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Brown County Board to see multiple contested races in April

BY KRIS LEONHARDT
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

GREEN BAY – Multiple seats will be contested this spring on the Brown County Board of Supervisors.

District 6 will see a primary this month, while five other districts will face off on April 2.

District 5
Dan Theno (Incumbent)
Please provide your background, education and experiences that qualify you for the position:

I have devoted much of my adult life to public service. At age 25, I became the second-youngest person in history to be elected to the Wisconsin State Senate. I served four terms in the Senate followed by two terms as mayor of my hometown of Ashland. Subsequently, I served as the director of a state agency, manager of government affairs for the former Fort Howard Corporation in Green Bay, a municipal government administrator and executive director of a statewide non-profit organization. More recently, I was president of the east side Oak Grove Neighborhood Association, chair of the Green Bay Neighborhood Leadership Council and recipient of the Resident Leadership Award. I am currently chair of the Green Bay Traffic, Bicycle and Pedestrian Commission; director of the Brown County Historical Society, member of the Human Services Board and serve on the Brown County Education and Recreation Committee. In addition to my many volunteer community

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Anonymous donor to match \$25,000 for BCPF



Baird Creek originates from wetlands in mostly agricultural and rural areas and runs through suburban and urban developments on the east side of Green Bay. Much of the urban parkway is now in a conservancy managed by the city and the Baird Creek Preservation Foundation.

UW-Green Bay photo

BY MICKEY SCHOMMER
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GREEN BAY – The Baird Creek Preservation Foundation (BCPF) has been offered a \$25,000 match for February.

The BCPF works to preserve the habitats and natural spaces surrounding and within Baird Creek, which includes land protection, habitat restoration and creation, trail maintenance and environmental education.

The BCPF is currently working on two big projects, which includes habitat creation for the endangered Rusty Patch Bumble Bee and the restoration of more than 45 acres of wetland.

The Rusty Patch Bumble Bee Habitat project focuses on creating a habitat in order to revive the species.

“The easy way to [summarize] it is ‘removing all of the bad stuff and putting the good stuff back

in.’ So, taking invasive species out and planting native wildflowers and habitat-types of species that encourages feeding, foraging, nesting — all of the things that the bumble bees need to survive,” said BCPF Executive Director Holly Baseman.

Baseman said that the foundation also bought 45 acres of degraded habitat in the Baird Creek watershed for their wetland

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Sea Grant approves \$500,000 for Green Bay area research

BY GRACELYN GIESE
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

GREEN BAY – The National Sea Grant College Program, a program dedicated to maintaining coastal health and economics, has invested \$512,500 into research projects and community outreach within the Green Bay area.

These Sea Grant projects are hosted through UW-Green Bay for the 2024-26 session and will focus on climate resilience, water quality, flood resistance and Lake Michigan beach health.

Local projects will surround the East River Watershed, which stretches from Green Bay’s Lake Michigan access and south on the East River.

Julia Noordyk, a specialist with Sea Grant and co-leader of the East River Collaborative conservancy group, shared details regarding the impact of the projects on community members.



Sea Grant funded projects will improve public access to nature and increase recreational opportunities.

Gracelyn Giese photo

“We are currently developing a plan to identify nature-based projects, like agricultural runoff treatment systems, floodplain and wetland restoration and green stormwater infrastructure,” Noordyk shared.

Green stormwater infrastructure projects will begin by supporting “areas of the community with residents who may be more vulnerable to climate hazards, such as flooding or extreme heat, due to their demographics (age, race, language, income, housing status, etc.)” she added.

Noordyk also encouraged residents to take advantage of the Residential Green Stormwater Infrastructure Revolving Loan Fund.

This fund provides “low-interest loans to residential property owners to install green stormwater infrastructure on their property,” their website shares.

These projects include permeable surfacing for driveways and sidewalks, rain gardens and stormwater planter boxes.

Still, Noordyk shared that the best way people can support

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First Wisconsin election held in Green Bay

BY KRIS LEONHARDT
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

GREEN BAY – The first election held in the state of Wisconsin occurred in Green Bay, then part of a much larger Brown County.

Brown County — named for Gen. Jacob Brown — was one of the first counties organized in the state.

It was incorporated in October of 1818 by Michigan Territory Governor Lewis Cass, at that time taking up much of the eastern half of what was to become the state of Wisconsin.

What is now Wisconsin became part of the Indiana Territory when it was formed in 1800.

In 1809, it became part of the Illinois Territory and when Illinois became a state, it was merged into the Michigan Territory until Michigan became its own state.

In Florence Elizabeth Baker’s “A Brief History of the Elective Franchise in Wisconsin” — presented to the Wisconsin Historical Society in 1894 — Baker recounts the first time the elective franchise was exercised in Wisconsin.

“In June of 1825, we discover a Detroit paper (*Detroit Gazette*) stopping its press to announce that the schooner Harriet arrived this morning (June 14) from Green Bay and Mackinac, bringing the intelligence that Mr. Biddle received 82 votes at Green Bay and 42 on the island of Mackinac. Mr. Wing received at the former place 34 and at the latter 18, and Mr. Richard two at Mackinac,” the paper stated.

“In 1830, the counties of Brown, Crawford, Chippewa and Iowa, which included part

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Paul's Pantry celebrates 40 years of service

BY JO MAHLUM
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

GREEN BAY – On Feb. 14, Paul's Pantry celebrated 40 years of service.

Leo Frigo founded Paul's Pantry in 1984 out of a need for hungry people in the community who are unable to purchase enough food for their families as a result of their meager income.

Their goal is to provide a family with enough food every week for as long as needed, so they may use their food dollars for shelter, utilities and other necessities, and avoid homelessness.

"We have relied exclusively on the community for the past 40 years," stated Paul's Pantry Assistant Executive Director Bob Hornacek.

The pantry does not accept government funding of any kind and Hornacek explained why,

"The reason we do not have government funding is not a political decision, it is a flexibility decision," explained Hornacek.

"We want to have the flexibility to do the right thing for the people that matter in our community without leaving anyone out in the cold.

"Paul's Pantry is not just about the food, it is about the dignity. We provide them with a grocery store experience."

And the need for this type of experience has never been greater.

"We have never been busier than we are right now; last year was our busiest year. We made over 50,000 household visits, averaging 240 households that shop five days a week," Hornacek



Volunteers at Paul's Pantry provide recipients with a "grocery store experience."

Jo Mahlum photos



Leo Frigo founded Paul's Pantry in 1984 for those facing food insecurity.

added.

"In the past year, we would have had more than 60,000 volunteer hours, over 28,000 of those hours were returned by the families that have received food from our pantry."

Paul's Pantry serves the

community members and families in Brown County.

The need for the pantry in the community has increased over the years, but so has the community's response to that need.

"We express our sincerest thanks to our community

for providing the generosity that they have," Hornacek stated.

The doors that founder Leo Frigo opened four decades ago continued to do an immense amount of good for the Brown County community.



Less than \$100 can purchase these much-needed items for the annual Help the Homeless Hygiene Drive.

Submitted photo

Providing a fresh start

BY JAMES DEVILEY
CONTRIBUTING
WRITER

BROWN COUNTY – In a heartening collaboration, Family's Radio Network and the Brown County Homeless and Housing Coalition have joined forces to launch a county-wide effort to collect hygiene items for the most vulnerable members of the community.

Called "Help for the Homeless Hygiene Drive," this initiative aims to provide a fresh start to those facing homelessness and economic hardship.

With an extensive network of 128 collection sites placed across Brown County, the campaign has already garnered substantial support from the local community.

Liz Krumwiede, a passionate advocate for the cause, emphasized the transformative impact of personal hygiene on individuals' self-esteem.

"I just know that people who get a boost of self-esteem, just by being clean, I find it to be an amazing way to lift themselves out of the situation they are

in. It also enables them to allocate their resources toward more substantial necessities rather than spending money on the little things." Krumwiede shared.

Green Bay, known for its generosity, has played a crucial role in the success of the initiative.

Access to hygiene items from hotels and the convenience of picking up extras while shopping have made it easier for the community to contribute.

Deb Weaver, another supporter of the cause, urged empathy, stating, "I would like everyone to put themselves in a person's shoes who may be in need of these items. I know that if I were in a situation like the people receiving these items, I would love to be helped with a fresh start."

As the community emerges from the challenges of the pandemic, this initiative serves as a poignant reminder of the essential role hygiene plays in an individual's well-being.

The collective effort to

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An 1830 John Farmer map shows the size of Brown County on the east side of what is now Wisconsin, when it was part of the Michigan Territory.

John Farmer map

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of the Wisconsin Territory, but were then in Michigan Territory, were exempted from the operation of the law requiring freehold security to be given for any purpose, or as a qualification for office."

The race was for the U.S. House of Representatives, and at that time the election was held on varying dates from July 1824, to August 1825 across the country.

Incumbent Gabriel Richard faced Austin Eli Wing and John Biddle for the non-voting delegate for



Incumbent Gabriel Richard faced Austin Eli Wing and John Biddle for the non-voting delegate for the Michigan Territory at-large. Richard lost to Wing, pictured, in the election.
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the Michigan Territory at-large.

Richard lost to Wing in the election.

"As Michigan was still a territory, Wing was a non-voting delegate. He was allowed to debate, bring up bills in committee, but not to vote. He was again elected in 1830 as Michigan's delegate to the U.S. House," said Monroe County Museum Volunteer Mary Strelvel wrote in a Monroe News column.

Strelvel transcribed handwritten letters donated to the museum from the Wing family.

"In the process of deci-

phering one of the letters Austin had written to his father in 1825, I learned that the election of 1825 was contested. Austin had two opponents in this election: Major Biddle and Mr. Richard. Wing tied Biddle for the seat at 732 votes. Mr. Richard objected to the counting of certain votes given at Sault de St. Marie on the grounds of illegality. Of course Mr. Biddle objected, and a committee was formed to look into this matter. After much debating, the election was decided in favor of Austin Eli Wing and he became the delegate to the 19th Congress."

UNPACKING History



The Green Bay Packers Hall of Fame generously opened their vault to share pieces of Packers history with the Press Times to be highlighted each week for our readers. For more information on the hall of fame, visit www.packershofandtours.com. If you would like to donate Green Bay Packers memorabilia to the Packers Hall of Fame, contact Katie at (920) 965-6986 or katief@gbphof.com.

In the 1930s, the NFL presented a traveling trophy to the championship team. NFL owners named it the Ed Thorp Trophy after an official who was friends with several owners. It was awarded as a transferable trophy to the champions and a smaller replica could be ordered by the team. It was replaced by the Vince Lombardi trophy in the 1970s. In 2017, the original traveling Thorp trophy was discovered in a Packers storage space in three pieces; it was reassembled and given a place of prominence. Kris Leonhardt photo



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We salute our local FFA clubs for all the great work they do

FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education.



Southwest FFA President, Gail Wery, shows off rainbow trout to elementary students

As the Green Bay Southwest Chapter prepares for FFA Week we have many activities to show off our chapter! In September we had elementary school students come in and have an interactive tour of our agriscience department (FFA - Food for America program), our "Warm Hearts Drive" which is our winter clothes donation drive for local elementary schools, multiple food fundraisers-including our "Warm Hearts" drive booyah sales in which we raised \$500, FFA members competing in LDEs and CDEs, having students show off our school's poultry, volunteering for local organizations, and lastly members working on their SAE projects ranging from teaching their dog a new trick to students programming a fully-automated indoor Farmbot. We can't wait for more activities going into our second semester.

Green Bay East FFA

FFA wears the blue & gold, but also encourages folks to be green! Your Green Bay East FFA runs an electronic recycling drive where cords, broken headphones, printers, & more are collected for the Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary's electronic drive in April. Present to drop off the materials (pictured top right down to left) Riley Zirbel, Faith Thiry, & advisor Mr. Zachary Markhardt.



Some highlights of the West De Pere FFA chapter so far this year:

Eight of our members traveled to Seymour High School to be a part of the Fall Leadership Workshops. (pictured). At this event officers were able to build knowledge of their positions and other members took home great ideas to our chapter. For the first time this year, West De Pere FFA hosted a Fall Harvest Event at one of our district's elementary schools. This was a great success as FFA members taught 4th graders all about the growth and harvest of some of Wisconsin's top commodities including corn, cranberries, and apples. We sent 6 members to the National FFA Conference in Indianapolis, where we toured Harry Hansen's Meat Market, Ozark Fisheries and visited the Lincoln Park Zoo. At the convention and expo our members also learned new skills through attending workshops and explored different agriculture jobs and business at the expo. During the Fall and Winter, West De Pere coordinated two service projects including a Canned Food Drive and Holiday Card Project. Most recently West De Pere had 6 FFA members compete in District Leadership Development Events with one of our members moving onto compete in sectionals.

The Pulaski FFA chapter and its members have been busy this year with several events! To start the FFA year Pulaski had members attend both State and National FFA Conventions. We kicked the school year off with a Back to School Picnic where members and parents looked at the exciting events to come this year while enjoying a meal and socialization. Pulaski FFA chapter hosted the Haunted Trail. The trail ran for one night prior to Halloween and served as a fundraiser for the Pulaski Food Pantry. Members had a successful fruit sale once again. Pulaski FFA members thank everyone who supported our chapter by purchasing fruit. After fruit sale members celebrated their success by bowling at Ashwaubenon Lanes. As FFA week approaches members have been busy filling out Proficiency Applications that highlight the success of their Supervised Agricultural Experiences (SAE). During FFA week the Pulaski Chapter will host an open house at Pulaski High School and activities for members. Members look forward to LDE and CDE competitions, Day on the Farm, Chapter Banquet, and monthly chapter activities to finish the FFA year.



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Each year, FFA chapters around the country celebrate National FFA Week. It's a time to share what FFA is and the impact it has on members every day.



De Pere FFA has had a very eventful year doing numerous events and activities. This past September, De Pere FFA helped with the Shillcox Alpaca open house where members were able to assist in the open house. Some of the highlights were the face painting station that the members helped out with. In November, members made the trip to the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis. De Pere FFA members spent the week networking with various agricultural businesses as well as meeting with other FFA members from throughout the nation. In December, we finished out the year with another successful fruit sale fundraiser. This spring, the De Pere FFA will be busy with various Leadership and Career Development Events all while wrapping up the year with the Wisconsin State FFA Convention in Madison.

Bay Port FFA

Bay Port FFA is proud to be the largest organization offered at Bay Port High School, with a total of 95 members! Throughout the year, we offer over 150 events to members: agricultural topics, tours, community outreach, and educational field trips. This past summer one of our top events was held at the 2023 Brown County Fair, Special Drive. A pig show that gave 15 students with special needs the opportunity to show a pig after an afternoon of mentorship from FFA members and current exhibitors. Throughout the event, exhibitors learned how to bathe, walk, and the daily care a pig needs to succeed in the show ring. Each student received a ribbon and tee shirt to showcase their accomplishments and ended with a picnic-style dinner.



Preble FFA

The FFA is a national organization for students who are enrolled in Preble Agriscience/Natural Resources Classes and strive to develop leadership skills, personal growth and career success in the our nation's diverse agriscience/natural resources industry. Students who become involved in the State and National FFA Career Development Events can earn great scholarship opportunities through the Wisconsin and National FFA Foundation. Students have to be working towards a career and education in animal sciences, plant sciences or natural resources. The Green Bay Preble Agriscience/ Natural Resources Department has access to these applications through the State and National FFA Association.



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State superintendent makes stop at Southwest High School

State Superintendent Dr. Jill Underly kicked off Career and Technical Education Month by visiting with students at Green Bay Southwest High School to learn about the Green Bay Area Public School District's career and technical education pathways. Above, Underly talks with Southwest Tech Ed Department Head Joe Engebos. Below, Underly visits with students Bennett LeClair and Makayla Ness in a space that was formerly used as a day care, where she learned how local students work with the hydroponics, aeroponics and aquaponics systems. **Kris Leonhardt photos**



Packers begin search for new CEO

BY PRESS TIMES STAFF

GREEN BAY – The Green Bay Packers have started the search for the organization's next CEO.

Packers current CEO/President Mark Murphy will retire in July 2025, following Green Bay's first hosting of the NFL Draft.

The Packers organization currently holds a mandatory retirement age for the CEO position in their by-laws; Murphy turns 70 on July 13, 2025.

Packers Executive Committee Vice President/Lead Director Susan Finco will serve as chair for the Packers Board of Directors Search Committee.

"Mark's contributions to the organization have been tremendous," Finco said. "From updating the corporate leadership structure to growing and diversifying revenue to increasing the meaningful impact of the Packers in the community, Mark continues to position the Packers for success. We look forward to his insightful leadership in the next year and a half."

Other search committee members include: Dan Ariens, executive committee secretary and chair of the personnel and compensation committee, vice chair for the search committee; Mike Simmer, treasurer,



Murphy

executive committee; DJ Long, executive committee, personnel and compensation committee; Marcia Anderson, executive committee; Karl Schmidt, executive committee; Michael Barber, Packers Foundation chair; Jeff Joerres, investment committee chair; Eddie Garcia, former player, board member at-large; Robyn Davis, board member at-large; and Mike Daniels, board member at-large.

"The search committee is working with Korn Ferry, a highly regarded national search firm the organization has worked with previously. The Korn Ferry team is led by Jed Hughes, who brings decades of high-level experience to the process and has worked with the Packers on other top-level searches, including the search that identified Murphy as the recom-

mended candidate to succeed Bob Harlan in 2007," a Packers release stated.

"We have a long and positive history with the Green Bay Packers and are pleased to be working with the search committee to identify their next leader of this unique and storied franchise," Hughes said. "We take pride in having more than 50 years of experience working with the NFL and its teams."

In addition to Hughes, the Korn Ferry team includes Tierney Remick, Divina Gamble and Garrick Yu.

"Our search committee takes this responsibility very seriously as our new leader will shape the Packers' future," Ariens said. "We have been preparing the past several months for this important process, which will be comprehensive and align with NFL rules and requirements, and are pleased to be able to work with Jed Hughes and his team at Korn Ferry."

The search committee's work is expected to take six to nine months, after which it is expected to present its recommendation to the board of directors for a vote.

The selected candidate will then work alongside Murphy during a transition period.



The 2024-25 council section representatives were installed into their position during the event. They include: Section 1-Todd Coons, Shell Lake & Dave Clausen, Amery; Section 2- David Meyer, Hudson & Agnes Buttke, Cadott; Section 3- Derek Trescher, Cashton; Section 4 - Rick Bockhop, Platteville & Nick Huffman, Hollandale; Section 5- Dan Ziegler, New Glarus & Jerry Wendt, Stoughton; Section 6- Matt Damm, Columbus & Brooke Woodbury, Baraboo; Section 7-William Litzer, Edgar&Mason Gukenberger, Marshfield; Section 8- Mark Kunde, Winneconne & Stacy Boettcher, Weyauwega-Fremont; Section 9- Nicole Wallander, Kiel & Missy Steffes, New Holstein; and Section 10- Jim Schneider, Campbellsport & Mary Gundrum, Mayville. **Submitted photo**

Creating connections in Green Bay

FOR THE PRESS TIMES

GREEN BAY – The 44th annual convention of the Wisconsin FFA Alumni & Supporters organization was held Feb. 2-3 at the KI Convention Center and Hyatt Regency in Green Bay.

The theme of the convention, "Creating Connections in 2024," focused on networking and sharing resources and trainings.

About 300 FFA Alumni members and guests from across the state of Wisconsin attended the event.

The convention kicked off Friday with a state council meeting, followed by an optional tour of Green Bay West agriculture department, Lambeau Field and Hinterland Brewery.

New this year were two "make and take" options for guests, one to make a glass art succulent dish and the other a wooden flower wall hanging.

The Friday evening events included a dinner buffet and auction, and entertainment by Dueling DJ's Dan & Rudy.

Saturday included business meetings, workshops and a special recognition program luncheon of past state FFA officers and state council leaders.

The annual awards banquet program included the retiring address of state

association President Bobbie Jo Montgomery, and the recognition of numerous award winners, including Outstanding Agriculture Educator Award winners Mary Handrich - Denmark, Joseph Heinbuch - New Holstein, Tracy Heinbuch - Plymouth, Walter Taylor - Oconto Falls, Hallie Rehn - Oconto Falls, Dan Robinson - Lomira, Mariah Markhardt - Oconto Falls, Samantha White - Stoughton and Jared Mack - Sauk Prairie.

Troy Talford, a teacher from Sauk Prairie, was named the state winning educator.

Curtiss Steffes, from New Holstein, was presented the Outstanding Young Member Award for his exceptional leadership.

Elkhorn FFA Alumni & Supporters was selected as the Public Relations award state winner.

Stoughton received second place, and Granton received third place honors.

Lomira FFA Alumni & Supporters was selected as the Public Relations award state winner.

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betterment activities, I am currently serving in my first term on the Brown County Board, representing the people living in District 5 on the east side of Green Bay.

What developments would you like to see the county make over the upcoming term:

Should I be re-elected, I will continue to work on making sure that Brown County government is fiscally responsible while meeting the basic needs of our people. I am proud of the fact that in the first two years of my membership on the County Board of Supervisors, we were able to cut the county tax rate, reduce the county debt and yet deliver outstanding service to our citizens.

I would like to continue my work on the county board's education and recreation committee which oversees the Neville Museum, the NEW Zoo, our Brown County Libraries, the county golf course and the parks department. Those departments of Brown County are all doing an outstanding job in meeting the various needs of our citizens.

Although I am not on the county board's law enforcement committee, I am very interested in pursuing county and state solutions to the current backlog in our county court system. "Justice delayed is justice denied" as the old saying goes. We need to take a harder look at whether we need more public defenders, assistant district attorneys and judges to make sure that defendants are processed through the criminal justice system in an equitable, fair and cost-efficient manner.

Finally, as a new member of the Brown County Board of Supervisors, I am very pleased by how the 26 members of the board, department heads, staff and Brown County Executive Troy Streckenbach work together for the betterment of Brown County. Some of the members of the County Board are more progressive and some are more conservative, but everyone tries to work together to serve our citizens. We need to keep partisan politics out of local government.

What means would you use to further involve your constituents in the decision-making process:

I publish my email address and phone number in communications with the residents of District 5 and always encourage them to contact me with their issues or concerns.

Part of the problem with county government in general is that many people don't know exactly what the county does. When I mention to them that the county is responsible for the airport, the Port of Green Bay; our libraries, parks and trails, the zoo



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and the Neville Museum; the jail and court system, county social services, recycling and landfilling, emergency management and 911, marriage licensing and property records, county planning and zoning, county roads and bridges, the Resch Center and Expo, UW Extension, land and water conservation programs, the new STEM center, public health and many other functions, they begin to understand how important Brown County government really is.

People need to be able to know what Brown County government actually does in order to be more involved in making their voices heard. One way that can be accomplished is to televise or record meetings of the board of supervisors. That would offer citizens more information and ensure a greater degree of transparency.

For a small news outlet, the Press Times does an admirable job of reporting on local government. We need to encourage all media outlets to cover the vital decisions being made locally that are often more important to our citizens than decisions being made in Madison or Washington.



Gloria Jane Eastman
Please provide your background, education and experiences that qualify you for the position:

The role of the county board is largely to fund and oversee the social services at the county level. I believe deeply in the power of everyday people to represent the best interests of their peers. I am a new voice in the conversation that reflects the majority of the people in District 5 and that is my strength. As a person who was the child of a single father in Brown County, as a person who has recently experienced brief unemployment, and as a person who is a renter (like 43% of Green Bay households) I greatly respect and have personal experience with the critical role those services play.

As a member of the LG-BTQ+ community, as a per-

son under 35 and as someone who grew up and remains a part of the working class, I bring a crucial perspective of this county that many of the other members do not have. I am at my core an organizer and activist. I currently co-chair the Green Bay chapter of the DSA and have held other leadership positions in other organizations for many years. I also formally studied leadership in college.

What developments would you like to see the county make over the upcoming term:

I am working towards a better future for all Brown County residents. I will ensure decisions that are made answer to a call for equity and access. An example goal would be to have all committee and board meetings available on YouTube—a highly accessible platform. I recently had an orthopedic surgery that led to me relying on mobility aids such as a wheelchair and rollator and without the ability to drive a car for several months.

My experiences navigating Brown County in this way gave me personal insight on the importance of our public transit system, as well as the ways in which people can fall through the cracks. As a member of the Brown County board, I can be trusted to listen to what the people most impacted need and learn how we can better ensure that they have the ability to engage fully in their community.

Additionally, I will dedicate myself to passing a comprehensive green plan that ensures clean air, clean water and cleaner energy to bring a brighter future to all Brown County residents. Climate change affects lower economic classes first as well as renters since people are unable to make major changes to their housing. This directly impacts the people in my district, but also all across Brown County. Brown County is just one small place, but the world is made up of millions of small places and we must all do our part.

What means would you use to further involve your constituents in the decision-making process:

It is currently incredibly hard for the common constituent to monitor and understand the role of the county board. Under the current system, the people who struggle most to access this board are some of the same people who rely most heavily on the services that we provide and oversee. Increasing access and accountability to those constituents ensures that we are being held accountable for our actions and the im-

pacts that they have. I would like to see greater board accessibility (such as the YouTube videos discussed above). This is important so that any person, regardless of education level or ability, can engage with the government body that oversees the social services which play such an important role in the lives of my neighbors in District 5 and all Brown County residents. I plan to be available in person, but I also plan to remain available via email, social media platforms and phone so that people can reach out on their own schedule (even a third shift schedule) and get a response back before the next meeting.

District 6

Primary on Feb. 20. Candidate profiles published in Feb. 2 edition.

District 14



Nick Dagneau
(Incumbent)

Please provide your background, education and experiences that qualify you for the position:

I am a lifelong Green Bay Area resident, graduated from Preble High School and then from St. Norbert College with a bachelors degree in business administration. My entire professional career I have worked within the financial field. I am proudly a member of Central Church in Green Bay, where I also volunteer with Ruby's Pantry once a month.

What developments would you like to see the county make over the upcoming term:

Holding a seat on the county board, I will look forward to working with municipalities to come up with solutions to pressing issues. I will strive to support infrastructure projects that will better the conditions for all Brown County residents. I would like to come up with solutions with my counterparts that will tackle the issue of the growing homeless population in the Green Bay area.

What means would you use to further involve your constituents in the decision-making process:

I would encourage constituents to reach out to me with comments and concerns

they may have pertaining to particular issues. I would love to hear others' points of view and hear ideas, because we are all stronger together, and together we are Allouez. I would also strongly encourage my constituents to get involved by attending the monthly board meetings that are always open to the public.



Latosha Greenleaf

Please provide your background, education and experiences that qualify you for the position:

I have a bachelors degree in accounting and 15 years of experience at B&B Packaging. I recently became a full-time executive director of a nonprofit I founded, Urban Cultural Arts & Event Center, driven by my passion for helping people. I've lived in Allouez for six years, raising three kids.

What developments would you like to see the county make over the up-

coming term:

For the county, I want to continue focusing on sustainable development, invest strategically for economic growth and improve education and healthcare services.

What means would you use to further involve your constituents in the decision-making process:

To involve the residents in the decision-making process, I'd host town hall meetings, implement an online platform for feedback and collaborate with community groups. I aim to be a dedicated advocate, ensuring your voices shape our county's future.


District 18
Patrick Hopkins
(Incumbent)

Multiple requests were made to this candidate by both phone and email, and no responses were received.

Katie McDonald
Please provide your background, education and experiences that qualify you for the position:

I was born and raised in Green Bay. I now live in De Pere with my husband and three children. My formal education is in teaching. I

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Leveraging digital platforms, including social media and a dedicated website will create accessible spaces for constituents to engage in discussions and virtual interactions. This approach ensures that even those with time constraints or mobility challenges can actively participate.

To reach a diverse range of voices, I wish to establish advisors representing different community interests. These advisors will serve as guides, providing valuable perspectives on various issues and contributing to a more comprehensive decision-making process during my term. They ensure that the interests of the constituents are known to me so that I may appropriately vote on direct needs.

District 24



Vanya Koepke
Please provide your background, education and experiences that qualify you for the position:

I am currently a trustee on the Hobart Village Board where I serve on the Public Works, Tax Assessment Review and the Bay Area Room Tax Committees. I have previously served as a commissioner on the Green Bay Police and Fire Commission. Additionally, I served on Hobart's first parks and recreation committee.

In my time as a trustee, we have built a brand-new Fire Station without raising taxes. We have kept the Hobart/Lawrence Police department and invested into their training and resources. I voted to reduce fees and freeze property taxes in Hobart to help residents during inflation. I also voted to secure a 17-year ambulance contract for Hobart with Brown County Rescue. This contract has reduced response times and improved public safety in the village and surrounding communities.

In addition to my elected duties, I work at Schneider National as an operations manager and have worked there for almost eight years. I have a bachelors degree from UW-Green Bay (where I served as the Student Government President) with a double major in political science and public administration.

I am married to my wife Callee and volunteer at Spring Lake Church.

What developments would you like to see the county make over the upcoming term:

I am running to leverage my experience and community partnerships to do the following through collaborative efforts to fix the Opioid Crisis (this will take longer than two years, but we must continue to lay a foundation and make measurable progress towards the ultimate goal); improve roads and transportation; responsibly manage tax-payer

dollars; manage the scope of government and provide affordable solutions; improve housing availability; and finish the Duck Creek Trail from Pamperin Park and Oneida. We must do better in connecting the county trail system. This project will be instrumental in the areas of public health, recreation and connection between multiple communities. We must also protect property access for property owners who have to cross the Duck Creek Trail from main roadways.

What means would you use to further involve your constituents in the decision-making process:

In my first term as a trustee on the Hobart Village Board, I have hosted over 20 monthly listening sessions. Listening to constituent input is a priority to me. I would continue holding these valuable listening sessions (in Hobart and Howard).

Further, I leverage social media, event attendance and in-person visits to my constituents as a way to stay engaged with their needs.



Ross Toellner

Please provide your background, education and experiences that qualify you for the position:

I am a husband, a dad of two — five- and two-year-old — and a teacher. I have worked at Bay Port High School for almost 13 years as a business educator. I have had the privilege of working with over 4,000 students in my career and have loved every second of it.

I earned a bachelors degree in marketing and business education with a minor in economics and business administration from UW-Stout, and a masters in school counseling from Lakeland University. I am a lifelong resident of Brown County and a graduate of West De Pere High School. I own a home in Howard.

I am a true believer in hearing all sides to an issue before making a decision. Being open-minded and open

to ideas is important to me. While I don't have political experience I do have knowledge of the issues. I have prided myself on making all County types of board meetings within the last year and many of the county committee meetings. I have built relationships with current county employees and supervisors.

My other experiences include working for St. John's Ministry Men's Homeless Shelter, working with "Miss Amazing" — an event for young ladies with disabilities, being a performing arts center manager for Howard Suamico School district with over 90 events a year and being a treasurer for a non-profit organization. All of these experiences and skills will make me well-suited to handle the challenges of being a county board supervisor.

What developments would you like to see the county make over the upcoming term:

Brown County should continue to recruit and retain the high-quality employees we have and need. As a Brown County supervisor, I can support this goal by finding new ways of promoting, paying and benefiting our employees.

I would also like to see a concentration on conservation. The board has started this process by working with UW-Green Bay, Green Bay City Council and Oneida Nation on the National Estuarine Research Reserve (NERR) project. The included benefit of renovating Renard Island as a park and facility for families is a great added bonus.

Finally, I would like to emphasize mental health and work with our health and human services department to stop the epidemic of depression, anxiety and mental illness. My belief is that if we can work through those core issues, many of the drug and crime issues we have in our county will also decrease.

For my district, I will focus on the relationship we have with the Oneida Nation, and continue to grow that. I will work hard on getting the Duck Creek Trail completed, which would allow someone on a bike to travel from New London to Green Bay (Duck Creek Trail) to Wausau (Mountain Bay Trail) with only one small area of residential streets.

What means would you

use to further involve your constituents in the decision-making process:

Involving my constituents is something I have thought about a lot both before announcing my candidacy and in my time walking neighborhoods. Now that I am a candidate, I want to hear from all of my constituents. My cell phone number is (920) 655-8287, I will give it to anyone and everyone. Listening, to

me, is 80% of a conversation, and I genuinely want to hear from the people what they would like to see happen.

I know that I will never have all of the answers. We hire people for Brown County to be experts in their field, I am not hired for that. I am hired by my constituents to listen to them and work for them. I can't always promise that I can give the results people want, but I will always try to do what is best for the

community.

I want everyone to know that if you have issues, questions or concerns with Brown County and if you live in District 24, call, email or text me. I am open to hearing your thoughts.

Also if you have something great to say about Brown County, let me know I would love to pass it on to those that are in charge of that area as we all need positive reinforcement sometimes.

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restoration project. The land must be completely restored back to native habitat, which includes wetlands and prairie areas that encourages water quality and provides places for migrating birds and waterfowl.

"We want to create a natural oasis and have a positive impact on the watershed area," she added.

The wetland project has received some funding, but the BCPF is still trying to find the remainder.

Baseman said that part of the project's costs will be offset by a \$25,000 match from an anonymous mem-

ber of the foundation.

"This member of the foundation, whose been a member for a very long time, who's turning 80, said 'You know what, I want to give [the BCPF] \$25,000 as a pledged match. So, if you can raise \$25,000 in the month of February, I will match it to put towards this project,'" she explained.

This year, the BCPF is a participating organization of Give BIG Green Bay, which Baseman hopes will provide additional support for their projects.

"We're trying to get the word out so that people know that we're trying to do these huge environ-

mental projects, and between the two of them, restoring 100 acres," said Baseman.

The foundation understands that this month is not only a month to celebrate their projects, but also to reflect on their accomplishments as their founding member, Paul Hartmann, passed away.

"We're trying to give thanks because we wouldn't be doing these enormous projects and protecting nature if it weren't for the fact that he started these great places," said Baseman.

For more information, visit bairdcreek.org/donatenow.

SEA GRANT

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Sea Grant and green infrastructure projects is to "lead by example and

show their family, friends and neighbors how cool these things are."

More information regarding Green Stormwater Loan

Fund and Sea Grant projects in the Green Bay area can be found at www.greenbaywi.gov/1422 and www.seagrant.wisc.edu/news.

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provide these basic necessities not only addresses immediate needs but also contributes to fostering a sense of dignity and hope within the community's most vulnerable members. Some of the most need-

ed items include bathroom tissue, deodorant, dental care, face and bath soap, laundry detergent, razors and trash bags.

The dates that you can drop off products are Sunday, Feb. 11 through Sunday, March 3.

Some of the local drop

off stations include (but not limited to) Aurora Hospital, Bay Towel, Festival Foods, Brown County libraries, Green Bay Community Church and many more.

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Community, rural focus guides new Bellin and Gundersen CFO

WISCONSIN – On Monday, Feb. 26, John Celeen will officially join Bellin and Gundersen as the system's new chief financial officer (CFO), taking over for Steve Little, who served as interim Bellin and Gundersen CFO since August 2023.

"We are fortunate to welcome John back to his Wisconsin roots," said Scott Rathgaber, MD, chief executive officer, Bellin and Gundersen Health System. "His broad understanding of healthcare in our region and his aligned commitment to our mission creates a powerful combination that will accelerate our ability to care for patients and our communities for years to come. John is a fantastic addition to our leadership team."

Prior to joining Bellin and Gundersen, Celeen has accrued more than 30 years of experience in executive healthcare finance leadership at places such as Froedtert Health, Ascension Health/Ministry Health and Banner Health's Western Division.

"As a Wisconsin native and from years of experience in Wisconsin healthcare, I have admired Bellin and Gundersen for their quality, service to the community, and collaborative, innovative culture," John says. "What attracted me most is Bellin and Gundersen's commitment to positively impact people and communities, with a focus on health and well-being. I am thrilled to join this incredible team."

Nominations open for 2024 Governor's Service Awards

WISCONSIN – Nominations are open now through March 18 for the 2024 Governor's Service Awards.

The Governor's Service Awards honor outstanding national service members, volunteers, and programs.

Those honored by these awards will have made significant contributions to Wisconsin through their service, with their generous service impacting the lives of countless Wisconsinites.

Awards will recognize outstanding national service by individuals and programs serving through AmeriCorps and AmeriCorps Seniors and the tremendous impact volunteers make throughout the state by honoring a Volunteer of the Year from multiple categories of volunteer service.

The 2024 nomination form and information on past recipients is available at servewisconsin.wi.gov/governors-service-awards.

STEM Education Scholarship Program applications open

WISCONSIN – Lt. Gov. Sara Rodriguez has announced that the National Lieutenant Governors Association (NLGA) has opened the application period for the annual Lt. Governors' Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics (STEM) Scholarship Program, which awards up to \$1,000 to 12 schools nationally to support STEM-related activities for youth.

Applications will be accepted until March 15 with award recipients announced in Spring 2024.

"Advancing and supporting critical STEM education opportunities for students to hone their skills and find their passion for this ever-changing, ever-important field is essential for their success in the 21st-century workforce," said Lt. Gov. Rodriguez. "Gov. Evers and I will continue to make sure all Wisconsinites are encouraged, welcomed and supported in STEM programs and the tech industry."

NLGA will award 12 scholarships worth \$10,000 total to 12 schools in 12 different states and territories.

All public, private, and Tribal schools in the 50 states and five U.S. territories are invited to apply at nlga.awardsplatform.com.

Funding will be awarded to schools to support STEM-related activities, programming, curriculum, equipment and other expenses.

"The need for increased educational opportunities in STEM is nonpartisan and an area of consensus for the nation's lieutenant governors," said NLGA Executive Director Julia Brossart. "NLGA has adopted STEM Education as a

pillar of work for the association on behalf of members, who know the importance of educating students in STEM to prepare for the jobs of tomorrow."

Additional information on the STEM Scholarship Program, including instructions for applying, can be found at nlga.us/strategies/nlga-state-strategies-in-stem.

Sign up for NEWCA's Construction Leadership Academy

NORTHEAST WISCONSIN – Registration is open now for the new Construction Leadership Academy, a management training opportunity for new and emerging leaders within the construction trades.

The skills-development curriculum is provided by the NEW Construction Alliance (NEWCA) in partnership with the business and industry services department of Fox Valley Technical College (FVTC).

The 18-hour program offers an in-depth learning experience for emerging supervisors within the construction trades who seek to build or enhance the knowledge and skills needed to be effective leaders.

The integrated curriculum, which is delivered in-person in three-hour segments, is organized around themes of managing self, a team, the work and its processes/systems.

"This type of training was requested by our NEW Construction Alliance members," said Jason Mathwig, industry alliance director for New North Inc. "They often have talented people in their organizations who are deserving of a promotion to a supervisory position, but the company lacks a ready-made leadership training program to prepare these individuals for their new roles. We believe the Construction Leadership Academy will provide the desired learning opportunity, along with the ability to engage with professionals in the nuanced construction industry."

Two virtual sessions are available to learn more about the program and to have questions answered. They are on March 4 from 3-3:30 p.m. and on March 8 from 8:30-9 a.m.

Registration for both sessions is available at <https://t.ly/newcaleadership>.

The cost to participate in the Construction Leadership Academy is \$750 per participant for current NEWCA investors and \$1,500 per participant for non-members.

The investment includes all assessments, materials, catering, learning management system access and the time of the facilitator.

Participants who complete the curriculum will receive one associate degree credit and have the potential to earn advanced standing in the three-credit Supervision course.

Public invited to apply for NWTC Board

GREEN BAY – Northeast Wisconsin Technical College is now accepting applications for three positions on the NWTC District Board of Trustees.

Board members play a key role in helping shape higher education and grow the economic vitality of the region.

"NWTC is a pillar to the workforce pipeline of Northeast Wisconsin, transforming lives through education and bolstering the industries that make our communities great," said Dr. Kristen Raney, NWTC president. "With the growth of our region and demand for skilled workers, the role of our District Board members has never been more crucial. Serving as a District Board member is not merely a role; it's an opportunity to shape the future of our thriving community."

Applications for the following three Board positions are now being accepted, each for a three-year term: one employer representative, one employee representative, and one school district administrator.

The counties currently represented by these appointments are Brown/Outagamie, Kewaunee/Manitowoc and Marinette.

Applications must be submitted by Wednesday, Feb. 21.

For more information about the application process and the NWTC District Board of Trustees, visit nwtc.edu/Board.

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GBAPS superintendent conduct under review by district

BY KRIS LEONHARDT
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

GREEN BAY – During the Feb. 12 meeting of the Green Bay Area Public Schools (GBAPS) Board meeting, board members were addressed by former Green Bay Area School District Board Member/School Principal Ed Dorff regarding comments that were made by GBAPS Superintendent Dr. Claude Tiller, Jr. during a recent radio interview.

The interview was conducted on a nationally syndicated Atlanta public radio show on Feb. 6 while Tiller was on a work recruitment trip for the district.

Dorff called for the district to make the video available to the public and said that he had viewed it himself before the video was apparently taken down.

"On Saturday, I was made aware of and then watched a video of a live-streamed interview that our superintendent did on a radio show in Atlanta earlier in the week," Dorff told the board during the meeting's public forum.

"While I understand it isn't the video of our district's origin, I understand that the district does have a copy, which is as I understand as well as subject to open records requests. I strongly encourage the district to make this video publicly available so that people can view the entire piece before drawing any conclusions one way or another.

"In that interview, Dr. Tiller spoke of being called to go to Green Bay. He said he is a man of faith and that he leads by example. There were station or commercial breaks dur-

ing the interview, and the microphones in the studio stayed on, they stayed live. During the course of the interview between the actual questions and answers and the breaks, the superintendent spoke of Green Bay and of specific individuals and the community as a whole."

Dorff stated that Tiller made derogatory statements about fellow staff members and the community.

"I understood that several district staff members have viewed this video; they viewed it on Thursday; and by Saturday afternoon, the video was taken down by whoever posted it.

"This unfortunate event on the heels of the Burns / Van Fleet report (a report conducted by an educational consulting firm regarding staff assessment, job function and external landscape) and on the cusp of boundary changes and certain calls for a referendum will require the community to come together under strong leadership.

"Our students, staff and community deserve to be respected, trusted and treated with positive regard by district leadership. How you, the board, ultimately handle this matter will be a test of your character and your moral courage."

Because it is a personnel issue, the district is unable to comment publicly at this time; but, the board did tell local media that the matter was under review.

Tiller was absent from the Feb. 12 public board meeting.

He is in his first year with the district.

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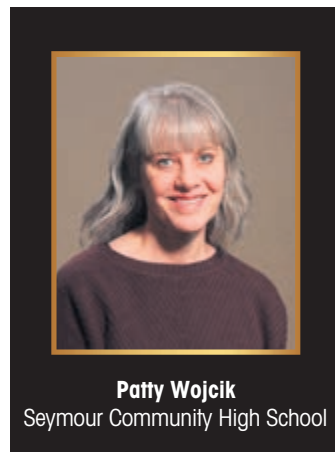
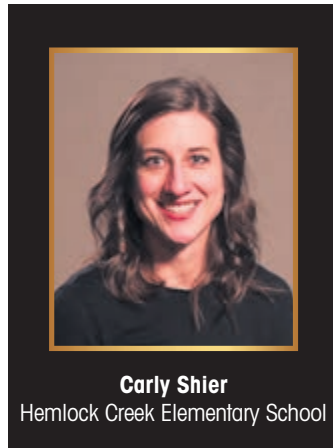
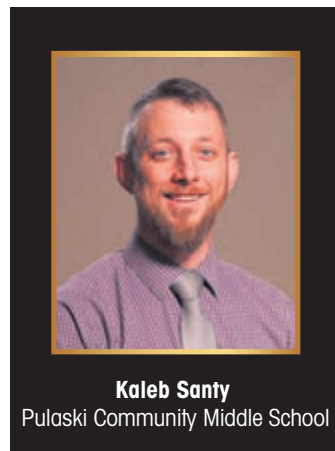
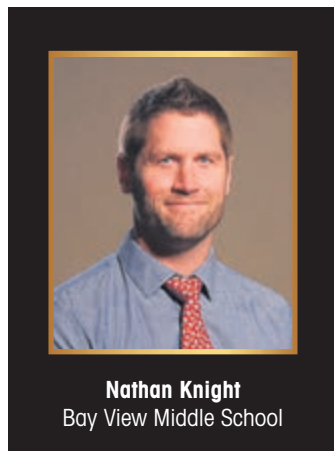
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Colorful artwork by Jenna Kast showcased in lates Art Garage exhibit

By Janelle Fisher
City Pages Editor

The Art Garage opened its doors this week after a month-long hiatus to invite patrons to view *When the Mood Strikes*, an exhibit featuring the recent artwork of Jenna Kast.

“This show, for me, is a collection of my work over the past six to eight months,” Kast said. “It represents sort of the most recent evolution in my work... For this show, I’ve been sort of building up my cash of artwork over the past six months or so, because my goal was to have more work on hand and have more work that can be sent to galleries. I’ve been working on building up this collection of work and creating this really cohesive body of work across everything that I create.”

Many of the pieces in the exhibit are done at a large scale, which Kast said allows for details to be featured more prominently.

“I tend to prefer to work on a larger canvas,” she said. “I like the freedom of movement and getting to include all of the details. That’s a little bit more of a challenge on smaller canvases and I just really love making pieces that have a bigger impact.”

Adding to that impact is the variety of materials and mediums used in each of Kast’s pieces on display.

“I’ve never been religious to one medium,” she said. “I started out mainly working in acrylic, but for me, it’s always been about choosing materials that help me achieve whatever look or objective I have in my head when I’m creating. So my work is mixed media. It’s primarily acrylic — a lot of the base coats are acrylic — but it’s also oil pastels, pigment sticks, spray paint, graphite or colored pencil. It’s kind of anything colorful.”

“Color is a huge part of my work,” she said. “I’m sort of inspired by nature and things that I observe in natural environments, but



▲ Beige Antidote by Jenna Kast

then I take those inspirations and amplify them and elevate them. I don’t necessarily try to incorporate a lot of natural elements into my work — it’s very dream-like and sort of fanciful and fun — but I think there is an element of natural landscapes and sunsets and moods and textures that come across just because that is my inspiration.”

In addition to nature, Kast said her work is also influenced by her previous experiences.

“Before I really dove into art as my career, my career was marketing and graphic design,” she said. “So there are a ton of graphic design influences that come through in my work. A lot of the shapes and textures and the way I compose my pieces is very much influenced by my graphic design brain and eye.”

To those coming to view *When the Mood Strikes* before the exhibit closes at the end of March, Kast said she hopes they find some joy in her artwork just as she has.

“I just hope that they have fun and enjoy

themselves,” she said. “Art is not a serious or super deep, contemplated thing for me. It’s fun. I got into making artwork because it was sort of a happy activity for me. It helps me find balance in my life without the stresses and anxiety of the world. I just want them to be able to come and enjoy and have fun and see all of this color, especially at this time of year.”

“To bring so much light and vibrancy into the gallery is just delightful, so I’m really pleased that we can have this show in its entirety...” Art Garage Programming Director Lindsay Olson said. “We always do a gallery refresh at the beginning of the year, so this feels like a double refresh coming in here and seeing all of the bright colors.”

When the Mood Strikes will be on display during gallery hours through March 31, with a closing reception schedule for March 22.

Learn more about the show by visiting theartgarage.org or jennakaststudio.com.

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COVER FEATURE

A SHOW *within* A SHOW

West De Pere puts on *The Play That Goes Wrong*

By Janelle Fisher
City Pages Editor

Attendees of West De Pere High School's winter play will get two shows for the price of one, so to speak, as students have been preparing to put on *The Play That Goes Wrong*.

"*The Play That Goes Wrong* is a show within a show," said Josie Crandall, who plays the role of Chris Bean. "The Cornley Drama Society, which is kind of a group of misfits, all work together to put on an English drama. It's supposed to be super serious and totally dramatic, but because of forgotten lines and messed-up set pieces, everything goes wrong and so it becomes a comedy because of that."

It is the intricate nature of *The Play That Goes Wrong* that Director Maggie Gertz said made it an appealing choice for this year's winter production.

"We picked the show because it's a really interesting take on a play within a play," Gertz said. "So it's not just the fact that you're watching a play, but you're watching characters who are putting on a play and it has a lot of really funny comedy moments."

By the end of the show, Gertz said the audience is likely to lose sight of that original serious show altogether and be fully invested in the comedy that ensues.

"Through a series of unfortunate events, it brings a lot of chaos," Gertz said, "It's kind of ironic because the play within the play is called *Murder at Haversham Manor* but by

the time you get into it, you're not even paying attention to what the original story was because everything is going wrong and there's all sorts of chaos — things break, people get knocked out and other people have to stand in and things like that."

To coordinate that chaos, Gertz said the cast and crew had to get creative when it came to constructing the set.

"We had a couple of setbacks just because of how complicated some of the set things are," Gertz said. "Things fall off the wall,



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favorite scenes is when the characters accidentally do the same little series of ten lines over and over and over and over,” Gertz said. “And the cast has gotten really good at showing the chaos and fear and nervousness that their characters are supposed to be portraying on stage really well.”

Crandall said the fun being portrayed on stage extends off stage as well, as the cast has grown close throughout the production process.

“I think this play is super fun because the cast is really small so we all get along really well,” Crandall said. “We’re moving along quickly and we get to add our own little ideas into the play and make it really awesome.”

If you’re on the fence about attending a performance, Crandall has some advice:

“This is a super fun show that people will really enjoy,” she said. “You should totally come out and bring your family and friends because it’s going to be a really great time.”

Performances are scheduled for Feb. 22, 23 and 24. Learn more about West De Pere’s production of *The Play That Goes Wrong* and how to purchase tickets on West De Pere Theatre’s Facebook page. 

the curtains fall off. It’s a lot more than just, ‘Hey, make it look pretty and make it look nice.’ The set is kind of a character of its own.”

Gertz said the solution to making the set appear as if it is falling apart proved to be a somewhat unexpected material.

“I think maybe another interesting fact is how much insulation foam was used in this show,” Gertz said. “You’ll see a lot of objects that look like they’re supposed to be frames or the entire bookshelf... That entire bookshelf is all filled with foam books that kids individually hand painted... The

frames of pictures are all foam. The mantel pieces are all foam.”

Of course, the set isn’t the only comedic element to be found in the show, as Crandall and Gertz said the content of the show itself is sure to get some laughs.

“There’s a lot of audience interaction,” Crandall said. “There’s several characters that will directly address the audience because they’ve never done shows before or because they think they’re the most important person and so it’s super fun.”

“I don’t know if audiences will pick up on it right away, but I think one of my



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Crunch Time • WINEaLOT Vineyards, Greenleaf. Classic and progressive six-piece rock band. 2 p.m. (All minors must be accompanied by an adult) Visit winealotvineyards.com for more details.

Sunday, Feb. 18

AVB Big Band • Riverside Ballroom, Green Bay. Swing music. 2 p.m. No admission fee, donations accepted. More details are available at avbcommunityband.org.

Thursday, Feb. 22

Kickback Band • WINEaLOT Vineyards, Greenleaf. '70s and '80s music. 5 p.m. No cover charge. (All minors must be accompanied by an adult.) Visit winealotvineyards.com for more details.

Saturday, Feb. 24

Nick Gonnering • WINEaLOT Vineyards, Greenleaf. Folk, soul and blues music. 2 p.m. No cover charge. (All minors must be accompanied by an adult.) Visit winealotvineyards.com for more details.

Sunday, Feb. 25

Celtic Angels Ireland • Meyer Theatre, Green Bay. Performance featuring more than 30 Irish traditional and contemporary tunes. 3 p.m. \$29+. See meyertheatre.org for more details 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.

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

ON STAGE/SCREEN

Ongoing

Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm • Webb Theatre, De Pere. Production put on by Evergreen Theater. Feb. 9, 10, 15, 16 and 17 at 7 p.m.; Feb. 11 and 18 at 2 p.m. \$18.25+. Visit snc.edu/tickets to learn more and to purchase tickets.

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

ARTS/EXHIBITS

Friday, Feb. 16

Art War • The Tarlton Theatre, Green Bay. Live painting competition. 7 p.m. Free admission. See The Tarlton Theatre's Facebook page for more details.

Ongoing

newART IV • newARTSpace, De Pere. Celebration of new art by select Wisconsin artists. Open during gallery hours through Feb. 21. Learn more at newartspace124.com.

Youth Art Month • Neville Public Museum, Green Bay. Exhibit featuring more than 155 art pieces created by students in grades K-12 from 34 schools in Northeast Wisconsin. Open through Feb. 22. Included with general admission. Visit nevillepublicmuseum.org to find out more.

109th Green Bay Art Colony • Neville Public Museum, Green Bay. Annual exhibition featuring artworks created by current members of the club. Open through March 3. Included with general admission. Visit nevillepublicmuseum.org to find out more.



Telling Our Stories: LGBTQ+ Voices of Northeast Wisconsin • Neville Public Museum, Green Bay. Exhibit showcasing the history and experiences of Northeast Wisconsin's LGBTQ+ community through archival research and community engagement. Open Feb. 10 through Nov. 3. Included with general admission. Visit nevillepublicmuseum.org to find out 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.

FOOD/DRINK

Saturday, Feb. 17

Evening In The Highlands • First United Presbyterian Church, De Pere. Dinner and entertainment. 5:30 p.m. \$60. See firstunitedpc.org for more information.

Ongoing

Fireside Drinks • Titledown, Ashwaubenon. Cocktails and hot chocolate around warm fire pits. Fridays from 4-9 p.m. and Saturdays from 3-9 p.m. through Feb. 23. Head to titledown.com/events to learn more.

Dutch Treat Breakfast • Bay Family Restaurant, Green Bay. Opportunity for Lifelong Learning Institute members and non-members to socialize outside of the classroom setting. Fourth Wednesday of every month at 8:30 a.m. Contact Keith Pamperin at kjpamperin@aol.com for more details.

Brunch Special • WINEaLOT Vineyards, Greenleaf. First Sunday of every month from 12-3 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.

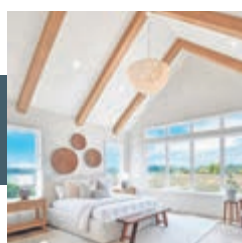
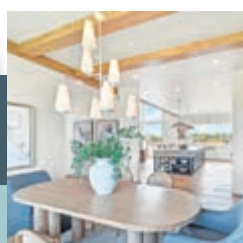
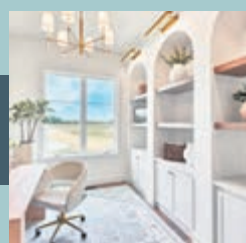
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Brewery Bingo Night • Zambaldi Beer, Green Bay. Old-school bingo with prizes each round. Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. Free to play. See Zambaldi Beer's Facebook page for more information.

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.

OUTDOORS/RECREATION

Saturday, Feb. 17

Titletown Winter Games • Titletown, Ashwaubenon. Experience the thrill of winter sports, such as luge, curling, biathlon and cross-country skiing, figure skating and ski jumping. 12-7 p.m. Free. See titletown.com to learn more and to register.



Ongoing

Starting New at Golf • Hilly Haven Golf Course, De Pere. Learn the basics of golf with a lesson, stations, games and fun. Two Fridays a month through March. \$10. Find more details at hillyhaven.com.

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Theme Skate • Titletown, Ashwaubenon. 80s tunes and classic roller rink games. Tuesdays from 4-8 p.m., through Feb. 27. Paid skating admission required. Visit titletown.com/events for more details.

Ski and Tea • Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary, Green Bay. Cross-country ski with a naturalist on the Sanctuary trails and warm up with a cup of tea or hot chocolate. Thursdays at 9 a.m., through Feb. 29. Free. Pre-registration is required by calling (920) 391-3686 or (920) 391-3677. See Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary's Facebook page for more details.

Cardio Dance • Titletown, Ashwaubenon. Aerobic dance workout to current pop, hip-hop and world music. Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m., through March 26. Free. Registration required. (Recommended for ages 16+) Visit titletown.com/events for more details.

Snowshoe Hikes • Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary, Green Bay. Tuesdays at 12 p.m., through Feb. 27. \$15. Pre-registration is required by calling (920) 391-3686 or (920) 391-3677. See Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary's Facebook page for more details.

Glow Skate • Titletown, Ashwaubenon. Skating with brightly colored lights. Thursdays from 4-8 p.m., through Feb. 29. Paid skating admission required. Visit titletown.com/events for more details.

Green Bay Juggling Club • Howard Commons Activity Complex, Howard. Learn and practice juggling, unicycling and other circus arts. Second and fourth Mondays from 5-8 p.m. See the Green Bay Juggling Club's Facebook page to learn more.

Yoga Wednesdays • WINEaLOT Vineyards, Green Leaf. Yoga class led by Tiffany Pavak 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.

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

Saturday, Feb. 17

Genealogy 101: Land Records Research • Brown County Library - Central Branch, Green Bay. Learn how to search, document, maintain, and preserve your family history. 9:15 a.m. Register to attend by calling (920) 448-5815. Visit browncountylibrary.org for more details.

Complete Your Own Taxes Workshop • Brown County Library - Central Branch, Green Bay. Get assistance completing your tax return with representatives from the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance. 10 a.m. Free. Visit browncountylibrary.org for more details.

Pruning Workshop: Fruit, Nut and Flowering Trees • Brown County Library - Central Branch, Green Bay. Learn recommended tools and techniques for pruning various species of plants. 1 p.m. Free. Visit browncountylibrary.org for more details.

Tuesday, Feb. 20

Starting Seeds Indoors • Green Bay Botanical Garden, Green Bay. Learn seed starting basics, common mistakes, the best plants to start from seeds and more. 6 p.m. \$16. Find more information and sign up at gbbg.org.

Navigating BCL Resources: Health and Wellness • Brown County Library - Kress Family Branch, De Pere. Learn how to access reliable health information through the Brown County Library website. 6 p.m. Free. Visit browncountylibrary.org for more details.

Geologic Expedition to South China - Part One • Neville Public Museum, Green Bay. Presentation by Dr. John Luczai, UW-Green Bay professor. 6:30 p.m. Free. Visit nevillepublicmuseum.org for more information.

Wednesday, Feb. 21

Steve Daniels • Brown County Library - Ashwaubenon Branch, Ashwaubenon. Presentation by the author of several true crime books. 1 p.m. Free. Visit browncountylibrary.org for more details.

Thursday, Feb. 22

Common Sense: Ideas that Transform • Weidner Center, Green Bay. Presentation by Christopher Bedford, executive editor with the Common Sense Society. 7 p.m. To learn more and to register, head to thompsoncenter.wisc.edu.

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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 wartemystic.com.

Becoming My True Song: A Gong Experience • Celestial Sound, Green Bay. Group class hosted by CBD American Shaman. First Sunday of each month at 5 p.m., through May 31. \$15 per class. Find more information at celestialsoundgb.com.

Becoming My True Song: A Gong and Reiki Experience • Celestial Sound, Green Bay. Group class hosted by Mindful Reiki and Meditation. Second Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m., through May 31. \$40 per class. Find more information at celestialsoundgb.com.

Tune in. Tune up. • Celestial Sound, Green Bay. Individual gong and Reiki mini-session. Third Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m., through May 31. \$30 per session. Find more information at celestialsoundgb.com.

Full Moon Gong • Celestial Sound, Green Bay. Monthly on the full moon at 7 p.m., through May 31. Free. Gratuities appreciated. Find more information at celestialsoundgb.com.

FAMILY/KIDS

Ongoing

Brown County Book Buddies • Brown County Library - Southwest Branch, Green Bay. Opportunity for children to practice their reading skills with a high school-age Book Buddy. 4:30-5:30 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Free. Visit browncountylibrary.org for more details.

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.

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

COMMUNITY EVENTS/RESOURCES

Saturday, Feb. 17

Howard-Suamico Historical Society Memories Show • Brown County Library - Weyers-Hilliard Branch, Howard. Presentation of more than 75 photos and the stories behind them. 1 p.m.

Winter Celebration • Green Bay Botanical Garden, Green Bay. Self-guided, outdoor activities to celebrate the season. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Free admission. Find out more at gbbg.org.

Sunday, Feb. 25

De Pere Sportsmans Club Winterfest • 3623 Club Drive, De Pere. Booyah, hamburgers, games and raffles. 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Ongoing

Green Bay Boat Show • Resch Expo, Ashwaubenon. Display of a variety of boats, personal watercraft, docks and lifts. Friday, Feb. 16, from 2-8 p.m.; Saturday, Feb. 17, from 10 a.m.-7 p.m.; and Sunday, Feb. 18, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. \$15 for adults, \$10 for military, veterans and seniors. Free for ages 17 and under. Head to reschexpo.com for more details and to purchase tickets.

Market on Military • Green Bay Plaza, Green Bay. Sale of Locally-grown, -raised, -made, -created and -crafted goods. First, third and fifth Saturdays. Visit militaryave.org for more information.

Brown County Community Women's Club General Member Meeting • De Pere Community Center, De Pere. Learn about the nonprofit group and see if you'd like to join. Third Wednesday of each month at 12:25 p.m. For more information, see bccwc.org.

Green Bay Area Retired Men's Club • Brown County Library - Central Branch, Green Bay. Weekly meeting with coffee, donuts and speakers. Tuesdays at 8:30 a.m. The speaker for Feb. 20 will be Alan Matzke to talk about De Pere Fire Rescue. 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 greenbaywisconsin.ga.com.

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

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

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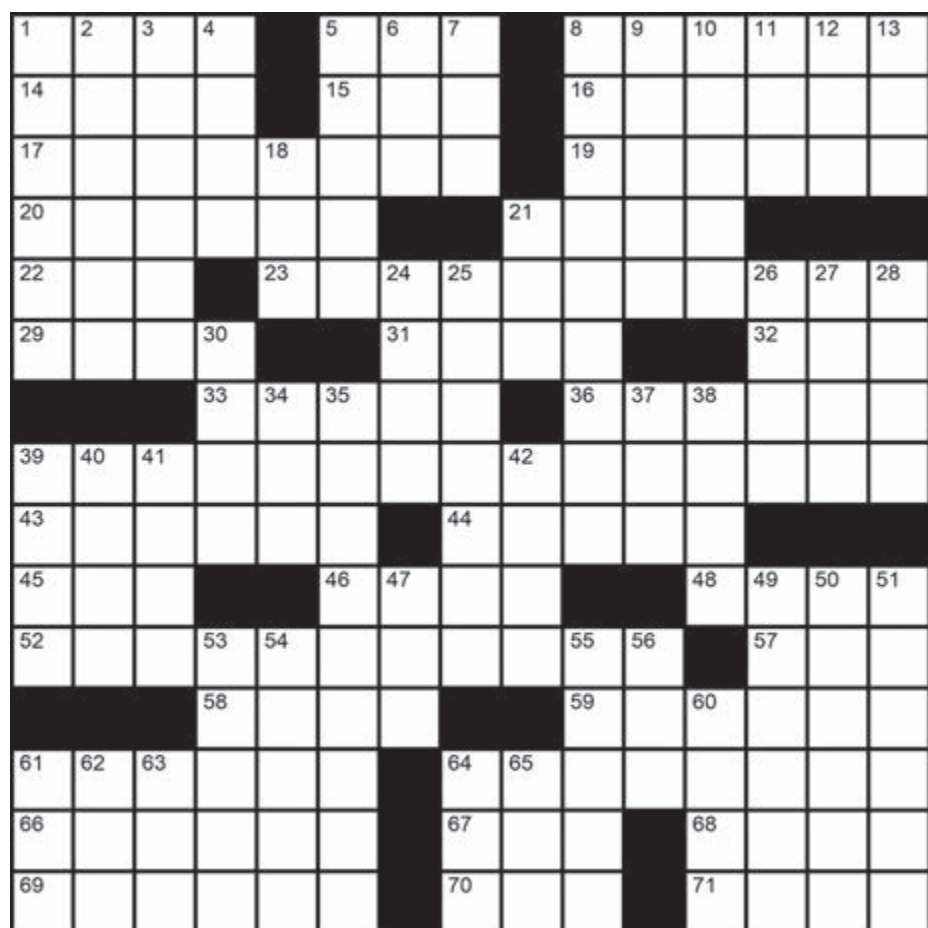
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 Crossword answers on page 2. No peeking!

Across

1. Ceremonial act
5. Angry
8. Toy manufacturer in a 2023 movie
14. Even, to Yvette
15. Sugary suffix
16. Kay Thompson's Plaza Hotel girl
17. Effect of ongoing muscle strain, maybe
19. Gas station brand
20. "God giveth, and the DMV ___ away" (memorable line from 1988's "License to Drive")
21. Skirt length
22. "Can I buy ___?" (request to Graham Norton on the U.K.'s "Wheel of Fortune")
23. Soda concoction that's not quite cream soda
29. Clothing
31. LAX postings
32. Prepared
33. Seal-hunting swimmers
36. Corned beef dishes
39. Business with wholly owned subsidiaries
43. Medium setting?
44. Alphabetically last Marx brother
45. "32 Flavors" singer DiFranco
46. World of Warcraft beginner, perhaps
48. Clean (up)
52. Description that spares no detail
57. Teachers' org.
58. Number after sieben
59. Magic Johnson's real first name
61. Sly question of confirmation
64. Repeat reference, or what the long theme answers demonstrate
66. Longtime Vogue photographer Richard
67. "Beds Are Burning" band Midnight ___
68. Inking
69. Fit in
70. Thirsty
71. Miró Museum architect Jose Luis ___

Down

1. Item for a markdown sale
2. Baja lizard
3. Chatterbox
4. Magazine with a palindromic name
5. Coffeehouse order
6. Mt. St. Helens output (which I was around for)
7. "Don't Go Breaking My Heart" duettist Kiki
8. High school class with basic welding
9. Echo responder
10. 2004 Britney Spears single
11. Tamera's "Sister, Sister" sister
12. "Cancel" PC key
13. Summer sign
18. Dirt bike's cousin
21. Gp. that publishes a scholarly style manual
24. "Snow Crash" novelist Stephenson
25. "Crazy stuff going on here"
26. Workplace-monitoring gp.
27. Sharp
28. Crafter's website
30. Word before yesterday
34. "Parks & ___"
35. Closing into a fist
37. Guitar intensifier
38. Identify
39. Academy in Colorado, briefly
40. Handout at a restaurant
41. Leave abruptly
42. "From Peru to ___ ..." (line from Enya's "Orinoco Flow")
47. 10 of 12, for short
49. Intrude upon
50. Airport winter need
51. Pull vigorously on
53. "Star Wars" character Calrissian
54. Respond to, as an order
55. "Hot in Herre" rapper
56. "Qué ___?" ("How's it going?")
60. Baseball card stats
61. The Last ___ ("Hot Ones" closing sauce, usually)
62. Suffix for reflect or reflex
63. Improv comedy pioneer ___ Close
64. Fish and chips fish
65. Show on television

arts & entertainment

HIGHLIGHTS

by Janelle Fisher

Art War

Friday, Feb. 16

The Tarlton Theatre, Green Bay

Live painting competition featuring local artists. Four consecutive speed rounds of painting with four painters per round. After each round, the audience will vote on one artist to advance to the final round. Artwork created during the competition will be auctioned off after the event with all proceeds going to the artists. The competition begins at 7 p.m. Admission is free. More details available at thetarlton.com.

Green Bay Boat Show

Feb. 16-18

Resch Expo, Ashwaubenon

Display of a variety of boats, personal watercraft, docks and lifts. The show will be open on Friday, Feb. 16, from 2-8 p.m.; Saturday, Feb. 17, from 10 a.m.-7 p.m.; and Sunday, Feb. 18, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Tickets are \$15 for adults or \$10 for military, veterans and seniors. A weekend pass is available for \$20. Children ages 17 and under get in free. Head to reschexpo.com for more details and to purchase tickets.



GREEN BAY BOAT SHOW

Complete Your Own Taxes Workshop

Saturday, Feb. 17

Brown County Library - Central Branch, Green Bay

Get assistance completing your tax return with representatives from the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance. Topics covered will include how to use the Tax Slayer website and how to file your own taxes. Attendees are encouraged to bring their own laptop computer or tablet. The workshop begins at 10 a.m. and is free to attend. Visit browncountylibrary.org for more information.



COMPLETE YOUR OWN TAXES WORKSHOP

Youth Art Month

Open through Feb. 22

Neville Public Museum, Green Bay

Exhibit featuring more than 155 art pieces created by students in grades K-12 from 34 schools in Northeast Wisconsin. The multimedia exhibit is sponsored by the Wisconsin Art Education Association and highlights Youth Art Month, a national celebration emphasizing the value of art education and encouraging support for quality art programs in Wisconsin schools. Select works from this exhibit will be featured in the state exhibit in Madison. This exhibit is included with general admission. Visit nevillepublicmuseum.org to find out more.



YOUTH ART MONTH



The De Pere Common Council approved a cooperative service agreement with federal agencies for the drone survey to be done in 10 key areas near the Fox River and part of the East River. **City of De Pere map**

De Pere to look into deer mitigation

BY LEE REINSCH
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

DE PERE — De Pere will count deer this month to determine whether there's a problem that needs mitigation.

The count will take place via drone over a two-day span in select parts of the city.

Several residents last fall complained of deer eating their flowers and damaging their landscaping, so the city budgeted money toward studying the situation and potentially taking action.

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The agreement is between the City of De Pere and the Animal and Plant Health

Inspection Service (APHIS) Wildlife Service (WS) of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA).

De Pere will pay around \$2,600 for the survey.

The agreement describes the survey area as "approximately seven square miles within 10 sections which vary in size and location," according to the agreement.

On the west side the area includes five sections:

- The 4.05 square-mile area between Highway 41, the Fox River and Scheuring Road south to the city limits, divided into four sections.

- A fifth section about 0.24 square mile from Scheuring Road north to Lande Street, between the railroad tracks and the Fox River.

On the east side, the areas include:

- About 0.59 square mile

between Webster Avenue and the Fox River around the St. Norbert Abbey;

- About 0.19 square mile along the East River between Ridgeway Boulevard and Charles Street;

- A 1.95 square-mile jagged triangle of land divided into three sections, from South Broadway at Highway 32 to the city limits, between Broadway/Brown County PP and Highway 32/57.

According to Article 3 of the cooperative agreement, the performance of "wildlife damage management actions by APHIS-WS depends on the outcome of the survey and whether APHIS-WS determines the actions would be in compliance with the Endangered Species Act, National Environmental Policy Act and federal law.

See DEER page 19



Older and wiser at Beaumont

Beaumont Elementary students came to school on Feb. 8 dressed as 100-year-old humans to celebrate the 100th day of school. Above, Beaumont Teacher Tanya Hollister poses with her fellow 100 year olds Persephone Splan, Keana Lockhart, Wesley Godfrey, Betzabeth Salvador Davila, Cora Strommen, Delaney Ortiz, Dexter Bienzen and Evelyn VanDeurzen. Below, Beaumont Elementary Teacher Emilie Miller, shows off her 100-year-old dress with Rolando Mora, Noah Heid, Noah Danz and Dayle Splan. **GBAPS photos**



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Seven reasons to be wary of MLS



Dear Monty

BY RICHARD MONTGOMERY
SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

DEAR MONTY,

Our home is for sale. Our agent called to set a co-broke appointment.

At the appointed time, the doorbell rings, and the buyer is at the door with no agent.

I invited them in to wait. We quickly determined they would not buy our house.

They needed a large lot, and we had a small backyard.

About 20 minutes after they left, the agent showed up. I asked the agent why they were unaware of the lot size.

The answer was, "It wasn't clear on the datasheet, so I thought I'd ask when we were here together."

I was shocked. She left before I could vent.

She apologized for being late but missed the inconvenience she had caused both of us.

Should I complain to my agent?

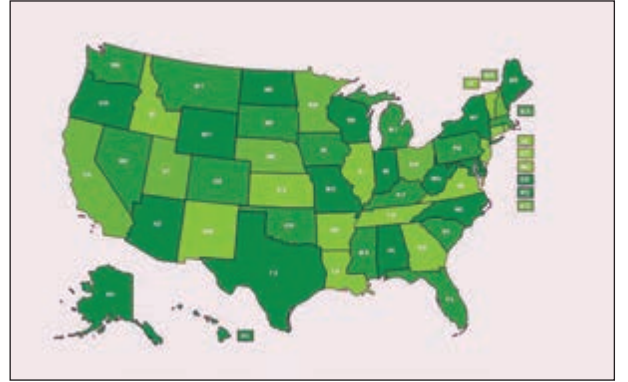
MONTY'S ANSWER

The National Association of Realtors (NAR) has done an excellent job convincing real estate agents and consumers that agents are professionals necessary to avoid financial risk when selling or buying a home.

My experience in real estate has evolved from an

enthusiastic evangelist into a solid contrarian. I believe it is financially risky to use multiple listing systems (MLS). Here are six more reasons:

1. The dominant brokerage model and the multiple listing system (MLS) are over one hundred years old. Technology rendered these systems obsolete almost 20 years ago, but NAR and its membership fight to retain high commissions. Why? These old models are so inefficient that real estate companies must maintain them to stay solvent.
2. NAR has about six



MLS.com map

hundred MLS companies and a nine-hundred-member board of directors. The industry is a highly fragmented, chaotic and loosely managed network of independent contractors tied to the agent-driven, non-public, multiple-listing system. The industry's size, traditions, myths and failures have blinded the sector and the outside world to these fundamental flaws that expose consumers to invisible and significant financial risks.

3. MLS systems expose consumers to unqualified and duplicitous agents that use asymmetry to further their advantage. When you hire a real estate agent, you only know how well they will work afterward. Why? The unqualified agents

mimic the good agents. They use the same scripts and buy the same cars, clothes and watches.

4. The customers have no direct access to the MLS data. The system "filters" the data to force the customer to trust another person with a significant conflict of interest.

5. Agents manipulate the MLS. There are many ways this happens.

6. When a new listing comes in a balanced market, about 30-35% of all listings expire unsold with the listing broker. While every local market differs, they would still be inefficient even if expired listing percentages were lower.

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CLASS "B" COMBINATION FERMENTED MALT BEVERAGE & INTOXICATING LIQUOR LICENSE:
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Dated this 23rd day of February 2024
Michelle Seidl Director of Finance/Clerk-Treasurer
Publish 02.16.24 WNAXLP

Green Bay WNAXLP

EXHIBIT A
Notice to Electors of the City of Green Bay, Wisconsin

Relating to the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds
Notice is hereby given that on February 6, 2024, the Common Council of the City of Green Bay, Wisconsin (the "City") adopted multiple initial resolutions including the seven initial resolutions below under and pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 67 of the Wisconsin Statutes authorizing the issuance of negotiable, general obligation bonds of the City in the following not-to-exceed principal amounts for the following purposes: (1) \$5,845,000 for street improvements, including, but not limited to, construction of and improvements to streets; (2) \$6,675,000 for sewerage improvements, including, but not limited to, sanitary sewer and storm sewer improvements; (3) \$1,010,000 for parking lots and other parking facilities; (4) \$815,000 for parks and public grounds, including but not limited to, construction of and improvements to various park facilities and buildings, and replacement of walkways and scoreboards; (5) \$370,000 for buildings for the housing of machinery and equipment, including, but not limited to, west shop garage improvements and repairs for the Department of Public Works; (6) \$2,085,000 for fire engines and other equipment of the fire department, including, but not limited to, the purchase of a ladder truck and replacement of various equipment of the Fire Department; and (7) \$2,700,000 bridge improvements, but not limited to, construction, improvements, and replacements of various City bridges.
If within 30 days after the adoption of the foregoing resolutions there is filed in the office of the City Clerk a petition for referendum on one or more of said resolutions conforming to the requirements of Section 8.40 of the Wisconsin Statutes, signed by electors numbering at least 10% of the number of votes cast in the City for governor at the last general election, then the resolution or resolutions for which such a petition is filed shall not be effective unless adopted by a majority of the City's electors voting at such referendum. If no such petition is so filed with respect to one or more of the foregoing resolutions, then the resolution or resolutions for which no such petition is filed shall be effective without a referendum.
Publication Date: February 16, 2024
[/s/ Celestine Jeffreys](#)
City Clerk WNAXLP

Legals 7700

Howard WNAXLP

NOXIOUS WEED NOTICE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, as set forth in [§66.0407](#) Wis. Stats., that a person owning, occupying or controlling land in the Village of Howard, County of Brown, State of Wisconsin, shall destroy all noxious weeds including: Canada Thistle, Leafy Spurge, Field Bindweed, any weed designated as a noxious weed by the Department of Natural Resources by rule, and any other weed the Village Board or County Board by ordinance or resolution declares to be noxious within its respective boundaries.
Weeds shall be destroyed at a time and in a manner as will effectually prevent them from maturing to the bloom or flower stage.
If the owner fails to destroy such weeds, the Village of Howard shall destroy or cause such weeds to be destroyed in the manner deemed to be in the most economical manner.
The cost of destroying the weeds shall be charged and assessed in the manner provided by [§66.0517](#), Wis. Stats.
Burt R. McIntyre, Village President
Publish 02.09.24 & 02.16.24 WNAXLP

Bids and Request for Proposals 7705

Bellevue WNAXLP

SECTION 00 11 13 ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed bids for the Village of Bellevue, [2024 Utility Construction, Contract B-24](#), project will be accepted through Quest vBid electronic bid service or by submitting a paper copy at the Village Office: 2828 Allouez Avenue, Green Bay, WI 54311, by 11:00 AM (local time), on February 28, 2024; and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud.
The work, in general, will include the approximate quantities and items listed below:
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• 460 LF – Sanitary Sewer Lateral Replacement
• 4,100 SY – Pavement Removal
• 710 TON – Hot Mix Asphalt Pavement Patch
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• 1,200 SF – Concrete Driveway Patch
• Select Backfill in Trenches
• Erosion Control
• Landscape Restoration
The proposals shall be submitted on the forms furnished with the specifications. Each proposal shall be accompanied by a bid bond of a bonding company duly authorized to do business in the State of Wisconsin in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the proposal. This proposal guarantee shall be subject to forfeiture as provided by law. When submitting an electronic bid, Bidder is required to deliver the original bid bond within 72 hours of bid opening to Cedar Corporation.
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company to the Planholder

List and allow access to vBid online bidding for the submittal of your bid. The QuestCDN website will be updated periodically with addenda, lists of registered plan holders, reports, and other information relevant to submitting a Bid for the Project. All official notifications, addenda, and other Bidding Documents will be offered only through the designated website. Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for Bidding Documents, including addenda, if any, obtained from sources other than the designated website.
Prequalification of Bidders is required. *The Village of Bellevue's Bidders Proof of Responsibility forms* will be issued with the Bid Documents. *The Village of Bellevue's Bidders Proof of Responsibility forms* shall be completed, submitted and received by the Owner by 4:00 p.m., a minimum of five (5) calendar days prior to the Bid Opening. Bidders who have been previously qualified for a Village of Bellevue project during 2024 will not be required to resubmit separate qualifications for this project. *The Village of Bellevue's Bidders Proof of Responsibility forms* can be obtained at the Village of Bellevue, 2828 Allouez Avenue, Bellevue, WI; or at their website: www.villageofbellevuewi.gov. No bids will be accepted from any Bidder who has not submitted the *Village of Bellevue's Bidders Proof of Responsibility*. The Owner reserves the right to reject the Bid of any Bidder who has been determined to be unqualified. Proposals shall not be withdrawn for a period of 60 days after the date of opening. The Village of Bellevue reserves the right to reject any or all of the proposals and to waive any informalities therein.
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By Authority of: Michelle Seidl, Director of Finance/Clerk-Treasurer
Dawn Novak, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer
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De Pere WNAXLP

ADVERTISEMENT TO BID MUNICIPAL SERVICES CENTER FUEL ISLAND REPLACEMENT CITY OF DE PERE CITY PROJECT 23-22

SEH No. DEPEW 161454
Notice is hereby given that Online Bids will be received and accepted for Project 23-22 Municipal Services Center Fuel Island Replacement via the online electronic bidding service through QuestCDN.com, until 1:00 PM, Thursday, February 29, 2024, at which time they will be publicly accepted, displayed and read aloud. The bid opening will be conducted via Microsoft Teams, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud:
Please join my meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone: <https://bit.ly/3SNxKCV>
Or call in (audio only) +1 872-242-7640, United States, Chicago
Phone Conference ID: 281 150 366#
Any person monitoring the meeting remotely may be responsible for any documented costs. Message and data rates may apply. The Work includes: Removal of existing fueling stations and three underground fuel storage tanks. Contractor to provide soil sampling prior to backfilling the excavated hole. Pour and form concrete slab for tanks and provide tank

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system. Install three

aboveground tanks and one def tank. Fuel system to be installed with three dual suction pumps with each side consisting of gas/diesel The Issuing Office for the Bidding Documents is: Short Elliott Hendrickson Inc. located at 425 West Water Street, Suite 300, Appleton, WI 54911-6058, Trevor Frank - 920.380.2800
Digital image copies of the Bidding Documents are available for viewing and/or downloading at <http://www.sehinc.com> for a fee of \$30. These documents may be downloaded by selecting this project from the "Project Bid Information" link and by entering eBidDocTM Number 8958851 on the SEARCH PROJECTS page. For assistance and free membership registration, contact QuestCDN at 952.233.1632 or info@questcdn.com. For this project, bids will ONLY be received electronically. Contractors submitting an electronic bid will be charged an additional \$42 at the time of bid submission via the online electronic bid service QuestCDN.com. To access the electronic Bid Worksheet, download the project document and click the online bidding button at the top of the advertisement. Prospective bidders must be on the plan holders list through QuestCDN for bids to be accepted. Bids shall be completed according to the Bidding Requirements prepared by SEH dated February 2, 2024. Each proposal shall be accompanied by a bid bond in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the bid, payable to the City of De Pere, as a guarantee that if the bid is accepted, the bidder will execute a contract and furnish a contract bond as set forth in the General Conditions of the City of De Pere. In case the bidder fails to file such contract and bond, the amount of the bid bond shall be forfeited to the City of De Pere as liquidated damages.
Contractors interested in visiting the site located at 925 S. 6th Street, De Pere, WI 54115, may do so between Tuesday thru Thursday, February 13 – 15, during the hours of 9:00 a.m. and Noon. The letting of the contract is subject to the provisions of the following Wisconsin Statutes: Section 62.15 regarding Public Works. Section 66.0901(3) regarding Prequalification of Contractor. Each bidder shall pre-qualify by submitting proof of responsibility on forms furnished by SEH. Such forms shall be filed with Trevor Frank at tfrank@sehinc.com no later than 4:00 PM, Monday, February 26, 2024. The City of De Pere reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any informalities in bidding and to accept any proposal which the Common Council deems most favorable to the interest of the City of De Pere.
Dated this 6th day of February 2024.
Board of Public Works
City of De Pere
Eric Rakers, P.E.
City Engineer
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SECTION 00 11 13 FEBRUARY 9, 2024 – FEBRUARY 16, 2024 CITY OF DE PERE ADVERTISEMENT TO BID PROJECT 24-01 SEWER AND WATER RELAY AND STREET RESURFACING

Online bids will be received and accepted for Project 24-

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01 Sewer and Water Relay

and Street Resurfacing via the online electronic bidding service through QuestCDN.com, until 1:00 PM, Thursday, February 29, 2024, at which time they will be publicly accepted, displayed and read aloud. Project 24-01 for which proposals are being sought includes the following approximate quantities:
• 1,750 LF relay sanitary laterals (4-inch and 6-inch) and associated appurtenances.
• 2,600 LF new and relay storm sewer (8-inch to 21-inch) and associated appurtenances.
• 3,700 LF relay water main (8-inch) and associated appurtenances.
• 4,800 TONS asphaltic concrete pavement placement.
• 23,000 SY asphaltic concrete pavement milling and/or pulverizing.
• 4,000 LF replace concrete curb and gutter.
• 1,200 SY replace concrete sidewalks, driveways and pedestrian ramps (4-inch to 8-inch).
Complete digital project bidding documents are available for viewing and/or downloading at www.questcdn.com or may be examined at the office of the Director of Public Works. Digital plan documents may be downloaded for \$22 by inputting Quest project #8508614 on Quest's Project Search page. Project documents must be downloaded from QuestCDN which will add your company to the Planholder List and allow access to vBid online bidding for the submittal of your bid. Bidders will be charged an additional fee of \$42 to submit a bid electronically. The QuestCDN website can also be accessed through the City website at www.deperewi.gov/projects or by pressing the Projects icon at the bottom of any City website page. Contact QuestCDN Customer Support at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in membership registration, downloading digital project information and vBid online bid submittal questions.
Each proposal shall be accompanied by a bid bond in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the bid, payable to the City of De Pere, as a guarantee that if the bid is accepted, the bidder will execute a contract and furnish a contract bond as set forth in the General Conditions of the City of De Pere. In case the bidder fails to file such contract and bond, the amount of the bid bond shall be forfeited to the City of De Pere as liquidated damages.
The letting of the contract is subject to the provisions of the following Wisconsin Statutes: Section 62.15 regarding Public Works. Section 66.0901(3) regarding Prequalification of Contractor. Each bidder shall pre-qualify by submitting proof of responsibility on forms furnished by the Director of Public Works. Such forms shall be filed with the Director of Public Works no later than 4:00 PM, Monday, February 26, 2024. Prospective bidders who have previously submitted such forms subsequent to January 1, 2024 will not be required to separately submit such forms for this project.
The City of De Pere reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any informalities in bidding and to accept any proposal which the Common Council deems most favorable to the interest of the City of De Pere.
Dated this 9th day of February

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2024. Board of Public Works

City of De Pere
Eric Rakers, P.E.
City Engineer
Project 24-01 Publish 02.09.24 WNAXLP

Green Bay WNAXLP

NOTICE

The City of Green Bay intends to accept quotes for RFQ **#2024-08 Rain Barrel w/ Diverter Kit**. Quotes are due on March 5, 2024 by 2:00 p.m. (CT). Complete specifications and free registration at www.demandstar.com or <http://vendornet.wi.gov>
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NOTICE

The City of Green Bay proposes to accept Proposals for RFP **# 2024-10 Purchase Crossover Hybrid Vehicle XLE AWD**. Proposals are due on February 29, 2024 2:00 PM CST. Complete specifications and free registration at www.demandstar.com or <http://vendornet.wi.gov>
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NOTICE

The City of Green Bay proposes to accept Proposals for RFP **# 2024-07 for Revaluation Assessment COGB**. Proposals are due on Marich 5, 2024 2:00 PM CST. Complete specifications and free registration at www.demandstar.com or <http://vendornet.wi.gov>
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Hobart WNAXLP

SECTION 00 11 13 ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

VILLAGE OF HOBART
2990 S. PINE TREE ROAD
HOBART, WI 54155
The **Village of Hobart** will receive sealed bids for the following work:

2024 Sunlite Drive Reconstruction
Contract No. 2320-24-02

Bids will be received until 10:00 a.m. Local Time, on Friday, February 23, 2024.
For this project, bids will be received and accepted via the online electronic bid service through QuestCDN vBid Online Bidding, only. **Paper bids will not be accepted.** To submit a vBid online bid you must download the project bid document file from QuestCDN, which will add you to the plan holders list and gain you access to vBid Online Bidding. Contact QuestCDN.com at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in setting up a free standard membership registration, downloading this digital project information, and submitting your bid via the vBid Online Bid Portal. The online bid portal (Live Bid Schedule Document) will be open when documents uploaded for viewing.
There is a non-refundable fee of \$50 for a set of digital contract documents. (This fee includes both downloading of digital plans/specs and online bidding.)
The unconfirmed bid results will be publicly read aloud after the bid portal closes on **Friday, February 23, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. local time. The bid opening will be held by teleconference. Any interested Contractors or members of the public that would like to participate in the teleconference will need to call 1-414-877-0020 and enter the code 872098 when prompted.**
A pre bid meeting will not be held.

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Project Description: The project includes the reconstruction of Sunlite Drive. Included in the project is the construction of concrete curb and gutter, storm sewer, asphalt pavement, asphalt trail paving, and landscape restoration. The project also includes the extension of Founders Terrace, a concrete roadway. Sanitary sewer, storm sewer, and water main will also be installed along this Founders Terrace extension. **Prospective bidders must be on the plan holders list through QuestCDN for bids to be accepted.**

Robert E. Lee & Associates, Inc., requires bidders to prequalify 5 calendar days prior to bid opening. Contract documents for this project may be examined online or downloaded at: www.questcdn.com. The QuestCDN eBidDoc Number for this project is: 8942515

Each bid must be accompanied by a Bid Bond or certified check equivalent to 5% maximum proposal. **If a check is submitted, it must be received in Robert E. Lee & Associate's office by the posted bid date/ bid time.** The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids or any part of a bid. Further, the Owner reserves the right to waive any informality in any bid. The Owner reserves the right to increase or decrease the quantity of any item or portion of the work, or to omit portions of the work as may be deemed necessary by the Owner; and the same shall in no way affect or make void the contract, except that the appropriate additions to or deductions from the contract price will be made. The owner encourages DBEs including MBEs and WBEs to submit bid proposals. The Bidding Documents may be examined for free at: - QuestCDN.com or www.releeinc.com/bid list - enter eBidDoc number **8942515**

If you are interested in purchasing a paper copy, you may do so by contacting Blue Print Service Company for paper sets (contact Appleton 920-733-4539 or Green Bay 920-494-4539). Downloaded plans are not scaleable, neither the owner nor the engineer shall be held responsible for the scale of downloaded plans. Only printed plans obtained from Blue Print Service Company shall be considered to be scaleable plans. No Bidder may withdraw his bid within 45 days after the actual date of the opening thereof. The letting of the work described herein is subject to the provisions of the Wisconsin State Statutes, in particular 62.15, 66.0901, and 66.0903.

Aaron Kramer, Village Administrator
Village of Hobart Publish
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Howard WNAXLP

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Village of Howard
1336 Cornell Road
Green Bay, WI 54313-8923
Sealed bids for the **Red Oak Street & Lancaster Creek Residential Utility Construction** will be received by the Village of Howard at the Public Works Facility, 1336 Cornell Road, Green Bay, WI 54313-8923, until **March 5, 2024, at 1:30 P.M., CT**, and shall include the following approximate quantities:
550 L.F. - Sanitary Sewer
1000 L.F. - Storm Sewer
280 L.F. - Watermain
5500 S.F. - Concrete Sidewalk
10 EA. - Sanitary Service
14000 C.Y. - Excavation & Grading
10 EA. - Water Service
5000 S.Y. - Landscaping
4 EA. - Bore Water Service

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The project is scheduled to be completed by **June, 2024**. 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, 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 #8982818** 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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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Village of Howard
1336 Cornell Road
Green Bay, WI 54313-8923
Sealed bids for the **Lineville Road & Brookfield Avenue Sanitary Sewer & Watermain Project** will be received by the Village of Howard at the Public Works Facility, 1336 Cornell Road, Green Bay, WI 54313-8923, until **February 27, 2024, at 1:30 P.M., CT**, and shall include the following approximate quantities:
2500 L.F. - Sanitary Sewer
5100 L.F. - Watermain
100 L.F. - Bore & Jack Steel Casing
1400 L.F. - Directional Bore HDPE Watermain
The project is scheduled to be completed by **February 28, 2025**. 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, 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

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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 #8968553** 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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Ashwaubenon WNAXLP
ASHWAUBENON SANITARY SEWER RATE INCREASE PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
On February 24, 2024 at 6pm, the Village of Ashwaubenon Village Board will host a Public Hearing to consider an increase in Sanitary Sewer Rates. This rate increase will be a two phased approach in accordance with Wis. Stat. 196.193. The first phase will include a 6.5% increase effective 4/1/2024 and the second phase will include a 3.5% increase effective 10/1/2024. According to the new rate structure, the quarterly bill for the average residential customer served by the Village Sanitary Sewer (using approximately 15,000 gallons per quarter) will increase by \$10.61 after the final phase of implementation. Publish 02.09.24 & 02.16.24 WNAXLP

De Pere WNAXLP

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Notice is hereby given, that on **Tuesday, March 5, 2024** at 7:35 PM or as soon thereafter as can be heard, a public hearing will be held by the Common Council of the City of De Pere to act on the request for a landscape materials and supplies conditional use at the following property:
Parcel WD-L281-1, 2108 Lawrence DR, approximately 418.0 feet north of the Lawrence DR and Southbridge RD intersection. The public may attend the meeting either in person in the Council Chambers (2nd Floor City Hall, 335 S Broadway ST, De Pere WI) or electronically. Electronic or telephonic access to the meeting is below: Computer/smart phone accessing <https://www.gotomeet.me/DePere> OR dial by phone: United States (Toll Free): 1-866-899-4679 United States: +1 (312) 757-3117 Access Code: 154-883-285.
A map of the proposed conditional use site is available by emailing Peter Schlein at pschlein@deperewi.gov. Dated this 23rd day of January, 2024.
BY ORDER OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
James G. Boyd Mayor
Carey E. Danen City Clerk Publish 02.16.24 & 02.23.24 WNAXLP

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De Pere WNAXLP
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Notice is hereby given, that on **Tuesday, March 5, 2024** at 7:35 PM or as soon thereafter as can be heard, a public hearing will be held by the Common Council of the City of De Pere to act on the request for a zoning map amendment at the following property:
Parcels WD-142 and WD-144-1-1, 925 S Sixth ST and 500 BLK Lande ST, approximately 115.0 feet north of the S Sixth ST and Lande ST intersection, from PI-1 (Neighborhood Public & Institutional District) to PI-2 (Campus Public & Institutional District). The public may attend the meeting either in person in the Council Chambers (2nd Floor City Hall, 335 S Broadway ST, De Pere WI) or electronically. Electronic or telephonic access to the meeting is below: Computer/smart phone accessing <https://www.gotomeet.me/DePere> OR dial by phone: United States (Toll Free): 1-866-899-4679 United States: +1 (312) 757-3117 Access Code: 154-883-285.
A map of the proposed zoning map amendment is available by emailing Peter Schlein at pschlein@deperewi.gov. Dated this 23rd day of January, 2024.
BY ORDER OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
James G. Boyd Mayor
Carey E. Danen City Clerk Publish 02.16.24 & 02.23.24 WNAXLP

De Pere WNAXLP

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Notice is hereby given, that on **Tuesday, March 5, 2024** at 7:35 PM or as soon thereafter as can be heard, a public hearing will be held by the Common Council of the City of De Pere to act on the request for a zoning map amendment at the following property:
Parcels ED-F0081-5, ED-F0081-2, ED-2389, ED-2388, and ED-2387, 2000 BLK Profit PL, approximately 0.0 feet south from the Profit PL and Destiny DR intersection, from C PDD (Commercial District with a pre-existing Planned Development District overlay) to C (Commercial District). The public may attend the meeting either in person in the Council Chambers (2nd Floor City Hall, 335 S Broadway ST, De Pere WI) or electronically. Electronic or telephonic access to the meeting is below: Computer/smart phone accessing <https://www.gotomeet.me/DePere> OR dial by phone: United States (Toll Free): 1-866-899-4679 United States: +1 (312) 757-3117 Access Code: 154-883-285.
A map of the proposed zoning map amendment is available by emailing Peter Schlein at pschlein@deperewi.gov. Dated this 23rd day of January, 2024.
BY ORDER OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
James G. Boyd Mayor
Carey E. Danen City Clerk Publish 02.16.24 & 02.23.24 WNAXLP

Green Bay WNAXLP

Public Notification Proposed Text Amendments to Chapter 44, Green Bay Municipal Code Related to the Zoning Board of Appeals (TA 24-01)
The Green Bay Plan Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, February 26, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. The meeting will be conducted both in person in Room 604,

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City Hall, 100 N Jefferson St., and virtually. If you wish to participate in the public hearing, you may access the meeting in person or by the internet or telephone, using the access code below. Join Zoom Meeting Online <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84137675822?pwd=L2EyVlpDSlZGZ1FjcmJpWnZlOEVnUT09>
Or call in by phone: +1 312 626 6799
Meeting ID: 841 3767 5822
Passcode: 483400
The hearing is regarding the following:
(TA 24-01) Consideration with possible action on the request to Amend Section 44-138, Green Bay Municipal Code, codifying the Mayor of Green Bay as the designator of the chairperson of the Zoning Board of Appeals, submitted by the Law Department. Public comments will be invited at the public hearing or can be sent in writing to: City of Green Bay Community & Economic Development
Attn: Stephanie Hummel
100 N. Jefferson St., Rm. 608
Green Bay, WI 54301
For additional information, contact Stephanie Hummel at stephanie.hummel@greenbaywi.gov or 920.448.3424.
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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Green Bay WNAXLP

Public Notification Request to establish a Planned Unit Development (PUD) for the creation of a 21 small home cottage court located at 2890 St. Anthony Drive (Parcel # 21-283) (ZP 24-04)
The Green Bay Plan Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, February 26, 2024, 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. Join Zoom Meeting Online <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84137675822?pwd=L2EyVlpDSlZGZ1FjcmJpWnZlOEVnUT09>
Or call in by phone: +1 312 626 6799
Meeting ID: 841 3767 5822
Passcode: 483400
The hearing is regarding the following:
(ZP 24-04) Consideration with possible action on a request to create a Planned Unit Development (PUD) for the creation of a 21 small home cottage court located at 2890 St. Anthony Drive, submitted by Veteran's 1st of NEW, Inc - petitioner, Brown County Mental Health Center - Property Owner (Ald. Grant, District 1). 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 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

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scheduled meeting time so that arrangements can be made.
Publication Dates: February 9 and February 16, 2024
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Minutes 7725

De Pere WNAXLP
Common Council Regular Meeting Final Minutes Tuesday, January 16, 2024 7:30 PM Council Chambers and Virtual

The following is a summary of actions taken at the 1/16/24 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.deperewiwi.igtm2.com/Citizens/Default.asp
1. Call to Order. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Mayor James Boyd. 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 January 2, 2024 Common Council meeting. Motion Hansen second Quigley **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. Commendation for photo contest winners.
6. Recommendation from Finance/Personnel Committee to approve Forte for Merchant Services using the service fee model. Motion Perock second Gantz **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
7. Recommendation from Finance/Personnel Committee to approve various changes to City-issued credit cards. Motion Perock second Hansen **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
8. Recommendation from the Board of Public Works to leave the existing service signs on S. Broadway & Bicentennial Park. Motion Carpenter second Raasch **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
9. Recommendation from the Board of Public Works to keep the existing declining rate structure for water volume charges as part of the PSC Rate Case. Motion Carpenter second Ledvina **APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]**
10. Recommendation from the Board of Public Works to request WPS replace decorative street lighting in the downtown areas with Paragon light fixtures and budget for remaining replacements in 2025. Motion Hansen second Raasch **APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]**
11. Recommendation from the Board of Public Works on Main Avenue underpass maintenance allowing to grow natural with limited maintenance for personnel safety. Motion Hansen second Gantz **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
12. Ordinance #24-01 Amending Chapter 150 of the De Pere Municipal Code Regarding Traffic Regulations (Section 150-23; Schedules E and G). Motion Raasch second Ledvina **ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**
13. Ordinance #24-02 Creating Section 26-16 of Chapter 26 Water and Sewer Service of the City of De Pere Municipal Code Relating to Private Water System Inspection, Maintenance and Operation. Motion Carpenter second Quigley **ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**
14. Ordinance #24-03 Repealing and Recreating Chapter 146 Noise Ordinance of the De Pere Municipal Code. Motion Hansen second Kundinger **ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**

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 15. Resolution #24-01 Accepting Natural Resource Damage Assessment Grant from Fox River Trustee Council Toward Voyageur Park Kayak/Canoe Launch and Authorizing Additional City Funding from the Capital Project Fund to Complete Project. Motion Hansen second Gantz **ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]**
 16. Reso #24-02 Authorizing Offer to Purchase and Development Agreement Between the City of De Pere and Developer (126 South Broadway and 310 North Wisconsin). Motion Raasch second Carpenter **ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]**
 17. Resolution #24-03 Opposing Senate Bill 691. Motion Ledvina second Gantz **ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**
 18. Reappointments to the Historic Preservation Commission by Mayor Boyd. Motion Hansen second Raasch **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
 19. Voucher approval. Motion Perock second Ledvina **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
 20. Future agenda items.
 21. City Administrator annual performance appraisal. Motion Raasch second Ledvina to enter into closed session at 8:10 PM. [ROLL CALL UNANIMOUS]. Motion Perock second Gantz to return to open session at 8:54 PM. [ROLL CALL UNANIMOUS]. Motion Carpenter second Gantz to give City Administrator Delo a 5% increase on his base salary with a \$4,000 bonus. **APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]**
 22. Adjournment. Motion Quigley second Gantz to adjourn the meeting at 8:56 PM. [UNANIMOUS] Respectfully submitted, City Clerk Carey Danen Publish 02.16.24 WNAXLP

Howard-Suamico WNAXLP
Regular Board of Education Meeting – January 29, 2024
Present: Scott Jandrin, Amy Rubright, Greg Klimek, Vanessa Moran, Allen McGuire, Rachelle Paulsen, Chrissy Amtmann
Also Present: Damian La Croix, Mark Smith, Mike Juech, Kimberly Uelmen, Jennie Garceau, Elisia Lewis
 President Greg Klimek called the meeting to order at 4:45 p.m. A MOTION was made by Scott Jandrin and seconded by Amy Rubright to adopt the agenda. A vote was taken on the motion; 7 -YES; **MOTION CARRIED.**
 4:46 p.m. Madeline Thoreson arrived.
Faculty and Staff Community Conversation – The Board conducted an informal conversation with 24 faculty and staff. The conversation focused on mental health, achievement gaps and staff needs. Greg Klimek served as the facilitator.
 5:55 p.m. Jessica Gagan arrived.
 The Board recessed from 6:00-6:15 p.m.
Recognition of Karlie Schock, State Tennis Champion – President Greg Klimek recognized Bay Port freshman Karlie Schock and Coach Lindsey Matuszewski for earning the WIAA Division 1 State Tennis Championship. Consent Agenda: A MOTION was made by Scott Jandrin and seconded by Chrissy Amtmann to approve the consent agenda, including minutes of the Regular Board Meeting January 8, 2024; approval of vouchers and invoices in the amount of \$3,000,996.89 through January 29, 2024; resignation of Jason Berna, retirement of Andrew and Sue Zipperer, employment of Brandon Moroni and Shan Rowe contingent upon successful completion of all pre-employment requirements including release of contract from other District if

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 applicable; approval to expend 2024-25 funds; approval of open enrollment spaces for 2024-25 school year for regular education as required by Wis. Stats. 118.51(5)(a) as presented in the attached chart; approval of open enrollment spaces for 2024-25 school year for special education as required by Wis. Stats. 118.51(5)(a) as presented in the attached chart as detailed in the consent materials. A vote was taken on the motion; 7-YES; **MOTION CARRIED.**
REGULAR EDUCATION - 2024-25 OPEN ENROLLMENT SPACES

Grade Level	Spaces
4K	36
K-8	10
9-12	39

SPECIAL EDUCATION – 2024-25 OPEN ENROLLMENT SPACES

Grade Level	Spaces
Early Childhood, Community Based	8
Early Childhood, Self-Contained	4
Grades K-4 Cross-Categorical*	5
Grades K-4 Extensive Needs**	0
Grades 5-6 Cross-Categorical*	0
Grades 5-6 Extensive Needs**	0
Grades 7-8 Cross-Categorical*	4
Grades 7-8 Extensive Needs**	0
Grades 9-12 Cross-Categorical*	0
Grades 9-12 Extensive Needs**	0
Occupational Therapy	0
Physical Therapy	0
Speech/Language	0

Auditor's Report – Greg Pitel, CPA, and Brianna Olson, Audit Manager (participated virtually), from Kerber Rose, gave an informational report on the Annual Financial Report of the District, June 30, 2023 and status of the audit. Transition Plan Update – Supt. LaCroix, Deputy Supt. Mark Smith and Director of School and Community Relations Kimberly Uelmen, presented an update on the current status of the superintendent transition plan and next steps.
Board CESA 7 Report – Amy Rubright shared information on Head Start.
Public Policy Correspondent Report – Nothing to report.
Student Representative to the Board (Madeline Thoreson and Jessica Gagan) – Thoreson and Gagan shared updates on athletics, DECA, FFA, career coaching and the upcoming Snoball dance.
Board President Governance Process GP-8 Board Member's Code of Conduct Monitoring Report – A MOTION was made by Rachelle Paulsen and seconded by Scott to approve Governance Process GP-8 Board Members Code of Conduct Monitoring Report at level 1, in full compliance. A vote was taken on the motion; 7-YES; **MOTION CARRIED.**
Review January Broadcast Communication Article and discuss February Broadcast Communication Article – The Board reviewed the January article – State Education Convention – New Horizons for Education. Vanessa Moran will draft the February broadcast communication article on HSEF/Raise the Sail and The Giving Tree/Give Big Green Bay.
Community Conversation Updates
Bay View Student Council – The Bay View Student Council linkage will be held on February 1, 2024 in the library at Bay View Middle School. Board member Scott Jandrin will facilitate and the Board reviewed the questions. Debrief WASB Convention – Board members Scott Jandrin, Greg Klimek, Rachelle Paulsen, Amy Rubright and Vanessa Moran shared their feedback.
Upcoming Events – The

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 Board reviewed the list of upcoming events.
February Board Meeting agenda items - The Board reviewed the agenda planning calendar.
Board Meeting/District Highlights – The Board shared highlights of the meeting. A MOTION was made by Scott Jandrin and seconded by Chrissy Amtmann to adjourn at 7:23 p.m. A vote was taken on the motion; 7-YES; **MOTION CARRIED.** Respectfully submitted, Lisa Harmann, Recording Secretary Publish 02.16.24 WNAXLP

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Special Board of Education Meeting/Linkage – February 1, 2024
Present: Greg Klimek, Amy Rubright, Scott Jandrin, Vanessa Moran, Allen McGuire
Also Present: Damian LaCroix, Mark Smith, Jennie Garceau,
 President Greg Klimek called the meeting to order at 2:48 p.m. A MOTION was made by Scott Jandrin and seconded by Amy Rubright to adopt the agenda. A vote was taken on the motion; 5- YES; **MOTION CARRIED.**
Community Conversation with Bay View Student Council - Board members conducted an informal conversation with 22 students. The conversation focused on social and emotional needs, safety, equity and achievement gap, and the graduate profile. A MOTION was made Scott Jandrin and seconded by Vanessa Moran to adjourn at 3:50 p.m. A vote was taken on the motion; 5-YES; **MOTION CARRIED.** Respectfully submitted, Lisa Harmann, Recording Secretary Publish 02.16.24 WNAXLP

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SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WEST DE PERE REGULAR BOARD MEETING DISTRICT OFFICE January 15, 2024 5:30 PM
 Board members present: Fuss, Borley, Van Den Heuvel, Dorn, Van Deurzen
 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 Ryan Van Den Heuvel and seconded by Barbara Van Deurzen to accept the agenda. Voting Yes: 5 Voting No: 0 Motion carried.
 There were no recognitions. The meeting was opened to the floor to enable district residents to bring items of general concern to the attention of the Board. No concerns were presented.
 It was moved by Ryan Van Den Heuvel and seconded by Scott Borley that the December 13, 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 Barbara Van Deurzen that the Treasurer's Report be approved. Voting Yes: 5 Voting No: 0 Motion carried.
 It was moved by Barbara Van Deurzen and seconded by Scott Borley that previously paid bills to Vos Electric, VDH Electric, and Best Built be approved. Motion carried. Voting Yes: 4 Voting No: 0 Ryan Van Den Heuvel abstained. Motion carried.
 It was moved by Ryan Van Den Heuvel and seconded by Barbara Van Deurzen that previously paid bills be approved excluding bills from Vos Electric, VDH Electric,

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 and Best Built. Voting Yes: 5 Voting No: 0 Motion carried.
Old Business
 It was moved by Ryan Van Den Heuvel and seconded by Scott Borley to adopt the following policies as previously presented:
 • 1700 School District Records Retentions
 • 8100 Board of Education (reviewed-no changes)
 • 8130 Board Committees (reviewed-no changes)
 • 8211 Resignations (reviewed-no changes)
 Voting Yes: 5 Voting No: 0 Motion carried.
New Business
 Committee Chair, Scott Borley gave a verbal update regarding the Finance Committee Meeting. Discussion with regard to providing a van to eliminate some contracted transportation services, as well as, establishing walking areas in appropriate Hemlock Creek neighborhoods took place.
 Committee Chair, Barbara Van Deurzen reviewed the January 11, 2024 Curriculum and Policy Committee report. It was moved by Ryan Van Den Heuvel and seconded by Scott Borley to approve the Pupil Nondiscrimination Self-Evaluation Report as presented. Voting Yes: 5 Voting No: 0 Motion carried.
 It was moved by Scott Borley and seconded by Ryan Van Den Heuvel to approve the Foreign Exchange Students for the 2024-2025 School Year as presented. Voting Yes: 5 Voting No: 0 Motion carried.
 It was moved by Barbara Van Deurzen and seconded by Ryan Van Den Heuvel that by considering class size limits, student-teacher ratios, and enrollment projections for the purpose of open enrollment space determination as criteria, there are no spaces available, per grade, for the 2024-2025 open enrollment applications in grades 4K-12 unless guaranteed according to board policy. Voting Yes: 5 Voting No: 0 Motion carried.
 Superintendent Krueger, and Director of Curriculum, Amy LaPierre presented the Strategic Plan Monitoring Report to the Board. Discussion ensued. The Board thanked administration for the update.
 It was moved by Barbara Van Deurzen and seconded by Scott Borley to approve the Clerk for the School Board Elections as presented. Voting Yes: 5 Voting No: 0 Motion carried.
 It was moved by Barbara Van Deurzen and seconded by Ryan Van Den Heuvel to give Jenni Fuss discretionary latitude to our delegate to vote on amendments and resolutions at the upcoming WASB State Education Convention. Motion carried. Voting Yes: 5 Voting No: 0 Motion carried.
 Superintendent Krueger reviewed the Board of Education Evaluation Process with the Board. The Board was given digital versions of the Board evaluation forms.
 President Jenni Fuss, gave an update on the search for the new Superintendent. The deadline to be considered for the Advisory Committee is January 22, 2024.
 It was moved by Scott Borley and seconded by Barbara Van Deurzen 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 Scott Borley and seconded by Barbara Van Deurzen at 6:01 PM that the Board adjourn into closed session as previously stated. Voting Yes: 5 Voting No: 0 Motion carried.
 The Board reconvened at 6:44 PM.

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 It was moved by Scott Borley and seconded by Barbara Van Deurzen at 6:45 PM that the meeting be adjourned. Voting Yes: 5 Voting No: 0 Motion carried.
 Barbara Van Deurzen Clerk Publish 02.16.24 WNAXLP

Ordinances 7740
City of Seymour
 NOTICE
 CITY OF SEYMOUR RESIDENTS
ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE
 Notice is hereby given that the below ordinance has been adopted.
ORDINANCE 2024-101
 Minimum Residential Property Maintenance Standards
THE FULL ORDINANCE CAN BE VIEWED ONLINE AT www.cityofseymourwi.org under News & Announcements – read all, OR a copy is available in the City Clerk's Office.
 Dated this 16th day of February 2024
 Christy Stover
 Clerk-Treasurer
 Publish February 16, 2024
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Sporting Goods 7260
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Guns 7264



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Skilled Trades 7175

Engineering Group Head I (Appleton, WI) Supervise a group of eng employees w/in a similar discipline responsible for tasks & objective assignments. Reqs: Bach in Aeronautical Engr, Mech Engr, or rel engr field. 10 yrs engr exp, incl any exp w/ Title 14 of the Code of Fed Regs (specifically Chapter 1, Part 25) as it pertains to the FAA; regulation procedures & the STC process as it relates to the cert of Aircraft Interiors; FEA; AutoCAD & CATIA V5; project mngmt; working w/ various internal groups & external suppliers; & aircraft side attachment & installation analysis. 1 yr of supervisory or broad managerial responsibility exp. In lieu of a Bach degree in Aeronautical Engr, Mech Engr, or rel engr field & 10 yrs exp, a Master's in Aeronautical Engr, Mech Engr, or a rel engr field & 8 yrs of the above-listed exp OR a PhD in Aeronautical Engr, Mech Engr, or a rel engr field & 6 yrs of the above-listed exp is acceptable. Must have legal authority to work in the U.S. EEOE. Resume to: F. Mayers, Jr., Dir, Int'l HR, Gulfstream Aerospace Services Corp., 30 Innovation Dr, Mailstop D-03, Savannah, GA 31407 or shelby.weitzel@gulfstream.com. Ref ED11 + job title in cv or sub line.

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PUBLISHER'S LETTER

Valentine's Day: A Timeless Celebration

Dear Reader,

As we approach St. Valentine's Day, let's reflect on the profound significance of expressing love to someone special. While this day has become a symbol of affection, it serves as a gentle reminder to celebrate love not just on February 14th, but throughout the entire year.

Love is a force that knows no bounds even in the hustle and bustle of our daily lives. Its celebration should be a continuous journey rather than a fleeting moment in time. Every day offers an opportunity to cherish and nurture the bonds that bring joy and companionship into our lives.

So, as we exchange heartfelt gestures on this St. Valentine's Day, let it be a catalyst for a year filled with love, understanding, and gratitude. May each day be an opportunity to celebrate the extraordinary connections that make life richer and more meaningful. After all, the true beauty of love lies in its ability to brighten not just one day, but every day of the year.



PATRICK J. WOOD
Publisher

Author of "Reflections" a new book now available on Amazon.

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Letters to the editor must include the writer's full name, address, and other contact information (only your name and town will appear in print and online).

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- Letters may be edited by our staff for length, clarity and facts.

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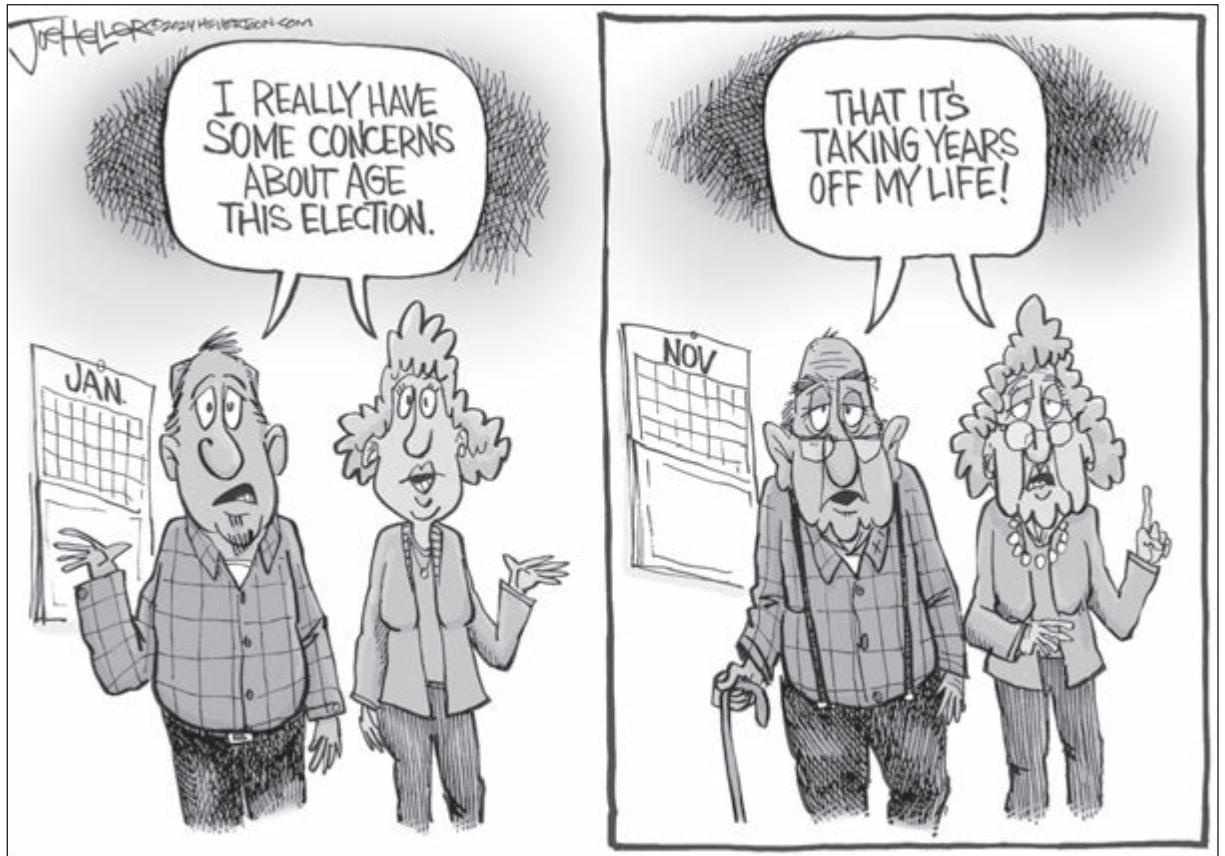
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Letters will only be accepted every two weeks by the same writer.



LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Climate reflections and my hopes for the future

DEAR EDITOR,

As usual, the holiday season and the end of 2023 flew by in a blur of celebration — time with family and great food.

As January progressed, I have finally taken the time to reflect on 2023 and my goals/hopes for 2024 and beyond.

My focus: the progress made over the past year in the fight against the Climate Crisis and what we can all continue to do.

It can be far too easy to get caught up in the negative, doom and gloom headlines related to the Climate Crisis.

There is no doubt that

we have good reason to be alarmed and concerned but there is progress being made that may not make its way into the news cycle.

For example, in the first half of 2023, renewable energy comprised one quarter of U.S. electrical generation.

In addition to increased usage, many renewables are now the same price or cheaper than fossil fuels.

Another example on a more global scale is that deforestation of Amazon rain forests dropped significantly in 2023 vs. 2022 which is crucial to preventing the loss of wildlife and carbon storage.

From an environmental justice perspective, examples include COP28 setting up a fund to cover loss and damage caused by climate change and multiple instances of people taking legal action against polluters and plastic producers.

This important progress has resulted in me starting 2024 with a mindset of "cautious optimism."

There is still a ton of work to do in the fight against Climate Change, but I believe we are now moving in the right direction. We can make progress if we choose to.

We have the agency to make change happen slow

or fast and, at this point, I think we can all agree that we have no choice but to act and to act fast.

I believe that we can not only avoid the most horrific parts of Climate Change but actually improve our quality of life.

Our health and the health of our planet go hand-in-hand and it is in our own best interest to find a better way forward.

I urge all of you to consider what you can do to make progress towards a healthier planet and vote for those who will as well.

Anna Schuh
Seymour

How to fight back against age discrimination



Savvy Senior

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DEAR SAVVY SENIOR,

What are the steps to take to fight against age discrimination in the workplace, and where can I turn to for help if I think I've got a case?

Passed Over Paul

DEAR PAUL,

If you believe your age has cost you in the workplace — whether it's a job, a promotion, or a raise — you have options for fighting back. Here's what you should know along with some steps to take against this illegal workplace activity.

ADEA protection

The Age Discrimination in Employment Act (ADEA) is your first defense against age discrimination.

This is a federal law that says an employer cannot fire, refuse to hire or treat you differently than other employees because of your age. Some examples of age discrimination include:

You were fired because your boss wanted to keep

younger workers who are paid less.

You were turned down for a promotion, which went to someone younger hired from outside the company, because the boss says the company "needs new blood."

When company layoffs are announced, most of the persons laid off were older, while younger workers with less seniority and less on-the-job experience were kept on.

Before you were fired, your supervisor made age-related remarks about you.

You didn't get hired because the employer wanted a younger-looking person to do the job.

The ADEA protects all workers and job applicants age 40 and over who work for employers that have 20 or more employees — including federal, state and local governments as well as employment agencies and labor unions.

If your workplace has fewer than 20 employees, you may still be protected

under your state's anti-age discrimination law.

Steps to take

If you think you are a victim of employment age discrimination, you may first want to talk to your supervisor informally or file a formal complaint with your company's human resources department.

If that doesn't resolve the problem, you should then file a charge with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) within 180 days from the date of the alleged violation, but it may be extended to 300 days.

You can do this online, by mail or in person at your nearest EEOC office (see EEOC.gov/field-office) or call 800-669-4000.

They will help you through the filing process and let you know if you should also file a charge with your state anti-discrimination agency.

If you do file, be prepared to provide the names of potential witnesses, your notes about age-related comments and other episodes.

Once the charge is filed, the EEOC will investigate your complaint and find either reasonable cause to believe that age discrimination has occurred, or no cause and no basis for a claim.

After the investigation, the EEOC will then send you their findings along with a "notice-of-right-to-sue," which gives you permission to file a lawsuit in a court of law.

If you decide to sue, you'll need to hire a lawyer who specializes in employee discharge suits.

To find one, see the National Employment Lawyers Association at NELA.org, or your state bar association at FindLegalHelp.org.

If you lose your job in a group termination or lay-off, you should consider joining forces with other colleagues.

There are advantages to proceeding as a group, including sharing costs of the litigation and strengthening your negotiating position.

Another option you may want to consider is mediation, which is a fair and efficient way to help you resolve your employment disputes and reach an agreement.

The EEOC offers mediation at no cost if your current or former employer agrees to participate.

At mediation, you show up with your evidence, your employer presents theirs and the mediator makes a determination within a day or less.

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Colder air returns, but will ice?



In the Outdoors

BY KEVIN NAZE
GUEST COLUMNIST

Three days of freezing temperatures this weekend won't be enough to restart ice fishing opportunities in most areas, but could extend hard water options in the few spots still intact.

With highs again expected from 40-45 degrees Fahrenheit Monday through Thursday, that too could be short-lived.

Many anglers have already put away their ice fishing gear and are exploring open water, or preparing to do so when the conditions are just right.

Dozens of boaters and shore anglers can be seen most days on the Fox River near Voyageur Park, and on the Menominee, Peshtigo and Oconto rivers.

Concerned about two straight years of earlier than normal open water and the potential to overharvest pre-spawn fish, some anglers on online forums are advocating for the 28-inch minimum, one-fish rule for the Fox to begin a month earlier.

While walleyes are the most common catch, a few perch, pike and whitefish have been taken, and west shore tributaries are giving up some dandy trout.

On the bay, weeks of warnings to not cross cracks on the deteriorating ice didn't stop some anglers from venturing out last week.

Brown County and Coast Guard airboats were used to get nine people back to shore last Thursday — three near Point Comfort, four near Bay Shore Park and two near Red River Park.

All were unable to walk back after strong south winds separated and moved ice sheets.

Meanwhile, boat launches are open at the Algoma and Kewaunee marinas, offering early season trolling on Lake Michigan when the winds allow.

Brown trout are the most common catches, but a few lake trout and even a couple salmon were reported from the shallow water.

On the Lake Winnebago system, poor ice has limited where sturgeon spears could find success. Only about 500 shacks and pop-ups were counted opening weekend vs. the

thousands that are seen most years.

Through the first three days of the season, 156 sturgeon had been registered — three of them larger than 100 pounds.

A total of 116 fish were taken from Lake Winnebago and 40 from the upriver lakes.

Some guides were offering airboat services to access ice thick enough to offer spearing, but most anglers were walking out to their spots.

Speaking of airboats, there's been a lot of online fishing forum criticism against guides and private anglers using them on the bay.

Most of the complaints center around breaking up ice near landings or off-shore, while others mention the noise.

Some believe there should be more regulations, such as a minimum ice thickness before airboats can be operated by non-rescue personnel.

What's your opinion? Shoot me your thoughts to gofishwisconsin@gmail.com.

Backyard birds

Anyone can join thousands of bird lovers from across the globe in the 27th annual Great Backyard Bird Count this Friday through Monday, Feb. 19.

Participants spend 15 minutes or more identifying and counting birds near their feeders, or wherever they are.

You submit them using eBird or the Merlin app, then watch the numbers rack up online.

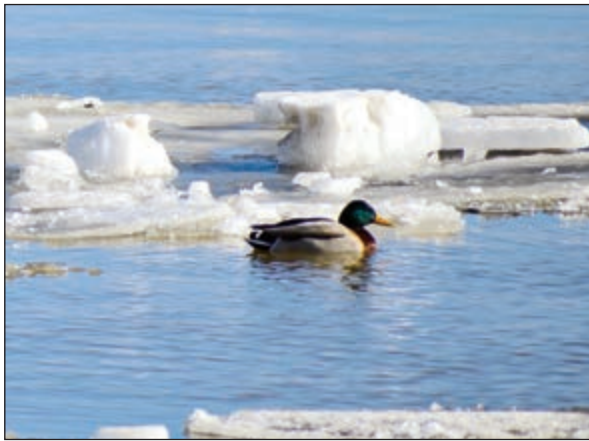
Combined with other counts around the state, country and world, the bird count results help create a clearer picture of how birds are faring.

The website <https://www.birdcount.org/> has everything you need to get started, including archived webinars to learn all about the count and try your luck at Merlin Bird ID Trivia.

All participants in this free event will be entered into a drawing to win a pair of Zeiss Terra 8x42 binoculars.

Donation time

Nature lovers have an opportunity to give back by supporting the state's En-



Ice fishing fanatics have lamented this year's early breakup, but ducks seem to enjoy having more areas to swim.

Kevin Naze photo

Weekly Fishing Report

brought to you by Smokey's on the Bay bait and tackle

Sorry folks, no ice

Sorry folks. In general, there is no real ice to speak of on the bay of Green Bay.

The winds last week really tore up and blew around what we had and the satellite shots from over the weekend show there is even very little floating ice around on Green Bay.

If you are looking to get out ice fishing, your best bet might be to head to northern Wisconsin or the Upper Peninsula.

I know there are a few guides running airboats on some remaining ice in the Door County area but even up there the shoe lines are shot in most locations so even walk out traffic is difficult and dangerous.

The Fox River is wide open and ice free from the dam in De Pere all the way out past the mouth, and all launches are open with no docks so be aware of that.

Fishing has been good to fair.

Folks are using jig/minnow combinations in the channels and edges slipping the little bit of current we have and vertical jigging are getting

both walleye and a few whitefish.

Casting up at the dam seems to be producing a couple fish but no real numbers.

Casting plastics and hair jigs on the flats is also producing fair catches and a few night trollers have been out getting some fish each trip.

Keep in mind this is still mid-February and not the spring March run yet, so their feeding windows can be short and sporadic as their metabolism is not moved into pre-spawning mode yet.

Rumor has it both Kewaunee and Algoma boat ramps are ice free and a few folks have been trolling.

Brown trout has been found along the shore lines in those areas with some success also running stick baits.

We may not have good ice but there seems to be some opportunity to get out and wet a line.

Be safe and keep tight lines.

Capt. Robert Claus
(920)360-2904
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You can read about some of the recent projects on-

line at https://issuu.com/wisconsinnaturalresources/docs/wnrmagazine_winter2023/20.

Weekly water levels

Lake Michigan water levels are about an inch higher than in mid-February 2023 and are four inches above the 100-year average.

The most recent estimate projected that levels were down 32 inches from the record February high set in 2020, but still, 33 inches above the record low set in 1964.

NEWS BRIEFS from page 10

Jury scams in Brown County

BROWN COUNTY – The Brown County Clerk of Court's Office has been made aware of more scams involving individuals that pose as law enforcement officers and calling jurors.

These imposters indicate that records show the jurors failed to appear for jury duty and now must either turn themselves in to the Brown County Sheriff's Office for arrest or can send payment through a gift card.

Some residents may have been mailed false payment notices with instructions on where to send the gift card information to.

"There is no situation where it would be necessary for jurors to send cash, gift cards, or Bitcoin for missing jury service," said John A. Vander Leest, Brown County Clerk of Courts. "These are 100% scams, please do not fall for it. Please help spread the word on this scam by sharing with your family members and friends so they don't fall for it either."

When potential jurors are called for jury duty, they are mailed a summons and a juror handbook which provides specific instructions for them to follow.

Potential jurors should not deviate from those instructions. If you have been affected by this scam, please call your local police department.

Johanna Wicklund appointed new CEO of Boys and Girls Clubs of the Bay and Lakes Region

NORTHEAST WISCONSIN – The Boys and Girls Clubs of the Bay and Lakes Region board of directors has officially appointed Johanna Wicklund as Chief Executive Officer.

She will lead the strategic direction and operations of three Clubhouses and 10 school-based sites.

"Johanna is a passionate leader with a proven track record of 20-plus years with Club," said Paul Belschner, chair of the board of directors at Boys and Girls Clubs of the Bay and Lakes Region. "She has been acting CEO during our recent transition and has shown exemplary leadership. Johanna's strategic vision and strength-based leadership style has improved every aspect of our Boys & Girls Clubs. Her commitment to developing safe spaces and quality programs, supported by dedicated mentors, has positioned Club to propel outcomes for youth. Through her guidance we will continue to enrich the lives of young people in our communities across the region."

Through partnerships with local organizations, community-minded individuals and volunteers, Wicklund has enhanced Club's capacity to offer opportunities for youth to pursue their goals and realize their dreams.

"Since starting in my first role at the Lutsey Unit nearly 24 years ago, Club has been my life's calling," said Wicklund. "I'm humbled and honored to continue the momentum of an incredible organization that inspires our next generation of leaders and difference makers. I've never been more committed to opening doors of opportunity for all young people to thrive and achieve success."

UW-Green Bay to host online grant writing workshop

GREEN BAY – UW-Green Bay will host a grant writing workshop for local government and nonprofits online over the course of two mornings from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Monday and Tuesday, February 26 and 27.

The cost is an affordable \$129 for both days. Grants are one way that local government and non-profits fund solutions to the issues that challenge the community but can be competitive and demanding of time and resources.

UW-Green Bay's new workshop refines the grant writing process by delivering strategies for success, including strategic planning and aligning projects with goals and mission.

The workshop is led by Kerry Kuenzi, associate professor and chair of the Master of Public Administration Program at UW-Green Bay.

"Grant writing is a vital skill," said Kuenzi, "for public and nonprofit organizations, as successful grant requests bring vital financial resources to community organizations. It also reinforces the importance of their missions and programs in their communities."

During the grant writing workshop participants will learn from five modules that employ a blended learning approach — lectures, interactive discussions, case studies and practical exercises.

To learn more about Grant Writing for Local Government and Nonprofits, visit uwgb.edu/govt/grant-writing or contact Laura Nolan at nolanl@uwgb.edu or 920-465-2772.

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Beer money

In other business, the board of park commissioners approved the acceptance of monetary donations from five local companies to benefit the June, July and August 2024 summer beer garden events.

Donations include:

- Three gifts of \$1,750 each from Immel Construction, Durr Systems, and Tweet Garot.

- A donation of \$1,500 from the De Pere Lions Club for children's entertainment at the beer gardens.

- A donation of \$3,500 from Amerilux, which will be the main sponsor for the series for the fourth consecutive year.

Net too low

The board also approved the parks department's request for fee increases for the tennis program.

The increases amount to a 50% hike. Recreation Supervisor Chelsea Moberg indicated that the program has been operating at a loss, as its contracted instructors, who are certified tennis instructors with the Green Bay Tennis Center, are paying 70% of their revenue to the Green Bay Tennis Center.

The rates for De Pere residents will go from \$5.60 an hour to \$8.40 an hour, taking the cost of a twice-weekly five-week class from \$56 to \$84.

For non-residents, the fee will go from \$73 to \$99.

SWIMMING

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#11 Boys 100 Yard Breast

Sectional: 55.21S 2024 Drew Gaerthofner

Pool: 55.21P 2024 Drew Gaerthofner

2023 Qualify: 1:00.44*

1 Drew Gaerthofner JR NEEN 55.21S

26.18 29.03

2 Tanner Trustem SO NEEN 58.16*

27.42 30.74

3 Kaleb Montgomery FR BAYP 1:00.94

28.87 32.07

#12 Boys 400 Yard Free Relay

Sectional: 3:11.31S 2022 Bay Port

Pool: 3:11.31P 2022 Bay Port

2023 Qualify: 3:22.46*

1 SHNO 3:20.17*

Aadin Terrazas FR, Pascal Kirchner JR, Griffin Pond SO,

Trevor Graham SR

23.27 48.17 24.27 51.36

24.14 51.11 23.77 49.53

2 APWE 3:21.04*

Tyler VanGompel JR, Ethan Bruce SO, Ethan Pasholk

FR, Hayden Hollenbeck SO

23.11 48.71 24.33 51.30

24.40 51.09 23.36 49.94

3 BAYP 3:21.18*

Dominick Azzolina SR, Caleb Bartolazzi SO, Griffin Schilz

SO, Carter Tebon FR

24.10 50.38 23.85 50.49

24.64 51.85 23.15 48.46

Bay Port takes WIAA Division I Sectional swimming and diving meet

Scores - Men

Men - Team Rankings - Through Event 12

1. Bay Port 363
2. Neenah 319
3. Sheboygan North/Kohler 264

#1 Boys 1 meter Diving

Sectional: 547.05S 2003 Jon Fox
 Pool: 547.05P 2003 Jon Fox
 2023 Qualify: 319.55*
 1 River Reeves SO ONOR 478.70*
 2 Kyle Joneson SR NEEN 373.15*

#2 Boys 200 Yard Medley Relay

Sectional: 1:35.00S 2024 Neenah
 Pool: 1:35.00P 2024 Neenah
 2023 Qualify: 1:41.32*
 1 NEEN 1:35.00S
 Drew Gaerthofner JR, Tanner Trustem SO,
 Braden Loudon SR, Julian Kuehn JR
 23.40 25.81 23.91 21.88
 2 APWE 1:40.21*

Tyler VanGompel JR, Hayden Hollenbeck SO, Cole Mursau SR, Ethan Bruce SO

25.15 26.93 24.41 23.72

3 BAYP 1:40.36*

Luka Azzolina JR, Bennett Daul SO, Dominick Azzolina SR, Caleb Bartolazzi SO

26.52 27.79 23.64 22.41

#3 Boys 200 Yard Free

Sectional: 1:39.00S 2022 Ozan Kalafat

Pool: 1:39.00P 2022 Ozan Kalafat

2023 Qualify: 1:46.71*

1 Aadin Terrazas FR SHNO 1:45.93*

24.01 27.15 27.74 27.03

2 Carter Tebon FR BAYP 1:47.14

24.86 27.18 27.84 27.26

3 Dominick Azzolina SR BAYP 1:48.08

24.57 26.79 28.10 28.62

#4 Boys 200 Yard IM

Sectional: 1:53.83S 2018 Kaiser Neverman

Pool: 1:53.83P 2018 Kaiser Neverman

2023 Qualify: 2:01.67*

1 Tyler VanGompel JR APWE 1:56.83*

24.87 28.49 34.56 28.91

2 Kaleb Montgomery FR BAYP 2:00.06*

24.98 30.74 33.54 30.80

3 Ethan Pasholk FR APWE 2:02.25

26.88 31.96 34.89 28.52

4 Luka Azzolina JR BAYP 2:02.80



The Bay Port boys swim and dive team took first place in their sectional meet and will advance to the State Tournament this weekend. Submitted photo

26.32 30.30 35.89 30.29

#5 Boys 50 Yard Free

Sectional: 20.71S 2022 Sam Bork

Pool: 20.71P 2022 Sam Bork

2023 Qualify: 22.23*

1 Drew Gaerthofner JR NEEN 21.26*

2 Cayden DePas SR GBSW 22.02*

#6 Boys 100 Yard Fly

Sectional: 48.45S 2019 Kaiser Neverman

Pool: 48.45P 2019 Kaiser Neverman

2023 Qualify: 53.58*

1 Dominick Azzolina SR BAYP 54.15

24.81 29.34

2 Braden Loudon SR NEEN 54.64

25.18 29.46

3 Cole Mursau SR APWE 54.92

25.13 29.79

4 Caleb Bartolazzi SO BAYP 54.94

25.72 29.22

#7 Boys 100 Yard Free

Sectional: 45.42S 2022 William Hayon

Pool: 45.42P 2022 William Hayon

2023 Qualify: 48.43*

1 Tanner Trustem SO NEEN 48.35*

23.08 25.27

2 Cayden DePas SR GBSW 48.77

22.98 25.79

3 Carter Tebon FR BAYP 48.96

23.73 25.23

#8 Boys 500 Yard Free

Sectional: 4:35.55S 2022 Ozan Kalafat

Pool: 4:35.55P 2022 Ozan Kalafat

2023 Qualify: 4:58.84*

1 Aadin Terrazas FR SHNO 4:44.62*

25.87 28.37 29.30 29.01

29.65 29.46 28.36 28.97

28.48 27.15

2 Bennett Daul SO BAYP 4:50.45*

26.19 28.97 29.41 29.48

29.47 29.52 29.20 29.43

29.62 29.16

3 Andy Barden SO BAYP 4:56.01*

26.69 29.63 29.89 30.39

30.02 30.34 30.40 30.19

30.16 28.30

4 Griffin Schilz SO BAYP 4:57.93*

26.77 30.01 30.47 30.24

30.84 30.41 30.59 30.57

29.92 28.11

#9 Boys 200 Yard Free Relay

Sectional: 1:26.05S 2020 Bay Port

Pool: 1:26.05P 2020 Bay Port

2023 Qualify: 1:33.15*

1 NEEN 1:28.14*

Drew Gaerthofner JR, Tanner Trustem SO,

Joshua Youngwerth JR, Julian Kuehn JR

21.10 22.13 22.44 22.47

2 SHNO 1:30.67*

Aadin Terrazas FR, Mason Pond SO, Pascal

Kirchner JR, Owen Smith SR

22.27 23.41 22.90 22.09

3 GBSW 1:30.80*

Cayden DePas SR, Sam Moore JR, Atticus

Retzak Krump SO, Nathan Gehm SR

22.30 22.81 23.49 22.20

4 BAYP 1:31.50*

Caleb Bartolazzi SO, Toby Beatty JR, Luka

Azzolina JR, Carter Tebon FR

23.47 22.50 22.97 22.56

#10 Boys 100 Yard Back

Sectional: 50.99S 2020 Michael Conn

Pool: 50.99P 2020 Michael Conn

2023 Qualify: 55.15*

1 Trevor Graham SR SHNO 53.53*

25.57 27.96

2 Tyler VanGompel JR APWE 54.63*

26.07 28.56

3 Luka Azzolina JR BAYP 56.05

27.39 28.66

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Pirates sink Phantoms



Riley Kraft leaps up for a shot in their game against Bay Port. The final score was a 75-62 win for the Pirates. With this win, the Pirates' record improves to 10-12 overall with an FRCC record of 9-7.



Bay Port's Caden Hendricks takes a shot for his team in their game against West De Pere. West De Pere's record drops to 15-7 overall and 9-3 in the Bay Conference.



The West De Pere Phantoms took on the Bay Port Pirates at home on Tuesday, Feb. 13 for boys basketball. Tori Wittenbrock photos



Noah Thomas drives towards the hoop for the Pirates. Bay Port remains in fourth place in the Fox River Classic Conference.

Future Jaguars take the court



The Future Jaguars third grade basketball team made an appearance at halftime of the Ashwaubenon girls basketball team against the Pulaski Red Raiders on Friday, Feb. 10. Janelle Fisher photos

Nicolet NATIONAL BANK PRESENTS Senior Spotlight

Emma Dornbush, Preble High School, cross country, track & field, Nordic skiing

Parents' names: Beth Dornbush, Matt Dornbush
Siblings: Will Dornbush and Ty Dornbush

Instagram: @erdornbush
Position/Events: Track-1600m, 800m. 4x800m

Career highlight:

This season's cross country Sectional race, where I helped lead my team to a Sectional Championship, earning our spot at the State Championship after a 10 year drought. Alongside PR-ing where I broke under 20 minutes in the 5k.

What initially inspired you to run?

I participated in the Martin Elementary School running club and enjoyed it. I then decided to run in middle school as I thought it would be fun. The rest is history.

How has balancing academics and athletics been different for you from freshman to senior year?

Freshman year it was new. I had to learn how to balance academics and athletics, and over the years I have developed strong time management skills. Practice makes permanent.

What is your favorite part about competing?

The feeling of finishing a race knowing I gave it everything I possibly had.

The burn in my lungs and legs but the excitement I am filled with when I PR or have a great race. Also, talking with my teammates on our cooldowns after great races.

Is there a favorite drill in practice that you enjoy doing?

800m repeats are brutal but have become my favorite workout. They are the perfect length and speed.

What is the best part about being on a team but competing individually?

Competing individually means I can work toward my own personal goals which are not affected by others. In my sport, the clock doesn't lie. But competing as a team you always have someone there for you. Either as someone to push you in a race, pick up slack on a bad day or to celebrate your personal and team wins. People think cross country isn't a team sport, but when we run, we run as a team.

Has there been an individual (parent/athlete/coach) who played a role in shaping the athlete you've become today?

My parents; neither of them are runners but have supported me every single race. They always push me



Dornbush

to run my best. My determination and drive in my racing career have come from them. My parents are always there for me during my highs and my lows.

What is the most challenging aspect of running?

Not giving up. Most of the time when we're running we're in pain. Your body and mind are telling you to stop, but you can't. You have to lean into that pain. That is what separates a good runner from a great one.

Being a senior, describe some leadership roles that come into play.

I was the cross country captain this year. At the end of last season, we made it our goal to qualify for the State Championships as a team. This required us to put in the work all summer and into the season. During this season I helped create a hard-working mentality and a team environment where everyone felt accepted. These were key in contributing to our successful finish to the season; if we don't put in the work

and have trust in our teammates, we can't perform to the best of our abilities.

I was also a distance track captain in my junior year, helping to lead our 4x800 relay to state and encourage younger athletes to hit consistent PRs throughout the season.

What is your ultimate pre-race routine?

Half a peanut butter sandwich 90 minutes before the race. 5-minute easy run 45 minutes before the race. Dynamic stretching and strides at the line. Dancing to music before the race.

Favorite collegiate or professional sports team?

The Green Bay Packers and US Cross-Country Skiing.

What is your favorite sports quote/movie?

From *McFarland USA*, "When we see a hill we smile."

Do you enjoy weight training or conditioning more?

I'm a runner, so I lean toward conditioning. Nothing is better than an easy 3-mile run.

How does athletics make you a better student/worker/person?

Athletics taught me how to handle difficult situations. I don't shy away from challenges but face them

head-on. Through athletics, I developed teamwork skills that translate into group work and projects. Running and skiing have also helped me maintain my mental health and stay the happy-go-lucky person I am.

Are there any memorable coaches or teammates you would like to give a shout-out to?

My cross country coach, Coach Haller, for introducing me to high school racing and believing in me more than I believe in myself. Every time I race I hope to make him proud.

Coach Dessart my track coach. She pushes me to run my best and truly understands me as a runner. She is there for me before and after races and is one of the reasons for my track success.

What are your plans for the future?

I plan to study electrical engineering at a Big Ten school.

Any advice you would give to your younger self?

Enjoy every minute of it. People always tell you that high school goes fast, but you don't realize it until it's almost over. The memories you make in your extracurriculars will be some of the best.

Jaguars pounce on Red Raiders



Pulaski's Lily Urban takes a shot over Ashwaubenon's Jocelyn Wirth putting up two points for her team in their game on Friday, Feb. 9. **Janelle Fisher photos**



Ella Ficarrri takes the ball down the court as the Red Raiders face off against the Jaguars. The final score of the game was a 46-19 win for Ashwaubenon.



(Far Left) Ashwaubenon's Deejae Johnson puts up two points for her team in their game against Ashwaubenon. This win brought the Jaguars up to third place in the Fox River Classic Conference with a record of 11-6 in the FRCC while the Red Raiders drop to sixth in the FRCC with a record of 9-8 on the season. (Left) Gianna Guarascio of Ashwaubenon scores on a free throw for her team. Guarascio put up 24 of her team's 46 points on the night.

Wonders hits game-winner to lead Green Bay past Youngstown State

BY GREEN BAY ATHLETICS FOR THE PRESS TIMES

YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO – Down two with just over five seconds on the road at Youngstown State, Green Bay men's basketball head coach Sundance Wicks called a timeout and drew up a sideline out of bounds play for the Phoenix.

The result was an open three for Foster Wonders, which he buried, to give the Phoenix an 84-83 lead with just over a second remaining in the game.

A YSU half court attempt at the buzzer was no good, and Green Bay maintained its spot as the lone leader of the Horizon League (HL).

On a day where the Phoenix (17-9 overall, 12-3 conf.) was without its leading scorer, Noah Reynolds, due to illness, Preston Ruedinger stepped up with a career-best 26 points, five rebounds and four assists.

The freshmen duo of David Douglas Jr. and Marcus Hall was massive, too, scoring 16 and 13 points, respectively. Douglas also pulled



Green Bay Phoenix men's basketball is on track to tie the single best season-to-season turnaround of NCAA Division I men's basketball history at a 17.5 game turnaround.

Green Bay Athletics photo

down a career-high eight rebounds.

Wonders' buzzer-beating three gave him 10 points on the day and made him the fourth Green Bay player in double figures.

Youngstown State had big days from DJ Burns and Brett Thompson. Burns finished with a game-high 32 points and 16 rebounds. Thompson poured in 23

points including a perfect 9-for-9 from the free throw line.

At 17-9 this season following last year's 3-29 season, Green Bay is currently on a 17.5 game turnaround. That mark, if it held for the rest of the season, would tie the single-best season-to-season turnaround in NCAA Division I men's basketball history. Towson had

a 17.5 game turnaround in the 2013 season.

How it happened

After falling behind 7-0 early, Green Bay battled back and outscored the Penguins 26-9 over a nine-minute stretch to grab a 26-16 lead with 9:42 to go in the first half. Youngstown State then responded with a 10-0 run of their own to tie it up

at 26 all with just over six minutes in the first.

The two teams traded baskets back-and-forth for the remainder of the half, with the hosts taking a 42-38 lead into halftime.

The Penguins threatened to pull away at the start of the second half if it wasn't for Ruedinger scoring nine of his 19 second half points in the frame's first five minutes.

YSU still led for much of the second half until a Ruedinger and-one gave the Phoenix a 65-64 lead with 8:26 to go.

Green Bay extended that lead to 70-64 before the hosts responded with a 13-6 run to take a 77-76 lead with 3:07 to go.

Both teams grabbed the lead at different points down the stretch before Wonders had the final say with his game-winning three.

Game notes

The Phoenix shot well from three point range, knocking down 14-of-29 (48.3%) long range at-

tempts.

Green Bay has hit 10+ threes in 13 games this season.

Green Bay recorded 17 assists on 28 made baskets.

The Green Bay bench outscored YSU's, 29-13.

Green Bay outscored YSU in the paint, 28-26.

Green Bay had a 39-30 edge on the boards in the win.

Green Bay cleaned up on the offensive glass, collecting 13 offensive boards.

Coming up

After Green Bay's Wednesday night showdown with Northern Kentucky in their final game of the season at the Resch Center at 6 p.m., the Phoenix will not take the court again until their Friday, Feb. 23, game against Purdue Fort Wayne at the Kress Center.

For the latest and most up-to-date information on Green Bay Athletics and Green Bay men's basketball, please visit GreenBay-Phoenix.com.

Green Bay stays undefeated at home with win over IUPUI

BY GREEN BAY ATHLETICS FOR THE PRESS TIMES

GREEN BAY – Another fast start propelled the Green Bay women's basketball team to a 71-52 victory over Indiana University- Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI) Saturday afternoon at the Kress Center. The Phoenix remains undefeated at home this season with an 11-0 record inside the Kress.

Natalie McNeal filled the stat sheet for Green Bay (19-5 overall, 12-2 conference) with 26 points and 15 rebounds while tallying three steals and three assists. Cassie Schiltz was the only other Phoenix to reach double figures with 11 points.

Katie Davidson paced

IUPUI (5-18 overall, 3-11 conference) with 18 points, while Jazmyn Turner chipped in with 11.

How it happened

The Phoenix sprinted out to a 10-0 lead in less than three minutes and spread the scoring around, with McNeal, Schiltz, Jasmine Kondrakiewicz and Maddy Schreiber all contributing early.

The Jaguars answered with a 7-2 run, cutting the deficit to five after Jaela Johnson rang up a three. Green Bay limited IUPUI for the remainder of the half and took a 25-15 lead into the second quarter.

McNeal made a mid-range jumper to balloon Green Bay's lead to 21 at



The Green Bay Phoenix secured their 12th win of the season against IUPUI on Saturday, Feb. 10. Green Bay Athletics photo

39-18, but IUPUI again narrowed down the deficit to 14 going into the break, with Davidson scoring the Jaguars' last five points of the frame to make it 41-27 Green Bay.

The Jaguars eventually made it 54-45 after Davidson knocked down a jumper. Her shot marked the end of IUPUI's last attempt at a comeback, as the Jaguars struggled offensively in the final stanza, tallying just seven points on 3-of-11 shooting. McNeal was scorching hot from the field in the fourth quarter, scoring 10 of GB's 15 points down the stretch in the 71-52 win.

Game notes

The Phoenix held the Jaguars to only 38.9%

shooting from the field.

The Phoenix never trailed.

Green Bay had a 44-29 edge on the boards in the win.

Green Bay's defense forced 18 turnovers, turning them into 18 points.

The Phoenix grabbed 17 offensive rebounds.

Coming up

Green Bay will turn their attention to a pair of road games next weekend beginning with a clash at Robert Morris on Thursday evening. Green Bay's next home game is February 22.

For the latest and most up-to-date information on Green Bay Athletics, please visit GreenBay-Phoenix.com.

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equipment across all 50 states. It also organizes adaptive sports camps, marking a significant stride towards its vision of inclusivity and empowerment within the community.

With the help of organizations like the Kelly Brush Foundation, adaptive sports have revolutionized, exemplified by stories like Jeff's. Jeff emphasizes the vastness of the adaptive sports realm by stating, "You name a sport to me, and I'll probably be able to tell you what kind of adaptations are going to let that person enjoy that sport again."

The Green Bay Packers also have left a mark on Jeff's life. In 1985, the team rallied around him, providing support by painting his house. Additionally, an individual Packers player went above and beyond, purchasing a racing canoe for Jeff, demonstrating the team's commitment to their community.

Jeff's life-altering spinal cord injury has never stood in the way of Jeff chasing his passions for exercise, the



Pagels utilizes his sit-skis to be able to still enjoy his time in the snow after becoming a paraplegic. Submitted photo

outdoors and his family.

In 2014, Jeff published a book, "Always Climb Higher," which underscores the importance of perseverance through his life's story and has inspired many. In Jeff's book review on Amazon, a Green Bay local claims, "I was ready to give up having five major disabilities. I knew Jeff as a customer at

our bait shop. Until now, I didn't know his entire story. He has given me hope."

Jeff's story serves as a beacon of hope for anyone navigating a similar journey, a testament to the transformative power of resilience and adaptability. As Jeff says, "Don't dwell on the negative. Dwell on what you can do, and you can do a ton."

DORCHESTER

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De Pere took second in the Fox River Classic Conference (FRCC) to Notre Dame Academy with a record of 6-1-2 on the season and 17-4-4 overall.

This past season the Redbirds advanced to the WIAA State Semifinals game against Brookfield East, which they lost 4-0.

As a Green Bay local, Dorchester said that he is extremely excited to be able to join the Phoenix for their next season.

"I have been following UWGB soccer since I was little and I have really enjoyed watching them. I could always picture myself playing there so I'm very excited to have the opportunity to be a Phoenix," said Dorchester.

In the 2023 season, UW-Green Bay men's soccer won the Horizon League Championship and advanced to the first round of the NCAA tournament for the first time since 2009 where they lost to Western Michigan 3-0 in

a historic season.

The Horizon League title was the fifth in program history.

"It was a lot of fun following them last year. The wins they were able to string together with a pretty young roster was impressive and it was really cool to see them win the Horizon League Tournament. I'm really excited for the chance to help the team build on the success from last year," said Dorchester.

Although there is a big allure to going to college out of state, Dorchester said that after entertaining the idea, he decided he belonged here in his home state.

"When I first started thinking about where I wanted to go to college, I thought I would like a school far away but after looking at a few different schools I decided it made the most sense for me to stay close to home for college," said Dorchester.

After their historic season, the Phoenix will be undergoing some major

changes as they prepare for their next season.

UW-Green Bay athletic staff announced that after nine years at the helm of the program, head coach Jeremy Bonomo would be departing from Green Bay to take on a head coaching position at Northeastern University in his hometown of Boston, Mass.

Assistant Coach John O'Reilly will be taking over as the 12th coach in the men's soccer team's history.

"I enjoyed getting to know Coach Bonomo during the recruiting process and I wish him the best of luck back home in Boston. However, I am really excited for the opportunity to play for Coach O'Reilly. I have known Coach O'Reilly for a long time and I was even able to work with him a little bit when I was younger. I know he will do a great job," said Dorchester of his excitement to be a part of the new direction of the program.

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Stk# H12467

'18 Ford F-150 XLT Super Crew 4x4

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Stk# H124062

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69K Miles, Auto, Heated/Cooled Leather, Full Power Options, Navigation, Backup Camera, Bluetooth, Remote Start, Alloys.



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'15 Chevy Silverado 2500HD LT Crew Cab Z71 4x4

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Dorchester soars from Redbird to Phoenix



James Dorchester was won of the leading scorers in high school playing for the De Pere Redbirds, taking their team to the State Tournament this season where they went all the way to the semi-final round before losing to Brookfield East. **Submitted photos**

BY TORI WITTENBROCK
ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR

GREEN BAY – As the athletic department at UW-Green Bay continues to rise, the Phoenix have added another local young star to the men’s soccer roster for their next season — James Dorchester of De Pere.

basketball but I always prioritized soccer in the off-season with the goal of playing in college,” said Dorchester.

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“I’m really excited to continue my academic and athletic career at the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay and it will be amazing to be able to play college soccer close to home,” said Dorchester.

Dorchester said he has been playing soccer his entire life and is thrilled to see his dreams finally being realized.

“I have been playing soccer my whole life. I have an older brother, Sam, and he had me kicking the soccer ball with him before I could walk,” said Dorchester.

Although he is also a member of the De Pere Redbirds basketball team, Dorchester said that soccer has long been his priority and passion.

“I have always played soccer and

Dorchester was the leading goal scorer for his high school team, the De Pere Redbirds, with 25 goals on the season and 13 assists.

Dorchester said that although he is excited to become a Phoenix, he has enjoyed his time as a Redbird and has made some memories that he will never forget.

“Helping lead the team to the WIAA State Tournament for the third time in four years,” said Dorchester about his favorite memory playing high school soccer for De Pere. “Our sectional final game vs. Hudson went to a shootout and



Dorchester decided to keep it local by announcing his recent commitment to continue his academic and athletic career at Division I UW-Green Bay.

Jeff Pagels receives support from Kelly Brush Foundation for adaptive sports journey

BY AUDREY SCHIEK
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GREEN BAY – Local resident Jeff Pagels, a 75-year-old Nordic skiing enthusiast, is a T10 paraplegic whose journey toward reclaiming an active lifestyle after a life-altering spinal cord injury in 1984 is nothing short of extraordinary.

Jeff’s love of Nordic skiing and outdoor exercise began long before his accident. As a weekend racer, he eagerly participated in local cross-country ski races alongside his wife, Jane, and two boys, Corey and Chad. Jeff raced in 10 Birkies, North America’s largest cross-country ski race, in this time-frame.

However, Jeff was cutting down trees on a rainy afternoon when a tree fell, hitting him and leaving him paralyzed from the waist down.

“The most depressive part of the injury was I thought I could never ski again,” Jeff recalled. His passion for skiing seemed lost forever until a chance encounter during a talk on accessibility reignited hope. A stranger introduced him to sit skiing, a modified version of skiing tailored for individuals with disabilities, through Ski for Light.

With newfound determination, Jeff embarked on a journey to master sit-skiing the following winter season. He traveled to Duluth, Minn., where he experienced the thrill of skiing again. Fueled by his passion, Jeff pushed boundaries and designed an even better sit-ski with the help of friends.



Pagels, a paraplegic skier, utilizes adaptive sports equipment acquired through a grant from the Kelly Brush Foundation in order to sit-ski. **Submitted photo**

This newfound zest led him to the Paralympics in 1992 in France, where he claimed two gold medals and even earned the title of fastest USA Nordic Disabled Skier in the world.

But Jeff’s resilience didn’t stop at skiing. From canoe racing to wheelchair basketball, he explored various adaptive sports, refusing to let his disability define his limits.

“When you become disabled and use a wheelchair, there are hundreds of things you probably can’t do anymore, but there’s thousands and thousands of things that you can do,” Jeff emphasized.

His persistent spirit led him to conquer new heights — literally. Jeff abandoned competing against others for solo competition as he turned to mountain climbing, scaling iconic peaks such as Mount Rainier

and Mount Kilimanjaro, showcasing his unwavering determination to defy the odds.

However, staying active can be expensive, as the costs of adaptive sports equipment aren’t cheap, and equipment is rarely covered by insurance. Jeff applied for the Kelly Brush Foundation’s Fall 2023 grant cycle to continue his skiing journey.

The Foundation, located in Vermont, provides funding, resources and experiences to people with spinal cord injuries, assisting them in finding ways to enjoy fitness.

On Jan. 8, thanks to the support of the Kelly Brush Foundation, Jeff received a grant for a modern sit ski, reigniting his passion for Nordic skiing. “It will keep my active lifestyle active,” Jeff remarked excitedly.

“It’s exciting to help Jeff kick-off 2024 with his new Nordic Ski, helping him stay active and healthy,” said Kelly Brush Foundation Executive Director Edie Perkins. “I can’t wait to see how this new equipment helps Jeff enjoy life and make new connections.”

Established in 2006, the Kelly Brush Foundation traces its roots to a pivotal moment in the life of Kelly Brush and her family. Following Kelly’s spinal cord injury during a competitive NCAA alpine ski race, they embarked on a mission to make a difference in the lives of others facing similar challenges.

Since its inception, the Foundation has distributed over 1,700 grants for adaptive

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