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Still time to see Bay Port's fall play

By Josephine Hinderman Contributing Writer

This weekend, the Bay Port High School Theater program will be presenting its fall play, *Fair Exchange* — a play that follows the young, plain daughter of a beautiful mother after an artifact in their collection causes them to switch bodies.

Director and English Teacher Jaclyn Beattie explained, "The story takes place in the nineties and it is about a family who runs an antique dealership. Unfortunately, the father of the family has been missing for a year and this has put a strain on the mother and her daughters. The mother and her teenage daughter are as different as two people can be, so you can imagine the impact when a strange African artifact causes them to switch bodies! They decide to keep it a secret and try to figure out how to get things back to normal, but only a special tribal ceremony will save the day."

More than 60 Bay Port High School students have been involved in the production of *Fair Exchange*.

"The best part of working on this play is by far working with the amazingly talented students," Beattie said. "It is an incredible opportunity to be able to watch young adults take something on and create an experience that can be enjoyed by anyone."

Being a part of the performing arts or being involved in a play gives students the opportunity to express themselves in a completely safe environment," Beattie said. "I am always amazed at how we truly become a sort of family while working on the show and it is a place where students can develop their talent without fear of being judged or ridiculed. The support among cast and crew members is something that makes the long hours so worthwhile! Participating in the performing arts is such a nice way to escape from reality! A student who gets involved is able to create something completely unique which boosts self-confidence and self-assurance. And while doing this, a student can form solid friendships and bonds with others that enjoy the same thing."

Beattie expressed an enthusiasm that people come out to support the play.

"Come on out and watch and support our students that've been involved in this production," she said.

Tickets are still available to purchase, and can be purchased online at vancoevents.com/CALQ.

Beattie also suggests people be on the look-out for future Bay Port performances, exclaiming, "Keep an eye out for Bay Port High School's Spring Musical... It's going to be announced soon!"

Bay Port High School will be performing *Fair Exchange* Oct. 26, 27 and 28 at 7 p.m. at the Bay Port Performing Arts Center (PAC).

More information about the play and the Bay Port High School Theater program can be found at bayport.hssdschools.org/about-us/pac.



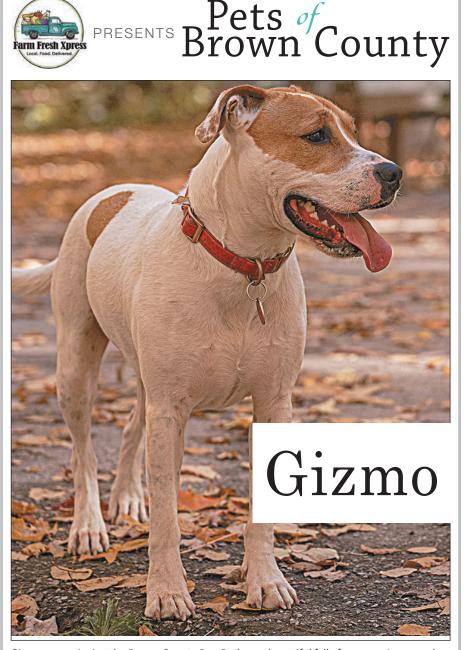
▲ More than 60 Bay Port students are involved in the production.

▼ There's still time to catch a performance of Bay Port's fall play, Fair Exchange. Michele Zahn photos

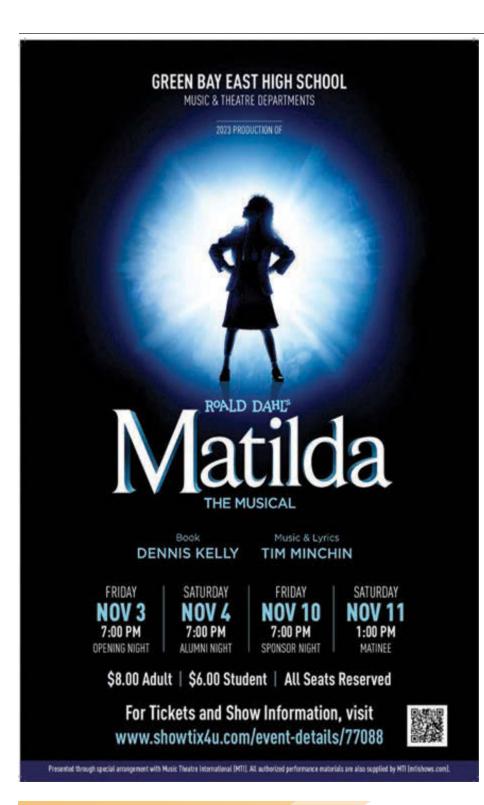
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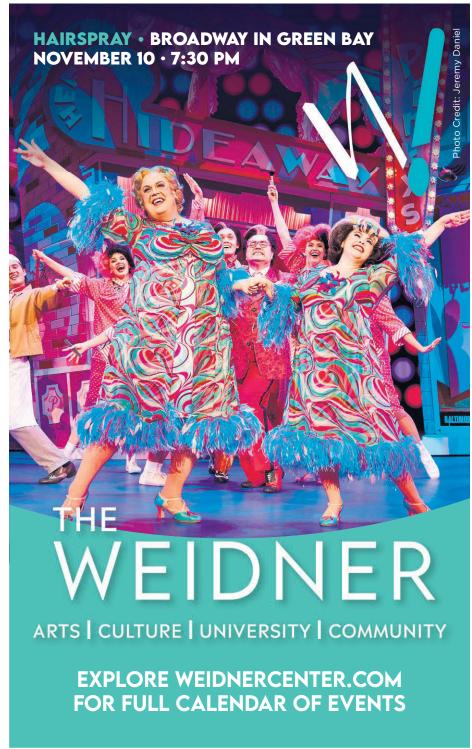






Gizmo was enjoying the Brown County Dog Park on a beautiful fall afternoon. A rescue dog, Gizmo was discovered after a round of severe winter weather in Texas two years ago. He was brought to Wisconsin with 20 other pups. Owner Harley Garrigan, of Ashwaubenon, says the boxer mix is very gentle and loves giving kisses. In fact, a sign that reads "watch out, my dog can't hold his licker" is in the family's front yard. Shane Fitzsimmons photo





Picky Eating Tips & Tricks

Here are some tips to help your picky eater!

1. Make meal time positive and offer your child choices to make them excited to eat!

Engage in pleasant conversation at the table, give your child a choice of the fruits/vegetables/meats/recipes to try at each meal, and allow your child to watch you having fun and enjoying your food!

2. Eating doesn't just involve the mouth! Play and explore the food with all of your senses.

Touch the food, kiss the food, lick the food, bite the food, and be silly with food during meal times. You can also use raw fruits and veggies like a paint brush to paint a picture, push cars through pudding, crush and squish food with fisher price animals, etc.

3. Involve your child in the kitchen.

Have your child help you pick out and gather ingredients, cut, mix, measure, and pour ingredients into a dish, and taste test the recipe along the way while it's being made. Having your child involved in the kitchen allows them to see the individual ingredients used in the meal and gives an opportunity to explore them without demands of eating!

4. Make eating fun with a game board plate!

You can use a winner dinner plate during meals toalternate preferred foods with novel or unpreferred foods to make eating fun!



5. Don't stress!

If your child doesn't want to engage with a new food on the first time it's offered, that's okay! Don't have high expectations for your child to eat the food on the first try (or first few tries)! Allow your child to explore the new food without too much pressure to eat it as that can contribute to a negative experience and make it less likely for them to explore the food later. Continue to offer the food during meals as it may take a few introductions before they're ready to eat it.





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Teaching Press celebrates launch of all-around ambitious book

By Janelle Fisher City Pages Editor

Teaching Press students and supporters gathered last Wednesday, Oct. 18, to celebrate the launch of the latest book put out by UW-Green Bay's Teaching Press a book documenting the Lower Fox River PCB cleanup efforts.

The book, authored by Captain Greg Neuschafer, retired U.S. Navy Oceanographer and UW-Green Bay Distinguished Alumni, includes a timeline and highlights of one of the nation's most ambitious environmental stability projects to date with QR codes spread throughout linking to an extensive digital collection of supporting documentation compiled by Neuschafer and housed at UW-Green Bay's Cofrin Library.

The book, Neuschafer said, is meant to be a tool to help others understand the significance of this environmental project happening in their own backyards.

"This book is a research tool," he said. "It's a wrench. It's to get you into a database that



▲ Copies of Lower Fox River PCB Cleanup Timeline are available for purchase online at uwgb.edu/teachingpress/projects. Janelle Fisher photos

we've put together. So it's not for reading for excitement or for pleasure. I want to invite you to, from your own perspective, dig into this library and see what you can

While the collection and organization of the content which makes up the book and digital library was an ambitious undertaking for Neushcafer, Professor Rebecca Meacham said the physical construction of the book proved to be quite an ambitious undertaking for her students as well as they navigated the book's many fold-out pages.

"What the students started to figure out was that we could have an entire book



filled with what we call 'foldy-outty' pages - it's the technical term," Meacham said. "The fold-out pages have QR codes on them and when you use your phone to scan the QR code, it goes to a resource in the Cofrin Library digital collection that Greg has put

The folded pages, though, meant that the book could not be sent out for production, and after some trial and error, Meacham said the Teaching Press students discovered that the best way to produce copies of the book was to hand-fold each page.

"They had it worked out to partnerships — one folded in and the other folded the other side in," Meacham said. "And the fold the way they do so [the book] can be bound.

process that had to be done for each copy to ensure the pages would fold out properly after the book was bound

▲ Teaching Press students demonstrate the folding

Because if you fold in too far, you bind your book and then can't open the pages. It's an interesting little puzzle."

At the time of the launch, an impressive 104 copies had been made and were ready to be distributed to attendees of the launch party and those who wish to purchase the

More information about Teaching Press and where to buy this book and others can be found at uwgb.edu/teaching-press/ projects. 🗪



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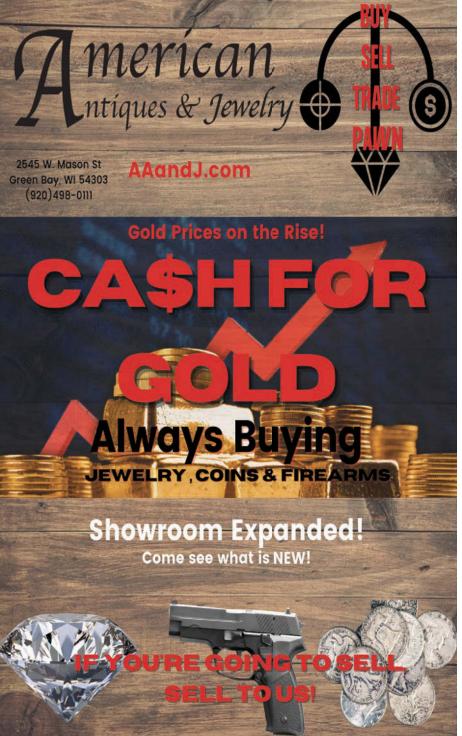
▲ Neuschafer stands holding a copy of his book with some of the UW-Green Bay students who helped it come to life.

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THE FIELD







COVER FEATURE

ARTISTRY IN WOOD

N.E.W. Woodworkers Guild celebrates 40th annual show

By Janelle Fisher City Pages Editor

For the past four decades, the Northeastern Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild has built up a community of local woodworkers, offering education, fellowship, resources and a love of the craft.

Now with more than 100 members, woodworkers find their way to the Guild in a variety of ways.

For some members of the Guild, like Randall Hendrick and Jim Michiels, it was current members that got them interested in joining.

"I retired 15 years ago and I got into

woodworking a year after I retired," Hendricks said. "A few years after that, one of the guys I used to work with belonged to the Guild and he asked me to come a couple times and I enjoyed what I saw. It was great to talk to other people who had similar ideas and interests that I had."

"I was asked to come to a meeting and that was the end of it," Guild member Stan Fisher said. "I joined and I like watching what everyone else does and how they do it. I've picked up a lot of ideas."

"For me, it was being exposed to other disciplines in woodworking," Guild member Gerald Jensen said. "I said, 'I've been doing some wood turning, but I want



▲ An assortment of projects by Pete Schuh, including intricately wood-burned plates.

▼ Stan Fisher stands with three of the boats he has made — an Adirondack guideboat, canvas canoe, and cedar strip canoe. Janelle Fisher photos



to know about other stuff. I've gotten some insight into cabinet building, furniture building, canoe building, all kinds of other disciplines that relate to woodworking that are just other areas of interest. I may not ever do those things, but I'd like to know more about them and the Guild provides that."

It's not only the exposure to new ideas or techniques that attract members to the Guild though, as the group also offers resources to aid in projects members might already be working on.

"I retired, bought a wood lathe and struggled for a while," Guild member Pete Schuh said. "The guy at the woodworkers depot said, 'Well, the Woodworkers Guild has a library where you can watch videos on woodturning and things like that.' So I joined the Guild."

The Guild is open to woodworkers with all levels of experience ranging from amateurs just starting out to professionals.

"I didn't do any woodworking at all, until I started thinking about retiring," Jensen said. "And then it dawned on me that I probably ought to have something to do after I've retired. I was about 58 or so when I took my first woodworking class and shortly after that I got introduced to the lathe and I've been woodturning ever since."

For other members, woodworking was something they had dabbled in previously, but picked up seriously more recently.

"I made a cradle and play boxes and stuff like that, but with my work I never got into it," Hendricks said. "I always knew I was going to have some kind of a shop so I had built that prior to my retirement, and once I got into it, about a year after [retirement], that's when I bought all my equipment and I just went from there."

Some members recall their fondness for woodworking beginning all the way back in middle school.

"It was eighth grade industrial arts," Michiels said. "Then I got busy raising a family and when I retired, I built the shop and got back into woodworking and weaving baskets."

"Freshman year of high school started it all," Fisher said. "We used every machine that they had there... I built my first canoe before that — I think I was in seventh grade and I made it out of plywood and some other stuff and yeah, it was pretty tippy, but we used it. I really got into woodworking when I had grandchildren and could make them things — rocking chairs, rocking horses, cradles, everything."

Members of the NEW Woodworkers Guild craft a vast assortment of things out of wood, from baskets to bowls to toys to ornaments to projects as big as bookshelves and even boats.

Each year, members have the opportunity to display their work at the Guild's annual Artistry in Wood Show and Sale, scheduled to be held this year on Nov. 11 and 12 at Denmark High School.

While the purpose of the show is to give Guild members an opportunity to share their work with the community, and maybe even sell something, there is value in just getting to talk to people about their work and getting to see what others have been making.

"It's the interaction with the people that



▲ From left, Jim Michiels, Pete Schuh, Gerald Jensen, Stan Fisher and Randall Hendricks stand with a boat made by Fisher.

attend the show," Jensen said. "It's always fun to talk to them and find out what their interests are."

Hendricks echoed that sentiment, noting, "That's the best part of the show — just talking with people."

"You can spend five hours talking and you might not sell much, but you're spending five hours talking about how it's done and why you tried it and all of that," Schuh said. "That's the fun part."

"My favorite part is looking at what everybody else makes," Michiels said. "Everybody has different talents and different skills. It's amazing, the talent and skill and what you can do with a piece of wood."

"The talents that some people have, there's no way even in another life I could do some of those things," Fisher said. "But talking to the people, that's my favorite thing."

To people who are interested in getting into woodworking, Jensen said the best advice he had would be to start early.

"What would have been really helpful to me is if I would have been allowed to take shop classes or something when I was in high school," Jensen said. "One of the really sad things now is the number of schools that have discontinued any shop or industrial arts programs. We need to get back with that because we need people that can work with their hands and develop the disciplines that are necessary to woodworking."

"It just takes so long to fine tune your



▲ An assortment of wood lathe and laser-engraved projects by Gerald Jensen.

skills," Hendricks said. "I think people should start woodworking as early as possible."

Michiels said that surrounding yourself with others who are involved in woodworking, such as by joining the Woodworkers Guild, can also be incredibly helpful for new woodworkers to get started.

"It's hard to learn on your own," Michiels said. "You can read, you can watch videos, but surround yourself with good people and experienced people. The advice they give you is worth tons of time."

And the best way to get inspired to start? Try attending one of the Woodworkers Guild's shows.

"Just go to a show," Schuh said. "Look and see what you like — as you walk by, you might see carvings, you might see scroll sawing, you might see a wood lathe. Wait for something to catch your eye and say 'Geeze, I'd like to do that.' Start there, and you can always expand as you go out, but you've got to have an interest in something to start."

Once a project has piqued your interest, the last hurdle is actually getting started.

"I've got a doctor friend and he's just amazed at the boats I build," Fisher said. "He's never built anything out of wood in his life and he'd like to start... but he's afraid to start... That's most people's problem — they're afraid to do it or that they might make a mistake, but that's how you learn."

Joining the Woodworkers Guild helps connect woodworkers to others who have had similar experiences — easing that fear of starting by providing a wealth of resources for starting a new project or troubleshooting when mistakes happen.

Being surrounded by other woodworkers, members get an opportunity to learn lots of different ways to approach the same project.

"I like being in the Guild because I see

what somebody makes and I can picture in my mind just how I would go about doing it," Fisher said.

"If we all made the same thing, there would be six different ways of making it," Schuh said. "You put your own little touch to it and you learn from everybody that you talk to."

Not only do Guild members build experience, but they build connections with each other.

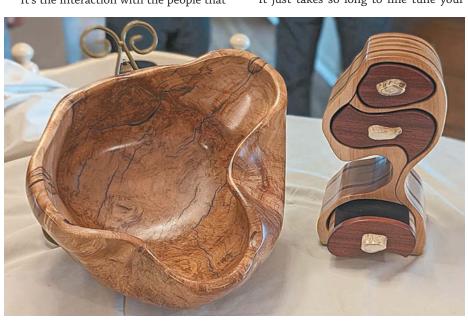
"I've developed relationships with other woodworkers," Jensen said. "Periodically we get together in each other's shops and talk about things and projects we're working on and kind of feed off [each other] a little bit and it's a good way to learn."

"I like to talk to people and ask them questions," Hendricks said. "I got three quarters of what I do and different items [I make] because people showed me how to do it, whether that's a cutting board or a bandsaw box... That's all from Guild members who I talked to and who are doing similar things."

If you're picking up a new project, there's bound to be a bit of learning involved and maybe even some mistakes, but being in the Guild means members have the opportunity to minimize those mistakes by learning from each other.

"I think everybody that does woodworking makes mistakes," Michiels said. "The thing about the Guild is you can listen to people and listen to their stories... You listen to people, you talk to people, you learn and you limit your mistakes. You still make them, but you learn how to recover from them and make less."

To learn more about the Woodworkers Guild, the annual show or how to join, visit newwg.org.



▲ Two projects made by Randall Hendricks.

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HALLOWEEN HAPPENINGS

FRIDAY, OCT. 27

Scary Stories Celebration ·

Brown County Library - Central Branch, Green Bay. Scary stories and eerie activities. 2-4 p.m. Free. (Ages 10-14) Visit browncountylibrary.org more details.

Trick or Treat · Mark Olejniczak Realty, Green Bay. Candy, spooky stuff and raffle prizes. 3:30-6:30 p.m. Free. (Children under 17 must be accompanied by an adult.) See Mark D. Olejniczak Realty, Inc's Facebook page for more details.

Boo-seum • Children's Museum of Green Bay, Green Bay. Spooky STEAM activities, costume prizes and more. 5-7 p.m. \$8. (Ages 2-9) Check out the Children's Museum of Green Bay's Facebook page for more details and to register.

Hallowqueen Weidner Center, Green Bay. Fifth annual Halloween drag show. 8 p.m. Free admission. \$10 suggested donation or bring a non-perishable food, cleaning products or toiletry item to stock the Campus Cupboard. Visit the UWGB Pride Center's Facebook page to learn more.

Bluegrass and Boos • The Tarlton Theatre, Green Bay. Halloween special featuring music by Feed the Dog. 8 p.m. \$12 in advance or \$15 at the door. Visit The Tarlton Theatre's Facebook page to learn more and purchase tickets.

Halloween Party • Daily Buzz, Green Bay. Costume party with special drinks. 9 p.m.-2 a.m. To learn more, visit The Nightly Buzz's Facebook page.

SATURDAY, OCT. 28

 Heritage Hill State Historical Park, Allouez. Hands-on history activities and goodies to collect throughout the park. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. General admission pricing applies. Head to heritagehillgb. org to learn more.

Sensory Friendly Trunk or **Treat** • Integrated Sensory,



Green Bay. Sensory-friendly items of top-eight allergen-free treats only. 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Free. Register and find more information at integratedsensory.com.

Pumpkin Palooza · Titletown, Ashwaubenon. Fall activities and Halloween fun for all ages. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Free. Visit titletown.com/ events/pumpkin-palooza to learn

Trick or Treat • Downtown De Pere. Opportunity for trick-or-treating at downtown businesses during daylight hours. 11 a.m.-2 p.m. See Definitely De Pere's Facebook page for more information and a list of participating businesses.

Tricks, Treats and Tailwags . Badger State Brewing, Green Bay. Vote for your favorite dressed-up and adoptable dog from Lucky 7 Dog Rescue. 12-2 p.m. \$1 equals one vote. See Badger State Brewing Company's Facebook page for more information.

Halloween Pawty • Bark and Brew, Howard. Costumes, Halloween drinks, photo ops, treats, snacks and more. 12 p.m. Check out Bark and Brew's Facebook page for more details.

Halloween at Heritage Hill Kids' Day · Green Bay Fear, Green Bay. Friendly trick-or-treat experience. 2-5 p.m. \$5. See Green Bay Fear Haunted Attractions' Facebook page to learn more.

> **Halloween Costume Party** • Cycling Brews, De Pere. Music by Jupiter Lynx and food from Oley's Pepperoni Cannoli. 5-8 p.m. To learn more, head to Cycling Brews' Facebook page.

Halloween Party • Station 1 Brewing, Suamico. Costume contest and music by Big Buddha and The Bellies. 6 p.m. Visit Station 1 Brewing Company's Facebook page for more details.

Halloween Bash · Cocoon Brewing, De Pere. Live DJ, costume contest and hot pepper contest. 7 p.m. Check out Cocoon Brewing on Facebook to find

Halloween at Player 2 • Player 2 Arcade Bar, Green Bay. Costume contest and Halloween drink specials. 8 p.m. See Player 2 Arcade Bar - Green Bay's Facebook page for more details.

MONDAY, OCT. 30

Howl-o-Ween Parade • Buddy's Vets, Bellevue. Pet costume parade walking to Bellevue Senior Living and Bellevue Memory Care and Assisted Living. 5 p.m. See Buddy's Vets' Facebook page for more information.

The Rocky Horror Picture Show

· The Tarlton Theatre, Green Bay. Halloween movie screening. Showing at 6 p.m., 9 p.m. and 12 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 28, and 6 p.m. and 9 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 29. \$10 in advance or \$12 at the door. Visit The Tarlton Theatre's Facebook page to learn more and purchase tickets.

Zoo Boo · NEW Zoo, Suamico. Treat stations, skeleton safari, haunted zoo zone and more. Fridays and Saturdays through Oct. 28. \$15 per person. Head to newzoo.org to learn



FANTASTIC: A TRIBUTE TO ELTON JOHN

THURSDAY, NOV. 9 | 7:30 P.M. MEYER THEATRE, GREEN BAY.

Performance starring Even Stephens. \$33+. See meyertheatre.org for more details and to purchase

LIVE MUSIC

Saturday, Oct. 28

Choral Chills and Symphonic Scares • Walter Theatre, De Pere. Performance by the Dudley Birder Chorale of St. Norbert College and the Civic Symphony of Green Bay. 7 p.m. \$25 for adults, \$20 for seniors and \$15 for students. Visit snc.edu/tickets to learn more and

Ozark Mountain Daredevils • Meyer Theatre, Green Bay. Countryrock and electric bluegrass music. 7:30 p.m. \$45+. See meyertheatre. org for more details and to purchase tickets.

Radio for Pets, The Sinner and the Saint and Death the Kid • At the Tracks, Green Bay. Halloween concert by Green Bay's spookiest, scariest bands. 8 p.m. \$10. (Attendees under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.) Learn more on At The Tracks' Facebook

Thursday, Nov. 2

Green Bay Jazz Orchestra • The Tarlton Theatre, Green Bay. Live jazz performances by local artists. 6 p.m. Free admission. Visit thetarlton. com for more information.

Thompson Square • Meyer Theatre, Green Bay. Performance by the Grammy-nominated country duo. 7:30 p.m. \$35+. See meyertheatre. org for more details and to purchase tickets.

Friday, Nov. 3

Autumn Band Concert • Walter Theatre, De Pere. Performance by the St. Norbert College Concert Band, composed of both music and non-music students, and the St. Norbert College Wind Ensemble. 7 p.m. \$10. Visit snc.edu/tickets to learn more and to purchase tickets.

Sherry Lane, Holly and the Nice Lions and Everything Means Totally Nothing • At the Tracks, Green Bay. Live concert. 8 p.m. \$8. (Attendees under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.) Learn more on At The Tracks' Facebook page.

Saturday, Nov. 4

Music Magic Trio • Elk's Lodge, Green Bay. Two accordionists with a drummer playing polka, waltz, fox trot, country and rock music. 10 a.m. Free admission.

Tuesday, Nov. 7

Autumn Chamber Music Concert • Dudley Birder Hall, De Pere. Eclectic repertoire of traditional, contemporary and sacred choral literature. 7 p.m. Free. Visit snc.edu/tickets to learn more and to purchase tickets.

Thursday, Nov. 9

Fantastic: A Tribute to Elton John • Meyer Theatre, Green Bay. Performance starring Even Stephens. 7:30 p.m. \$33+. See meyertheatre.org for more details and to purchase tickets.

Friday, Nov. 10

Autumn Instrumental Jazz Concert • Walter Theatre, De Pere. Performance by the St. Norbert College Jazz Ensemble, featuring a variety of musical styles and improvisational techniques. 7 p.m. \$10. Visit snc.edu/tickets to learn more and to purchase tickets

Ongoing

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

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

Vinyl Night • Captain's Walk Winery, Green Bay. Bring your favorite album and add it to the queue. First Wednesday of every month from 6-9 p.m. Follow Captain's Walk Winery on Facebook for more details.

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Distilled and Chilled - Saturday Summer Music Series • Paradise North Distillery, Green Bay. Live music. Saturdays at 5:30 p.m. No cover charge. See Paradise North Distillery's Facebook page for more information.

ON STAGE/SCREEN

Friday, Oct. 27

Cat and Nat: Unfiltered Live • Meyer Theatre, Green Bay. Live comedy show. 8 p.m. \$42+. See meyertheatre.org for more details and to purchase tickets.

Friday, Nov. 3

Murder Mystery Dinner • Backstage at the Meyer, Green Bay. Get into character and work with a group to solve a murder mystery. 6 p.m. \$45. See meyertheatre.org for more details and to purchase tickets.

Friday, Nov. 10

Brad Upton • Backstage at the Meyer, Green Bay. Live comedy show. 7 p.m. \$29. See meyertheatre.org for more details and to purchase

An Evening with Hornswoggle • The Tarlton Theatre, Green Bay. Comedy and stories from under the ring with former WWE Superstar Hornswoggle. 7 p.m. \$20. Visit The Tarlton Theatre's Facebook page to learn more and purchase tickets.

Ongoing

Jurassic World Live Tour • Resch Center, Ashwaubenon. Live performance featuring 24 film-accurate, life-sized dinosaurs. Oct. 26 at 7 p.m.; Oct. 27 at 3 p.m. and 7 p.m.; and Oct. 28 at 10:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. \$18+. Head to reschcomplex.com to learn more and find tickets.

Dead Celebrity Monologues • The Tarlton Theatre, Green Bay. Production put on by Footlights Theatre. Nov. 1, 3 and 4 at 7:30 p.m.; Nov. 5 at 2 p.m. \$20. Visit The Tarlton Theatre's Facebook page to learn more and purchase tickets.

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



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ARTS/EXHIBITS

Saturday, Nov. 4

Mats and Margaritas • Board and Brush, Green Bay. Step-by-step instructions with materials provided to create a planter or bench to spruce up your porch. 7 p.m. \$40. For more details and to register, head to boardandbrush.com/greenbay.

Wednesday, Nov. 8

Porch Planter and Bench Workshop • Board and Brush, Green Bay. Step-by-step instructions with materials provided to create a planter or bench to spruce up your porch. 6 p.m. \$88. For more details and to register, head to boardandbrush.com/greenbay.

Ongoing

A Creative Native Art Show • SAGE, Green Bay. 24 pieces of art created by 16 Native American artists. Saturday, Nov. 4, from 6-9 p.m. and Sunday, Nov. 5, from 1-5 p.m. Free. Check out Oneida Nation Arts Program on Facebook to learn more.

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

Green Bay Arts Unlimited Meetings • St. John's Lutheran Church, Ashwaubenon. Artist demonstrations, meeting, networking and fellowship. Second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. Visit gbartsunlimited.wixsite.com for more details.

BLOW UP II: Inflatable Contemporary Art • Neville Public Museum, Green Bay. Explore the medium of inflatable art with figurative, conceptual and abstract imagery through large-scale inflatable sculptures, conceived by nine artists and art collectives, which connote fun and whimsy, are familiar yet strange and challenge the definition of art. Open through Oct. 28. Included with museum admission. Find more details at nevillepublicmuseum.org.

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



SPECTACULAR SCIENCE: CANDY CHEMISTRY

NEVILLE PUBLIC MUSEUM, GREEN BAY

Dive into the sugary world of candy and explore the complex science behind making tasty treats. Open during regular museum hours. Included with general admission. Visit nevillepublicmuseum.org to find out more

78th Art Annual • Neville Public Museum, Green Bay. All-media, juried exhibition of current artworks produced by artists living in the counties of Northeastern Wisconsin and Michigan's Upper Peninsula. Oct. 21-Jan. 14. Included with general admission. Visit nevillepublicmuseum.org to find out more.

Spectacular Science: Candy Chemistry • Neville Public Museum, Green Bay. Dive into the sugary world of candy and explore the complex science behind making tasty treats. Open during regular museum hours. Included with general admission. Visit nevillepublicmuseum.org to find out more.

FOOD/DRINK

Friday, Nov. 3

De Pere Optimist Wine, Beer, Cheese Festival • Swan Club, De Pere. Fine wines, craft beers, carved prime rib and turkey sandwiches and other fine foods, plus a silent auction. 6 p.m. \$30+. Head to eventbrite.com/e/optimist-club-of-de-pere-fall-festival-tickets-708760621097 to learn more and purchase tickets.

Ongoing

Cruise In Thursdays • WINEALOT Vineyards, Greenleaf. Evening of cool cars, wine/beer and food. Thursdays from 4-8 p.m. (All minors must be accompanied by an adult) Visit winealotvineyards.com for more information.

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

Saturday Farmers' Market • Downtown Green Bay, Green Bay. Fresh, locally-grown produce, artisanal baked goods, carry out foods, coffee and teas, meats, cheeses, flowers and plants, handcrafted goods and more from more than 100 local vendors. Saturdays from 7 a.m.-12 p.m. through Oct. 28. Visit downtowngreenbay.com for more details.

OUTDOORS/RECREATION

Saturday, Oct. 28

Yoga with Kitties • Safe Haven Pet Sanctuary, Green Bay. Uplifting morning yoga class with feline friends. 9:30 a.m. \$15. Bring your own yoga mat. See Safe Haven Pet Sanctuary's Facebook page for more details and to purchase tickets.

Screamin' Scared Scramble • Hilly Haven Golf Course, De Pere. Fourperson golf scramble including golf, cart, events, prizes, food and the scariest pin placements you've ever seen. Costumes encouraged. 10 a.m.-12 p.m. \$100 per person. See hillyhaven.com for more details and to sign up.

Beer and Yoga • Zambaldi Beer, Green Bay. Yoga practice for all levels and a beer tasting experience. 10:30 a.m. \$20, includes one beer or glass of wine. See Zambaldi Beer's Facebook page for more information.

Thursday, Nov. 9

Pieced Together: A Competitive Jigsaw Event • Brown County Weyers-Hilliard Branch, Howard. Compete with other teams to complete a 1000 piece puzzle in the least amount of time. 6 p.m. Free. Advanced registration required. Visit browncountylibrary.org for more details.

Ongoing

Full Bodied Flow • Captain's Walk Winery, Green Bay. Yoga class for all skill levels. First Sunday of every month. Call (920) 431-9244 to reserve your spot.

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

Yoga Wednesdays • WINEaLOT Vineyards, Green Leaf. Yoga class led by Tiffany Pavek of Karma Yoga. Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. \$10 per person. Visit winealotvineyards.com for more details.

Learn to Square Dance • Oak Park Place, Green Bay. No experience needed. Couples, families and solo dancers welcome. Second and fourth Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. First lesson is free. Follow the Green Bay Square Dance Club on Facebook for more details.

DJ Bingo Fridays • WINEaLOT Vineyards, Green Leaf. Put your music knowledge to the test. Fridays from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Visit winealotvineyards.com for more details.

5 Stand, Skeet and Trap Shooting • Brown County Sportsmen's Club, Green Bay. All are welcome. Open shooting on Wednesdays from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. and Saturdays from 12-4 p.m., league shooting on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings. Visit skeetandtrap.com for more information.

LECTURES/WORKSHOPS

Monday, Oct. 30

Do's and Dont's of Online Shopping • Brown County Library - Weyers-Hilliard Branch, Howard. Learn how to avoid scams and keep your personal information safe when buying online. 6 p.m. Free. Visit browncountylibrary.org for more details.

Wednesday, Nov. 1

Planning a Rain Garden: The Whys, Wheres and Hows • Brown County Library - Central Branch, Green Bay. Learn about the process of planning, designing, installing and maintaining a rain garden. 6 p.m. Free. Visit browncountylibrary.org for more details.

Thursday, Nov. 2

The Essential Houdini • Brown County Library - Central Branch, Green Bay. Presentation about Harry Houdini by storyteller and magician William Pack. 7 p.m. Free. Visit browncountylibrary.org for more details.

Saturday, Nov. 4

A Spirited History of Brewing in Green Bay • Brown County Library - East Branch, Green Bay. Presentation by Kevin Cullen, archaeologist, museum curator and expert on ancient fermented beverages. 11 a.m. Free. Visit browncountylibrary.org for more details.

Monday, Nov. 6

Writing With Your Voice • Green Bay Botanical Garden, Green Bay. Learn to develop habits and skills that will establish your unique, personal writing style. 5:30 p.m. \$16. Head to gbbg.org for more information and to register.

101 Films you Could See Before You Die • Green Bay UFO Museum and Gift Shop, Green Bay. Book reading by author Billups Allen. 6 p.m. Free. Learn more about the book at gonerrecords.com.

Tuesday, Nov. 7

READ Book Club • Brown County Library - East Branch, Green Bay. Discussion of The Maid by Nita Prose. 1:30 p.m. Free. Visit browncountylibrary.org for more details.

Wednesday, Nov. 8

Indigenous Visual Storytelling Through Ledger Art • Brown County Library - Kress Family Branch, De Pere. Learn about and try out ledger art, led by cultural speaker and educator Mark Denning. 6 p.m. Free. Visit browncountylibrary.org for more details.

Ongoing

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

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



STORYTIME PICNIC WITH YOUR STUFFIES

THURSDAY, NOV. 9 | 10:30 A.M. VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK, DENMARK.

Storytime and a snack with your favorite stuffed animal or blanket. Free. Visit browncountylibrary.org for more details.

FAMILY/KIDS

Saturday, Oct. 28

Dungeons and Dragons One Shot • Brown County Library - East Branch, Green Bay. Beginner-friendly Dungeons and Dragons one-shot game led by Gnome Games. 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Free. Registration required. (Ages 11-18) Visit browncountylibrary.org for more details.

Friday, Nov. 3

Preschool Play Date: Construction Fun • Brown County Library - East Branch, Green Bay. Build with blocks, play with toy trucks and more to celebrate the finished construction of the new East Branch. 10:30 a.m. Free. (Ages 2-5) Visit browncountylibrary.org for more details.

Saturday, Nov. 4

All Ages at Player 2 • Player 2 Arcade Bar, Green Bay. Family-friendly opportunity for those under 21 to play. 9 a.m.-12 p.m. See Player 2 Arcade Bar - Green Bay's Facebook page for more information.

Tuesday, Nov. 7

LEGO bricks S.T.E.A.M. Party • Brown County Library - Southwest Branch, Green Bay. Construct unique structures with builders from FoxLUG. 3:30 p.m. Free. Visit browncountylibrary.org for more details.

Thursday, Nov. 9

Storytime Picnic With Your Stuffies • Veterans Memorial Park, Denmark. Storytime and a snack with your favorite stuffed animal or blanket. 10:30 a.m. Free. Visit browncountylibrary.org for more details.

Picnic and Play: Favorite Things • Brown County Library - Kress Family Branch, De Pere. Enjoy stories and activities with a favorite stuffy or toy. 10:30 a.m. Free. Visit browncountylibrary.org for more details.

Friday, Nov. 10

Break a World Record • Brown County Library - Weyers-Hilliard Branch, Howard. Try out fun challenges. 3:30 p.m. Free. Registration required. (Ages 8-12) Visit browncountylibrary.org for more details.

Ongoing

Sanctuary Storytime • Green Bay Wildlife Sanctuary, Green Bay. Themed story and a simple craft/activity geared towards preschoolers. Mondays at 10 a.m., through Dec. 18 Register by calling (920) 391-3686. Learn more on Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary's Facebook page.

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

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ComedyCity Family Fun Show • ComedyCity, De Pere. Saturdays at

6:30 p.m. Find more info at thegreenroomonline.com. **COMMUNITY EVENTS/RESOURCES**

Friday, Oct. 27

Laundry Love Event • Corner Coin Laundry, Green Bay. Free laundry washing for neighbors in need. 5:30-9 p.m. For more information, head to laundrylovegreenbay.org.

Saturday, Oct. 28

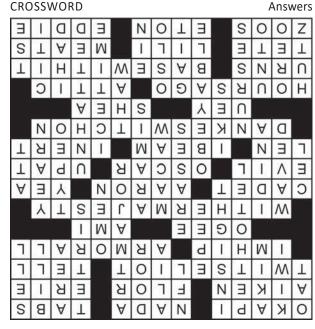
Fall Clean Up • Greenwood Cemetery, De Pere. Bring rakes, shovels, leaf blowers, etc. to get the cemetery ready for winter. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. See the De Pere Greenwood Cemetery Facebook page to learn more.

Saturday, Nov. 4

Electronics Recycling • UW-Green Bay, Green Bay. Recycle personal electronics. 12-3 p.m. Free. See UW-Green Bay's Facebook page for more information.

Tuesday, Nov. 7

Coffee with the Fire Chief • Anchor Coffee, Green Bay. Meet and talk with Fire Chief Matthew Knott and other Green Bay Metro firefighters. 10 a.m. See Green Bay Metro Fire Department's Facebook page to learn more.





FALL CLEAN UP SATURDAY, OCT. 28 | 10 A.M.-2 P.M. **GREENWOOD CEMETERY, DE PERE.**

Bring rakes, shovels, leaf blowers, etc. to get the cemetery ready for winter. See the De Pere Greenwood Cemetery Facebook page to learn more.

Wednesday, Nov. 8

Know Your Options Family Night • Green Bay Southwest High School, Green Bay. Learn about academic- and career-planning options. 5:30 p.m.(For students in grades 8-11) Visit Green Bay Schools on Facebook to learn more.

Saturday, Nov. 11

Holiday Gift and Craft Show • Resch Expo, Ashwaubenon. Shop from local vendors, artists and businesses. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Free admission. Check out Girls' Day Out-Green Bay on Facebook for more

Ongoing

Hazelwood Clue • Hazelwood Historic House, Green Bay. Spooky Victorian entertainment featuring a Clue-like murder mystery. Every half hour on Nov. 2 and 3 from 5-:30 p.m. \$20 per person. Visit browncohistoricalsoc.org to learn more and to register.

Gallerie of Shoppes • KI Center, Green Bay. Two-day shopping extravaganza featuring more than 20 shops and boutiques, 4-8 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 3 and 9 a.m.-3 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 4. \$5. See Gallerie of Shoppes on Facebook to learn more.

Friends of the Library's BIG Book Sale • Brown County Library - Central Branch, Green Bay. Thousands of gently used fiction, nonfiction, large-print and children's books, plus cookbooks, puzzles and more. Nov. 7 and 8 from 9 a.m.-7:30 p.m.; Nov. 9 from 9 a.m.-



SCREAMIN' SCARED **SCRAMBLE**

SATURDAY, OCT. 28 | 10 A.M.-12 P.M. HILLY HAVEN GOLF COURSE. DE PERE

Four-person golf scramble including golf, cart, events, prizes, food and the scariest pin placements you've ever seen. Costumes encouraged. \$100 per person. See hillyhaven.com for more details and to sign up.

6:30 p.m. \$2 hardcover books and \$1 paperback or children's books on Nov. 7 and 8. \$5 for your first bag of books and \$3 for each additional bag on Nov. 9. See the Friends of the Brown County Library Facebook page for more details.

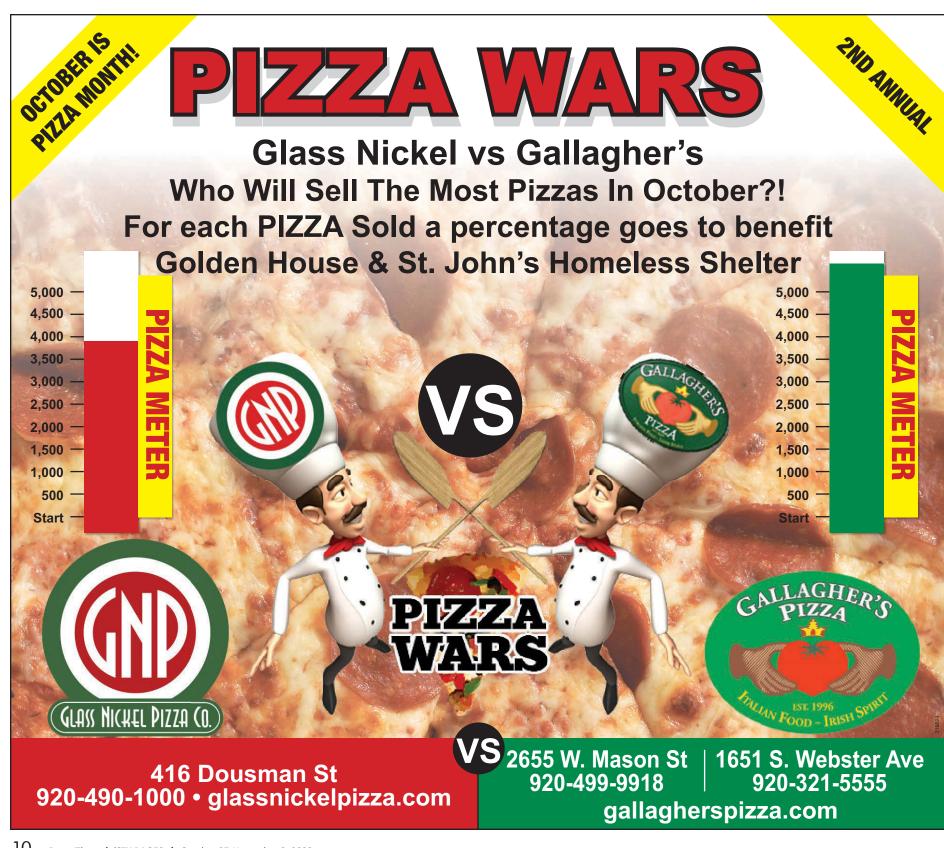
Green Bay Area Retired Men's Club • Brown County Library - Central Branch, Green Bay. Weekly meeting with coffee, donuts and speakers. The speaker for Oct. 31 is Michelle Greenheck to talk about physical therapy. Tuesdays at 8:30 a.m. Dues are \$20 per year. Prospective members welcome. Visit gbretiredmensclub.com for more details.

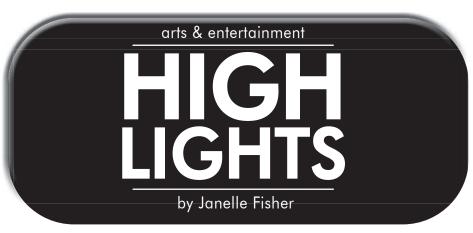
Veterans Supporting Veterans • St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, Green Bay. Veterans are invited to come together to talk, share stories, and find connections with other Veterans. First Wednesday of the month at 9 a.m. Free. Email mpeters@seasgb.org or call (920) 499-1546 ext. 109 for more information.

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

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

Al-Anon • Support group for people affected by someone else's drinking. Visit al-anon.org/meetings for a complete list of meeting locations and times or call 1-888-4Al-Anon (1-888-425-2666).







Laundry Love Event

Friday, Oct. 27 | Corner Coin Laundry, Green Bay

Free laundry washing for neighbors in need.

Quarters, soap and dryer sheets will be provided.

Each individual can wash up to two loads and each family can wash up to five loads. Bringing bedding is encouraged and will not be included in the load limits.

Sign-in will run from 5:15-8:15 p.m.

Laundry will be done from 5:30-9 p.m. on a first come, first served basis.

For more information, head to laundrylovegreenbay.org.



Pumpkin Palooza

Saturday, Oct. 28 | Titletown, Ashwaubenon

Fall activities and Halloween fun for all ages.

Pumpkin carving with carving tools and pumpkins provided, interactive giant games, live music, photo ops, pumpkin decor, professional carved pumpkins, fall crafts, art projects, trunk or treat and more.

Fall-themed food and beverages will be available for purchase, including apple cider and pumpkin donuts, pumpkin bars and caramel apples.

Festivities will take place from 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

This event is free to attend.

Visit titletown.com/events/pumpkin-palooza to learn more



Choral Chills and Symphonic Scares

Saturday, Oct. 28 | Walter Theatre, De Pere

Performance by the Dudley Birder Chorale of St. Norbert College and the Civic Symphony of Green Bay.

A costume contest will be held before the concert and during intermission.

Song selections will include music from Harry Potter, Pirates of the Caribbean, Doctor Who, Phantom of the Opera, Les Choristes (The Chorus), Saving Private Ryan, Fantasia and

Frank Hermans of Let Me Be Frank Productions will serve as the host for the concert. The concert begins at 7 p.m.

Tickets are \$25 for adults, \$20 for seniors and \$15 for students.

Visit snc.edu/tickets to learn more and to purchase tickets.



Howl-o-Ween Parade

Monday, Oct. 30 | Buddy's Vets, Bellevue

Pet costume parade walking to Bellevue Senior Living and Bellevue Memory Care and Assisted Living.

Meet at Buddy's Vets at 5 p.m.

Participants can also enter in the annual costume contest for pet costumes or pet/ owner costumes.

The clinic will also be open for tours.

See Buddy's Vets' Facebook page for more information.



Planning a Rain Garden: The Whys, Wheres and Hows

Wednesday, Nov. 1 | Brown County Library - Central Branch, Green Bay

Learn about the process of planning, designing, installing and maintaining a rain

The workshop also includes plant lists, displays and activities to familiarize you with testing for filtration/soil type, the proper slope and more.

Attendees are encouraged to bring a smartphone or other device, but limited paper copies of step-by-step instructions and library Chromebooks will be available.

The workshop begins at 6 p.m. and is free to attend.

Visit browncountylibrary.org for more details.

Thompson Square

Thursday, Nov. 2 Meyer Theatre, Green Bay

Performance by Grammy-nominated country

Hits include "Are You Gonna Kiss Me Or Not," "If I Didn't Have You," "I Got You" and "Everything I Shouldn't Be Thinking About."

The concert begins at 7:30

Tickets start at \$35.

See meyertheatre.org for

more details and to purchase tickets.



Gallerie of Shoppes

Friday, Nov. 3, and Saturday, Nov. 4 | KI Center, Green Bay

shopping extravaganza Two-day featuring more than 20 shops and boutiques.

Participating businesses include Baltic Inspirations, Bay Shore Outfitters, Be Beauty, Blacksmith Clothing Co, Briars and Brambles, Christine's Boutique, Door County Lavender & Lemon LLC, Fiddler Creek, Flaherty's Irish Candy, Fleurs, Freedom Road, Hamilton's, Jana Carrick Designs, Ladies Choice, Lillian's, London Dairy, Macarons by Nicole, My Charmed Life, Nourish Natural Products, Olivada, On a Whim, Opulenza Designs, Pink Fusion Spices, Pure Joy, Season to Taste, Sugar Rushlow, TLC Casuals, Uptown Girl and Wish.

This event will run from 4-8 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 3, and 9 a.m.-3 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 4.

Admission is \$5.

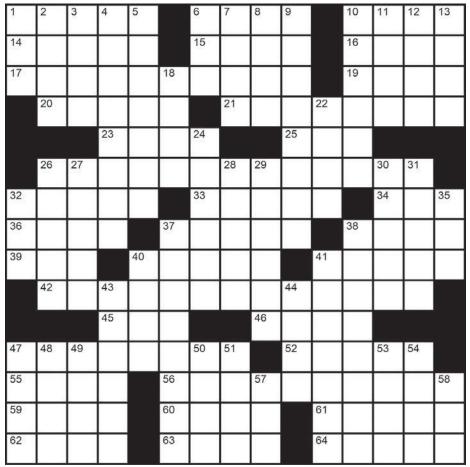
See Gallerie of Shoppes on Facebook to learn more.





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"Repartee Report" injecting some humor



by Matt Jones

1. Giraffe's striped cousin

10. Window attachments?

15. Spanish blossom

19. Bettor's giveaway

21. Car care brand

25. French friend

32. Air Force student

33. Burr in "Hamilton"

34. Vocal affirmation

37. NATO alphabet vowel

38. ___ the crack of dawn

39. "Steal My Sunshine" group

42. How to say "Thanks for activating the

"Touch of

film noir)

40. Building girder

41. Like neon or xenon

47. Earlier in the day

55. Coffee containers

59. Head of Notre Dame?

60. Taylor of "Mystic Pizza"

61. Charcuterie arrangement

63. School founded by Henry VI 64. Dog that didn't return for the

52. Upper level

lights" in German?

45. 180-degree turn, slangily

46. Stadium once used by the Mets

56. Voting bloc that's cool, Daddy-O?

62. Sites for some animal relocations

"Frasier" reboot, understandably

16. Great Lake near Ohio

14. "American Idol" runner-up Clay

17. Untouchable Ness who now only

20. "Got it," from the days of beatniks

23. Arch with a double curve (by golly!)

" (1958 Orson Welles

26. The splendor of fading roses?

focuses on silly people?

Across

6. Jack squat

Crossword answers on page 10. No peeking!

Down

- 1. Quaker bit
- 2. Fuzzy fruit
- 3. Actor Tamiroff of "Touch of (36-Across)"

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- 4. Fluffy's temporary place while the family's out, maybe
- 5. Keen perception
- 6. Gridiron gp.
- 7. Shawkat of "Arrested Development"
- 8. "Let's Make a Deal" option
- 9. Design school student, often
- 10. Block-dropping game
- 11. Neighborhood
- 12. Statement of charges
- 13. Offer at retail
- 18. Olympic fencing sword
- 22. Prophetic sign
- 24. Cancels
- 26. Gestured goodbye
- 27. "Let It Go" performer Menzel
- 28. Flashy parrot
- 29. Cologne brand named after a Musketeer
- 30. Blood bank's "universal donor"
- 31. Be nostalgic
- 32. Cartoon fan's souvenir
- 35. T, on the NYSE
- 37. Like some commands or speed limits 38. Took down a bowler?
- 40. Mike and ____ (fruit-flavored candies)
- 41. Minutes played, in hockey stats
- 43. Hospital professionals
- 44. Spring melt
- 47. "The Simpsons" lawyer Lionel
- 48. Cookie that's kosher and vegan
- 49. Commandment preposition 50. Walking pace
- 51. Scandinavian capital
- 53. "____ no idea!"
- 54. Bank opening?
- 57. Article in Der Spiegel?
- 58. China's Mao ____-tung



Secret Wisconsin: A Guide to the Weird, Wonderful, and Obscure

By Tom Manus and Kristi Flick Manus

By Kris Leonhardt Editor-in-chief

For an avid reader, history enthusiast and traveler, Secret Wisconsin: A Guide to the Weird, Wonderful, and Obscure is an eye-opening read on some of Wisconsin's mystiques.

Husband and wife authors, Tom Manus and Kristi Flick Manus, are freelance travel writers for print and online publications who enjoy back road trips.

The book should be titled "Hidden in plain sight.'

The couple's ventures have dug up some hidden Wisconsin gems that you are not likely to find anywhere else.

One story involves a piece of the five-ton Soviet satellite, Sputnik IV, which fell from the sky during reentry on Sept. 5, 1962, and left its permanent mark in the city of

While the Sputnik accident may be a matter of common knowledge, the mark that it left on a city street for future generations is an inconspicuous marker that might be overlooked by the unaware

While the 20-pound piece was returned to Russia, a life-size replica is housed in a Manitowoc museum, while the crash site is noted in a more visible place.

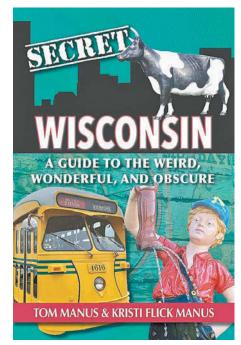
A metal ring marks that location, embedded in the pavement, in the center of Manitowoc's Eighth Street, just north of its Park Street intersection.

Farther south, a Grafton chair company made its mark in Wisconsin history due to a 1920s marketing plan.

The Wisconsin Chair Company was manufacturing chairs and phonograph (record) cabinets and while the chairs were selling well, the cabinets were another

To increase sales, the company decided to include records with their phonograph

"Soon, Paramount started recording 78 rpm records in a chair factory in Grafton," the book notes.



"Paramount started producing blues recordings (called 'race records' at the time) in 1929. They contracted with furniture store owners around the South who acted as talent scouts and arranged for the musicians to travel north to the Grafton studio and record. Trains arrived from all over the South with artists aboard who would become legendary. Louis Armstrong, Ma Rainey, Charley Patton and Skip James are just a few. A small all-white, polkaloving factory town became pivotal in an influential musical genre, and Paramount Records grew into the country's most crucial producer of blues records."

When the Great Depression hit, Paramount stopped recording and a few years later, the chair company closed down.

Today, a monument stands in Grafton to commemorate the Paramount recording studio, though the factory has long been demolished.

The book features a little less than 100 tales of the obscure, but often significant, history that is unique to our state.

