person in Room 604, City Hall, 100 N Jefferson St. and at a virtual location. If you wish to participate in a public hearing, you may access the meeting in person or by the internet or telephone, using the access code below.

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The hearing is regarding the following:

(ZP 23-19) Public hearing on a request for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) at 1809 Deckner Avenue for a community living arrangement use serving 9 or more persons within an Office-Residential (OR) District. (Ald. C. Stevens, District 5)
Public comments will be invited at the public hearing or can be sent in writing to: City of Green Bay Community & Economic Development
Attn: Jon LeRoy
100 N. Jefferson St., Rm. 608
Green Bay, WI 54301
For additional informa-

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The Green Bay Plan Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, June 12, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

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Attn: Dena Mooney
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Green Bay, WI 54301
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(ZP 23-21) Public hearing on a request for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) at 1131 Shadow Lane to construct a three-story home exceeding the maximum of 2.5-stories in a Low-Density Residential (R1) zoning district, submitted by Paul De Leeuw of studio de le:u, on behalf of Laythen Martines, property owner. (Ald. C. Wery, District 8)

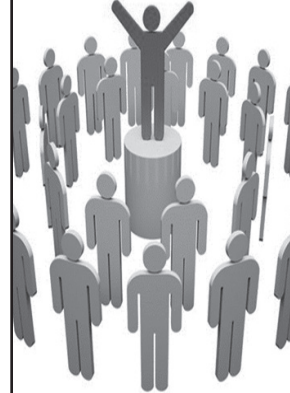
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Green Bay Rockers Opening Day fanfare and festivities Tuesday, May 30

BY TORI WITTENBROCK
SPORTS REPORTER

ASHWAUBENON – Opening Day for the Green Bay Rockers 2023 season will be on Tuesday, May 30, as the team will host the Fond du Lac Dock Spiders at their home field, Capital Credit Union Park, at 6:35p.m.

This event marks the start of a very exciting and important season, with it being the 30th anniversary for the Northwoods League, Green Bay having taken part in the league for the past 17 seasons.

Anyone in attendance on this coming Tuesday will be privy to a unique experience in being among the first to witness the unveiling

of a new high-definition video board and to support the new crop of athletes added to the roster this year.

Johnny Wad will be performing live before the start of the game, with gates to the park opening at 5:35p.m., 1 hour prior to the first pitch.

Fans can again expect the widely-popular Rockers tradition of live music before each game, as well as between the first three innings.

This season is also supremely important for fans to be a part of, with the Rockers offering a different nightly promotion for each night of the week.

This season will feature a special Opening Day offer for the all-you-can-eat-and-drink Bud Light Patio for just \$17.50, which will allow fans access to an unlimited supply of food, snacks and treats through the end of the fifth inning, and a variety of drinks through the seventh inning.

The Rockers also intend to reward one lucky fan in attendance with \$2,000 in prizes as Rockstar of the Year. Anyone present at the stadium who signs up will be eligible to win.

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Perch reopens, muskie next



In the Outdoors

BY KEVIN NAZE
GUEST COLUMNIST

Green Bay's yellow perch fishery reopened last weekend after a two-month spawning closure, and fish are being caught shallow.

It'll take some sorting at many locations, but the fishery's resurgence in recent years means that those who put in the time are often rewarded with some of the finest eating in the Great Lakes.

This Saturday is the muskie opener on Green Bay. Even though most an-

glers release even legal-size fish, "opening day" is still special to some diehards hoping to tie into a Fox River or lower Green Bay giant.

Walleye action isn't as hot by day in many locations as it had been, but nighttime is still very productive in clear-water or heavily-pressured areas.

Smallmouth bass, meanwhile, are fewer in number than recent years, but there are some real monsters being landed.

In three major tournaments in Door County the past two weekends, it took an average size of 5.8, 5.35 and 5.45 pounds per bass on the 10 allowed fish over two days to win. A number of trophies topped six and even seven pounds.

Meanwhile, Lake Michigan salmon and steelhead catches are already trickling in off Manitowoc and Kewaunee counties, just two to four miles off shore. That's a full five weeks earlier than last year's miserable start.

Alewives are moving in to spawn, which could even lure some trout and salmon within range of early-morning pier casters.

On the inland scene, the white bass spawning run is winding down but still strong on the Wolf River, while bluegills and bass are cruising the shallows and the inland lakes as they prepare to spawn.

Turkey hunters are into the last of six seven-day spring hunting periods. There's been a massive mosquito hatch in the past week, and ticks are out in force as you move north and west of the Green Bay area.

Now's definitely the time to add both sunscreen and insect repellent to your list of necessary supplies for outdoor adventures.

Gun, bow, crossbow

Department of Natural Resources Deer Program Specialist Jeff Pritzl provided County Deer Advisory Council members with a few nuggets of information from the agency's random post-season mail survey of thousands of deer hunters.

Using those results — and then averaging that out among all license buyers — it's estimated that deer hunters spent about 2.4 million days hunting during the 9-day gun season (five days per average hunter), 2.1 million days bow hunting (16 days per average hunter), and two million days crossbow hunting (13.8 days per average hunter).

DNR estimates that about 26,000 youth participated in



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the youth hunt, about 32,000 hunters in the holiday gun hunt, and about 63,000 hunters participated in the muzzleloader and four-day December antlerless hunt.

You can check out past reports on deer and other huntable game species on the state's wildlife reports page at <https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/WildlifeHabitat/reports.html>.

Weekly water update

Lake Michigan and

Green Bay water levels have risen five inches in the past month and are expected to rise at least three more inches by mid-June.

Levels are seven inches above long-term averages, but down two inches from last May and 27 inches below the record monthly high, set three years ago.

Free fishing, park entry

June 3-4 is Wisconsin's Free Fishing and State

Parks Open House weekend.

No licenses or stamps will be required to fish, but all other regulations apply.

Vehicle entry fees at state parks will be waived those two days, too.

Negative CWD tests

More than 200 deer tested for Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) in Door and Kewaunee counties in recent years have all been negative.

into my sophomore year. It was grueling — I'd play five hours of tennis daily. It was the hardest thing I've ever experienced. I wasn't a fan of it because I didn't have the kid part of my life. I was only 13 or 14 years old, so I'd either be playing tennis or doing school — it was very strict."

During his sophomore year, he took online classes through Wisconsin Connections Academy.

"That was due to the COVID-19 pandemic," Balthazor said. "Then during my junior year, I was focused on getting recruited, so I played in a lot of USTA (United States Tennis Association) tournaments every weekend."

Through subsectionals, Balthazor said he was 19-0 and hadn't dropped a set all season.

"The most games I dropped during a match was three," he said. "My hardest match was against Lincoln

Marshall from Marquette." Balthazor said he stays focused when playing — even against lesser competition.

"My main goal is to win a WIAA Division 1 state title," he said. "I've always wanted to win state — it's been a goal of mine since I was young. I'm the only undefeated player in the state right now, so I think I'll be the No. 1 or 2 seed at state."

The individual state tournament will take place Thursday-Saturday, June 1-3, at Nielsen Stadium in Madison.

Future at Butler

Balthazor said he's hopeful to jump into the Bulldogs' lineup next season as a freshman.

"Between now and then, I need to work on being more aggressive," he said. "If things go right, I fully expect to compete for a spot."

When asked what his strengths are, Balthazor was quick to answer.

"My serve and my forehand," he said. "I can serve it about 120 mph."

All in the family

Balthazor said he feels he could beat his brother — who will take his fifth year at Marquette to play one more collegiate season — in a match now.

"If you take Nathan as a senior in high school and me as a senior this year, I think that would be a good match," he laughed. "If I'd play against him now, I think I'd beat him pretty handily."

Some of it is because I play more than Nathan — he doesn't play as much now. I think he'd agree with me."

Balthazor said Norah, a junior at Butler, "really enjoys playing on the women's team."

"She's playing at like 3 (singles)," he said.

To follow along and view results of the WIAA state tournament, visit wiaawi.org.

Weekly Fishing Report

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Green Bay walleye fishing inconsistent

Green Bay walleye fishing can best be described as inconsistent, with some days being great and others not so great.

During the week, with less boating pressure and a couple of days of consistent wind, the bite started to take off and behave like a normal spring walleye bite.

By Saturday, another cold front rolled in, shutting down the bite for many recreational and tournament walleye anglers.

Trolled crankbaits such as Berkley flicker minnows and Salmo hornets took many fish in my boat when the bite was good.

Jigging with hair, jigs, jig/half of a crawler and blade baits were also hot choices for walleyes.

Saturday, in order to get some decent eating size fish, I went into the Fox River and found a mix of walleyes and white bass around current breaks and rock structures. There is a large group of walleyes still in the Fox River, which is uncommon for this late in the spring.

Hopefully, those fish will filter out into the bay and put us on a better bite.

Deadhorse Bay, Fryling Pan Shoal and Vincent Point were putting out fish through the weekend.

By Sunday, better conditions had returned and a better bite started.

White bass have been very active in the Fox River, with those anglers seeking them finding a decent bite.

I have not heard much about perch fishing, but I suspect those seeking perch are finding them up in the waters of Oconto County and the east shore by Vincent Point.

Musky fishing opens at midnight this Saturday, and those seeking a shot at a giant will be out in full force on the river and the bay.

Shore fishing from Metro continues producing a mixed bag of crappie, bass, pike walleye and some monster sheepshead.

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BALTHAZOR

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Nathan attends Marquette University and plays on the tennis team, while sister Norah, who is sandwiched between the two brothers in age, attends Butler University and also plays tennis.

"I committed to Butler last October," Balthazor, who will study finance, said. "I had about five other collegiate offers. I liked Butler even before Norah committed there, but I think the chemistry of the team will be great. I'm excited to go there."

A different path

Believe it or not, this is Balthazor's first season playing at De Pere.

During his freshman season, he attended a tennis academy in Arizona.

"I was there for about six months," he said. "That was my freshman year going

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Redbirds take season rubber match in regional action

BY RICH PALZEWIC
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

DE PERE – Based on its two regular season games against one another, the De Pere/West De Pere softball matchup on May 23 promised to be a good one.

As ordered, the teams didn't disappoint.

On a hot and windy day before a big crowd, the Redbirds took the season rubber match with a 4-2 victory in WIAA Division 1 Regional action at De Pere High School.

With the game tied 2-2 in the bottom of the fifth inning, Julianne Bradford stroked an RBI single to score Olivia Bagnat with the go-ahead run for the No. 8-seeded Redbirds (16-10).

An inning later, De Pere added an insurance run on an RBI double from No. 9 hitter Vienna Wafle.

De Pere pitcher Reese Falish did the rest.



Falish

The sophomore righty closed the door in the top of the seventh inning after the No. 9-seeded Phantoms (11-12) had two on with two out but failed to score.

"I expected a close game," De Pere Coach Travis Piper said. "We had a pair of one-run games with them earlier in the season. I could sense a few nerves early in the game, but we settled down and did some good things after that."

The Redbirds' reward is a date with No. 1 state-ranked Kaukauna (24-0) on Thursday, May 25.



West De Pere pitcher Leah Kocken fires a third-inning pitch in her team's 4-2 loss to De Pere on May 23, in a WIAA Division 1 Regional. **Rich Palczewic photo**

"We've been playing better as of late, so I expect the girls to compete," Piper said.

Kaukauna is the two-time defending Division 1 state champ and has gone a combined 83-2 in the last three seasons.

"It's exciting playing a team so strong," Falish said. "It'll be a challenge but fun to push ourselves and see how we do against them."

De Pere scored two runs in the first inning on a pair of fielder's choice grounders from Halle Mleziva and Marissa Destache, respectively.

West De Pere starting pitcher Leah Kocken didn't allow a hit until the fourth inning.

The Phantoms scored their two runs in the top of the fourth inning on an RBI single from Lillian Bukoske on a wild pitch.

In the crucial sixth inning for the Redbirds, Destache led off with a single, bringing Falish to the plate in a 3-2 game.

Instead of bunting Destache over to second base, Piper chose to let Falish swing away.

"I was a little surprised at that," Falish laughed. "Either way, I was confi-

dent."

Falish hit the first pitch from Bukoske – who relieved Kocken in the fourth inning – to right field to put runners on first and second.

"I did think about bunting Reese, but she had a phenomenal game hitting against West De Pere earlier in the season – she's a good hitter," Piper said. "I said to one of my assistant coaches (when she came up to bat), 'Everyone thinks I'm going to bunt her, but I know she's going to get a hit.' I have a lot of confidence in her."

Two batters later, Wafle

doubled to the left-field gap to end the scoring.

In the top of the seventh inning, Falish retired the first two West De Pere hitters on two pitches before Nevaeh Wagendorf and Karleigh Linssen both stroked singles.

Falish then coaxed Jade Kruse to fly out to right field to end the game.

"I had lots of trust in my defense," Falish said. "I wasn't too worried in the seventh – I just had to hit my spots."

De Pere third baseman Alexandria Stathas had a stellar game defensively – including a diving catch

of a bunt in the second inning.

Stathas also assisted on five other groundouts.

"That was a key play in the second inning," Piper said. "At the time, there were two on with nobody out – if she doesn't catch that, the bases are loaded and things could have turned out much differently. She's been phenomenal all season. She only had one error in playing 16 of the 18 conference games."

Kocken, Wagendorf, Linssen and Gabriella Arndt each had two hits for the Phantoms.

Top FRCC girls soccer teams head into regionals

BY TORI WITTENBROCK
SPORTS REPORTER

Green Bay- De Pere, Pulaski and Notre Dame Academy have secured their positions at the top of the standings in the Fox River Classic Conference (FRCC) this season. The girls soccer teams will head into Regionals on May 30, and June 1. Depending on performance, advancement to Sectionals will be on June 8 and 10, with the State tournament being held in Madison, June 15-17.

De Pere

The De Pere girls soccer team has had an exceptional season so far. They currently hold the top position in the conference, with a record of 7-0-1. The team has done an impressive job defensively and offensively, as proven by their well-rounded goal differential. The Redbirds

currently have 31 goals for and 1 against, for an impressive 30+ differential, giving them 15 points in the bracket.

De Pere has faced a lot of decent competition in the highly competitive FRCC, as well as some difficult preseason games. Yet, their record so far is a testament to their camaraderie and perseverance the past few months.

Despite their substantial lead, their season has not come without hardship.

"On Thursday night, May 18, our senior captain, Alli Wettstein, tore her ACL. That is definitely the toughest part of the season for us. We have played a tough schedule, with many games and have come out stronger because of it. We are really looking forward to the playoffs and the opportunity that lies in front of us," said Head Coach

Andy Steger of his team's effort this year.

Pulaski

Currently holding third place in the FRCC, the Pulaski Red Raiders girls soccer team has fought hard this year to earn their place at the top of the bracket. With another impressive record of 5-1-2, only succumbing once to Sheboygan North at the beginning of the season – a team only second in the standings to the Redbirds – Pulaski is in a good position heading into the playoffs. The girls have earned a 20+ goal differential, which speaks to their aggressive attack this season – 25 goals for – and the strength and composure of their defense – just 5 goals against. Pulaski sits comfortably going into the next few weeks with 12 points.

Head Coach Kelly Logue said that strategy and perseverance have been a large part of what has gotten them through this season.

"After finishing a team book study of the story, 'Super Power' by Kate Leavell, our girls chose their individual super power to contribute to the success of our season. Starting the spring with two returning starters sidelined due to ACL injuries and two more who found themselves in walking boots, the team knew they needed to stick together to accomplish the goals they set for themselves," said Logue.

"After several ties, and two well-played losses, we were able to claim victory against an extremely tough Division I conference team, ending in a tie against another Division I ranked team. That was

the push we needed to move forward together! The girls really bought into believing that we are the strongest together, always. Each day, they commit themselves to becoming a better individual to contribute to the success of our team."

Notre Dame Academy

Notre Dame Academy (NDA) girls soccer, with a similar record of 5-2-1, has fought hard this season to maintain their spot in fourth place in the FRCC. With 11 points on the season so far, the team holds strong with 27 goals for, and 10 against, leaving them with a 17+ point differential.

"It's been a long but rewarding year so far. When we set our schedule, we always book good competition so we are battle-tested for the state run.

Not only is our conference very tough, we also got invited to the Tournament of Champions this year in Iowa and went 1-1-1, but we play larger schools all year so that we see different styles of play to prepare us for state. These games get us ready. Iron sharpens iron," said Nick Browne, head coach of NDA girls soccer.

Browne said the team entered the season well-prepared for the fast-paced and physical nature of the FRCC, but still have a lot to prove going forward.

"The girls have had lots of ups and downs this year. We talk about building every training session, and learning something from every match. The girls have done a great job at staying focused and keeping their eyes on the prize. We want to be at Uihlein Field in mid-June," said Browne.

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Connor LaBar, Bay Port baseball

Name: Connor LaBar
Parents: Mike and Lynn LaBar
Activities: Baseball
Instagram: @connor.labar
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Connor was a senior on the Bay Port Pirates' baseball team this season. On his senior night, he went 2-3 with two RBIs.

When did you start playing baseball?

I started playing baseball when I was four years old.

Have you ever played any other sports?

I used to play basketball, football, bowling and

karate.

What is your favorite memory of playing high school baseball?

My favorite high school baseball memory is playing in the DI State Championship last year at Fox Cities Stadium.

Who is a baseball player that you look up to, and why?

I look up to Nolan Arenado because of how well he does defensively at third base. He can make the hardest plays look routine, and I've been trying to model my game after his.



Would you rather play a game in extreme heat or extreme cold?

I would much rather play a game in extreme heat.

What is your favorite part of playing a team sport?

My favorite part of playing a team sport is creating friendships with all of my teammates.

What is your favorite pregame snack or meal?

My favorite pregame snack is Sour Patch Kids.

What is your walk-up song?

"Hold Me Back" by KB

What is your all-time favorite movie?

My favorite movie is "The Sandlot."

Do you have any hobbies outside of sports?

A favorite hobby of mine outside of sports is gaming.

What would your dream vacation be?

My dream vacation would be to travel to Italy.

What are your plans for after high school?

After high school, I will be attending St. Norbert College to study business finance and to play baseball.

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Cory McCracken's important role in shaping Kappell as a young athlete has come from his position as head coach of the boys hockey team at Notre Dame Academy (NDA).

"Sam has always been a producing goal scorer. What changed in Sam recently, which has escalated his growth and facilitated his #1 USHL Phase 1 pick, is his ability to be a 200' player," said McCracken.

"His offense is a staple in his game and he has always consistently scored at every level. That won't change as that part of his game is highly translatable. His competitiveness to get pucks back in retrieval and track has turned him into a great player. Now his game is very well-rounded and does not solely revolve around scoring."

Kappell said he is very appreciative to the NDA athletics program for their guidance during his time with the team so far as a center. "Mr. Koenig is very supportive of our group and is always willing to do whatever it takes to help us," said Kappell of NDA Athletic Director Matt Koenig.

As someone who has been through the struggles that accompany being a young, prospective athlete, Kappell believes that the most important thing to keep in mind as a young player is to, "be present and love the level you're at. Don't worry about what is next for you. Just take it slow and trust that good things will happen if you put in the work. Don't stress too hard about it."

Another important idea to keep in mind, Kappell said, is to, "keep with it at all times. Even when you don't want to do some things, just keep doing it anyway. Almost force it upon yourself, and stay disciplined. There will be times when you don't want to put in the work and would rather do something

else, but you have to keep in mind that it will pay off in the long run. Listen to the good people around you, go to work with them and learn from the best."

Kappell got his first experience on the rink playing with the Appleton Youth Organization, skating around two or three times a week.

Kappell said it wasn't until he was around eight years old that he started to take hockey more seriously, realizing that it might be something that he really wants to do in the future.

The next year, Kappell joined the Jr. Gamblers, playing with them from the time he was nine, until around 14 or 15 years old.

"Playing with the Jr. Gamblers is when I first realized the kind of work that needed to be done. I started skating a lot more and really doing things off the ice, like lifting and shooting."

Success has not come without social sacrifice, however, according to Kappell.

"I missed out on a lot. Homecoming and a couple weekends of hanging with friends. But I thought it was completely worth it. It's also a lot of fun doing what you love and playing hockey with the guys all weekend."

Seeing what all of these social sacrifices have created has been an exceptionally rewarding experience, said Kappell.

"I think it's pretty exciting being picked number one overall, especially to a team so close in Wisconsin — the Madison Capitols. I've played in that rink a lot too, so when the time comes for that, I'll be excited to play there again for sure."

"It sounds like a pat on the back to be saying that I was picked first overall, but I know that there is still a lot of work to be done to stay there and keep moving on, but it's pretty exciting for sure."

Although Kappell has seen a lot of success recently, he said he is thrilled

to finally see all of his hard work paying off, and spoke of the excitement that accompanies it.

"It all kind of came fast. It was really quiet and there were not a lot of things happening, but then this year hit and there are all these people coming to my games, and everyone is around watching you. You end up talking to a lot more people and coaches. It's really cool to hear what they have to say about your game and yourself and what they think of you as a player."

In terms of his immediate future, Kappell said he intends to heed his own advice, and see where life takes him.

"I'm not completely sure where I am going to go from here. There's a good chance I'll probably stick around at Notre Dame for now and play for Team Wisconsin, talking to Madison and seeing what they all have to say about my future. I want to get some guidance from all of them, and hear what Coach Cory has to say for me as well."

Drew Schock

Schock said he has experienced a lot of success this year as a defenseman, being in the top 2% of his birth year — 2007 — and heading to the USA Hockey National Team Development Program (NTDP).

"I really look up to my parents. They've done a lot for me, supporting me on and off the ice," said Schock in regard to his current success.

Schock said his love of hockey transcends the time spent on the ice.

"I just like being with the team everywhere. Creating a brotherhood that establishes competitiveness even off the ice. It just makes the game even more fast-paced when you know you are all playing for each other. The adrenaline you get when you score a goal, or when your teammate scores a goal is just unmatched."

Schock, too, said that he owes a lot of his success to those who have coached

and guided him over the past few years.

"(Koenig and McCracken) are both people I look up to. Whether it's hockey-related, or an issue off the ice, I know that I can go to both of them and ask them questions and they are more than willing to help me out and guide me through certain situations. I've learned so much from having Cory as my coach, as a person and a player," said Schock.

"Drew was undersized as a younger player; yet, he never played undersized. What stood out to me immediately with Drew was his hockey I.Q. and ability to impact the game in a way that very few players could in his age group," said McCracken of Drew's innate talent and determination.

"Drew processes the game two steps ahead of other players on the rink, using that to his advantage to create offense consistently. Drew is the modern offensive defenseman. He can lead the rush or join the rush. His I.Q. allows him to transition from defense to offense very quickly."

As someone who has had to work to overcome certain obstacles in his game — both mental and physical — Schock said that to him the most important part of being an athlete is to never lose sight of the enjoyment.

"Just remember to have fun. It can get really stressful at times, but the hard times aren't as bad if you just take a breath and remember to have fun with it. Then it doesn't feel like a job, it is something that you 'get' to do."

However, Schock said that aside from all the fun there is to be had on the ice, his journey has also been accompanied by some adversity.

"When I played for the Gamblers, there was a period of time when there were a lot of coaching changes, with different people coming in. I never really knew what was coming, but our whole team created sta-

bility for ourselves and were able to overcome it. We even ended up making a good run at nationals. Even though it was right before the state tournament, we all came together and did really well at state and central districts too. It taught me a lot about overcoming adversity and being part of a team."

Schock said that his journey to the NTDP has not been easy, and has taught him a lot.

"Starting about two years ago, there was a state level tryout, and the goal is to get to the National Camp Festival, and then kind of work my way up from there. I had some success with that and was able to kind of get on their radar. And then there was a 40 man camp invite, and I was just really hoping that I could get invited to that, and I ended up getting invited. I went to the camp, had a lot of fun and learned a lot, and that's how I got selected for the National Team, which is pretty special."

Making the National Team is a huge accomplishment, said Schock.

"It's a super good organization. I mean there are countless players that have gone through there. And then the levels they've gone to with college and then the NHL. I'm just really looking forward to that."

Despite being one of the top performers in his birth year, Schock said that there is still a lot of work to be done and experience to be gained.

"I'm just super excited because a lot of the top level kids in my birth year are players that I compete against now. All of the coaching staff and people around USA Hockey are super knowledgeable, and I am ready to learn from them and get that experience"

McCracken said, "I firmly believe that Drew will be an impact college hockey player at the DI level and as a really high ceiling player. He certainly has pro potential. He is a pro

already with his work habits and attention to daily improvement," of Schock's potential.

"To get to where I am now, I just focused on having fun and putting in the work. I come to the rink everyday and just try to do a little bit of the extra stuff so I can start to see all that pay off," said Schock.

Schock also said that discipline is a large part of his mentality.

"There is for sure a fine line. The whole game is really a balancing act because you want to make sure you are having fun, but you also want to do the right thing, getting the proper workout in. You have to make sure that whatever you are doing, you still put in the necessary work to get better."

After countless hours of time spent at the rink to improve each aspect of his game, Schock said that he is thrilled to see where it has led him.

"It's really rewarding to see where I am now. I feel like I've really put in the work to be here, and just sticking with my process. I think the extra work I've put in has really paid off, but at the same time, I know I can't be satisfied with that yet. I just need to keep working. I mean 2% is great, but I'm not gonna stop until I hit the top 1% and then 0.5% and then just keep going from there," said Schock.

"This year was really a big step for me developmentally. I learned a new perspective on the game, which was really interesting. The camaraderie with all of the guys on the NDA team is truly something special, and you really can't take it for granted."

Schock said he plans to spend the next two years at the National Team level and to continue to develop his skills there.

"From there, hopefully I can go on to play college hockey. At this point, my plan is just to keep working hard and see what opportunities come up from that."

Athletes advance to regionals

BY RICH PALZEWIC
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

DE PERE – De Pere High School hosted the WIAA Division 1 track and field Regional on May 22.

Ashwaubenon, Bay Port, De Pere, Green Bay East, Green Bay Preble, Green Bay Southwest, Green Bay West and Pulaski competed at the meet.

The top four finishers in each event from regionals advanced to the West De Pere Sectional on Thursday, May 25.

The WIAA state meet is Friday-Saturday, June 2-3, at the Veterans Memorial Stadium Complex in La Crosse.

For full results, visit pt-timing.com.

Boys team results

1. De Pere - 173
2. Preble - 151
3. Bay Port - 108.5
4. Southwest - 77
5. Pulaski - 62.5
6. Ashwaubenon - 56
7. Green Bay East - 42
8. Green Bay West - 26

Girls team results

1. Bay Port - 173
2. De Pere - 128.5
3. Preble - 127.5
4. Pulaski - 91
5. Ashwaubenon - 70
6. Southwest - 45
7. Green Bay East - 37
8. Green Bay West - 26

Boys sectional qualifiers

100: 1, Lyndon Hemmrich-Hartman, GBSW, 11.12; 2, Brody Holewinski, BP, 11.21; 3, Maddox Black, GBSW, 11.54; 4, Charlie Schuster, PUL, 11.78.

200: 1, Lyndon Hemmrich-Hartman, GBSW, 22.88; 2, Joseph Tatarian, DP, 22.96; 3, Nate Nelson, PRE, 23.31; 4, Chris Seals, GBSW, 23.41.

400: 1, Charlie Rozz, PRE, 51.02; 2, Casey Trousil, DP, 51.7; 3, Henry Young, GBSW, 52.37; 4, Noah Fischer, DP, 52.7.

800: 1, Donovan Beauchamp, GBW, 2:01.81; 2, Tristen Shanoski, PRE, 2:02.23; 3, Jacob Nuthals, PRE, 2:02.32; 4, Enoch Thielhelm, DP, 2:02.4.

1,600: 1, Grady Lenn, DP, 4:35.77; 2, Jesus Zavala, PRE, 4:40.17; 3, Huw Griffiths, GBE, 4:40.2; 4, Carter Thompson, ASH, 4:40.42.

3,200: 1, Grady Lenn, DP, 9:54.46; 2, Jesus Zavala, PRE, 10:12.34; 3, Bennett Daul, BP, 10:14.18; 4, Benjamin Piontek, PRE, 10:16.81.

110 hurdles: 1, Hayden May, DP, 15.01; 2, Kayden Fenlon, GBE, 15.65; 3, Madden Skenandore, PUL, 15.7; 4, Jackson Zepnick, BP, 16.19.

300 hurdles: 1, Hayden May, DP,



De Pere's Claire Roup won the high jump with a leap of 5 feet, 2 inches.

Rich Palzewic photo

40.96; 2, Madden Skenandore, PUL, 41.22; 3, Griffin Murphy, BP, 41.5; 4, Caleb Krueger, DP, 41.6.

4x100 relay: 1, GBSW (Huston Giannunzio, Maddox Black, Chris Seals, Lyndon Hemmrich-Hartman), 43.26; 2, BP (Landen Heim, Luke Friendshuh, Brady Christnovich, Oliver Hudson), 8:51.99.

High jump: 1, Will Hornseth, DP, 6-2; 2, Ja'donn Potter-Kanyanta, PRE, 6; 3, Hayden Josephs, GBE, 6; 4, Derek Metz, PRE, 5-10.

Pole vault: 1, Augustus Counard Ciechanows, PRE, 15; 2, Evan Hinkfuss, BP, 13-6; 3, Andrew Cartier, DP, 13-3; 4, Ian Krings, PRE, 12.

Long jump: 1, Aiden Cartier, DP, 21-5; 2, Carson Elliott, DP, 20-5; 3, Andrew Cartier, DP, 19-11.75; 4, Mason Clark, BP, 19-11.

Triple jump: 1, Andrew Cartier, DP, 46-9; 2, Aiden Cartier, DP, 45-3.5; 3, Daniel Bigirimana, GBW, 41-9.5; 4, Nicolas VanCalster, PRE, 41-4.25.

Shot put: 1, Adam Newell, ASH, 52-1.5; 2, Caleb Katers, PRE, 51-11.5; 3, Connor Fontaine, DP, 48-1.25; 4, Jack Marsh, PUL, 47-8.25.

Discus: 1, Jack Marsh, PUL, 171-8; 2, Caleb Katers, PRE, 163-4; 3, Isaiah McGregor-Washington, GBSW, 142-1; 4, Thomas Paasch, GBSW, 137-9.

Girls sectional qualifiers

100: 1, Isabelle Denny, BP, 12.58; 2, McKenna Sedlacek, BP, 12.91; 3, Olivia Sprangers, PUL, 12.93; 4, Wren Algrem, GBSW, 13.15.

200: 1, Olivia Sprangers, PUL, 26.33; 2, Faith Weatherspoon, GBE, 26.43; 3, Wren Algrem, GBSW, 27.26; 4, Amanda VanCalster, PRE, 27.32.

400: 1, Aubrey Koplind, DP, 1:00.63; 2, Desiree Veaser, GBSW, 1:03.12; 3, Amanda VanCalster, PRE, 1:03.86; 4, Ella Hasser, PUL, 1:04.27.

800: 1, Adriana Garcia, GBE, 2:23.74; 2, Allison Buraczewski, PRE, 2:24.49; Katherine Pahl, DP, 2:24.92; 4, Hailey Novitski, PRE, 2:26.41.

1,600: 1, Emma Coon, DP, 5:17.15; 2, Allison Buraczewski, PRE, 5:19.77; 3, Erin Schurch, ASH, 5:23.86; 4, Jessica Rolain, DP, 5:26.87.

3,200: 1, Emma Coon, DP, 11:50.77; 2, Hope Dragseth, DP, 11:50.87; 3, Bella Heideman, DP, 12:03.16; 4, Emerson Fabry, PUL, 12:15.48.

100 hurdles: 1, Jillian Anderson, BP, 15.64; 2, Kyla Hendricks, BP, 16.54; 3, Ella Ficarrri, PUL, 16.6; 4, Macy Biebel, BP, 16.87.

300 hurdles: 1, Kyla Hendricks, BP, 45.97; 2, Madeline Thoreson,

BP, 47.97; 3, Macy Biebel, BP, 49.37; 4, Lily Urben, PUL, 49.79.

4x100 relay: 1, BP (Jillian Anderson, Nevaeh Johnson, McKenna Sedlacek, Isabella Denny), 48.94; 2, PUL (Rachael Allen, Faye Brunke, Ava Vieaux, Anna Friedman), 51.59; 3, ASH (Aubrey LeCleir, Phoebe Hujet, Fiona Josephs, Jaylynn Wilke), 52.31; 4, PRE (Grace Bergner, Olivia Felt, Heaven Taylor-Marquardt, Kaeley Carter), 52.77.

4x200 relay: 1, BP (Jillian Anderson, Nevaeh Johnson, McKenna Sedlacek, Isabelle Denny), 1:44.2; 2, PUL (Rachael Allen, Lily Urben, Grace Goodness, Olivia Sprangers), 1:47.62; 3, GBE (Faith Weatherspoon, Kimoria Oliver, Zoa Schilz, Adriana Garcia), 1:50.52; 4, ASH (Aubrey LeCleir, Phoebe Hujet, Grace Nesvacil, Jaylynn Wilke), 1:52.13.

4x400 relay: 1, BP (Natashia Johnson, Kyla Hendricks, Madeline Thoreson, Nevaeh Johnson), 4:06.93; 2, ASH (Jaylynn Wilke, Phoebe Hujet, Fiona Josephs, Grace Nesvacil), 4:11.45; 3, PUL (Ella Hasser, Rachael Allen, Grace Goodness, Lily Urben), 4:15.29; 4, PRE (Ally Boockmeier, Elyse Haller, Liliana Perkins, Elise Smith), 4:25.77.

4x800 relay: 1, PRE (Emma Dornbush, Gabrielle Haller, Hailey Novitski, Allison Buraczewski),

10:33.55; 2, ASH (Grace Nesvacil, Olivia Raye, Lily Urbanek, Hannah Hutto), 10:41.56; 3, BP (Chloe Heim, Elizabeth Schomaker, Marin Brown, Madi Ashmead), 10:50.79; 4, DP (Emily Dehn, Madison DeCleene, Reese Abnet, Samantha Christensen), 11:01.39.

High jump: 1, Claire Roup, DP, 5-02; 2, Jennifer Luczaj, PRE, 5-02; 3, Brynn DeVos, PRE, 4-9; 4, Jenna Paulos, DP, 4-9.

Pole vault: 1, Jamie Steenbock, BP, 11-6; 2, Megan Dorsey, DP, 11; 3, Amanda VanCalster, PRE, 10-9; 4, Hallie Morz, PUL, 10-6.

Long jump: 1, Madeline Thoreson, BP, 17-6.75; 2, Jillian Anderson, BP, 16-3.75; 3, Chania Tinch, BP, 16-7; 4, Ella Ficarrri, PUL, 15-11.75.

Triple jump: 1, Madeline Thoreson, BP, 36-6.5; 2, Adriana Moyano, GBW, 34-4; 3, Cirena Taylor-Marquardt, PRE, 34-2.5; 4, Emma DeBraske, PRE, 33-2.

Shot put: 1, Thea Kral, ASH, 38-10.75; 2, Delaney King, GBSW, 35-06; 3, Hailey Gerlikowski, DP, 34-4; 4, Lauren Mader, ASH, 34-6.75.

Discus: 1, Lauren Mader, ASH, 133-7; 2, Thea Kral, ASH, 124-1; 3, Izzi Zablocki, DP, 108-7; 4, Paige Deblaey, PRE, 106-4.

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Ana Moyano, center, poses with assistant/horizontal jump coach Scott Alvey and head coach Mari Tomita. **Jason Coisman photo**

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that she comes in contact with she will check on like, 'how're you feeling, you're gonna do great.' She is just a very positive athlete. I don't know if she even realizes she is that talented. That I enjoy... seeing a young athlete care so much about others," Tomita said.

Yet, Tomita is not the only coach that Moyano works with. She has also spent a lot of her time training with Assistant and Horizontal Jump Coach Scott Alvey, a coach that is commended for his enthusiasm and positivity.

Moyano was able to reflect on one of her favorite moments this last season "...from the St. Norbert track meet, when I was

in finals for triple jump, about to do my first jump. I remember almost all my teammates and coaches were there to cheer me on and on that very jump I PR'd by a foot! Their support and energy made this one of my favorite and happiest memories this season."

The positive experiences that Moyano had this season has allowed her to find a love for competing and for the people that she competes with.

"I would say that my favorite part about being a part of a big team is being able to watch everyone improve and support them through their track season, because even though we compete individually, we still have that team bond with each other that makes the bad days bear-

able and the good days great," Moyano said.

Tomita commends Moyano for her ability to handle pressure and soak up all of the coach's critiques, saying, "she's so talented and we can keep improving her. Whenever we correct her, she gets it right away. It's scary how much potential she has." Her coachability will continue to serve Moyano as she continues to strive for greatness throughout the next three years of her career and the rest of this season, said Moyano. "Next season I am hoping to improve in all my events, and potentially break both the triple jump and pole vault records for my school," said Moyano.

The next meet of the season for Moyano will be on May 25, in the WIAA Sectionals.

There's something about Green Bay

BY TORI WITTENBROCK
SPORTS REPORTER

Green Bay – Hello sports fanatics of Green Bay.

My name is Tori Wittenbrock and I have recently started my new position as sports reporter for the Press Times. I am really excited to get to know the athletic community of the Brown County area and to begin promoting sports programs, local teams and athletes at all levels.

I grew up in a small Southern California town, Chino Hills, but moved up to Green Bay in Fall of 2020 at the height of COVID-19 for my first semester of college. I began my freshman year at UW- Green Bay on a scholarship to play for the women's soccer team, not knowing much about the area, people or culture here, but quickly grew to love it. Although there have been a few lashes throughout the years, I really enjoyed my time with the team and the beginning of my career in Green Bay athletics.

I am especially thankful that I will now be able to truly experience the life of a Green Bay athlete from every angle.

In the middle of my sophomore year at UW-Green Bay, the opportunity came along to become an intern for the Press Times, writing feature stories, covering school board meetings, proofing and overall getting the opportunity to be involved on a deeper level in what I soon realized to be a welcoming, tight-knit community.

Eventually, my internship came to an end and after just three years I graduated with my bachelor's degree in Eng-



Wittenbrock

lish literature.

I moved back home — originally intending to pursue my master's degree, continuing my career as a collegiate athlete with my final two years of eligibility — when just a few months later I was offered the chance to come back up to Green Bay as the sports reporter full-time.

I quickly accepted and happily relocated to the area to which I had become so accustomed, and to the community that had welcomed me so warmly just a few years before.

Although I have extensive experience with women's soccer, I am really looking forward to diving headfirst into the athletic community of northeast Wisconsin and providing the fans, athletes, families and coaches of Green Bay with statistics, photos and exciting news about various sporting events, games and athletic accomplishments.

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Notre Dame Academy hockey stars have breakthrough sophomore year

BY TORI WITTENBROCK
SPORTS REPORTER

Green Bay- Sam Kappell and Drew Schock both grew up in the Green Bay area as proud hockey fans and have grown to be tremendous athletes.

“My dad built a backyard rink and it really just started from there,” Schock said. “That’s how I really learned to skate.”

For Kappell, his first exposure to the sport was also through his parents. “Both of my parents attended the University of Minnesota and followed the game there, and they got me started in it when I was young. I started playing when I was around three years old.”

Despite their early start with hockey, both Schock and Kappell have experience with other sports as well. “I played soccer from the



Kappell

time I was three until around twelve or thirteen,” Kappell said.

Schock competed in swimming, tennis and soccer when he was younger, but around ten years old, he began to concentrate on his true passion.

“I started focusing mainly on hockey, but would still play some other club sports, just not as competitively.”

Sam Kappell

Kappell was the number one pick in Phase 1 of the United States Hockey League (USHL) 2023 draft. Kappell said that he has always worked hard to get to where he is today, his love of hockey never faltering.

“I just love how fast it is and how competitive the environment is. Just playing with all the guys and being around the team a lot is really fun to me. And scoring a lot of goals is the best part,” Kappell said.

When thinking of his future, Kappell said hockey has always been a part of the picture.

“Since I was young, the



Schock

dream has always been to keep playing hockey as long as I can, and to see how far I can go with it.”

Kappell, although he recognizes that his hard work and dedication to his sport are large contributors to his success, also said he acknowledges the role that others have played in his athletic career as well.

“Off the ice I really look up to my dad the most,” said Kappell. “My parents have contributed to my success more than anyone.”

Kappell said his parents and coaches have been a major influence on his success as an athlete, and as a person.

“Cory (McCracken) is a great teacher who just wants to bring out the best in all of his players and try to get everything out of them. He works us really hard because he knows what we are capable of, and he just really trusts us with everything.”

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West High School freshman track and field phenom on her way to greatness

Ana Moyano competed during the WIAA regional meet in the triple jump finals.
Jason Coisman photo

BY KAITLYN COISMAN
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

There are many words to describe an exceptional athlete including hardworking, coachable and resilient—all of which have been used to describe Adriana, Ana, Moyano. Ana is competing in her freshman year track season for Green Bay West High School. The Wildcats’ head coach, Mari Tomita, has utilized Moyano in an array of events including the 45 meter dash, 100 meters, 200 meters, 4x100 relay, sprint medley relay (SMR) 800m-[100-100-200-400], pole vault, long jump and triple jump. Tomita said, “She’s such a young athlete and has so much potential, I mean all the coaches want to work with her, so I felt like I was a traffic control for her, you know? Sometimes I had to say like, ‘No, she’s not going to work with you today.’ And she loves pole vaulting and loves working with the pole vault coach, and I have to tell her that this is an important season now, ‘you’re gonna focus on triple jump, long jump and some relays,’ and I do want to put her in sprinting, but... I don’t want to put her in four events all the time, which would win us a lot of points, but I gotta keep her healthy.” Ana Moyano’s talent has not only led her to score points for her team during meets, but has also put her name down in the school record books.

Moyano holds school records in five events, four of them in the top 3. This season Moyano ranked third in school records for the pole vault with a PR of 7’0, long jump with a PR of 16’3.75 and triple jump with a PR of 34’8. Moyano is accompanied by her relay team — Jamayah Booth, Mikiah Rogina and Klynn Stevens — with a first position ranking in the SMR 800m-[100-100-200-400] with a time of 2:11.19. With all of these accomplishments, Moyano said that her favorite event is the triple jump. Not only is Moyano a school record holder, but the powerhouse took first place in triple jump at the 2023 Outdoor Bay Conference Championships with a distance of 33-7.25 feet and second place at the 2023 Regional meet at De Pere with a jump of 34-4 feet.

Tomita describes working with Moyano in a positive light while highlighting her caring and hardworking nature. “She is always caring; she’s always cheering other athletes on even if her event is coming up, she would be like, ‘I am going to cheer him on and then I’ll go to my event,’ and I have to remind her, ‘well your event is coming up in five minutes so let’s go to your event,’ you know? She is very caring about the whole team... anybody

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Balthazor

De Pere graduate walks a new path

BY RICH PALZEWIC
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

DE PERE – Despite his parents not playing tennis, Nicholas Balthazor – a De Pere High School senior – is one of the best players in the state.

“I have to thank my brother Nathan for getting me going,” Balthazor said. “He was always hitting a ball around. Naturally, because I saw him playing, I also got into it. I was about nine years old at the time.”

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