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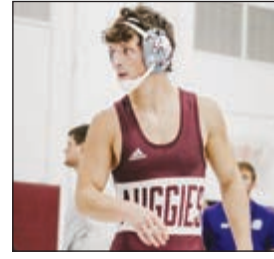
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**Golden Apple 2024:
Carly Shier,
Hemlock Creek
Elementary School**

BY KRIS LEONHARDT
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

GREEN BAY – The Greater Green Bay Area Chamber of Commerce recently surprised its 2024 Golden Apple recipients in their classrooms. The local teachers were recognized in the areas of professionalism, leadership and innovation.

Leading up to the April recognition event, the Press Times is highlighting these eight honorees.

Hemlock Creek Elementary School Teacher Carly Shier's path to education was not a traditional one.

The West De Pere School District elementary special education educator studied human development at UW-Green Bay before entering the career world.

"I worked in a related field after college, and I honestly hadn't considered teaching as a career option. After a few years, I came upon an opportunity to enter education. The more I looked into it, the more I realized that teaching special education completely fit my skill set. I had always enjoyed and excelled at working with children and advocating for

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Golden Apple recipient Carly Shier shares her award with students.
Kris Leonhardt photo

Four running for two spots on De Pere School Board

BY KRIS LEONHARDT
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

GREEN BAY – Four candidates are seeking two spots on the Unified School District of De Pere School Board.

Following are the responses to questions posed to the candidates ahead of the April 2 contest:

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National Railroad Museum approaches destination on phase one funding



The \$15 million National Railroad Museum expansion is part of a long-range goal for the museum to house its exhibits. National Railroad Museum rendering

BY KRIS LEONHARDT
PRESS TIMES STAFF

ASHWAUBENON – On March 6, the National Railroad Museum kicked off its public campaign for a \$15 million museum expansion at Lambeau Field.

The "Fox River Expansion" is the first phase in the museum's plan to expand its reach and grow its offerings.

"It will create more space for education, exhibits and events," said Dr. David Ward, who is co-chair of the campaign, along with

retired Brig. Gen. Kerry Denson.

And the museum has much to show. It is now home to over 70 one-of-a-kind train cars, or rolling stock, and a growing collection of railroad artifacts, images and manuscripts — about 150,000 pieces.

"The expansion will allow us to

display key pieces and it will open up the views to the Fox River and surrounding environment, further improving our museum visitor experience. To accomplish this expansion, we set a capital campaign goal of \$15 million. Thanks to the

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Lau named new West De Pere superintendent

BY GRACELYN GIESE
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

WEST DE PERE – Dr. Jason Lau has been named the newest superintendent of the School District of West De Pere.

Lau will begin his position following the retirement of current superintendent Dennis Krueger.

Lau began his work in education as a school psychologist at the Milwaukee Public Schools system. He would later serve as

the director of pupil services and school psychologist at Kohler School District before moving to the School District of West De Pere (WDP) in 2002.

At WDP, Lau has held many roles, beginning as the director of student services, becoming principal of Phantom Knight School of Opportunity in 2007 and then principal of Westwood Elementary School in 2010.

Lau said he was driven toward

his newest position because of his work with "great board members, administrators, teachers, students and community members" as well as "the possibility of being able to continue and enhance the initiatives we have put in place that have benefited our students."

Lau said his goal "is to build on the strong tradition of the school district and to facilitate its



Lau

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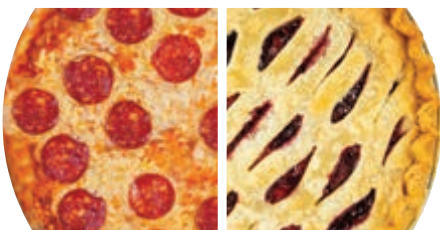


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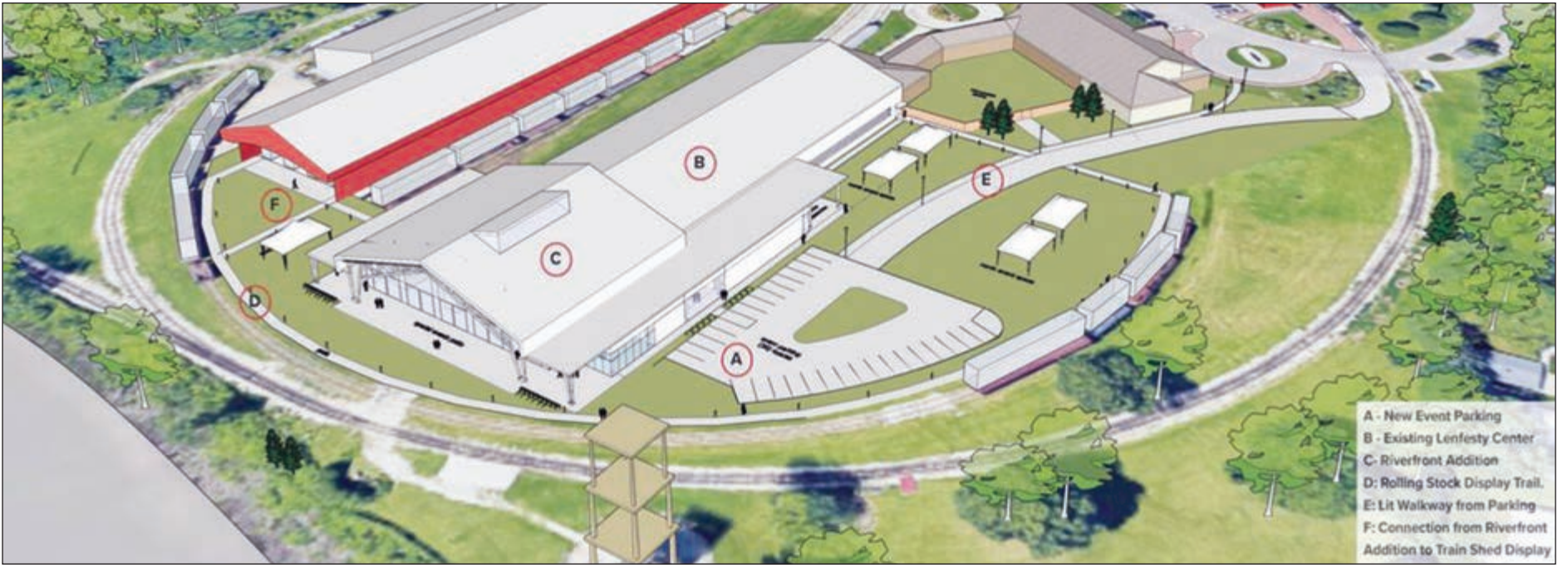
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The National Railroad Museum would like to start construction this year on the \$15 million expansion, in preparation for the NFL Draft.

National Railroad Museum rendering

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generosity of many donors, I am pleased to announce that we have already raised almost \$13 million, or 86% of our goal," Ward explained.

Packers and trains

Green Bay Packers CEO/President Mark Murphy, who is serving as the campaign spokesperson, told attendees, "We are on the 10-yard line in Green Bay and it's first and goal" and said the Packers were excited to support the initiative as the fundraising continues.

"The Packers and railroads go back a long way," he added.

"In the early days, the Packers, that's how they got to the games; they were not flying around the country, they were taking trains. And, of course, the fans coming up to the games at



National Railroad Museum Board President Dr. David Ward speaks on March 6, as the museum kicked off the public campaign at Lambeau Field.

Staff photo

Lambeau Field — particularly from Milwaukee. So, we were benefitted greatly from train service, and with the recent designation of the area as a corridor to be explored and researched for passenger railroad train service in the future, it's really an exciting time for our community."

Murphy also mentioned the 2025 Draft which will welcome an estimated 250,000 people.

"We've had some discussions with Amtrak about the possibility of having train service that week to give people an idea of what it is like coming up from Milwaukee to the Draft," he recalled.

Murphy added that those people coming for the Draft will be looking for other things to do, "and this will be right at the top of the list," he said.

Project in phases

National Railroad Museum CEO Jacqueline Frank said the master site plan was developed in 2015 when attendance jumped more than 40% in five years.

"We realized that we need space to grow both physically and to better meet the

needs in the mission and our vision, including creating an inspiring facilities that reflect the image of a national museum and fully utilize those opportunities, develop cutting-edge interactive exhibits, support teachers and engage learners, curate and preserve a world-class collection for the public into perpetuity and, of course, partner with local municipalities, nonprofits, businesses, schools, government agencies to really magnify reach," Frank stated.

The master plan was made public in 2016; since then, the project has been broken into four phases.

Frank said that the first phase will focus on the east addition to the existing Lenfestey Center and connect to the outdoor space.

"Phases two and three will include future additions to the Lenfestey Center. Phase

four will finish the project with that iconic roundhouse that will enclose all remaining rolling stock for the public to enjoy throughout the year," Frank added.

"The first phase enlarges the use of our campus as well, including outdoor event spaces, walking paths and better accessibility. It will connect more than 25,000 additional square feet inside through a large terrace that can also be used for outdoor learning."

Funding and financial implications

Funding for the first phase of the project came through a mix of private and public backing, with \$7 million from Wisconsin's American Rescue Plan Act funds in 2023 and \$5.8 from private donors.

But Frank said the return on this investment

could be large for the Green Bay area.

"Not only is the visitor experience impacted positively, but the expanded space will help connect entertainment districts in the greater Green Bay area, initiate an additional \$20 million economic impact each year, elevate the museum's visibility as the only National Railroad Museum or any national museum of any type in the Upper Midwest and provide the ability to advance our already sound financial foundation through related business activities," Frank said.

Bids opened for construction on phase one Jan. 18, and Frank said a groundbreaking will be announced soon.

For more information, visit <https://nationalrrmuseum.org>.

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St. Norbert College works toward sustainability

BY MICKEY SCHOMMER
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

GREEN BAY – With rising inflation and demographic shifts, St. Norbert College is working toward a sustainable budget plan for 2025.

“During the past few years, St. Norbert College has posted negative operating results meaning our expenses have exceeded our revenues,” explained St. Norbert College President Laurie Joyner.

The board unanimously approved a plan for 2025, titled “Preserving the St. Norbert Legacy: A Shared Promise of Stewardship,” which aims to balance the operating budget.

“This plan includes a range of cost containing and revenue generating to support our educational mission,” Joyner stated.

The board of trustees approved the following recommendations: a general non-personnel expense reductions leading to a budget decrease of \$340,000; the strategic use of endowment drawdown funds, identified at \$177,000; improved annual fundraising results, allowing for a \$100,000 increase of the St. Norbert Fund gift budget; savings from



With rising inflation and demographic shifts, St. Norbert College is working toward a sustainable budget plan for 2025. **SNC photo**

health plan design adjustments, projecting a savings of \$262,000 annually; an increase in the Norbertine endowment distributions and personnel savings, including position and administrative expense reductions, leading to \$1,697,086 in savings.

“Our current situation has been building for years and will require a multi-year effort to address. Despite this, the college remains resolute in its commitment to provide a transformative educational experience to each of our students — now and in the future,” said Joyner.

With the reductions comes the addition of more than a dozen academic offerings, an athletics optimization plan and the launch of a campus-wide student

success initiative.

“These directions will continue to set Saint Norbert College apart as a top 100 nationally-ranked Catholic liberal arts college,” stated Joyner, who thanked the Norbertine Order, students, staff, alumni, donors and community for their contributions to the college.

“We will successfully navigate these challenges together — preserving the noble legacy of the college to which we are heirs for the benefit of future generations,” said Joyner. “I look forward to continuing to learn, serve and lead — together.”

For more information, visit <https://www.snc.edu/about/leadership/preserving-legacy.html>.

Construyendo puentes con la policia

BY MEGHAN CALLAHAN
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

GREEN BAY – The Green Bay Police Department (GBPD) is working to build bridges in the Latino community through weekly educational sessions.

Building Bridges with Law Enforcement (Construyendo Puentes con la Policia) runs March 19 to April 16, and is designed to educate its Latino participants about the Green Bay Police Department, as well as other law enforcement, by providing essential information.

The information includes topics such as traffic regulations, domestic violence awareness, mental health, juvenile laws and more.

“The inspiration for the sessions stemmed from the constant influx of newcomers to our community” reported Natalia Sidon, GBPD community liaison.

The department recognizes the unique needs of new community members as well as their possible inexperience with area law enforcement and the court systems.

The overall goal of these sessions is to empower members of the Latino community by “providing them with a comprehensive



Building Bridges with Law Enforcement (Construyendo Puentes con la Policia) runs March 19 to April 16, and is designed to teach its Latino participants about the Green Bay Police Department. **File photo**

understanding of local and state laws” as well as being equipped with information.

“As the founder of this program, I believe that we have made significant progress toward achieving our goal,” stated Sidon, which

This program has been held annually since 2014 and is working to build trust and positive relationships.

“It is an excellent way to sustain the positive impact and further deepen the connections and understanding within the community,” added Sidon.

The sessions are open to adults, with five planned meetings at Casa de Vida, 1464 Main St., Green Bay.

Each session will offer a variety of different topics to keep participants engaged.

“In the larger picture, these sessions contribute to a multifaceted approach to community empowerment through education by promoting positive behavior and building trust with law enforcement,” Sidon explained, and “to create a community where all members feel supported and equipped to contribute positively.”

Sidon said that attendees should come with “an open mind, willingness to learn and confidence to ask questions.”

For more information, visit <https://greenbaywi.gov/1173/Building-Bridges-Construyendo-Puentes> or contact Sidon at (920) 448-3330 or Natalia.Sidon@greenbaywi.gov.

Hobart, Lawrence enlist new crime and safety app

BY MEGHAN CALLAHAN
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

HOBART – The cities of Hobart and Lawrence have recently adopted the Ring Neighborhood app as a source of information and emergency alerts.

The Ring Neighborhood

app lets users anonymously discuss crime and safety within their city.

The app also works with local law enforcement to keep citizens updated about events that may affect them.

In addition to these features, the app also allows

verified law enforcement to post public bulletins to request for assistance/information.

Ring Neighborhood also allows for its users to make reports about crime/events that happen within their neighborhood.

The service is exclusive to public safety, unlike other apps of a similar nature.

Previously, apps such as Facebook and Nextdoor were used in order to keep tabs on things happening in the cities, but were a bit messy and inefficient when it came to distributing information in a concise and timely manner.

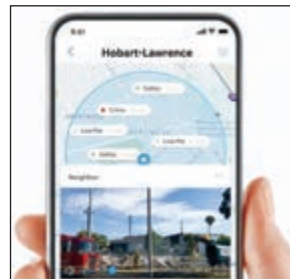
Hobart-Lawrence Police Chief Michael Renkas describes its use as “helping to communicate more effectively about potential issues.”

These issues may include weather, safety and lost and found.

The app can also be used for traffic issues, which is beneficial for both residents and travelers.

The idea of using the Ring Neighborhood app started back in 2022 when the towns of Lawrence and Hobart were experiencing significant weather issues such as severe storms.

“We looked at what we



The Ring Neighborhood app lets users anonymously discuss crime and safety within their city. **Submitted image**

could do better for the citizens,” stated Renkas and they settled on Ring Neighborhood.

The app provides other features such as how to evacuate in cases of severe weather and other emergencies as well as providing information about expired or recalled foods.

After looking into multiple different apps and seeing how they worked, they eventually settled on Ring Neighborhood for its

useful features.

The app is also free to use. Another perk of this app is the geofencing feature.

The neighborhoods that are notified about certain issues within their area are specific rather than broad, which is helpful to both the notifiers and the people being notified.

The Ring Neighborhood app works on both Apple and Android products and is available on the App Store or Google Play.

This app is available to both residents and non-residents.

Renkas said that he believes app users will mostly be comprised of “residents and business owners who need to stay up to date about what’s happening in their town.”

As mentioned previously, however, the app is available to anybody and could be a very useful tool for people traveling through Hobart and Lawrence.

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Court program focuses on opioid epidemic

BY RICK COHLER
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Part IV in Rick Cohlér's series on Brown County Court programs.

BROWN COUNTY – The Brown County Heroin Court program was the first program of its kind in Wisconsin to focus solely on the opioid epidemic.

The program utilizes the Treatment Court Standards and Best Practices to guide program decisions.

Medication-assisted treatment is a big emphasis with this population to help them achieve overall success.

Its basis is set through the Wisconsin HOPE (Heroin, Opiate, Prevention, and Education) agenda, which aims aimed at combating the state's heroin epidemic.

There were 1,461 opiate overdose deaths in Wisconsin in 2022, including 58 in Brown County, according to Brown County's website.

Those recommended for the treatment court must have been convicted of non-violent offenses.

As with the other Brown County treatment courts, an applicant is put through the Risk and Needs Triage (RANT) tool which yields an immediate and easily understandable report that classifies offenders into one of four risk/needs quadrants, each with different implications for selecting suitable correctional decisions by judges, probation and parole officers and attorneys.

The risk to repeat deter-



Trina Meyers, left, receives her diploma from Brown County Circuit Court Judge Walsh after successfully completing heroin court in the Brown County Alternative Court. **Submitted photo**

mines the level of intervention needed.

Participants are required, among other things, to submit to frequent random drug tests, participate in treatment programs and report weekly to court.

Brown County Circuit Court Judge Thomas Walsh is in charge of the heroin court.

Walsh noted that there is a significant difference presiding over a treatment court compared to the regular court system which is concerned with guilt, innocence and punishment.

"I can engage with people coming into the justice system in a more meaningful way; by that I mean I can try to help them," Judge Walsh said. "The county has a lot of resources that people can benefit from if only they knew about them and this court allows us to deliver that assistance."

One unique aspect of the heroin court is that one of the area's major medical providers, Prevea, is part of the team.

"That's unique to this court and that's important because meaningful because many of the people coming into this court get started on opioids started by a prescription," Walsh explained. "Rather than focusing on them being part of the problem, we wanted them to be part of the solution."

Walsh said Prevea has been very helpful and responsive.

Alyson Kelsey is the administrator for the court said seeing those participants who are successful.

"I just had an alumni tell me that this saved her life which makes it all worth it," Kelsey said.

The heroin court has a success rate of 65-70%.

In the other alternative courts, violation of a program requirement often results in spending some time back in jail as a consequence.

The heroin court tries to offer alternatives.

"Everyone is treated as an individual," Judge Walsh said. "One of the people who missed court last week is brand new in the program. She had a relapse and we want to be careful that we don't discourage anybody as soon as they get in the program. On the other hand if you've been in the program for some time and you miss court you would be put in jail."

Participant "Dennis" said without the treatment court he would be still in jail.

"I looked at my options while I was in jail and I have a long history of convictions so getting into heroin court was a blessing. Now I am able to develop a plan," he said. "People told me having to come to court every week would be a burden but I actually like coming to court; hearing the judge saying good things about me and I'm glad they are there to support me."

Walsh said if one has been in the judicial system before they are really skeptical about the courts.

"Building up trust that this time we are there to help you is hard," he said.

But for Dennis, he has had success.

"This is my team that's there to help me, I never had that before," he said.



A vintage postcard of the Hotel Northland. **Darlene & Dick Charneski collection**

Hotel Northland: An uphill battle

BY KRIS LEONHARDT
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Continued from previous week

GREEN BAY – The struggles began in February 1923, when excavation work slowed after a break in the crane bucket being used.

"Horse-drawn scoops are at work digging out the earth and piling it close to the crane to be hoisted out in one or two days when the bucket is fixed," a *Press-Gazette* article read.

The concrete mixer had already arrived and was awaiting the completion work of excavation.

Work was further hampered by snow and wind storms hitting the Green Bay area.

Excavating and foundation work was completed by the Ludolf M. Hansen Company in mid-April, final contracts were awarded and work began on the hotel that Schroeder & Son Company of Milwaukee

hoped to have completed by New Years Day 1924.

By August, hotel creators were asking to add a 10th story, which appeared to be favored by the people of Green Bay, while increasing its prominence.

A 1923 Wisconsin law limiting building heights to 100 feet, except for those in Milwaukee which were permitted at 125 feet, would become an issue as a 10th story would bring the hotel height to 112 feet.

Schroeder executives went up against the Wisconsin Industrial Commission, with the hotel counsel declaring the law "an invasion of police powers."

At the same time, contractors were finishing concrete work on the sixth floor and bricklayers were beginning work on the first floor.

Outdoor floodlights were installed on hoisting towers to illuminate the construction area for night work.

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Scott Hemauer

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

I am originally from New Holstein, a graduate of St. Norbert College and owner of Hemauer Financial Group, a private wealth advisory practice of Ameriprise Financial, located in downtown De Pere. I have four children that have graduated from De Pere schools and who have gone on to various college and tech-based occupations. The town of Rockland has been my home for the past 24 years. I am running for office to continue to serve my community and I am committed to ensuring a quality education for our students. Our district faces upcoming challenges to grow responsibly, and with my background in small business ownership, finance and leadership roles I have not only the passion but also the necessary skill set to serve effectively.

Pertinent business experience has included over 30 years of financial planning, investment management and financial analysis work. My experience as a business owner also has demanded expertise in developing and implementing comprehensive long-term budgeting and forecasting, which I believe will be crucial experience as districts continue to struggle with funding and referendum design.

My other related current and past experience includes Definitely De Pere current board president; De Pere Economic Enhancement committee member; Tour De Pere communications chair; 2014 Wisconsin Main Street Board Member of the Year; Cub Scout pack leader, De Pere Youth Football coach; Band Boosters supporter; De Pere Busi-

ness Improvement District founding committee; De Pere Riverwalk fundraising committee; Voyager Park Nelson Family Pavilion fundraising committee.

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

My 10 focus points are to provide a voice for all stakeholders and remain accountable to students, parents and taxpayers; promote continual review of learning expectations including "late work" and "retest" policies that do not mirror real life but instead encourage complacency and tie up educator time; provide more convenient access to board meetings via close-captioned video; challenge our college bound students to excel, but also provide focused learning for student entrepreneurs and tech-based careers as well; review policies regarding student mobile device usage in classrooms; maintain student behavioral expectations that demand respect and character in all grade levels; instill in our students the skills necessary to confront and conquer adversity; assure a secure, productive classroom learning environment free of ideologies; remove distractions to allow our educators to focus on their passion of developing each student's academic and life skills; encourage community and business partnerships and student mentorship programs; vote for comprehensive, long term, responsible budgeting with total transparency.

Details regarding these focus points are available via Facebook at HemauerForSchoolBoard.

Regarding financial transparency, I am self-funding my campaign and I am not accepting donations or in-kind contributions from any individuals, groups or political parties. I also am not soliciting en-

dorsements from any specific entities or political groups. Second, if elected, I would donate my school board stipend of approximately \$3,200 per year to De Pere Student Services and De Pere Band Boosters.

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

Accessible, Accountable Leadership. I have included this phrase on my campaign literature for a specific reason. I think sometimes, and especially during the recent pandemic, it may have felt like our school leadership was not very accessible or accountable for their decision making. Personally, I had sent a few emails to our board members at that time and did not receive responses. Parent surveys were also conducted where subsequent decisions were the opposite of the parent's consensus. As a board member I will answer every e-mail that I am sent and explain every board decision clearly to constituents. I think that should be a minimum expectation.

I believe we need to create better working relationships with our city government, local business base and greater community. We may perceive our communication process to be comprehensive, but there are a large number of voters and stakeholders who are not included in the current district communication process and related social media presence; but who should have feedback in district decisions. I have specific experience working successfully with our city government as well as the greater community through my board service and community volunteer roles in the past. These working relationships will be crucial as we contemplate future referendum planning.

I look forward to hearing from voters about their

concerns or to provide feedback. I can be reached at HemauerForSchoolBoard@gmail.com.

Joel Neuville

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

I've spent most of my life in northeast Wisconsin, and the last 13 years in De Pere — our values are my values. I am married with two kids. My son is a freshman at De Pere High School, while my daughter graduated from De Pere and now attends St. Norbert College. I have a BS from UW-Stevens Point and serve in a leadership role at a local manufacturing facility that supports 200 plus local families. Most of my involvement/connection with students/parents/staff has been through coaching wrestling at Green Bay Preble, De Pere and local clubs for the better part of 20 years. I am a great listener, my heart is in the right place, and I'm a strong leader that can only be influenced by sound logic. I will safeguard parent choice/voice, assure responsible spending and financial competency, and uphold/preserve our traditional De Pere values. I will be part of the solution.

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

Over the upcoming term, my primary focus for the school district is to spearhead strategic initiatives that promote academic excellence, foster student well-being, and enhance community engagement. I advocate for the integration of cutting-edge technology into the curriculum to prepare students for the evolving demands of the 21st century job market. This includes investing in digital resources, promoting STEM education, and expanding vocational training opportunities.

Additionally, prioritizing mental health support is paramount. I propose the implementation of comprehensive mental health programs, including counseling services and awareness campaigns, to create a nurturing environment where students can thrive emotionally and academically.

Community engagement is vital, and I aim to establish stronger connections between schools and families. This involves organizing regular town hall meetings, expanding parent-teacher collaboration and fostering partnerships with local businesses to enrich educational experiences.

Financial responsibility is another key area. I will work diligently to ensure prudent budget allocation, exploring innovative funding sources while maintaining fiscal transparency. This includes supporting teacher professional development to enhance instructional quality and investing in infrastructure improvements to create safe and conducive learning environments.

In essence, my vision for the upcoming term revolves

around a holistic approach to education, combining academic innovation, mental health advocacy, community collaboration, and responsible fiscal management to elevate the overall educational experience for every student in our district.

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

To enhance constituent involvement in the decision-making process, I propose implementing a multifaceted approach that prioritizes transparency, accessibility, and community engagement. First, I would establish regular town hall meetings, providing a platform for open dialogue where community members can voice concerns, share insights, and actively participate in shaping educational policies.

Utilizing digital platforms, I would launch an interactive website dedicated to school board updates, financial reports and upcoming decisions. This platform will not only serve as an informational hub but also include forums for online discussions and surveys, ensuring broader participation from those unable to attend physical meetings.

Furthermore, I advocate for the creation of advisory committees comprising parents, educators and community leaders. These committees would meet regularly to delve into specific issues, gather diverse perspectives and provide valuable recommendations to the school board. By involving constituents in these targeted discussions, we can harness collective wisdom and tailor decisions to better align with the needs and values of our community.

Lastly, I would encourage direct communication channels, such as regular newsletters and email updates, to keep constituents informed about ongoing initiatives and decisions. By fostering an environment of collaboration, we can strengthen the partnership between the school board and the community, ensuring that the decision-making process is a shared and transparent endeavor.

Matthew Petersen (Incumbent)

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

As a lifelong resident of northeast Wisconsin (graduate of Seymour High School and 16 plus years in the De Pere community) and a proud parent of two Redbirds, I am deeply and personally invested in the district's commitment to deliver the best life preparation possible. I've also devoted my career to education as an instructor and administrator at Northeast Wisconsin Technical College.

After completing a Ph.D. in Human Physiology at the Medical College of Wisconsin, I began a teaching career that has spanned 20 years. I've helped shape

thousands of lives and careers. In my administrative role, I continue to teach, partially because I still love the thrill of teaching and partially because spending time in the classroom keeps me centered on what's most important about my job. The dual mindsets of being a teacher and administrator have led me to the conclusion that two things in education matter above others: 1) the supportive and skillful day-to-day interaction between students and staff, and 2) the resources and systems that support our staff and keep them motivated.

I've been able to apply these perspectives to my work on the De Pere School Board. Last fall I was appointed to the Board to fill a vacancy, and I've found the role to be both extraordinarily important and deeply rewarding. De Pere is one of the best districts in the state, and yet there is much work left to do. I firmly believe that there is a path to success for every child in De Pere if we work together.

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

The Unified School District of De Pere is one of the highest-performing districts in the state of Wisconsin and continues to grow rapidly. Our primary challenge is setting a direction that maintains excellent education for a much larger student population than we currently serve. The School Board will need to work closely with district leadership and residents to bring the necessary resources to expand facility space and bring in additional staff while taking great care to maintain a sense of unity and cooperation in the community.

In addition, we must continue to prioritize the resources needed to attract and retain the best possible teachers and staff for our students. This is partially a matter of resources, as we must offer fair and competitive compensation. But it is also a matter of culture. We must maintain the type of culture that keeps staff motivated and excited to do what they do each day. Our educators give their all for our kids each day, and we as a community have to be sure to recognize that dedication.

Finally, in an era of rapid change we need to ensure that the curricula and technology we offer to our students provide them the educational edge they deserve. In the coming years, the way we teach kids to read will undergo substantive changes and artificial intelligence will likely reshape much of the way we use technology to help kids learn. We will need to be hyper-focused on staying proactive and nimble as a district.

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

The school board's primary role is to serve as the

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catalyst for collaboration between kids, families, administration, staff and the broader community. The climate in the past several years has sometimes drifted away from cooperation around shared values toward unproductive bickering, division and distraction. The next decade is full of challenges and opportunities that are best handled with a spirit of cooperation.

There are specific actions we can take to strengthen the bond between De Pere and our schools. I stand behind recent Board efforts to explore the best means to record and/or stream meetings to bring more De Pere residents into the decision-making process. If elected, I commit to supporting more events that build bridges between our families and our educators. Town hall-style meetings, family fun nights, opportunities to invite residents into schools to see new technology and facilities and community service opportunities for our students help build connections and inspire both school spirit and community pride.

One final point about our board and schools modeling cooperation and the spirit of our community: our district's mission states that we aspire to deliver "a distinct educational edge" to our students. I can't imagine a bigger edge that we could provide to our Redbirds at this time in our country's history than helping our students become the type of people

that engage in honest but respectful disagreement and search for common ground with those that see the world differently than themselves. That starts with our board members.

Brandy Tollefson

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

I have spent the last 17 years as an Accounting Manager for a company that owns hotels. I have also been involved in all aspects of operations, human resources (HR) and payroll. Relevant to being on the school board, I have written and conducted regional manager reviews, researched and implemented a change in payroll processing vendors, and in charge of compliance for all state/federal requirements in operations, payroll/HR and accounting. I review annual and monthly budgets with all managers, track large construction projects and implement new strategies for improving net income. Beyond my professional qualifications I was the Dickinson PTO treasurer for three years, currently volunteering to run the concession stands at Cloud and Nowak fields at the high school, joined the community task force last summer that worked on options for needed referendums, was involved in the group that successfully passed the referendum to save Legion Pool, as well as various other volunteering in our school and community. I have a BS from

Portland State University in Anthropology and was a field Archaeologist and lab tech for seven years. All of this will allow me to ask the right questions and have input when we are presented with decisions on the school Board.

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

My number one priority would be to ensure we have competitive compensation for our staff in the district, comparable to those of neighboring districts. We need to retain the staff talent that has gotten us to be ranked 13th among all Wisconsin school districts. This also means educating the community on why the operational referendum is necessary, how we got to the point of going to referendum and the impact on our schools if it does not pass. Then moving forward, working with the administration on a long-term sustainable plan for funding in the future.

I would also like to look for ways for the district to install and maintain more efficient business systems and processes. I believe this is not only good for the environment but also a potential cost-saving measure. Are there ways to reduce the amount of printing? Is there any equipment (like furnaces or water heaters) that could be upgraded to something more energy efficient and are there grants available to help fund these upgrades? Could we partner with local colleges who offer classes related to solar

or energy efficiency to come in and do assessments or projects in our buildings? Could we offer a class in our own curriculum that would allow students to be part of the solution? I would like to research if there are things other districts have done that have been successful in reducing waste and/or costs. All of these are questions I would like to explore.

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

I believe the number one way of getting more voices at the table is for our board members to be involved in the community and actively listening to their concerns. Encouraging people to attend board meetings and making them aware of what's on the agendas. I know the current board is exploring options (within budget) to broadcast board meetings and I would fully support this as an avenue for making our meetings more transparent and inclusive. I also support the efforts of our superintendent to hold public meetings (both in-person and virtual) to educate people on the operational referendum on the ballot. I appreciate the current board members who I've seen attending these meetings and I would continue to represent our school board in the same ways. The community task force I was a part of last summer on the referendum was open to any community members who wanted a voice in the process.

McCarren to receive Bart and Cherry Starr Recognition Award

BY PRESS TIMES STAFF

GREEN BAY – The Green Bay Packers Hall of Fame Inc. will honor Packers alumnus and sports analyst Larry McCarren with the Bart and Cherry Starr Recognition Award this August.



McCarren

"The Bart and Cherry Starr Recognition Award recognizes a person who has exemplified outstanding character and leadership in their field of expertise, while consistently demonstrating a personal conviction and commitment to the Green Bay Packers," a release from Green Bay Packers Hall of Fame, Inc. stated.

"Inducted into the Packers Hall of Fame in 1992, McCarren was an iron man at center for the Packers for 12 seasons (1973-84). He played in 162 consecutive games – the sixth-longest streak in team history – helping him earn the nickname "Rock." He was voted to the Pro Bowl in 1982 and '83. Earlier, the Park Forest Ill., native had been a co-captain at the University of Illinois as both a junior and a senior.

"In his second career, McCarren has been a broadcast journalist for more than 35 years, with significant experience covering the Packers, first at WFRV-TV (1988-2012) and then at WGBA-TV (2013-15). He joined the Packers' radio team in 1995, providing analysis and commentary for the Packers Radio Net-

work. After 27 years working in Green Bay television, he joined the Packers' digital department as sports analyst and to provide content for all Packers digital platforms and hosting Packers TV Network programs such as 'Total Packers with Matt LaFleur.'

"He has been voted Wisconsin Sportscaster of the Year by the National Sports-casters and Sportswriters Association four times (1994, 1996, 2002, 2007) and in 2016, he was inducted into the Wisconsin Broadcasters Hall of Fame. Over the last several decades, he also has lent his talents as a frequent master of ceremonies for the enshrinement banquet. An emeritus member of the Packers Board of Directors, McCarren served on the board from 2015-22.

McCarren will be honored at this year's Packers Hall of Fame Induction Banquet, set for Thursday, Aug. 29, in the Lambeau Field Atrium.

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accessibility," she recalled. Shier said that one of her favorite things about being an educator is the relationships she is able to form with her students.

"I'm fortunate to work with a smaller number of students than a classroom teacher, so I'm able to spend more time one-on-one and in small groups. The major-

ity of my students are kindergartners and first graders and I love having fun and being silly with them," she said.

"They are still figuring out what 'going to school' means, and I enjoy being able to contribute to that notion by providing a fun, safe place for them to learn. Exchanging communication throughout the day like a smile across the hall

or a silly face when something funny happens makes my day so enjoyable. Those little things truly are the biggest."

While Shier serves an important role in the lives of her students, she is quick to point out that she cannot do it alone and often relies on those with first-hand experience to guide her.

"One of the most important things about being an

educator is recognizing the importance of collaborating with and learning from other people," she said. "I acknowledge that I don't have all the answers and put so much value into hearing other people's perspectives.

"I also try to prioritize seeking out information from and listening to the voices of disabled people to guide my decision-making within the special education field."

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continued growth I would like to collaborate with the school board, administration, teachers, support staff, and community to leverage

the talent we have in the district.

"I believe if we unleash the talent of our staff, our students will be able to unlock their full potential," he said.

"I am humbled and honored to be given the opportunity to serve the School District of West De Pere. There will be challenges in the future, but every challenge presents an opportunity for

growth and improvement. I have no question that the talent within the district will allow us to continue to be a premiere district that is dedicated to meeting the needs of all students."

EDITORIAL & OPINION

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PUBLISHER'S LETTER

Crossing Continuums

Dear Reader,

A fact of life is that as soon as we are born, we begin the brief or lengthy process of dying. No time is a "just right" time for death because of the many complex variables of living starting with the humanity around us.

I once knew a number of people who ran life in the fast lane. They ran hard. They accomplished a lot. And then boom! It was over, just like that. A heart attack. Cancer. Here and then gone in a few minutes, or a few weeks or months. If it wasn't immediately, it would be one sort of problem that cascades into another and then another. No one expects it. Fate steps boldly and dispassionately in; Fate is deaf to any brand of supplication. Prayers generally ameliorate yet don't affect the outcome.

Each believed that they had so much more to do, so much more of life ahead of them. Not so. Sadness and disappointment barged in because there was so much more to do (or so they thought). And yet these untimely, hard stops were meant to be, for reasons no one has ever explained well. The hills ahead and the mountains behind falsely summoned – not knowing that the climbing can, as in so many cases, abruptly end. And then we are left with a legacy of what we have done with others remaining to witness and judge.

Perhaps it doesn't have to be what I've described above. We can make short-term plans for the foreseeable trails ahead. We can make the long plans, that may or may not happen, with low expectations. In a way, our past accomplishments are banked as a foundational legacy. The hopes and dreams which hopefully materialize beyond that can be icing on the cake if they are realized.

Being ready for the inevitable crossing over to the continuum of spiritual infinity makes us feel confident in what was done in our wake. The present and future are bonus deeds we garner as we try to live as beings with purpose – the noble purpose of doing good before departing, secure in the knowledge that what we left in the continuum of physical finitude has made it a better place.



PATRICK J. WOOD

Publisher

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

N.E.W. School of Innovation looks to focus on middle-school programming

BY KRIS LEONHARDT
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

GREEN BAY – During their March 11 work session, Green Bay Area Public Schools (GBAPS) board members heard the terms of the 2024-2029 contract with the N.E.W. School of Innovation, which included a plan to keep older district students in their schools.

N.E.W. School of Innovation is a GBAPS public charter school, currently for grades 7-12, which utilizes personalized learning plans to deliver instruction and assistance to public school students academically, socially and emotionally.

"The big shifts will be the gradual drop-down of the 12th-grade program," explained N.E.W. School of Innovation Principal Jason Johnson.

"So, as we decrease enrollment for 12th graders, only the comprehensive schools will be building their own pathways to help students maintain grades and graduate from their home schools.

"In addition, we're going to be adding sixth grade in two years. We applied for a grant with the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction for a \$1 million. We'll find out in June. We're going to add sixth grade regardless of the results of that grant.

"Then, we're also going to be creating an 11th-grade program for students who are disengaged from school that we're going to consider our sandbox of innovation.

Johnson said that the school will start focusing more on the middle school grades, where they feel they can make more of a difference.

"So, right now we serve between 180 and 225 12th-grade students who enrolled just that grade," he said.

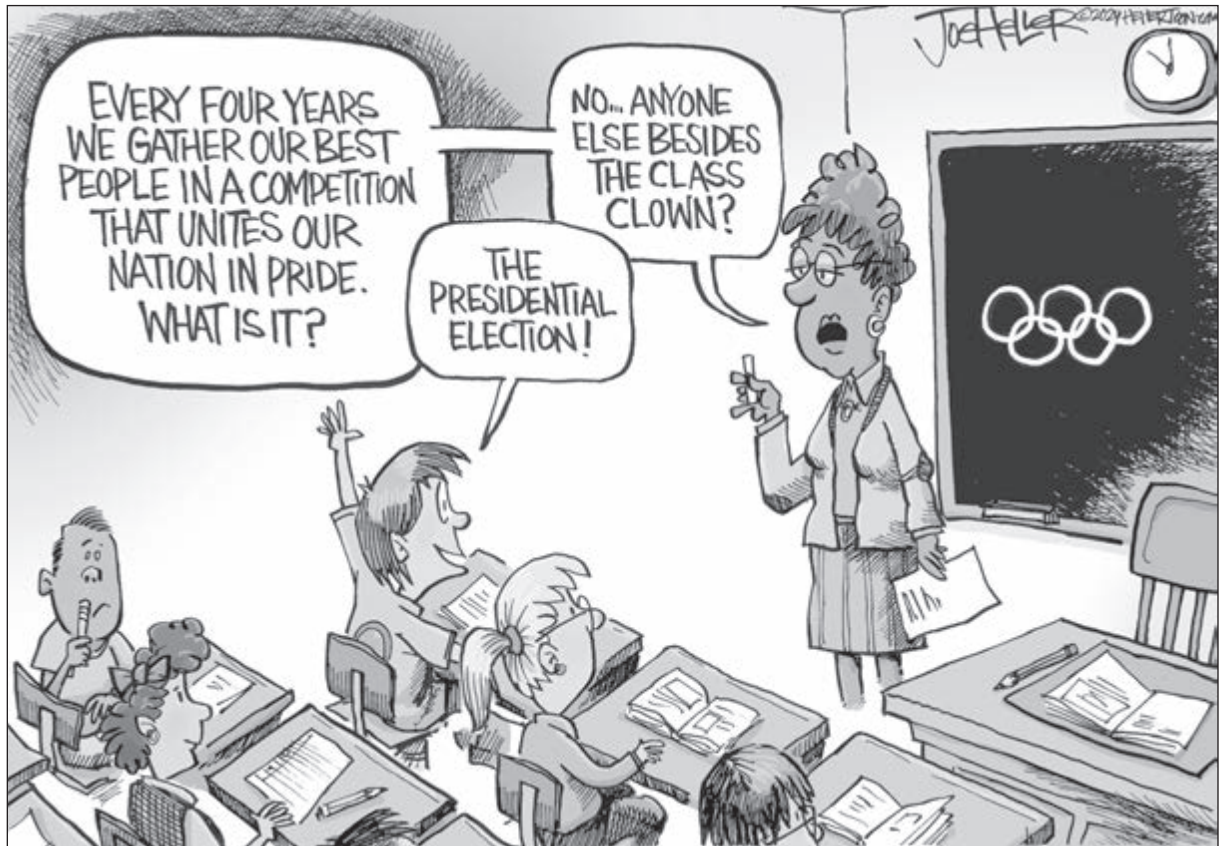
"Beginning next year, we'll start a gradual decrease. At the same time, the comprehensive schools will be creating their own programs so that those students won't have to enroll with us.

"In year five, we will still have an academy program of 30 students that only our students who were previously enrolled in our school could attend; so, we won't be taking outside enrollment.

"Our focus now is on increasing our enrollment at the middle school grades so that we can continue to explore opportunities and close those gaps. When we get students at 10th and 11th grade, it is incredibly difficult to close a six to eight year gap in literacy and math.

"So, the academy provides an opportunity at a competency-based level for them to earn their high school diploma, take college classes, participate in work-based learning, but those opportunities are going to be pushed into the comprehensive schools so they don't have to leave."

GBAPS Interim Superintendent Vicki Bayer said that it was always the intention to phase out the N.E.W.



PAID POLITICAL LETTER

Unified School District of De Pere is in trouble

DEAR EDITOR,

We are in trouble. We, members of the Unified School District of De Pere, are all in trouble – teachers, staff, students, parents, community.

But, we are not in trouble for misbehaving, mismanagement or any other kind of misdeed.

On the contrary, by every measure, we are a high-performing district.

And we take pride in our excellent reputation.

However, our exceptional test scores can do nothing to help the financially dire situation in which we find ourselves.

Whether or not you live in the De Pere School district, it would behoove you to understand our predicament.

Quite frankly, if your own school district has not experienced this "fiscal cliff" yet, you will.

To be clear, if your leaders are making sound financial decisions, you are certain to find yourself in this trouble.

Strangely, it is actually our fiscal responsibility that has led to our financial woes.

For decades now, there has been a gap between what is promised by the

state and what is delivered, especially with respect to special education.

Our need for special education and mental health services is growing exponentially.

And to make matters worse, the actual budget structure does not allow school districts to manage funds sensibly.

Most taxpayers have noticed the ways in which school districts attempt to work around the problems, but too few people truly understand why the situation exists.

In order to appreciate the issue, it helps to use a personal budget comparison.

Imagine that you have a thousand-dollar mortgage payment.

At some point in your life, you would expect, probably with great celebration, to pay off that mortgage.

But, if your budget functioned like a Wisconsin school district, when the mortgage was paid, rather than having an extra thousand dollars in your pocket, that money would be gone from your budget forever.

Reducing debt would actually diminish your income.

In our Wisconsin schools, revenue limits are at the root of the problem.

In theory, like so many things, it sounds fair: revenue limits were established to protect the taxpayer, thereby returning any extra funds to the public.

But, essentially, this means that paying down debt automatically decreases the mill rate (monies collected through property taxes).

For example, paying a 20-year debt service for a local high school could result in a 25% decrease in the overall budget.

Districts have to try to provide the same services with less money or exceed the limits, which can only be done through referendum. How can we expect schools to operate like this? They cannot.

Historically, it's been expected to get a head-nod from the taxpayers for new facilities.

But, so often now, requests are for necessities – repairing old heating systems, fixing leaking roofs, making the safe entrances the public has come to expect.

And at a time when it's become largely impossible to attract or keep good teachers, it feels as though

we're held together by two pieces of duct tape and a paperclip.

Districts are simply needing stability, knowing that they can maintain some control over their budgets.

Our kids deserve better than this. As a state, we must address the way our schools are funded.

Until then, operational referendums are our only recourse.

Citizens of De Pere, we must address critical needs.

Please support the Operational Referendum on April 2.

Without the funds, we will see an increase in class sizes, staff cuts at all levels, longer bus rides and no means to address significant building maintenance needs.

We are not defined by the troubles we face, but rather how we handle them.

Please join our efforts to build upon our long tradition of educational excellence.

In good times and bad, it's a great day to be a Redbird.

*Cara Berken
De Pere Education
Association
De Pere*

academy program.

"The goal has always been for the academy program to not exist anymore. It was created... with the goal of the comprehensive high schools developing some programming to help keep the kids there instead of sending them to [Minoka-Hill], which is where we initially started the program," she said.

"So, he's fulfilling that part of the deal. And then (GBAPS Associate Superintendent of Continuous Improvement) David Johns is working with the comprehensive high schools to ensure that we're able to offer similar programming to what the academy was doing to great success but keeping the kids at their school."

Ledgeview hotel room tax ordinance deferred

BY AUDREY SCHIEK
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

LEDGEVIEW – In a recent session of the Ledgeview Town Board held on March 4, an ordinance was the center of discussions.

Ordinance O-2024-001, aimed at establishing a new chapter in the Town Code for a hotel, motel and room tax, underwent its third reading.

However, despite vigorous debate and a call to action, the final decision was deferred for further consideration.

The ordinance aims to regulate the taxation of lodging facilities in the

Town of Ledgeview, covering various accommodations such as inns, motels, hotels, tourist rooms, and summer camps, excluding long-term rentals exceeding one month.

Ledgeview Town Treasurer Renae Peters emphasized the significance of taking immediate action.

Peters stressed the importance of enacting the ordinance promptly, citing advice received regarding the challenges posed by ongoing hotel construction.

Wrightstown Administrator Travis Coenen echoed Peters' sentiments, highlighting the positive impact such a tax could

have on the community's safety and satisfaction.

"We want to ensure people in our community have a safe experience," he explained, considering his own community's experience with the ordinance.

Coenen's advocacy for proactive governance resonated with fellow residents, who shared concerns about ensuring a secure and cohesive neighborhood environment.

"It comes down to if a community wants to be proactive or reactive with ordinances," Coenen expressed in his final remarks.

USDDP asks district for more operational funding

BY LEE REINSCH
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

DE PERE — With an operational referendum on the ballot next month, Unified School District of De Pere (USDDP) Finance Director Dawn Foeller and Superintendent Chris Thompson gave the school board a primer on school funding sources and talked about causes of the district's \$14 million per year budget shortfall.

On April 2, the district will ask residents to raise the levy by \$4.75 million per year for five years for operational purposes.

That includes curriculum and instruction, busing, utilities, salaries, mental health programs, instructional coaches and interventionists required by the Wisconsin State Legislature's new Act 20, which is an unfunded mandate; and compensation for extracurricular teachers.

Unified School District is one of 99 public school districts with operational referendums on the ballot this year.

If voters choose to say "yes" to the operational referendum, the move would add an additional \$1.34 per \$1,000 in assessed value onto residents' property taxes.

Why so short?

Revenue caps imposed by the state legislature 30 years ago, several years of

no per-pupil state aid funding rises, over a dozen years of below inflation-rate state aid increases, growing enrollment, unfunded mandates, increasing costs for voucher programs and a host of other factors have combined to produce school district revenues that Thompson said are not meeting needs.

In the district, it means a shortfall of \$3,300 per student.

Some 4,500 students attend Unified School District of De Pere schools.

The number is increasing, despite trends statewide showing the opposite.

The total of 800,000 enrolled students in Wisconsin's 421 public school districts is down by 52,000 since the passing of Act 10 in 2011 and the enacting of the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program two years later.

Student body growing

Thompson said that while the state enrollment has declined, the Unified School District is growing.

"When I look at projections data that looks at the birth rates and looks at real estate, it doesn't show you this particular story," Thompson said. "The true story comes out when you look at the survival rate — the number of students that we had in kindergarten versus the number in that same graduation class that graduated from the

school district."

Every year, the number of Unified School District graduating seniors is 70 to 100 more than the number that same class started out with 12 years before, he said.

In 2022, De Pere High School (grades 9-12) had 1,457 students.

Twelve years prior, in 2010 when the graduating class was in kindergarten, the school had 1,283 students.

In 2000, the high school had just 721 students.

So the high school student body has more than doubled over 22 years.

It means high school numbers are more reliable for enrollment projection and staffing planning than 4K or kindergarten numbers, according to Thompson.

One reason for the later boom could be that parents are finally in a financial situation strong enough to move to De Pere when their children are teens, he said.

The district is larger than it seems.

The median school district enrollment in the state is 920 students, and the average enrollment is 1,928.

The Unified School District has 4,500.

"When you think about the Green Bay area metro school districts, all of us are larger than those sizes," Thompson said. "We are larger than 75% of the state."

Of Wisconsin students,

ing the day is where all the calls are at," he said.

Plans were also discussed for enhanced curbside brush pickup and preparations for the Oak Ridge Circle.

Correction Notice: Proposed Ordinance O-2024-001 on Hotel, Motel, and Room Tax.

Correction

In recent coverage, we incorrectly stated that the proposed ordinance O-2024-001 had been passed.

We apologize for any confusion this may have caused.

The ordinance was read for the second time at that point, discussed and subsequently tabled for a third reading.

We regret the error and strive for accuracy in all of our reporting.

Editors Note: The Hotel Northland is hosting two celebrations to mark the founding. The first event, scheduled for March 19, 5-8 p.m., is open to the public. For more information, visit www.marriott.com/en-us/hotels/grbak-hotel-northland-autograph-collection/overview.

83% attend district-run schools, 13% attend private schools, 3% are home-schooled and 1% attend independent charter schools.

Voucher schools

Taxpayers in the Unified School District paid \$820,000 for students in the district electing to participate in private school choice programs last year.

That amount pays for 75 resident students who have open-enrolled out of the district to attend private schools.

While the district is compensated for resident students who open-enroll out of the district to attend public schools, it receives no compensation for those open-enrolling out of the district for private schools through the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program.

In fact, the district pays more per student attending private schools through

WPCP (\$10,993 per student) than it can levy to spend per student attending school in the Unified School District of De Pere (\$10,830), according to Foeller.

"More money is going in for choice students right now than it is for resident students," Thompson said.

The district is allowed to levy the cost of school choice.

"So it is a pass-through to the local taxpayer," Foeller said.

This year's voucher spending represents a jump from a year ago.

Last year, in the 2022-23 school year, taxpayers in the district paid private schools \$632,481 via the WPCP.

Six years ago, the program cost Unified School District taxpayers \$129,625.

Private school choice students enrolled in the WPCP, a statewide private school voucher program started in 2013, and the Special

Needs Scholarship Program (SNSP), are funded through resident school districts via a reduction in state general aids.

There are two other voucher programs in the state.

According to WPCP, some 55,000 students are enrolled in the four parental choice programs in Wisconsin.

Of the 55,000, around 17,000 are enrolled in the WPCP, and another 2,200 are enrolled in the SNSP.

The private school voucher program covers dozens of private and parochial schools, including Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic School, Notre Dame of De Pere Catholic School, Creekside Christian Montessori, Chesterton Academy Of St. John Paul in Green Bay, Green Bay Adventist Junior Academy, Providence Academy Christian School in Green Bay and Notre Dame de la Baie Academy.

NWTC recognized for maritime workforce training, education

BY PRESS TIMES STAFF

GREEN BAY — Northeast Wisconsin Technical College (NWTC) in Green Bay was recently honored as one of 32 Centers of Excellence (CoE) for Domestic Maritime Workforce Training and Education across the country.

The Secretary of Transportation, acting through the Maritime Administrator makes the designation for centers "providing exceptional training for the maritime industry."

"The Maritime Administration (MARAD) developed the CoE Program to support maritime workforce training and education at designated CoEs, including efforts of the designees to admit additional students; recruit and train faculty; expand facilities; create new maritime pathways; and award students credit for prior experience, including military service," a MARAD release stated.

"We are thrilled to receive this designation and proud of the influence our institution, alumni, and collaborators have had in the maritime industry. NWTC is committed to maintaining this progress and ensuring world-class training for our students to excel in this expanding field," said NWTC President Dr. Kristen Raney.



Northeast Wisconsin Technical College trains nearly 15,000 new hires and incumbent workers through the North Coast Marine Manufacturing Training Center. **NWTC photo**

"The designation will enable the college to enhance and expand its technical training in the maritime industry, ensuring graduates remain skilled and competitive in their roles," an NWTC release stated.

"Our Centers of Excellence designations recognize the high standards of maritime education and training provided by these organizations," said Maritime Administrator, Ann Phillips. "These institutions play a critical role in providing domestic mariners with the expertise needed to best serve the maritime industry."

NWTC was also recognized with a CoE designation in 2021.

"Over the years, the College has played an in-

tegral role in the growth of the region's shipbuilding industry with initiatives such as: train nearly 15,000 new hires and incumbent workers through the North Coast Marine Manufacturing Training Center, a cutting-edge facility launched in 2012; provide customized maritime training for industry businesses across the region, including a recent expanded partnership with Fincantieri Bay Shipbuilding; and enhance workforce development through NWTC's active memberships with North Coast Marine Manufacturing Alliance and National Maritime Workforce Alliance.

For more information, visit www.maritime.dot.gov/education/maritime-centers-excellence.

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Ledgeview Fire Chief Chris Hohol underscored additional considerations, including the necessity for firm regulatory criteria to oversee short-term rental properties effectively through inspections.

Despite the compelling arguments put forth, the council ultimately voted to table the motion until Ledgeview Chairman Mark Danen could be present for the final decision, as he voiced concerns in the previous meeting.

Amidst discussions on the ordinance, the council addressed a variety of new business items, all motions passed unanimously on approval of Election Inspec-

HOTEL

In September, Wisconsin Circuit Court Judge Henry Graass declared the building law invalid and unconstitutional and refused to grant an injunction on the additional floor, citing property right infringement and discrimination between Milwaukee and other Wisconsin cities.

But, in October, work on the 10th floor came to a stop when the Wisconsin Supreme Court declared the state statute constitutional.

Next, bricklaying came to a stop due to a November brick shortage.

This was further hampered when the bricklayers went on strike weeks later.

"The reason given by union officials here is that the W.W. Oeflein Company, which is erecting the Northland hotel, is running open shop in Milwaukee and other parts of the state. At Green Bay, however, the company

tors for the upcoming cycle, acquisition of equipment trailer for the Public Works Department, rescinding of a resolution regarding General Obligation Promissory Notes and adoption of the Public Art Master Plan.

Beautification remains important for Ledgeview as it curates a unique identity moving forward.

"What you see is months of work by the beautification committee and the parks and recreation community," said Ledgeview Parks & Recreation Director Stephanie Schlag. "A plan is only as good as its implementation."

Hohol told the board that the fire department is currently searching for day-shift firemen and is actively recruiting continuously. "Dur-

operates closed shop for bricklayers," a *Press-Gazette* article stated.

By mid-month the bricklayers were back at work, with completion of the exterior expected within a week.

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For the children

On Thursday, March 7, Brown County volunteers were sworn in as court appointed special advocates for children who have experienced abuse or neglect (CASA) by Hon. Tammy Jo Hock and Hon. John P. Zakowski, of Brown County Circuit Court at the Brown County Courthouse. CASA volunteers completed 30 hours of pre-service training before being sworn in. Pictured from left, top row: Karla Canizales, Christi Conklin, Carol Erdmann, Erin Flores and Chloe Forbes; middle row: Janelle Glass, Shelly Gurosko, Marissa Heim, Korina Henningsen, Tori Hrubesky, Jodi Linz and Courtney Mabie; front row: Brooke MacDonald, Kathleen McKee, Jenny Medina, Dani Merkes-Garcia, Denise Santos, Cassandra Sarokin and Scott Vander Sande. **Submitted photo**



The Domino Challenge

On Wednesday, March 6, Jackson Elementary School participated in the "Domino Challenge." Students donated boxes of cereal and used them as dominoes. The school signed up with Do Good Wisconsin, through which boxes of cereal were donated to local charities. Jackson School collected 910 boxes, which will be donated to Jackson's Hunger Heroes Jaguar Den, Pastor Fred's Pantry, Hope Center Pantry and Calvary Lutheran Pantry. **GBAPS photo**



The Margaret with Tug Albert arrived with a delivery of petroleum products to U.S. Venture on March 10. **Submitted photo**

First ship arrives for the season

FOR THE PRESS TIMES
GREEN BAY – The first ship arrived at the Port of Green Bay, officially kicking off the 2024 shipping season on Sunday, March 10 at 10:38 a.m.

The Margaret with Tug Albert arrived with a delivery of petroleum products to U.S. Venture, which Port Director Dean Haen said is an early start to the season.

"In fact, this is the earliest port opening in my 25 years here," he said. "With it officially underway, we're looking forward to another great year for Great Lakes commerce.

The big ships entering the Port of Green Bay provide economic stability for our region, along with plenty of enjoyment for ship watchers in the area."

The arrival signals the close of the annual "First Ship Contest" hosted by the Port of Green Bay and Discover Green Bay.

Mary Teddy, of Suamico, won this year's contest with a guess of March 10 at 2:24 p.m.

"Mary has won a one-night stay and complimentary gift basket from St. Brendan's Inn; a Port of Green Bay swag bag; a 2024 Great Lakes Calen-

dar by Chuck Zentmeyer; and a 200th Anniversary Brown County Monopoly Game," a release from the port stated.

Those interested in ship watching are encouraged to view the ships from the Fox River Trail, the Green Bay Metro Boat Launch or other areas along the Lower Fox River.

Port security requirements do not allow public access on any port property.

For more information, visit www.portofgreenbay.com/ship-arrivals or the "Port of Green Bay" Facebook page.



Forty years of MIRT

St. Norbert College's 40th Annual Mock Interview Relay for Teachers (MIRT) was held Thursday, March 7, at the Bemis International Center on the St. Norbert campus. MIRT serves as an opportunity for teacher candidates to gain confidence with interviewing and to network with northeast Wisconsin school administrators, who conduct mock interviews. During the sessions, students will be provided feedback on their interview skills. A total of 48 St. Norbert teacher education seniors, 26 school administrators, 17 school districts and five alum administrators participated. **SNC photo**

NEWS BRIEFS

Applications open for Tribal Elder Community Food Box Program Grant

WISCONSIN – Gov. Tony Evers, together with the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP), has announced that applications are now being accepted for the Tribal Elder Community Food Box Program.

The Tribal Elder Community Food Box Program is designed to provide grants to non-profit food assistance organizations for the purpose of purchasing and distributing food to Tribal elders.

"Far too many communities in our state struggle with food insecurity, but especially aging and older Tribal adults," said Gov. Evers. "Advancing Tribal food sovereignty has always been a priority for my administration, and thanks to our dedicated state partners, this grant program will help increase access to nutritious foods in Tribal communities and expand Indigenous producers' capacity to supply culturally relevant food."

A total of \$1.5 million will be awarded in 2024 through a competitive review process. These funds will support current efforts to purchase and distribute food to Tribal elders and support Indigenous-based food producers.

Applications must be received by 5 p.m. on Friday, March 29.

Grant information and application materials are available at datcp.wi.gov.

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THE BUZZ

Green Bay Ballet Festival brings ballet to Brown County in a very “Wisconsin-ey” way

By Kit Sanders-Mikkelson
Contributing Writer

Festivities began last week for the Green Bay Ballet Festival, hosted by the Weidner Center, and will continue through May 4.

Co-artistic Directors Kyle Davis and Sarah-Gabrielle Ryan are the brains behind the event, which aims to bring ballet to Green Bay in unexpected ways — such as the Beer and Ballet event which will serve as the event’s finale.

Both Davis and Ryan are principal dancers with Pacific Northwest Ballet.

The Green Bay Ballet Festival celebrates the artistry and athleticism of ballet and will feature masterclasses, pop-up performances, community dance engagements, film screening, and a live concert performance with world-renowned dancers and live music for the Weidner Philharmonic symphony orchestra.

The final event of the festival will be Beer and Ballet, an immersive event that features short films being shown all over the building and tasting stations with local breweries.

The main performance of the festival will be in the Weidner Center’s Cofrin Family Hall on May 4 at 7:30 p.m. and will be set to Tchaikovsky’s most famous scores with professional dancers from all over the country performing.

These dancers will be from famous companies including the Pacific Northwest Ballet, South Dakota Ballet and Madison Ballet.

Kelli Strickland, one of the masterminds behind this event and executive and artistic director for the Weidner Center, said, “it is a festival to celebrate professional ballet. And to create opportunities for emerging dancers and new dancers to work with artistic talents of professional dancers. And to do it in a very Wisconsin-ey way.”

Strickland and Davis hope that this experience will bring the world of dance to Green Bay in a way that could really open up people’s eyes and combine elements from the type of dance seen before COVID-19 with nods to the short dance videos which rose in popularity during that time.

Strickland and Davis said they want to bring high quality ballet to as many people as possible, while also not just being a touring group who comes, performs and packs up.

To learn more about the Green Bay Ballet Festival and a complete lineup of events, visit weidnercenter.com. **GP**





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Area of Interest: Theater



When did you first get involved in theater?

I first got involved in theatre in elementary school. Ever since I was little I wanted to be a princess. I played pretend a lot as a kid and theater was my way to “play pretend” later in my life

What do you like most about theater?

I love the family that comes with theater. Everyone comes together for a common interest and you meet new people and make new friends. Everyone is so friendly and theater is just a judgment free zone. It’s peaceful and you can just be yourself.

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

I’ve had multiple amazing experiences both in cast and crew. For cast, I loved doing *The Wedding Singer*. I got to play multiple characters and got to step out of my comfort zone. In crew, my favorite was when I did the one act, *Mia Gregory*. It was my first time doing a one act and my first time in crew. I got to experience the ways of crew and how the show really runs. We even went to state which was very exciting and just perfect for my first time doing one act.

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

There are many shows I want to do — *Hadestown*, *Beetle Juice*, *Cinderella*, etc. I also want to get another chance of being a lead role. I got a lead role one time and that was playing Toto in the *Wizard of Oz*. Which then soon backfired on me and caused me to get bullied a lot after that. But what I really want to do is write my own performance and star in it.

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

Just try it out. Theater isn’t for everyone but if you don’t try you never know what opportunities you might miss. Theater is a very welcoming environment so there is no reason not to try.

What three words would you use to describe yourself?

Kind, creative, fun-loving

Do you have any hidden talents?

I can rap as fast as Eminem, I can do lightsaber spinning, and I can do flips

What subject do you enjoy most in school?

Art. I love art class because I am able to express my creativity and not having to just sit at a desk and listen to lectures.

What’s your biggest pet peeve?

Hating on others before knowing them.

Where do you hope to travel one day?

Paris. I love the sites in Paris and my whole room is Paris themed. It just seems like a fun place to visit.

What’s the best piece of advice you’ve ever been given?

Always give people a second chance but never a third

Who is your role model?

My mom because she has always been the one person that will always stay by my side even when the world is against me.

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

Go to college.

What’s one skill you think everyone should have?

Reading and writing.

Favorites

Song: “Product of the King” by Micah Walker

Show: *Spy x Family*

Movie: *Cinderella*

Animal: Wolf

Season: Winter

Time of day: Sunset

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Laughter is medicine

Impractical Jokers star Joe Gatto to perform in Green Bay

By Meghan Callahan
Contributing Writer

Green Bay comedy fans are in for a treat this Friday, March 15, as Joe Gatto brings his *Night of Comedy* to the Weidner Center in Green Bay.

Gatto has been doing this show for two years now and describes his *Night of Comedy* show as a “nice night to spread joy and laughter.”

Gatto, who has been to Green Bay a few times before, said he is “happy that it’s almost spring,” because as we all know, the winters here are brutal.

You might see Joe strolling through the streets of Green Bay this Friday, as he said he’s really looking forward to “grabbing a coffee and a pastry while walking through the town” once he arrives in Green Bay.

While talking about the show, Gatto is clearly very passionate about making people laugh and forgetting their worries,

he designed the show to do just that.

Gatto truly believes that “laughter is medicine” and said his main goal throughout his set is to help people enjoy life for a bit, no matter what they might be going through in their everyday lives.

“A little reflection on where we are and how strong people really are” is something Gatto hopes to achieve through his comedy show.

This theme differs from many traditional comedy shows, which may try to make a social commentary or point outside of the laughs — Gatto’s comedy goals are simply to make people laugh and experience that joy that comes along with being in a group of happy, laughing people.

He said he also hopes to “spread a little kindness and a little strength and mental healing.” There’s undeniably something about laughing with others that is therapeutic.



Submitted photos



More information about Joe Gatto’s Weidner Center performance can be found at weidnercenter.com.

Gatto doesn’t have a favorite bit of the show, but said he “enjoys it all throughout”.

He has different segments, including “keeping your eyes wide open at the dentist” as a way to mess with others lightly.

This sort of comedy is reminiscent of his days on *Impractical Jokers*, which is where many of his fans know him from.

The show gives insight into what Gatto’s style of humor is and how he executes his jokes.

Many have considered him “the funniest joker”, as his outrageous and lively humor captured the laughs and attention of viewers internationally.

Gatto said his performance on television and his performance in front of a live audience differs due to “the spontaneity, that’s the best part, if I’m talking about something and feel inspired to talk about another while on stage, I’m not afraid to do that.”


Gatto’s show doesn’t normally include crowd work, though he said if a unique opportunity for a joke arises, he’ll take it.

Overall, Gatto’s *Night Of Comedy* show aims to be a fun, easy-going evening that’ll help people forget all of “the noise of life.”

CP


Pets of Brown County

Fred & Frank



Animals of all types have been enjoying the nice weather and taking the opportunity to get out and explore the community. These two geese, dubbed Fred and Frank, stopped for a moment to take a look at the sculptures at the Neville Public Museum before continuing their stroll along the river. Janelle Fisher photo

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COVER FEATURE



By Janelle Fisher
City Pages Editor

The gallery walls at Create with SAGE are unprecedentedly busy this month as the organization rolls out a new exhibit series for Disabilities Awareness Month.

The Hello, My Name Is series features the works of a different artist with disabilities each week through a partnership with Asprio.

“We worked with Asprio back in July for the first time and the *My Name Is* series

was developed when Asprio said there are not enough opportunities for artists with disabilities in the Green Bay area,” said Stacey Von Busch, president of Create with SAGE. “And so, as an organization, we said, ‘How can we just make that happen?’ And we dedicated March because March is Disabilities Awareness Month. So we went and identified three individuals for solo exhibits — Stos Neptune, Steven DeStaercke and Pete Moran. And then the very last exhibit, it just so happened that artist Gregory Frederick is also



▲ Art by Pete Moran

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working with Asprio through a statewide organization called Arts for All, which highlights individuals by bringing artists in to teach them classes. So the last exhibit will be a collective work.”

Each exhibit will take place on a Saturday in March — Neptune’s exhibit was March 9, DeStaercke’s exhibit will be March 16, Moran’s will be March 23 and the collective exhibit will take place March 30 — in SAGE’s signature one-night exhibit style.

“It’s an opportunity to showcase artists with disabilities through our signature program, which is just a one-night-only exhibit,” Von Busch said. “So [each exhibit] is up for three hours and then it comes down and we’ve never done four exhibits in a single month before. It was a lot of work leading up to it and now we’re just kind of making it all happen.”

Von Busch said the exhibit series is very much in keeping with the goals of Create with SAGE.

“Overall, SAGE as an organization really looks to facilitate opportunities for anyone and everyone, but we specifically look to find artists — we often use the term boots on the ground,” she said. “So instead of having Asprio come to us, we actually went to Asprio to bring them arts programming and to identify talented individuals. We look to eliminate some of those barriers — such as accessibility to things like artistic tools and supplies — and then helping these people know that they’re valued as part of the community, whoever they are.

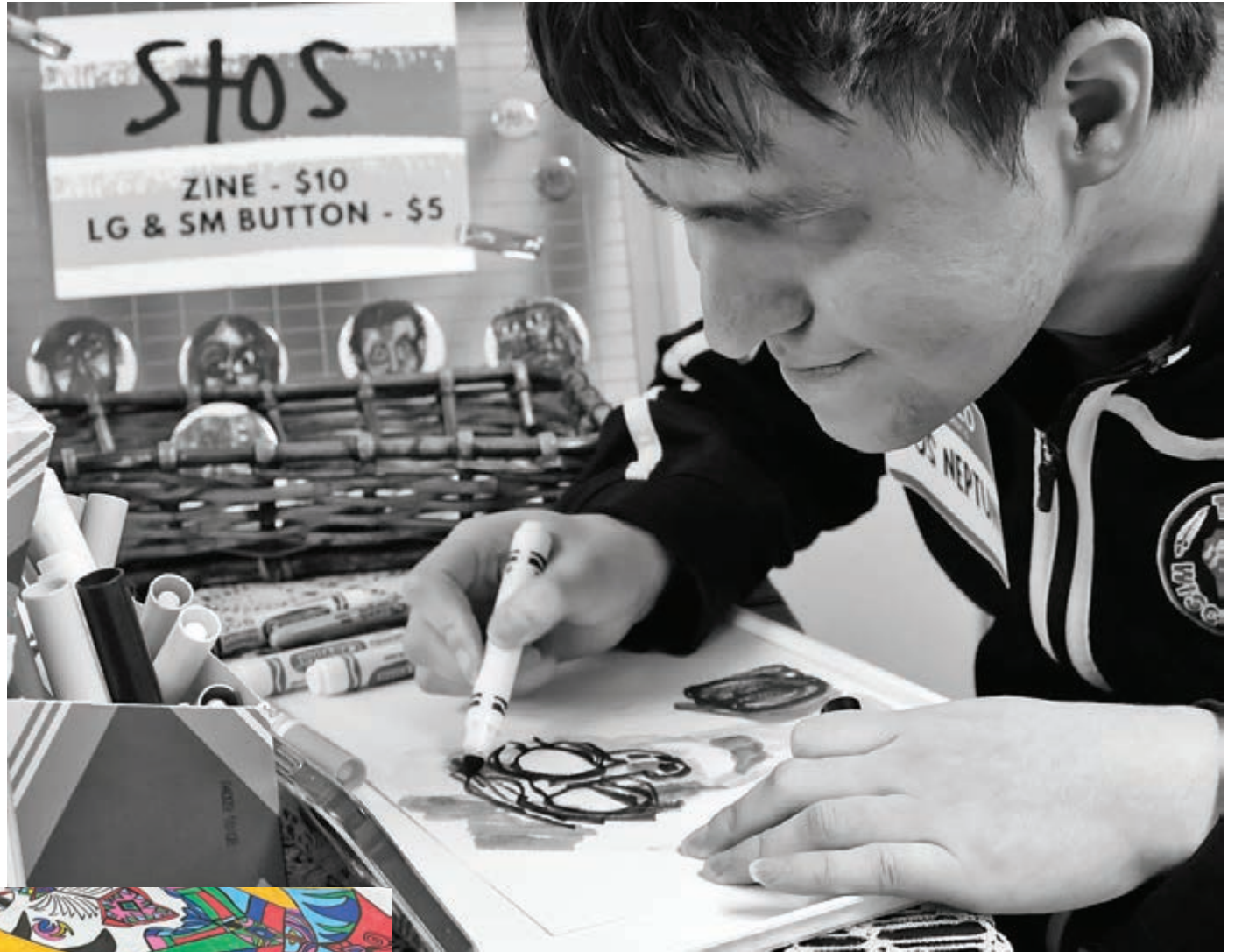
We've always kind of had this mentality of, 'You want to make art? We want to help you make art. You want to show your art to other people? We want to help with that as well.'

Some of those barriers that stand in the way of artists with disabilities seeing their work in a traditional art exhibit setting, Von Busch said, include access to materials, communication and more.

"An artist that's looking to exhibit at a gallery, they're going to have to put in and submit an application, or maybe the gallery is calling for a theme," she said. "An everyday artist? They're able to do that. Artists with disabilities sometimes need assistance with applying to be seen and just knowing those opportunities exist. As individuals, additional barriers can come into play."

With this series of exhibits, Von Busch said she hopes people walk away with new ideas about the function of art and the interaction between art and community.

"The idea that art is a beautiful tool of expression, self expression and communication," she said. "That all individuals should have the equal right to display and exhibit their work if they're passionate about what it is that they're doing. We, as a community, I feel are obligated to eliminate those barriers, especially for those individuals that maybe need a little bit more assistance. And



▲ Stos Neptune draws portraits at the March 9 event. Tania Nelson photo



▲ Art by Steven DeStaercke

to see that when we do produce those opportunities that beautiful things can happen, whether it's an art exhibit or getting to know the artists themselves."

Moving forward, Von Busch said gallery patrons can expect to see a similar series taking place each year around this time.

"When we put in the work to create a program or an event, the idea is that we're

never just going to do this once," she said. "If we're going to put in the work, we're going to do it and keep with it for a while. So, as far as I'm concerned, every March you can come into SAGE and you're going to see artists with disabilities."

Learn more about Create with SAGE and the *Hello, My Name Is* series at createwithsage.org. **CP**

Big Guide

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LIVE MUSIC

Friday, March 15

Eaglemania • Meyer Theatre, Green Bay. Eagles tribute band. 7:30 p.m. \$35+. See meyertheatre.org for more details and to purchase tickets.

Saturday, March 16

St Paddy's Bash • WINEaLOT Vineyards, Greenleaf. Music by Paddygrass, professional Irish dancers from Milwaukee Irish Dance Company and food from 4 Schmidts and Giggles BBQ Food Truck. 2-6 p.m. Free to attend. (All minors must be accompanied by an adult.) Visit winealotvineyards.com for more details.

Ladies of Country • Meyer Theatre, Green Bay. Tribute to Dolly Parton, Shania Twain, Reba McEntire and Martina McBride. 7:30 p.m. \$35+. Head to meyertheatre.org to find more details and purchase tickets.

Monday, March 18

One World United • Ashwaubenon Performing Arts Center, Ashwaubenon. Performance by the AVB Community Band. 7 p.m. Free. See avbcommunityband.org for more information.

Wednesday, March 20

Stillmank Brewery Jazzy Jam Night • Stillmank Brewery, Green Bay. Hosted by The Standard Collective. 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 21

Not Petty Duo • WINEaLOT Vineyards, Greenleaf. Tom Petty tribute

duo. 5 p.m. Free to attend. (All minors must be accompanied by an adult.) Head to winealotvineyards.com to learn more.

Sam Hunt • Resch Center, Ashwaubenon. Country performance with special guests Brett Young and Lily Rose. 7:30 p.m. \$30+. Learn more and purchase tickets at reschcomplex.com.

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

Friday, March 15

Great DuBois • Ashwaubenon Performing Arts Center, Ashwaubenon. Two-person cirque-style variety show. 7:30 p.m. \$22. To learn more and purchase tickets, visit ashwaubenonpac.org.

Wednesday, March 20

Bianca Del Rio • Meyer Theatre, Green Bay. Stand-up comedy show. 8 p.m. \$53. Find more information and purchase tickets at meyertheatre.org.

Ongoing

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

Ongoing

Stitches and Stems Embroidery Art Exhibit • Green Bay Botanical Garden, Green Bay. Collection of needlework from the Green Bay and Fox Valley Embroidery Guilds. March 21-23 Free admission. Learn more at gbbg.org.

Dino Safari • Mulva Cultural Center, De Pere. Learn all about dinosaurs. Open through May 22. \$25 for adults, \$20 for children ages 6-17, seniors over 60 and military, free for children 5 and under. Head to mulvacenter.org for more details and to purchase tickets.

Telling Our Stories: LGBTQ+ Voices of Northeastern 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 through Nov. 3. Included with general admission. Visit nevillepublicmuseum.org to find out more.

Railroad Tools: Building for our Future • National Railroad Museum, Ashwaubenon. Exhibit featuring tools that were used for railroad building. Open during normal museum hours through Dec. 31. Included with daily admission. Find more details at nationalrrmuseum.org.

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

Ongoing

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.

GAMES/COMPETITIONS

Ongoing

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

Singo • Captain's Walk Winery, Green Bay. Combination of karaoke and bingo. Thursdays from 6-9 p.m., through March 21. Check out Captain's Walk Winery on Facebook to learn more.

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

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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Cardio Dance • Titledown, 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 titledown.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 Pavek of Karma Yoga. Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. \$10 per person. Visit winealotvineyards.com for more details.

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

5 Stand, Skeet and Trap Shooting • Brown County Sportsmen's Club, Green Bay. All are welcome. Free instructions. 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, March 16

Genealogy 101: Computer Programs for Organization • 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.

Writing to Bring Your Characters to Life • Brown County Library - Kress Family Branch, De Pere. Learn how to add more vibrancy to your characters with professional book editor Brittiany Koren. 10:30 a.m. Free. Visit browncountylibrary.org for more details.

Tuesday, March 19

Boost Your Brain Health • Brown County Library - Pulaski Branch, Pulaski. Learn about factors that impact your brain health, then challenge yourself with fun brain games and exercises. 12:30 p.m. Free. Advance registration required. Visit browncountylibrary.org for more details.

The Harvey Girls and the Santa Fe Railroad • Brown County Library - Ashwaubenon Branch, Ashwaubenon. Celebrate National Women's History Month with the National Railroad Museum. 1 p.m. Free. Visit browncountylibrary.org for more details.

Geologic Expedition to South China - Part Two • 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.

Encountering Wildlife in Your Home or Yard • Brown County Library - Kress Family Branch, De Pere. Learn about what to do if you find injured, sick or orphaned wildlife. 6:30 p.m. Free. Visit browncountylibrary.org for more details.

Ongoing

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

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

Thursday, March 21

Picnic and Play: First Signs of Spring • Brown County Library - Kress Family Branch, De Pere. Discover spring with stories, activities and a picnic break. 10:30 a.m. Free. Visit browncountylibrary.org for more details.

Ongoing

Great Bunny Train • National Railroad Museum, Ashwaubenon. Train ride, live entertainment, egg hunt and more. March 23 and 24 from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. \$20+. Head to nationalrrmuseum.org for more details and to purchase tickets.

Sanctuary Storytime • Green Bay Wildlife Sanctuary, Green Bay. Themed story and a simple craft/activity geared towards preschoolers. Mondays at 10 a.m., through March 25. Register by calling (920) 391-3686. Learn more on Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary's Facebook page.

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.



▲ Sanctuary Storytime



COMMUNITY EVENTS/RESOURCES

Friday, March 15

St. Patrick's Day • Vital Essentials Dog Park, Green Bay. St. Patrick's day fun for dogs and their humans. 4-6 p.m. Donations accepted for the Wisconsin Humane Society Green Bay Campus Furry Friends Food Pantry. Learn more at downtowngreenbay.com.

Saturday, March 16

St. Paddy's Bash • WINEaLOT Vineyards, Greenleaf. Irish music and dancers with food from 4 Schmidts and Giggles BBQ Food Truck. 2-6 p.m. Free to attend. (All minors must be accompanied by an adult.) Learn more at winealotvineyards.com.

Sunday, March 17

St. Patrick's Day Parade • CityDeck, Green Bay. Celebration of Irish heritage and culture. 1 p.m. Free. Learn more at downtowngreenbay.com.

Ongoing

Used Book Sale • Ashwaubenon Historical Society, Ashwaubenon. March 14 from 3:30-6:30 p.m., March 15 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. and March 16 from 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

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 March 19 will be Thomas Shefchik to talk about the Mulva Cultural Center. 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 1-888-4Al-Anon (1-888-425-2666).

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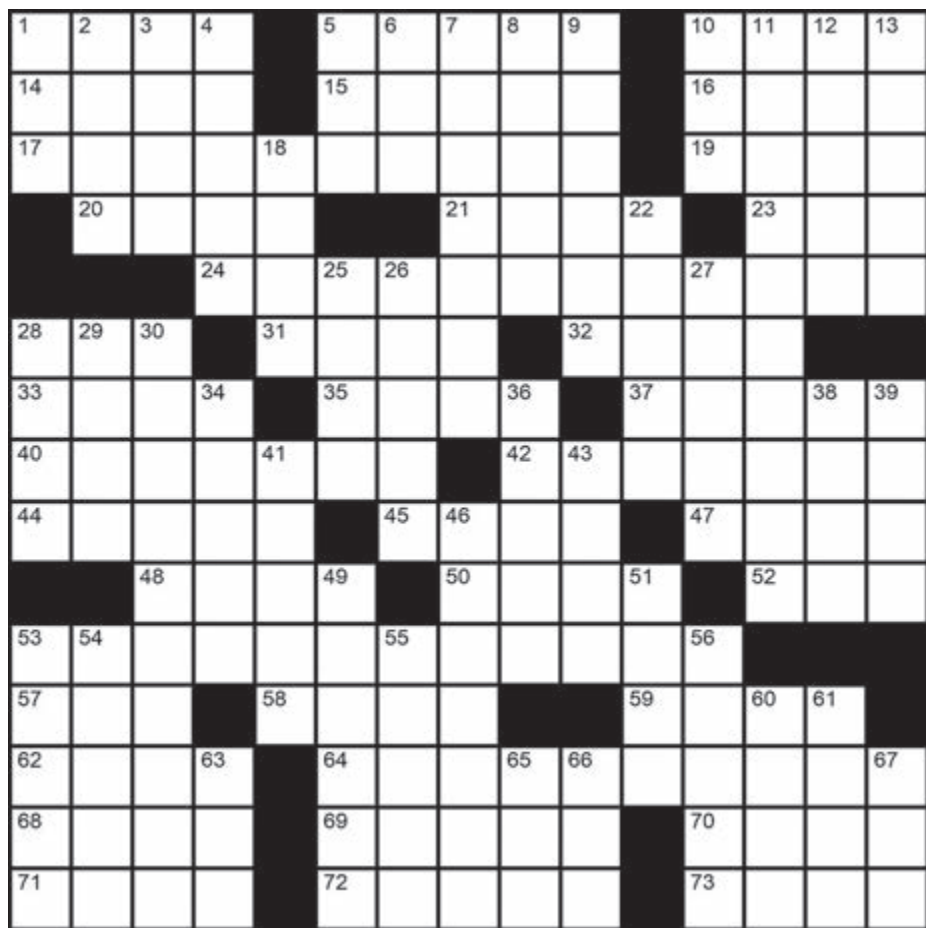
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Across

1. Interstate entrance
5. Accept formally
10. Beginning from
14. Lake near Buffalo
15. Burton who hosted “Reading Rainbow”
16. Nevada gambling locale
17. Noodles that translate to “little ribbons”
19. Crumbly cheese
20. Piracy venues
21. First claim, slangily
23. Traffic predicament
24. Leafy replacements for burger buns, sometimes
28. Org. that’s busy in April
31. Transylvanian count, informally
32. “Blazing Saddles” actress Madeline
33. 2019 MLB champs
35. Abbr. before a founding date
37. Some orchestral instruments
40. With 42-Across, date hinted at by a hidden sequence in the four long Across answers
42. See 40-Across
44. Horseshoe-like Greek letter
45. Sicilian erupter
47. “Star Trek” character
48. Dirt road grooves
50. Agree to another tour
52. Small peeve
53. Covert escape route
57. Maximum effort
58. Outbursts from Bart, at times
59. A head
62. “In ___ of gifts ...”
64. Slow companions at home?
68. Pilot predictions, for short
69. “The Thursday Murder Club” novelist Richard
70. Arizona mesa dwellers
71. Albanian’s neighbor
72. Makeup of Maslow’s hierarchy
73. Wild guess

Down

1. Field arbiter
2. Greek god of war
3. Plant parasite
4. Flower fragment
5. Part of ABV
6. End-of-the-year mo.
7. Tube where eggs travel
8. Lose composure
9. Connery’s antagonist, in ‘90s “SNL”
10. Newfoundland sound
11. 1991 Joy Fielding thriller named for a line in a classic kids’ primer
12. Alternative to bottled
13. Soap pump contents
18. Not new
22. Bee formation
25. Birch, e.g.
26. Cafe au lait container
27. Flightless South American birds
28. “___ the Unknown” (“Frozen II” song)
29. Barack’s first chief of staff
30. Avoid
34. Icelandic band ___ Ros
36. “Damn Yankees” co-director Stanley
38. Roman 651
39. Sealed up
41. Old-fashioned
43. Man-goat of myth
46. “Don’t worry about it, I got you”
49. ___ a dime
51. Type of review
53. Department that works with marketing
54. The 1%
55. “One of ___ things is not like the other”
56. Latticework strips
60. Form a scab
61. Air filter acronym
63. Computer tower port
65. Wee child
66. Wee-___ (kids)
67. Close kin, for short

arts & entertainment

HIGHLIGHTS

by Janelle Fisher

Great DuBois

Friday, March 15

Ashwaubenon Performing Arts Center, Ashwaubenon

Two-person cirque-style variety show. The duo has been featured in The Greatest Showman, Pippin, The Tonight Show with Jay Leno, Late Night with David Letterman, Burlesque and Britney Spears’ World Circus Tour.

The show will include juggling, hula hoops, unicycling, aerial feats, circus stunts and magic.

The performance begins at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$22.

To learn more and purchase tickets, visit ashwaubenonpac.org.



GREAT DUBOIS

St. Patrick’s Day Parade

Sunday, March 17

CityDeck, Green Bay

Celebration of Irish heritage and culture.

The parade will feature Irish family clans, Irish Heritage Dancers, the Notre Dame Academy Marching Band, inflatable costumes, downtown businesses and the Preble High School Drumline.

The parade will begin at 1 p.m. and is free to attend.

Learn more at downtowngreenbay.com.



ST. PATRICK’S DAY PARADE

One World United

Monday, March 18

Ashwaubenon Performing Arts Center, Ashwaubenon

Performance by the AVB Community Band.

Selections for the concert will include familiar pieces by composers that have had an influence on music.

The concert begins at 7 p.m. and is free to attend.

Donations will be accepted following the concert.

See avbcommunityband.org for more information.



ONE WORLD UNITED

Great Bunny Train

March 23 and 24

National Railroad Museum, Ashwaubenon

Ride on a historic train, enjoy live entertainment and balloon art from Mischief and Magic and participate in egg hunting, arts and crafts, games and more.

The event will run on Saturday and Sunday from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. with train rides scheduled to depart throughout each day.

Tickets start at \$20 and can be purchased online through March 22 or at the door.

Head to nationalrrmuseum.org for more details and to purchase tickets.



GREAT BUNNY TRAIN

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Construction project at GRB receives state award

GREEN BAY – Over the past two years, Green Bay Austin Straubel International Airport (GRB) has been making a series of improvements to its facility, grounds and airfield.

One of the projects recently received the 2023 Wisconsin Transportation Builders Association/WisDOT Contractor-Engineers “Outstanding Construction Project Award.”

The award was given to GRB contractors Vinton Construction and Mead and Hunt for their combined planning and rehabilitation work done on the airport’s taxiway and apron.

“It’s an honor to have this award given to such a crucial improvement project at the airport,” said Airport Director, Marty Piette, A. A. E. “Rehabilitating our aprons and taxiways will provide safer and smoother navigation of the airport grounds for landing or departing aircraft.”

The project was originally slated to be done in four phases, however Vinton was able to complete everything in just three phases, before the first 2023 Packer home game.

“Our Fixed Base Operators (FBO) see substantial numbers of private and charter planes for Packer home games,” said Piette. “It is a source of revenue for them, so it was important to have it done as quickly as possible. Communication among all project participants resulted in very little disruption to airport operations and it was completed with zero safety incidents.”

The completed taxiway and apron rehabilitation project is just one of the many improvement projects underway at the airport with plans in the works for parking lot and runway updates as well as the installation of a new sidewalk canopy to take place in 2024.

“Each improvement and upgrade benefits travelers, our airlines and our airport operations,” said Brown County Executive Troy Streckenbach. “The airport is an important economic driver for our community and it adds to the quality of life for all residents. We are excited for what the future holds.”

Brown County Resource Recovery survey

BROWN COUNTY – To continue to serve the waste and recycling needs of residents and businesses of Brown County, the Brown County Resource Recovery department has launched a survey for the public to provide feedback on how well those services are utilized and communicated.

“Resource Recovery offers a variety of recycling and waste disposal services that make it easier for residents and businesses alike to properly dispose of materials,” said Mark Watler, business development manager for Resource Recovery. “Through this survey we can understand which services our community uses the most and if there are changes they would like to have implemented.”

The public survey is a mix of multiple choice and short answer questions and can be taken on any mobile device or computer.

“In order for our department to make adjustments and improvements that work with the community’s needs, we encourage everyone to take a few minutes to fill out the survey,” Walter said. “Your feedback is important to us, and we appreciate your help.”

The survey will be available through March 20 and can be found on the Brown County Resource Recovery’s social media pages as well as at <https://bit.ly/RRPublicSurvey2024>.

New way to apply for lottery and gaming credit

WISCONSIN – The Wisconsin Department of Revenue (DOR) is unveiling a new process for Wisconsin residents to apply for the lottery and gaming credit, replacing PDF forms with online forms.

Property owners can file for the lottery and gaming credit completely online through the Lottery Credit Online Application Portal without the added step of printing, mailing or emailing.

The system guides property owners to the correct form through a selection page with help bubbles to provide guidance along the way.

DOR reminds Wisconsin residents to check their 2023 property tax bill for the lottery and gaming credit.

If a property owner was eligible for the credit as of January 1, 2023, but their property tax bill received in December 2023 did not show the credit, they can still file a late claim online application with DOR by October 1, 2024 to receive the credit.

Property owners should have their property tax bill available while filling out the online form.

If a property owner becomes eligible for the credit as of January 1, 2024, they should use the online portal to apply for the lottery and gaming credit.

Property owners can also request to remove a lottery and gaming credit through the portal.

DOR will send the information to the county treasurer where the property is located or to the city treasurer, if the property is located in a city that collects taxes under state law.

A property owner only needs to apply for the credit one time — once applied, the credit will continue annually for that residence.

Lottery and gaming credit information, including the online application portal, walkthrough videos and common questions are located at revenue.wi.gov/pages/form/lottery-home.aspx.

Leonardo da Vinci School for Gifted Learners to host enrollment information session

GREEN BAY – Families looking to learn more about the Leonardo da Vinci School for Gifted Learners are invited to attend an enrollment information session on March 19, at 6 p.m.

During the session, families will be informed about the various features of the school, including the school structure, academic offerings, overall school philosophy and the admission process for the 2024-25 school year.

Leonardo da Vinci School for Gifted Learners is located at 139 S. Monroe Ave. Attendees are asked to enter through door #2 or #3 and park in the staff lot on the corner of Doty and Monroe. The meeting will take place in the gym.

Leonardo da Vinci School for Gifted Learners serves students in kindergarten through eighth grade.

Learn more at gbaps.org/davinci.

\$100,000 prize-winning ticket sold at Kwik Trip in Green Bay

GREEN BAY – An All or Nothing \$100,000 top-prize winning ticket was sold at Kwik Trip on 2499 S. Point Rd. in Green Bay for the March 8 evening drawing.

The winning ticket matched 11 of 11 numbers drawn and the winning numbers were 3-4-5-7-8-9-10-12-13-15-17.

In 2023, the S. Point Rd. Kwik Trip sold winning scratch tickets of \$54,000 and \$6,000 and a winning \$5,000 50X Fast Play ticket.

Friday’s winning ticket marks the second All or Nothing top prize ticket sold within three days in Wisconsin — for the March 6 Midday drawing, a winning \$100,000 All or Nothing ticket was sold at a Kwik Trip in Muskego.

Wisconsin Lottery retailers who sell winning tickets over \$599 receive a 2% Retailer Performance Winning Ticket Incentive, up to \$100,000.

Players have 180 days from the draw date to claim their winnings.

Information on how to claim a prize is available at wlottery.com.

Players can also see if their ticket is a winner by using the Lottery’s mobile app, available on the App Store or Google Play.

All or Nothing players can win a \$100,000 top prize by matching 0 out of 11 numbers or by matching 11 of 11 numbers.

The odds of winning the All or Nothing \$100,000 prize are 1:352,716.

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.

The Sept. 9, 2018, Green Bay Packers vs. Chicago Bears official game coin. Packers Quarterback Aaron Rodgers returned after a knee injury, throwing three touchdown passes in the second half, after trailing by 20 points, to win the game 24-23.

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Leftover turkey tags on sale next week



In the Outdoors

BY KEVIN NAZE
GUEST COLUMNIST

Hunters quick on the trigger will have a shot at picking up one of thousands of bonus spring wild turkey hunting permits that'll go on sale next week.

The leftovers are available at 10 a.m. each day, beginning with Zone 1 on Monday.

You'll need to purchase a license and stamp privilege prior to being able to buy a bonus tag.

New fishing and hunting licenses for 2024-25 are on sale now.

It's a good idea to have yours purchased before getting in line — in-person or on an online queue — on the day permits for the zone you want go on sale.

Cost for bonus tags is \$10 for residents and \$15 for nonresidents, with a purchase limit of one per hunter per day.

You can buy tags for multiple zones. Any leftovers that aren't sold the first five days go on sale Saturday, March 23.

Zones 1 and 3 have the most bonus tags, a combined 72,000-plus in periods C through F.

Zone 2 has more than 16,000, with all but 552 of them in E and F.

Zone 4 has more than 13,000 over three periods, Zone 5 more than 3,000 the last two weeks and Zone 7 218 in period F.

No extras are available for Zone 6.

Hunters and anglers can purchase licenses and bonus tags via the state's Go Wild site at <https://gowild.wi.gov/> or in-person at any businesses that sell licenses.

The only change in fees this year is that nonresident archery and crossbow licenses increased to \$200, the same as the nonresident gun deer license.

There's a one-time discount for new nonresident buyers, \$99.75.

Big bucks for DNR

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) will be getting more than \$40 million from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service during fiscal year 2024.

Funding comes from excise taxes paid last year on ammunition, firearms, archery and angling equipment by manufacturers, and



Thousands of bonus spring wild turkey hunting permits go on sale next week, starting with Zone 1 Monday. Most area gobbler fanatics hunt in Zones 2, 3 or 5. Those leftovers go on sale Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, respectively. **DNR graphic**

a fuel and small engine tax.

Combined with fish and wildlife agency funding, agencies across the country have supported the stocking of more than one billion fish, managed and monitored more than 500 species of wild mammals and birds, provided hunter education to millions of students and constructed or renovated more than 800 target ranges.

"Around the country, Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration funding supports collaborative wildlife and habitat conservation, fish and wildlife health, clean water and outdoor access efforts of our state, commonwealth and territorial partner agencies," said Fish and Wildlife Service Director Martha Williams. "This vital funding fosters efforts to monitor and manage our nation's fish and wildlife resources, supports hunter and aquatic education, improves access for outdoor pursuits like hunting, fishing and boating and connects people to wildlife and wild places."

Wisconsin's federal take includes \$27,739,539 in wildlife restoration and hunter education funding, \$11,822,290 in sport fish restoration dollars and \$983,772 in state wildlife grant appropriations.

Wisconsin's sport fish and wildlife restoration kickbacks are similar to the 10-year average, though the wildlife dollars dropped by more than \$6 million from last year's record number.

This conservation funding combines the excise taxes with license, permit and stamp fees paid by those who hunt, fish, trap and target shoot.

The money provides funding for various types of conservation, public access, safety, education and habitat initiatives.

Fishing update

The walleye run is on in the Fox River and Green Bay's west shore tributaries, and rain late this week was expected to draw more spawn-minded rainbow trout and suckers into Lake Michigan rivers.

Yellow perch season on Green Bay closes at the end of the day March 15, but remains open through April 30, on Lake Michigan and its tributaries.

Lake Michigan water levels are down a few inches from last year and more than 30 inches lower than the record monthly high in March 2020.

Lake levels are still about 30 inches above the record low, set in 1964.

Weekly Fishing Report

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Bay is clear of major ice

The bay of Green Bay is 100% clear of all major ice. The Fox River continues to produce fair to good action this last week.

The little bit of rain in the area has not been enough to have a big impact on the river current so days with any north winds are slowing the current and the bite.

Water temps on the river have slid up into the 40s and maintained that level so reports of a few spawned out fish have started to trickle in.

The daylight activity has been best casting Hair Jigs, Rippin' Raps and Blade Baits.

Some fish are still being caught on good old Jig and Minnow.

Working the shallow flats from three to eight feet of water has become more prevalent as the water warms.

Nighttime trolling catches have been very good with the steady climb in water temps.

Trolling P-10s and Husky Jerks and other stick baits in metallic colors and some white patterns at night have produced some nice fish for many anglers.

University Bay and Dead Horse Bay have seen an increase in catches this last several days with the warmer weather bringing the water temps up.

Casting Hair Jigs or Rippin' Raps in four to 10 feet of water along shorelines, or trolling the same areas with Flicker Shads and P-10s has been effective.

The Oconto area continues to see and increase in boating traffic due to the warming water and no ice left to be an issue.

Good catch numbers and quality fish in shallow warming waters have been common.

Using your electronics to locate schools and casting at them has been key.

Rippin' Raps and Hair Jigs have been the most productive baits.

Getting away from the boat activity has proven for some to be key in getting less spooky fish.

The Sturgeon Bay area is ice free at all the ramps, and Door County Parks are installing their docks this week at all their locations.

Reports are of water temps being very cold yet and walleye activity super-slow as of now.

Reports of perch-catching have been coming in up around the Little Sturgeon and Sawyer Harbor areas, but remember March 15 perch season on the Wisconsin waters of Green Bay closes.

Be safe and tighten lines.

Capt. Robert Claus
920-360-2904

finfanaticcahrters@yahoo.com



This year's regular spring wild turkey hunt begins with the youth weekend April 13-14, followed by the first of six seven-day hunt periods April 17. **Kevin Naze photo**

OBITUARIES



James Raymond Guelette, 80 years old of Green Bay, passed away on March 8, 2024 at Grancare Nursing Facility, Green Bay, WI. Jim was born Jan 4, 1944 in Carnot, WI in Southern Door County, the only son of the late Raymond and Phoebe (Jacquart) Guelette. He graduated from Brussels high school in 1962.

Jim was a member of the Steelworkers Union and the Emergency Response Team for 29 years at Proctor & Gamble. He

retired from P&G at the age of 55. Jim enjoyed his cottage at Crooked Lake, where he hunted and fished. He was known as Jim Bob by his up north friends. Jim traveled to Wyoming and Colorado for mule, whitetail deer and elk hunting. He also was a "Winter Texan" in the Rio Grande Valley.

He was an avid tournament and league pool player. Jim enjoyed playing cards and watching the Packers. A good joke was always appreciated by him and he had many of his own to tell. He rode motorcycles all his life and was a former member of the Corvette Club.

Survivors include his sister Jill Seiler, his niece Casie (Ryan) Mallien, his nephew Erik (Kylene) Seiler. Other nieces and nephews, Steve (Lisa) Soukup, Scott Soukup, Sonja Ulatowski. Good friend Rae Cummings, her children and grandchildren, especially Morgan and Kade.

Preceded in death by his parents, his sisters Lindy Lou Guelette, Regina Soukup, Alvera Marchant, his niece Sandy Soukup, brother in laws Bob Seiler, Leo Soukup, Melvin Marchant, Steve Ulatowski, all Jim's aunts, uncles and good friend Wayne Nester.

Gathering of Family and Friends will be held from 1:00 P.M. to 2:00 P.M. on Tuesday, March 19, 2024 in the Chapel at the Shrine of the Good Shepherd Chapel Mausoleum, 2770 Bay Settlement Road. A Funeral Service will be held at 2:00 P.M. with Pastor Dave Hatch officiating. Entombment in the Mausoleum.

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STATE OF WISCONSIN - CIRCUIT COURT – BROWN COUNTY

CREATIVE FINANCE, INC.

815 Business Park Road
 PO Box 454
 Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965,
 Case No. 2024CV000133
 Money Judgement: 30301
 Plaintiff,
 v.
MARY LOUISE GAUTHIER
 420 South Maple Avenue
 Unit 1
 Green Bay, WI 54301
 Defendant.

SUMMONS

THE STATE OF WISCONSIN
 To each person named above as a Defendant:

You are hereby notified that the Plaintiff named above Creative Finance, Inc., by its attorney, Christopher M. Kern, filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you. Within twenty (20) days of receiving this summons, you must respond with a written answer, as that term is used in Chapter 802 of the Wisconsin Statutes, to the Complaint. The Court may reject or disregard an answer that does not follow the requirements of the statutes. The answer must be sent or delivered to the Court, whose address is: Clerk of Circuit Court, Brown County Courthouse, 100 South Jefferson Street, PO Box 23600, Green Bay, Wisconsin 54305, and to Plaintiff's attorney, Christopher M. Kern, 815 Business Park Road, PO Box 454, Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin, 53965. You may have an attorney help or represent you. If you do not provide a proper answer within twenty (20) days, the Court may grant judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the Complaint, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the Complaint. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of

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property. If you require the assistance of auxiliary aids or services because of a disability, call 920- 448-4155 and ask for the Court ADA Coordinator. Dated this 23rd day of February, 2024.
General Counsel for Plaintiff
 Signed By: Christopher M. Kern
 Christopher M. Kern
 State Bar Number: 1093883
 Creative Finance, Inc.
 815 Business Park Road
 P.O. Box 454
 Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965
 Phone: (608) 254-6855
 Fax: (608) 253-5005
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MARCH 15, 2024 AND
MARCH 22, 2024
CITY OF DE PERE
ADVERTISEMENT TO BID
PROJECT 24-02
RIDGEWAY DRIVE
PAVEMENT
REHABILITATION

Online bids will be received and accepted for Project 24-02 Ridgeway Drive Pavement Rehabilitation via the online electronic bidding service through QuestCDN.com, until 1:00 PM, Thursday, April 4, 2024, at which time they will be publicly accepted, displayed and read aloud. Project 24-02 for which proposals are being sought includes the following approximate quantities:
 • 1,050 LF Relay Sanitary Laterals (4-inch and 6-inch) and Associated Appurtenances.
 • 350 LF Pipe Bursting Sanitary Laterals from Main to House (4-inch and 6-inch) and Associated Appurtenances.
 • 1,900 LF New and Relay Storm Sewer (8-inch to 18-inch) and Associated Appurtenances.
 • 900 LF new storm laterals (6-inch) and associated appurtenances.
 • 2,500 LF Relay Watermain (6-inch to 8-inch) and Associated Appurtenances.
 • 850 CY Unclassified Excavation (Alleys).
 • 11,800 SY Asphaltic

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Concrete Milling and/ or Pulverizing.
 • 1,420 TONS Aggregate Basecourse (1 1/4 inch)
 • 3,000 TONS Asphaltic Concrete Pavement.
 • 2,450 LF Replace Concrete Curb and Cutter.
 • 850 SY Replace Concrete Sidewalks, Pavement, and Driveways (4-inch to 9-inch depth)
 • CIP Spot Liner
 • Traffic Control
 • 300 SY Restoration
 Complete digital project bidding documents are available for viewing and/or downloading at www.QuestCDN.com or may be examined at the office of the Director of Public Works. Digital plan documents may be downloaded for \$22 by inputting Quest project #8901273 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

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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, April 1, 2024. Prospective bidders who have previously submitted such forms subsequent to January 1, 2024 will not be required to separately submit such form for this project. The City of De Pere reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any informalities in bidding and to accept any proposal which the Common Council deems most favorable to the interest of the City of De Pere. Dated this 15th day of March 2024.
 Board of Public Works
 City of De Pere
 Eric Rakers, P.E.
 City Engineer
 Project 24-02 Publish
 03.15.24 & 03.22.24 WNAXLP

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ADVERTISEMENT TO BID
PROJECT 24-15
SEWER TELEVISIONING

Online bids will be received and accepted for Project 24-15 Sewer Televisioning via the online electronic bidding service through QuestCDN.com, until 1:00 PM, Thursday, April 4, 2024, at which time they will be publicly accepted, displayed and read aloud. Project 24-15 for which proposals are being sought includes the following approximate quantities:
 • 30,000 LF of Sewer Cleaning (8" to 48")
 • 30,000 LF of Sewer Televisioning (8" to 48")
 • 1,000 LF of Root Cutting (8" to 48")
 • 1,000 LF of Mineral Deposit Removal
 • 140 EA of Sanitary Lateral Televisioning
 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 #8921876 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.

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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, April 1, 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 15th day of March, 2024.
 Board of Public Works
 City of De Pere
 Eric Rakers, P.E.
 City Engineer
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MARCH 8, 2024 –
MARCH 15, 2024
CITY OF DE PERE
ADVERTISEMENT TO BID
PROJECT 24-09
PROSPER STREET DITCH
REHABILITATION

Online bids will be received and accepted for Project 24-09 Prosper Street Ditch Rehabilitation via the online electronic bidding service through QuestCDN.com, until 1:00 PM, Thursday, March 28, 2024, at which time they will be publicly accepted, displayed and read aloud. Project 24-09 for which proposals are being sought includes the following approximate quantities:
 • 950 CY Unclassified Excavation
 • 1,100 SY Medium Rip Rap Installation at 18" Depth
 • 2,400 SY Landscape Restoration
 Complete digital project bidding documents are available for viewing and/or downloading at www.QuestCDN.com or may be examined at the office of the Director of Public Works. Digital plan documents may be downloaded for \$22 by inputting Quest project #9016595 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

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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, March 25, 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 8th day of March, 2024.
 Board of Public Works
 City of De Pere
 Eric Rakers, P.E.
 City Engineer
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ADVERTISEMENT TO BID
PROJECT 24-06
CONCRETE STREET
REPAIRS

Online bids will be received and accepted for Project 24-06 Concrete Street Repairs via the online electronic bidding service through QuestCDN.com, until 1:00 PM, Thursday, March 28, 2024, at which time they will be publicly accepted, displayed and read aloud. Project 24-06 for which proposals are being sought includes the following approximate quantities:
 • 2,800 SY remove and replace 9-inch concrete pavement including spot repairs.
 • 3,100 LF remove and replace 24-inch concrete curb and gutter including spot repairs.
 • 1,100 LF partial depth concrete pavement repairs.
 • 48,950 SF colored concrete sealing.
 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 #9016592 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

NOTICE

PUBLIC TEST OF VOTING EQUIPMENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the municipalities listed below, will conduct the required public test of the Digital Scan Voting and Express Vote equipment to be used at the April 2, 2024 Spring Election. The tests will be conducted at the following locations and times:

Village of Black Creek Elizabeth Rindt, Clerk 507 S Maple St Black Creek, WI 54106 (920) 984-3295 March 28, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. Community Center	Town of Osborn Darlene Schultz, Clerk W3389 Cty Rd EE Seymour, WI 54165 (920) 833-2942 March 26, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.	Town of Maine Lori Klevesahl, Clerk N8551 State Hwy 187 Shiocton, WI 54170 (920) 525-1150 March 27, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.
Village of Nichols Linda Hoes, Clerk N9065 Krull Rd., PO Box 169 Nichols, WI 54152 (920) 525-2717 March 25, 2024 at 1:30 p.m.	Town of Oneida Kelly Hill, Clerk N6593 Cty Rd H Oneida, WI 54155 (920) 833-2211 March 25, 2024 at 8:00 a.m.	Town of Black Creek Barbara Chizek, Clerk N6051 Twelve Corners Road Black Creek, WI 54106 (920) 858-3513 March 27, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.
City of Seymour Christy Stover, Clerk 328 N. Main Street Seymour, WI 54165 (920) 833-2209 March 26, 2024 at 10:30 a.m.	Town of Cicero Lori Klevesahl, Clerk N9195 Cty Hwy X Black Creek, WI 54106 (920) 525-1150 March 27, 2024 at 8:30 a.m.	Town of Seymour Darlene Schultz, Clerk N6362 Ballard Rd Seymour, WI 54165 (920) 676-3787 March 26, 2024 at 1:00 p.m.
Town of Bovina Charles Plugger, Clerk N5289 Rexford Road Shiocton, WI 54170 (920) 986-3289 March 25, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.	Village of Shiocton Laurie Sweeney, Clerk N5605 Hwy 76 Shiocton, WI 54170 (920) 986-3415 March 28, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.	

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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 March 25, 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 8th day of March, 2024. Board of Public Works City of De Pere Eric Rakers, P.E. City Engineer Project 24-06 Publish 03.08.24 & 03.15.24 WNAXLP

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS
Contract: "PARKS 1-24 (JOANNES PARK - PARKING LOT RESURFACING)"

City of Green Bay, Wisconsin Proposals will be received and accepted **ONLY** through QuestCDN.com via their electronic VirtuBid™ (vBid) online bid service until 2:00 p.m. on **Tuesday, April 2, 2024** at which time they will be opened privately for Public Works Improvement Contract: "PARKS 1-24 (JOANNES PARK - PARKING LOT RESURFACING)"

in accordance with the plans therefore, the City of Green Bay Standard Specifications and Construction Standards for Public Works Construction, 2024 Edition, and the special provisions of this contract, all of which are on file in the City Clerk's/Treasurer's Office and the Director of Public Works Office in the Green Bay City Hall.

The work under this contract shall consist of the shall consist of asphalt milling, asphalt resurfacing, patching, excavation, concrete sidewalk and driveway, crushed aggregate base work, pavement epoxy markings, restoration, and all incidental items necessary to complete the work as shown on the plans and included in the proposal and contract. The Contract Documents, including plans and specifications, may be examined electronically at www.questcdn.com and downloaded for a fee of \$42.00. Prospective bidders must register with QuestCDN in order to download documents which will add your company to the Planholder List and allow access to vBid online bidding for the submittal of your bid which is required for this project. The charges for bidding documents are non-refundable. Contact QuestCDN Customer Support at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in membership registration, downloading digital project information and vBid online bid submittal. The work shall be let in accordance with the following Sections of the Wisconsin Statutes.

1. Section 62.15 regarding public works construction.
2. Section 779.15 regarding lien on contractors.

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3. Section 66.0901(2) regarding proof of responsibility. All bidders shall provide proof of responsibility on the form furnished by the Director of Public Works and it shall be filed with the Director of Public Works not less than five (5) days prior to the time set for opening of bids. Said proof of responsibility shall not be valid if filed prior to one year of the date of opening bids. In accordance with Section 42-2 of the City of Green Bay Code of Ordinances, any corporation, firm, or individual violating Chapter 133.01 of the Wisconsin Statutes, or any subsequent amendment thereof, shall upon conviction thereof be thereby disqualified as a bidder on any City of Green Bay project for a period of three (3) years from the date of such conviction; however, nothing herein shall be interpreted to preclude such corporation, firm, or individual from completing any and all contracts he/she may already have with the City at the time of such conviction, nor shall this ordinance be applied retroactively to convictions occurring prior to the adoption and publication of this ordinance. This prohibition applies with like force to officers of convicted corporations, firms, or individuals who thereafter have business interest in new corporations or business enterprises of whatever kind or description. The City of Green Bay, Wisconsin reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informality in bidding. No bids shall be withdrawn after the opening of bids without the consent of the City of Green Bay, Wisconsin for a period of sixty (60) days after the scheduled time for closing bids. All proposals must be submitted through QuestCDN.com via their electronic vBid online bid service provided for that purpose and issued to the specific bidder by the Director of Public Works together a bid bond equal to at least five (5) but not more than ten (10) percent of the bid payable to the City of Green Bay as a guarantee that if his/her bid is accepted, he/she will execute and file the contract and a performance bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the total bid within ten (10) days after the award of the contract. Only the Proposal Pages, Bid Bond, Affidavit of Compliance, Disclosure of Ownership and any Addenda issued shall be submitted. Only Proposals submitted by firms appearing on the City of Green Bay list of plan holders will be opened. In case the successful bidder shall fail to execute such contract and performance bond, the amount of the check or bid bond shall be forfeited to the City as liquidated damages. Published by the authority of the Improvement & Services Committee of the Common Council of the City of Green Bay, Wisconsin. BY: Mark Steuer, Chairperson Advertised: March 15, 2024 March 22, 2024 WNAXLP

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Contract: WSG 1-24 Salt Storage Shed Concrete Repairs City of Green Bay, Wisconsin Proposals will be received and accepted **ONLY** through QuestCDN.com via their electronic VirtuBid™ (vBid) online bid service until 2:00 p.m. on **Tuesday, April 2, 2024** at which time they will be opened for Public Works Improvement Contract: WSG 1-24 Salt Shed Storage Concrete Repairs in accordance with the contract documents, all of which are on file in the City Clerk's/Treasurer's Office and

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS
Contract: WSG 1-24 Salt Storage Shed Concrete Repairs City of Green Bay, Wisconsin Proposals will be received and accepted **ONLY** through QuestCDN.com via their electronic VirtuBid™ (vBid) online bid service until 2:00 p.m. on **Tuesday, April 2, 2024** at which time they will be opened for Public Works Improvement Contract: WSG 1-24 Salt Shed Storage Concrete Repairs in accordance with the contract documents, all of which are on file in the City Clerk's/Treasurer's Office and

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the Director of Public Works Office in the Green Bay City Hall. In general, the repair work involves concrete repairs and coating. The work will take place at the West Side Municipal Garage located at 519 S Oneida Street, Green Bay, WI. A pre-bid meeting will be held at the West Side Municipal Garage located at 519 S Oneida Street at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 26, 2024. Gather by the salt storage shed located on the north side of the facility. Bids will be received for one contract which includes all Work necessary and/or required to complete the project per the Contract Documents. All work required in this contract shall be completed by August 16, 2024. The Contract Documents, including plans and specifications, may be examined electronically at www.questcdn.com and downloaded for a fee of \$42.00. Prospective bidders must register with QuestCDN in order to download documents which will add your company to the Planholder List and allow access to vBid online bidding for the submittal of you bid which is required for this project. The charges for bidding documents are nonrefundable. Contact QuestCDN Customer Support at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in membership registration, downloading digital project information and vBid online bid submittal. The work shall be let in accordance with the following Sections of the Wisconsin Statutes.

1. Section 62.15 regarding public works construction.
2. Section 779.15 regarding lien on contractors
3. Section 66.0901(2) regarding proof of responsibility.

All bidders shall provide proof of responsibility on the form furnished by the Director of Public Works and it shall be filed with the Director of Public Works not less than five (5) days prior to the time set for opening of bids. Said proof of responsibility shall not be valid if filed prior to one year of the date of opening bids. In accordance with Section 42-2 of the City of Green Bay Code of Ordinances, any corporation, firm, or individual violating Chapter 133.01 of the Wisconsin Statutes, or any subsequent amendment thereof, shall upon conviction thereof be thereby disqualified as a bidder on any City of Green Bay project for a period of three (3) years from the date of such conviction; however, nothing herein shall be interpreted to preclude such corporation, firm, or individual from completing any and all contracts he/she may already have with the City at the time of such conviction, nor shall this ordinance be applied retroactively to convictions occurring prior to the adoption and publication of this ordinance. This prohibition applies with like force to officers of convicted corporations, firms, or individuals who thereafter have business interest in new corporations or business enterprises of whatever kind or description. The City of Green Bay, Wisconsin reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities in bidding. No bids shall be withdrawn after the opening of bids without the consent of the City of Green Bay, Wisconsin for a period of sixty (60) days after the scheduled time for closing bids. All proposals must be submitted on the Bidder's Proposal provided for that purpose and issued to the specific bidder by the Director of Public Works together with

a certified check or a bid bond equal to at least five (5) but not more than ten (10) percent of the bid payable to the City of Green Bay as a guarantee that if his/her bid is accepted, he/she will execute and file the contract and a performance bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the total bid within ten (10) days after the award of the contract. Only the Proposal Pages, Surety, Bid Bond, Affidavit of Compliance, Disclosure of Ownership and any Addenda issued shall be submitted. Only proposals submitted by firms appearing on the City of Green Bay list of plan holders will be opened. In case the successful bidder shall fail to execute such contract and performance bond, the amount of the check or bid bond shall be forfeited to the City as liquidated damages. Published by the authority of the Improvement & Services Committee of the Common Council of the City of Green Bay, Wisconsin. BY: Mark Steuer, Chairperson Advertised: March 15, 2024 March 22, 2024 WNAXLP

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NOTICE OF 30-DAY PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT PERIOD, NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS, AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON THE GREEN BAY METRO FIXED ROUTE RESTRUCTURING PROPOSAL FOR ROUTES 3, 4, 6, 8, 9, 10, & 11 AND MODIFICATIONS TO THE PARATRANSIT BOUNDARY

The thirty (30) day public comment period will begin March 15, 2024, and end on April 13, 2024. All interested persons are invited to comment and are advised of a public informational meeting and public hearing on the fixed route restructuring for the Green Bay Metro System. Further information regarding the proposal can be obtained at 901 University Avenue, visiting the Green Bay Metro Website at: www.greenbaymetro.org or calling 448-3450. Green Bay Metro will conduct an informational meeting on the following dates:

- March 20, 2024
At 4:45 pm
Green Bay Transportation Center – Commission Room
901 University Avenue
Green Bay, WI 54302
March 26, 2024
At 4:15 pm
Green Bay Transportation Center – Commission Room
901 University Avenue
Green Bay, WI 54302

The Green Bay Transit Commission will conduct a public hearing and take action at the regularly scheduled Transit Commission meeting on:

- Wednesday, April 17, 2024
At 8:15 a.m.
Green Bay Transportation Center – Commission Room
901 University Avenue
Green Bay, WI 54302
Written comments can be emailed to:

Patricia.Kiewiz@greenbaywi.gov or mailed to Green Bay Metro, Attn: Public Comment, 901 University Avenue, Green Bay, WI 54302. Comments must be postmarked on or before 4/13/2024. Further information can be obtained by calling (920) 448-3450. Publication Date: Friday, March 15, 2024
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Regular Board of Education Meeting – February 12, 2024 Present:

Greg Klimek, Scott Jandrin, Vanessa Moran, Allen McGuire, Amy Rubright, Rachelle Paulsen, Chrissy Amtmann (participated virtually), Madeline Thoreson and Jessica Gagan, Student Representatives
Excused: Damian LaCroix
Also Present: Mike Juech, Mark Smith, Kimberly Uelmen, Elisia Lewis, Jennie Garceau
President Greg Klimek called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. A MOTION was made by Scott Jandrin and seconded by Amy Rubright to adopt the agenda. A roll call vote was taken on the motion; Klimek-Yes; Paulsen-Yes; Amtmann-Yes; McGuire-Yes; Jandrin-Yes; Rubright-Yes; 7 -YES; **MOTION CARRIED.**
Recognition of VFW Duck Creek Post 7534 and Auxiliary Award Winners – President Greg Klimek recognized Bay Port Social Studies teacher, Dan Hoppe, who was named Teacher of the Year by the VFW, and Bay Port students Owen Marrick and Murphi Specht for their winning Voice of Democracy contest essays.
Consent Agenda - A MOTION

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was made by Scott Jandrin and seconded by Amy Rubright to approve the consent agenda, including minutes of the Regular Board Meeting January 29, 2024 and Special Board of Education Meeting/Linkage February 1, 2024, approval of vouchers and invoices in the amount of \$3,244,759.47 through February 12, 2024; retirement of Bernadette Donovan, employment of Jonathan Jagler, contingent upon successful completion of all pre-employment requirements; as detailed in the consent materials. A roll call vote was taken on the motion; Klimek-Yes; Paulsen-Yes; Amtmann-Yes; McGuire-Yes; Jandrin-Yes; Moran-Yes; Rubright-Yes; 7 -YES; **MOTION CARRIED.**
Reports
Administrative Superintendent
Approval of Ends Policy E-1 Graduate Profile: Critical Thinker, Solutionist Monitoring Report – Deputy Supt. Mark Smith and Director of Teaching & Learning Amanda Waldo gave an introduction and overview of Ends Policy E-1. Critical Thinker, Solutionist Monitoring Report. Science Teacher Mona Forbes and a 8th grade student from Bay View shared how the phenomena-based science learning process promotes critical thinking. Deputy Superintendent Mark Smith shared the goals summary and next steps. A MOTION was made by Scott Jandrin and seconded by Allen McGuire to approve Ends Policy E-1 Graduate Profile Critical Thinker, Solutionist Monitoring Report at level 2, exceeds expectations, as presented and verified in the Official Board Response to Ends Policy Monitoring Report. A roll call vote was taken on the motion; Klimek-Yes; Paulsen-Yes; Amtmann-Yes; McGuire-Yes; Jandrin-Yes; Moran-Yes; Rubright-Yes; 7 -YES; **MOTION CARRIED.**
Strategic Planning Process Informational Update – Deputy Supt. Smith provided an update of the forthcoming strategic planning design and process steps.
Board CESA 7 Report – Nothing to report.
Public Policy Correspondent Report - Nothing to report. Student Representatives to the Board – Madeline Thoreson and Jessica Gagan provided athletic and dance updates. They also shared feedback of their experience touring potential assistant superintendent candidates through Bay Port High School.
Board President Governance Process GP-10 Conflict of Interest Monitoring Report – A MOTION was made by Scott Jandrin and seconded by Rachelle Paulsen to approve GP-10 Conflict of Interest Monitoring Report at level 1, in full compliance. A roll call vote was taken on the motion; Klimek-Yes; Paulsen-Yes; Amtmann-Yes; McGuire-Yes; Jandrin-Yes; Moran-Yes; Rubright-Yes; 7 -YES; **MOTION CARRIED.**
WASB School Perceptions Survey – President Greg Klimek asked Board members to take the annual Board development survey tool for the opportunity to self-assess and discuss perceptions related to governance. June 30, 2024 is the deadline to complete.
Community Conversation Updates
Debrief Faculty and Staff – The Board discussed feedback from the Faculty & Staff community conversation held January 29, 2024 in the District Office Community Training Center.
Debrief Bay View Student Council – Board members shared feedback from this community conversation held February 1, 2024 at Bay View Middle School.

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Legislative/Advocacy – Scheduled for Friday, March 22, 7:45-9:00 a.m. at the District Office Training Center with elected and village officials. Vanessa Moran will serve as the facilitator. Draft questions were discussed.

Business Professionals/Workforce Development – This community conversation will take place April 8, 2024, at the District Office with various HSBPA and Leadership HSSD members.

Clergy and Civic – This community conversation will take place on May 13, 2024.

Review Broadcast Communication Article – February and Discuss March Article – The Board reviewed the February Broadcast Communication article for The Press – *Community Support for Education*. Vanessa Moran will draft the article for March focusing on linkages.

Discuss Process for Filling Student Representative to the Board – President Greg Klimek went over the paperwork and timeline for the application process for the two year appointment as Student Representative to the Board.

Upcoming Events - Board members discussed upcoming events.

March Board Meeting agenda items – The Board reviewed the agenda planning calendar.

Board Meeting/District Highlights – The Board shared feedback.

A MOTION was made by Scott Jandrin and seconded by Amy Rubright to adjourn at 7:46 p.m. A roll call vote was taken on the motion; Klimek-Yes; Paulsen-Yes; Amtmann-Yes; McGuire-Yes; Jandrin-Yes; Moran-Yes; Rubright-Yes; 7 - YES; **MOTION CARRIED.**

Respectfully submitted, Lisa Harmann, Recording Secretary Publish 03.15.24 WNAXLP

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Minutes of the Village Board Meeting February 26, 2024 Village Board Room at Village Hall

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

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

3. RECITE THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
President McIntyre led the meeting in the pledge.

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

5. APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR THE MEETING
C. Hughes moved to approve the agenda. A. Lemorande seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

6. PUBLIC APPEARANCES

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• Terry Roskam, 3763 Spring Green Road, said she previously participated in the Citizens Academy, highly recommends it, and hopes the village will hold another class.

• Austin Krueger, 4033 Nature Court said he would like Item 11d tabled until the neighbors that will be impacted have more information available. G. Farr explained that the preliminary resolution allows staff to calculate the construction costs and assessment estimates that they can share with property owners before the final resolution is approved.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS/ANNOUNCEMENTS
• C. Hughes thanked Public Information Officer Leigh Ann Wagner Kroening for her work promoting the Give Big Green Bay fundraiser and her other efforts sharing information about issues, such as the bird flu at Duck Creek Quarry.

8. COMMUNICATIONS (NONE)

9. APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA
A. Lemorande moved to approve the consent agenda. C. Hughes seconded. J. Muraski pulled 9f (iii) – The preliminary PDD for 675 Sunset Ridge. C. McAllister asked for the timeline to construct the new road in Item 9f (iv) – The Final Plat for Hazel Estates – Second Addition. J. Gerrits said the project will go for bids in the fall, and construction could start immediately or in the spring. The motion carried unanimously, and the following items were approved:

a. The Village Board meeting minutes from Feb. 12, 2024
b. Plan Commission meeting minutes from Feb. 19, 2024
c. Municipal Invoices totaling \$1,182,711.89 paid with checks #79876 - 79966
d. 2024 Arbor Day Proclamation
e. The following Operator Licenses:
i. Julie A. Gengler
ii. Rebecca L. Jezeski
iii. Tammy J. Katers
iv. Nancy A. Reyes
v. Taylor A. Utke
vi. Agela J. Vang
f. PLAN COMMISSION ITEMS (The Plan Commission unanimously recommended approval of the following items.)
i. Ordinance 2024-01, rezoning 3259 Evergreen Avenue, Parcel VH-246-10, from R-5 Rural Estate Residential to R-1 Residential Single Family
ii. Ordinance 2024-01, rezoning 3241 Glendale Avenue, Parcel VH-254-4, from R-5 Rural Estate Residential to R-1 Residential Single Family
iii. ~~The request from Nicole Meacham-Ahlborg for a Preliminary Planned Development to allow for a zero-lot-line development that includes one four-unit building and two two-unit buildings on 1.54 acres of 675 Sunset Ridge~~
iv. ~~The Final Plat of Hazel Estates – Second Addition 9f (iii) – Approve the request from Nicole Meacham-Ahlborg for a Preliminary Planned Development to allow for a zero-lot-line development that includes one four-unit building and two two-unit buildings on 1.54 acres of 675 Sunset Ridge~~
J. Muraski said he received calls about the proposed development and has concerns that it does not fit into the rest of the neighborhood. D. Wiese recapped some of the comments from the Plan Commission discussion on the item. B. McIntyre invited project representatives to respond, and the following people spoke:
• Steve Bieda of Vierbicher said all homeowners in the development signed a waiver when they purchased their homes that states, “We acknowledge that Lots 1-4

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may be developed as business, retail, medium density or high-density residential.” He said one large residential lot will be preserved to buffer the project from the neighborhood.

• Nicole Meacham-Ahlborg said the homes on Lincoln Ridge range in value from \$1 million to \$2 million, and the homes on Sunset Ridge drop significantly in value and range from \$500,000 to \$600,000. She said there is a natural decrease in value to the corner on Sunset Ridge where the proposed project is located, as it fronts a highway (County C) and is adjacent to a school.

J. Muraski said he will support moving the project to the next step given the information that was presented. J. Muraski moved to approve the Preliminary Planned Development to allow for a zero-lot-line development that includes one four-unit building and two two-unit buildings on 1.54 acres of 675 Sunset Ridge. B. McIntyre seconded. **The motion carried unanimously.**

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS OR OLD BUSINESS ITEMS (NONE)

11. NEW BUSINESS ITEMS
a. Review and take action to set the 2024 admission policy for the Duck Creek swim beach
P. Evert said last year’s policy allowing 250 non-resident families with a maximum of 1,250 for a fee was successful. Staff would like to increase the number of non-residents to 500 families with a maximum of 2,500 wristbands to better utilize the facility and help recoup the costs for security. Non-residents will have to fill out the wristband order form and show a photo identification just as residents do, and they also will have to pay \$50 for up to five wristbands. Unlike last year’s lottery process, this year will be FCFS. R. Suennen moved to allow Howard residents wristbands for access to the Duck Creek Quarry Beach at no cost and allow access to 500 non-resident households (up to a maximum of 2,500 wristbands) for a non-resident seasonal fee of \$50 per household for the 2024 season. C. Hughes seconded. **The motion carried unanimously.**

b. Review and take action on a proposal to hold one village-owned lot in Howard Commons in reserve for future public use
P. Evert said Trustee Suennen had asked for discussion to hold one of the village-owned lots in Howard Commons near the parking lot. R. Suennen said since the lot is directly across from the activity complex and next to the large parking lot, it may be better used for another public use in the future. He said he would like to hold it in reserve for future consideration when the area is more developed. R. Suennen moved to retain Parcel VH-3338. J. Muraski seconded. **The motion 6-1 (No: M. Lasecki).**

c. Review and take action on seeking proposals for Parcels VH-4017 through VH-4020
P. Evert said developers have expressed interest in the four village-owned vacant lots along Security Boulevard, and staff would like to know the board’s development preferences so a request for proposals can be drafted. He said there are no laterals to the properties, and a retaining wall likely will be needed, which will add significant expense to any project. The board discussed, and the consensus was to pursue owner-occupied housing. Staff will bring back an RFP for board review and approval. **No action was taken.**

d. Review and take action on Preliminary Resolution 2024-03, declaring the intent to exercise special

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assessment powers under Wisconsin Statute 66.0701 upon Nature Court and a Sanitary Sewer easement/lot
J. Gerrits said a developer has requested to develop Parcel VH 6-6 at the intersection of Greenfield Avenue and Glendale Avenue. He said there is currently water main available at this location, but not sanitary sewer; therefore, sanitary sewer needs to be extended along a proposed sanitary sewer easement/lot and Nature Court to serve the subdivision. A large interceptor will serve additional areas north and west of this proposed subdivision at the village’s expense. He said per village policy all properties will receive deferred assessments and will not be required to connect to sanitary sewer or water main as only sanitary sewer will be installed. J. Muraski moved to approve Preliminary Resolution 2024-03, declaring the intent to exercise special assessments upon Nature Court and a Sanitary Sewer Easement/Lot. C. Hughes seconded. **The motion carried 6-1 (No: C. McAllister).**

e. Review and take action on Preliminary Resolution 2024-04, declaring the intent to exercise special assessment powers under Wisconsin Statute 66.0701 upon Greenfield Avenue and the Plat of Nature Ridge
J. Gerrits said this is the same project, which includes full improvements for the proposed new 34-lot Nature Ridge Subdivision, and utilities along Greenfield Avenue from Nature Court to the northern plat limit that will need to be extended to service the new homes. He said there is one property that would be assessed with this project other than the village and the developer. C. Hughes moved to approve Preliminary Resolution 2024-04, declaring the intent to exercise special assessments upon Greenfield Avenue and the Plat of Nature Ridge. B. McIntyre seconded. **The motion carried 6-1 (No: C. McAllister).**

12. REPORTS OF VILLAGE OFFICIALS (NONE)

13. CLOSED SESSION
C. Hughes moved to convene to closed session. J. Muraski seconded. **The motion carried unanimously, and the board convened to closed session at 7:23 p.m.,** pursuant to Sec. 19.85(1)(e), Wis. Stats, to discuss property at VH-3954 and VH-32-2.

14. OPEN SESSION
A. Lemorande moved to reconvene to Open Session. C. McAllister seconded. The motion carried unanimously, and the board reconvened to Open Session at 7:43 p.m.

15. ACTION (NONE)

16. ADJOURNMENT
C. McAllister moved to adjourn the meeting. A. Lemorande seconded. **The motion carried unanimously, and the board adjourned at 7:44 p.m.** Leigh Ann Wagner Kroening Administrative Assistant Publish 03.15.24 WNAXLP

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/S/JOHN A. VANDERLEEST

STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT BROWN COUNTY.

IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF Jennifer Whitehead Parker By (Petitioner) Jennifer Whitehead Parker

Notice and order for Name Change Hearing
Case No. 24CV287

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A Petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: Jennifer Whitehead Parker

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To: Jennifer Whitehead Jones
Birth Certificate: Jennifer Whitehead

IT IS ORDERED:
This Petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Brown County, State Of Wisconsin: Judge’s Name Beau Liegeois
Place 100 S Jefferson St
Green Bay, WI 54301 Branch 8 Room 250
Date April 23, 2024
Time 8:30 am
If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 920-448-4513 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.
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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING 2024 BUDGET AMENDMENT / 2023 CARRY-OVER REQUEST
March 5, 2024
BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREEN BAY, RESOLVED:
Pursuant to the recommendation of the Finance Committee at its meeting of February 27, 2024, the following 2024 budget amendment of funds is hereby authorized:

ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
Increase: 101140 53021 Legal Expenses	\$86,000.00
Increase: 101 34150 General fund balance carry-over	\$86,000.00

**This budget amendment is to carry-over 2023 unspent budget for legal expenses for continuing litigation.
Adopted March 5, 2024
Approved March 6, 2024
Eric Genrich, Mayor
Celestine Jeffreys, City Clerk
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Her Hoop Stats names Kevin Borseth as finalist for Kathy Delaney-Smith Mid-Major Coach of the Year Award



BY GREEN BAY ATHLETICS FOR THE PRESS TIMES

HOPEWELL, N.J. – Her Hoop Stats recently announced the five finalists for the Kathy Delaney-Smith Mid-Major Coach of the Year Award. Head Coach Kevin Borseth was among the finalists, alongside Fairfield's Carly Thibault-Dudonis, George Mason's Vanessa Blair-Lewis, Gonzaga's Lisa Fortier and University of Nevada-Las Vegas's Lindy La Rocque.

Her Hoop Stats released the 10-person midseason watch list on Jan. 24. The winner will be announced on April 3.

To be eligible for the award, coaches must compete in one of the 26 confer-

ences deemed to be "mid-major." Interim head coaches are eligible, although total games coached will be taken into consideration. Coaches will be assessed throughout the entire season, including postseason play. Beyond on-court success, other factors such as recruiting, preseason expectations, injuries and tactical coaching will also be weighed when assessing each candidate. Inclusion on previous watch lists is not a requirement to be considered for future watch lists.

About Kathy Delaney-Smith

Delaney-Smith's Harvard teams compiled a record of 630-434 (.592) in her 40-year career, including a 367-168 (.685) record in Ivy League

play. Delaney-Smith's 630 wins rank 31st in Division I history, and ninth among coaches who spent their entire career with a single team. Delaney-Smith led her teams to six NCAA Tournament appearances and nine WNIT appearances, plus three Ivy League titles before the NCAA Tournament awarded automatic bids to the Ivy League Champion. She has coached eight Ivy League Player of the Year recipients, six Ivy League Rookie of the Year winners, and all 22 of Harvard's 1,000-point scorers in the program's NCAA Division I history.

Delaney-Smith was inducted into the Massachusetts Basketball Coaches Hall of Fame in 1986, becoming the first woman to be

inducted, with more than three decades of her career still ahead of her. She was also inducted into the New England Basketball Hall of Fame in 2003.

A native of Newton, Mass., Delaney-Smith is among the most accomplished high school players and coaches in the state's history. She was the first woman in state history to score 1,000 points while at Sacred Heart High School. As a high school coach, Delaney-Smith coached Westwood High School to an overall record of 204-31 across 11 seasons, including a 96-game winning streak.

About Her Hoop Stats

Her Hoop Stats was

founded in 2017 to unlock better insight into women's basketball at all levels. We began as a statistics site focused on providing consistent, reliable and easy-to-access data about women's basketball for both mobile and desktop environments. Her Hoop Stats has expanded to become a leading independent voice in the women's game providing content through their newsletter, podcast network, YouTube channel and social media accounts (Twitter, Facebook, Instagram).

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Green Bay Phoenix Women's Basketball Head Coach Kevin Borseth has been named a finalist for the Kathy Delaney-Smith Mid-Major Coach of the Year Award by Her Hoop Stats.

Green Bay Athletics photo

Seymour grad dominating at college level

BY CARSON GLOSNY CONTRIBUTING WRITER

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN. – Wyatt Kaczrowski, 2021 Seymour High School graduate and wrestling phenom, is now a junior majoring in Business Management at Augsburg University in Minneapolis, Minn. and is preparing to take on the next big feat in his wrestling career.

At just 5'9" and a weight of 125 pounds, the former Seymour Thunder athlete has been taking the college wrestling world by storm.

In high school, he was a two time State finalist, taking third and fifth place respectively, before advancing to the NCAA DIII level at Augsburg.

Kaczrowski finished both the '21-'22 and '22-'23 seasons with records of 22-13.

In those seasons he recorded five major decisions, five recorded pins and two technical falls. During the regular season, he had a record of 19-13, was 6-3 in regular decisions, 2-2 in technical falls and 5-2 with pins.

"I started my wrestling career at the very young age of five years old when my dad introduced me to it," said Kaczrowski. "Coming from a wrestling family it was something I wanted to do as well."

Because his wrestling career spans close to two decades, Kaczrowski said he has trouble narrowing down all of his favorite memories,



Former Seymour High Schooler Wyatt Kaczrowski has been performing well as a wrestler at the NCAA DIII level for Augsburg University and will be advancing to the National Championships this weekend.

Submitted photos

but there is one that he stands out above all the rest.

Kaczrowski said, "My favorite memory was last year at Augsburg, when we won both the national duel title as well as the national tournament title."

The Augsburg wrestling squad is currently ranked No. 2 in the nation behind only their rival, Wartburg.

Up next

For the fifth time since the 2002-03 season, Kaczrowski and his teammates completed an impressive feat with Augsburg qualifying wrestlers in all 10 weight classes

to the NCAA Division III National Championships.

"When I qualified for the tournament I was so pumped. Looking into the crowd, seeing our fans going crazy — it was a moment I'll never forget," Kaczrowski stated.

Kaczrowski said he is proud knowing his hard work paid off and that he will get a chance to compete at the national tournament, along with helping lead the Auggies to another national title, while also achieving All-American status.

Last year the national tournament was held in Roa-



Kaczrowski said that it has always been a goal of his to win a National Championship and he is thrilled to have the opportunity to do so this weekend.

noke, Va., but in a convenient turn of events, this year it will take place in La Crosse, providing a slight advantage for Augsburg University.

"A lot more of our fans and supporters will be able to attend and cheer for us, which plays a big role for us competing on the mat," Kaczrowski said, excited about the immediate attainability of achieving his goal to become a national champion.

Support system

Augsburg Head Coach Tony Valek had nothing but praise for Kaczrowski and his family.

"Wyatt has been such a

team guy during his time at Augsburg," said Coach Valek.

"We're so excited and we're excited for him to compete at the national tournament."

Valek has been the head coach for Augsburg wrestling since 2012, during which time the team has experienced much success.

He is a six time NCAA Region Coach of the Year, a National Champion and has tallied multiple runner-up finishes.

Valek said is very proud of what Kaczrowski has accomplished in his time at Augsburg.

"Wyatt has been building as the season progressed and is wrestling at his best right now," said Valek. "He's a huge part of our team goal of having 10 All-Americans and winning the NCAA team championship."

Valek said that it's been a blessing to coach Kaczrowski and get to know his family. "The entire Kaczrowski family has been such an awesome family in our program," Valek said.

The big day

The NCAA Division III Wrestling Championship will take place this Saturday, March 15, at UW-La Crosse.

Kaczrowski will face off against Jack Stanley from Mount Union in the first round of the individual bracket play.

The winner of that will move on to square up against Mason Barrett from Averett University. Kaczrowski and the Auggies will look to defend their title as National Champions for NCAA Division III.

"We start every practice with saying '10 All-Americans' to remind ourselves of what the goal is for each and every weight class," said Kaczrowski.

"All 10 of us are in it together with the same goals in mind. In the end it doesn't make a difference, but we have a job to do. Having all 10 of us together makes us stronger in the end."

Packers making big roster moves

BY TORI WITTENBROCK ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR

GREEN BAY – After an unexpected performance during the 2023-24 season taking them all the way to the NFL Divisional Round of the postseason, the Green Bay Packers are making some big changes to their roster in the offseason.

Seeing success with the youngest roster in the NFL with an average age of about 25 years old, the Packers coaching staff seems to be sticking with the trend

of focusing on picking up young, fresh talent — even if it means letting go of some Green Bay legends.

On Monday, March 11, the Packers announced their release of some of the biggest names in franchise history, including running back Aaron Jones and tackle David Bakhtiari.

Jones

Jones was drafted by the Packers in 2017 in the fifth round and has made 97 game appearances during his time with the Packers.

Often donning his iconic

green and gold sombrero as a nod to his University of Texas-El Paso alma mater, Jones has become an icon within the Green Bay fan base.

Jones is the Packers record-holder for average yards per carry as a running back and has tallied 5,940 rushing yards, 45 touchdowns, and averages 5.04 yards per carry.

"As good of a player as Aaron Jones is on the field, he is an even better person," said Green Bay Packers Head Coach Matt LaFleur.

"He was instrumental in establishing our winning culture and always served as the

greatest example of what it meant to be a Packer."

Bakhtiari

Bakhtiari has an even longer history with the Packers being selected in the fourth round of the 2013 NFL Draft.

He has been a starter in all 140 games he has appeared in with the Packers and has been able to keep his name in good company with Lombardi Era star Forrest Gregg as the only two tackles to earn All-Pro recognition for five consecutive seasons from the Associated Press. During his time in the NFL with Green

Bay, Bakhtiari has been named to the Pro Bowl three times.

"David is one of the best offensive linemen that has played in the NFL during my time in the league," said LaFleur.

"His consistency and approach to his craft is unmatched."

Looking ahead

Meanwhile, the Green Bay Packers Coaching Staff has begun to look at the future of the team going into the 2024-25 season.

The Packers announced

their decision to re-sign cornerback Corey Ballentine and tight end Tyler Davis.

Ballentine has been working his way up in the franchise, being a member of the practice squad and active roster for the past two seasons.

This past season, Ballentine posted 39 tackles and registered his first career interception.

Davis signed with the Packers in 2021, though he was unable to play in 2023 due to a knee injury.

From 2021-22, Davis appeared in 31 regular season games for the Packers.

Nicolet NATIONAL BANK PRESENTS **Senior Spotlight**

Haily Atkinson, NEW Lutheran High School, basketball and track

Parents' names: Shana Atkinson, Chad Welch (step-dad), Ryan Atkinson, Jenni (step-mom)
Siblings: Colin Welch, Kelly Welch, Evan Atkinson, Leland Atkinson
Instagram: @haily.atkinson
Position/Events: Point guard/100 M and 400 M
Career highlight: My favorite career highlight was the game where I had 10 steals in one game. I also blocked the post from the top of the ball on the opposing team. I'm a short point guard so it was extremely exciting to have a good block.

What inspired you to start your athletic journey in basketball and track?

I had grown up with my siblings always playing sports. I looked up to my older siblings wanting to be just like them. My sister had played basketball and I wanted to be just like her. I remember even picking out my first jersey number (11) to be just like her.

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

It has definitely been a challenge as the years went on. Throughout high school, I have taken numerous college classes, with a high of five at once on

top of all my regular high school classes. A lot of late nights and discipline had to be learned. By the time my senior year came, I was able to balance it all. It definitely taught me the value of hard work and time management.

What is the best part about athletics?

The team atmosphere is the best part of athletics. I love being able to have a second family to go to and have fun with. All of my teams had a strong bond, where we were able to laugh, cry and pray together.

What is your favorite part about being on a team?

My favorite part is the fun we always have. Being on a team makes challenges seem easier! When nights got late or adversity was faced, we were able to bring a new energy to the table by encouraging one another and building each other up.

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

My coach, Chad, has played a huge role in me becoming the athlete I am today. Besides being my father, he has mentored me in many aspects of the game. He taught me to never give up or show fear on the court. He also helped me reach my goals of playing



Atkinson

in college by always pushing me to be the best. Even when I didn't believe in myself, he believed in me. He would even sit with me doing rehab to get back to the court and spend countless nights breaking down game film.

What is the most challenging aspect of sports?

In my opinion the most challenging part of athletics is the mental barriers. As my mother tells me, you are only as good as you tell yourself you are. You can't think you're weak or think of fear, otherwise you'll

play with it. Even if you mess up or don't PR in an event, it just means you have to work harder. You can't let it get to you!

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

This year I had the honor of being a captain on both my sports teams. The leadership roles meant that I always had to emphasize team and communication first. Both my teams live by Pat Summit's defendant dozen, which are 12 rules every team should live by. Even when I didn't feel like

it, I had to portray these traits to make sure the team understood expectations.

What is the first athletic milestone you achieved?

The first athletic milestone I achieved was earning my spot on varsity. I had worked hard over the off-season into my junior year in hopes of being a point guard. During the time I had on the court that season, I was proud to play that position knowing I put in the work to earn that place.

How did you overcome your ACL injury, and what has returning to sports meant to you?

Perseverance and a good mindset has played a huge role in overcoming my ACL. With this type of injury there were many ups and downs. The biggest part of overcoming an injury is time spent recovering and in the gym. The harder you work, the better the recovery. One part that many people don't think about is the mental aspect of an injury. Not being able to do what you love and fear of re-injury can be even harder than the physical injury itself. Returning to sports meant I got part of me back and was able to compete again.

What is your favorite sports quote?

"Hustle beats talent

when talent doesn't hustle."

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

Athletics teaches so many valuable life lessons. The two most important things I've learned are commitment and perseverance. When on a team you must give it your all even when you don't want to and you must stick to your word.

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

I'd like to thank my trainers from Synergy, my athletic trainer and physical therapist. They all have spent countless hours helping me get back to where I want to be and better. When things got hard they pushed me harder and got me to achieve my goals.

What are your plans for the future (college/major/career)?

I plan to attend Northland College to pursue a biology major and play NCAA DIII basketball.

Any advice you would give to your younger self?

I'd advise my younger self to play like it's your last game. You never know when your career could end or you could get hurt. As long as you hustle and play your hardest there is nothing to hang your head about.

Green Bay Blizzard ready to kickoff 2024 season

BY MARA ALLEN CONTRIBUTING WRITER

GREEN BAY – Missing football? You don't have to look much further than across the street from iconic Lambeau Field to get your fix.

The Green Bay Blizzard, a member of the Indoor Football League (IFL), is set to open the 2024 season on Sunday, March 17, at the Resch Center.

The team is looking to make their first playoff appearance since 2019.

Head coach Corey Roberson is entering his fifth season at the helm after taking over as interim head coach

midway through the 2018 campaign.

Roberson is optimistic about what he's seen during training camp so far. "We've got some injuries, but overall [the team] is shaping out pretty good," he said. "I think we are somewhat ahead of where we were at this point last year and we've got returning players at key positions, so that's all a plus."

The Blizzard return six players from the 2023 squad that narrowly missed the playoffs after finishing 7-8.

Three of the six are members of the secondary, including defensive back Rav-

arius Rivers.

Rivers led the team in total tackles and was named 2023 Blizzard Defensive Player of the Year, despite joining Green Bay at the start of week five.

Roberson made note of the experience Rivers and his fellow returners have brought during camp. "It's funny because we have to slow them down at this point because they're ready to make checks and all that stuff, but the new guys aren't ready for it... It's always good that they can help coach up the guys when we're not in meetings with them."

Quarterback Max Meylor also decided to return for his second go-around with the team.

The Wisconsin native and UW-Whitewater grad played in 11 games last season, throwing for 1240 yards and 23 touchdowns, while adding 13 touchdowns on the ground. "It's always good to have a quarterback return," Roberson said. "It's one of those key positions."

A young, inexperienced wide receiver group will be on the receiving end of Meylor's passes.

Roberson noted that this is the first year since he took over head coaching duties

that the team didn't return a single receiver from the previous season.

When asked about the team's goals for this season, Roberson said, "At the end of the day, it's all about winning. It's a process. Fall in love with the process of becoming great and winning some football games. I don't want to talk about championship or bust or anything like that, but we gotta win, we gotta perform, and be the best version of us every week."

Kickoff on Sunday is set for 3:05 p.m. against the Massachusetts Pirates at the Resch Center.

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Bay held CSU to just 19 points in the first half and led by a baker's dozen at the break.

Green Bay slowly started to pull away in the third quarter, ballooning the lead to 18 at the end of the stanza once Guyer added a bucket moments before the buzzer. After the Phoenix opened a 20-point lead, the Vikings pulled back to within 15 after a Maples layup. That was CSU's last breath, as Green Bay rattled off a 16-6 run to end the game.

Game notes

Green Bay led for 35:31. The Phoenix held the Vikings to only 32.7% shooting from the field, including 19% from deep.

Green Bay had a 41-22 edge on the boards in the win.

Green Bay's defense forced 14 turnovers, turning them into 11 points.

Green Bay got a game-high eight rebounds from both Jasmine Kondrakiewicz and McNeal.

Up next

The Phoenix will find out who they play in the NCAA Tournament on Selection Sunday (March 17). ESPN will air the selection show live at 7 p.m. central time. Details on a selection show watch party will be announced in the near future.

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Green Bay falls to Milwaukee in Horizon League Quarterfinals

BY GREEN BAY ATHLETICS FOR THE PRESS TIMES

GREEN BAY – The 2023-24 season came to a close for the Green Bay men's basketball team on Thursday night, as the Phoenix fell in the Horizon League Quarterfinals to the No. 6 seed Milwaukee Panthers, 95-84.

Noah Reynolds left everything on the floor, returning from a lower leg injury that kept him out two weeks to score 27 points, dish out six assists and grabbing three rebounds. Rich Byhre also had a good night, scoring a season-high 19 points on 7-of-11 shooting from the floor. Preston Ruedinger finished with 17 points, three assists and three rebounds.



Preston Ruedinger takes the ball down the court in their final game of the 2023-24 season against No. 6 UW-Milwaukee. Wicks lead the team to one of the best season turnarounds in NCAA DI history. **Green Bay Athletics photo**

How it happened

BJ Freeman led the way for the Panthers, scoring 32 points to go with eight rebounds and five assists. Milwaukee attacked the paint in the game, outscoring the Phoenix 54-36 on the night.

Green Bay held an early 5-3 advantage when Milwaukee used an 8-0 to grab an 11-5 lead before the media timeout. That run set the table for the half, as the Phoenix bat-

tled to take back the lead, but the Panthers entered halftime up 39-35.

However, Green Bay came out firing on all cylinders to start the second half, going on an 8-0 run, finished off by Reynolds' layup, to seize a 43-39 lead two minutes into the second half. Milwaukee responded with a 5-0 spurt to take a 44-43 lead a minute later. The two teams traded baskets for the next five minutes, as Ruedinger hit a wing three with 12:46 to go to tie the game at 54 all. The next three minutes were all Panthers, as Milwaukee went on a 13-0 run to take firm control of the contest. Green Bay battled to cut into the deficit, but

the visitors maintained around a 10-point cushion en route to the 95-84 win.

Game notes

Milwaukee slightly out-rebounded Green Bay 39-35.

Reynolds, Byhre and Ruedinger combined to account for 75% of Green Bay's points. Neither team shot well from deep, with Green Bay finishing 25.8% from deep to Milwaukee's 28.6%. Milwaukee shot 52.5% from the floor while Green Bay shot 42.6%.

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

High school spring sports starting soon

BY TORI WITTENBROCK
ASSOCIATE SPORTS
EDITOR

In the Wheelchair Division, West De Pere took fourth place with 24 points.

Girls track & field (team)

GREEN BAY — With the winter sports season wrapping up, high school spring athletes are preparing to take on their next season in the Fox River Classic Conference (FRCC) and Bay Conference.

High school spring seasons include girls and boys track & field, baseball, softball, girls soccer and boys tennis. A recap of the 2023 season performances gives a glimpse into what Green Bay can expect to see in the upcoming 2024 seasons.

Boys track & field (team)

The Green Bay area saw a lot of teams advance to the WIAA State Tournament at the Division 1 level.

Green Bay Southwest took 15th place with 17 points.

West De Pere took 23rd place with 10 points.

Green Bay Preble and De Pere took 30th with eight points.

At the Division 2 level, Notre Dame Academy took sixth place with 33 points.

At the Division 1 level, West De Pere took fourth place with 34 points.

Bay Port took 10th with 20 points.

Ashwaubenon took 22nd place with 12 points.

Green Bay Preble took 38th with four points.

De Pere took 42nd with 3.5 points.

At the Division 2 level Notre Dame Academy took 19th with 13 points at State.

Baseball

Last season in the Bay Conference the Green Bay area struggled to reach the top of the standings with the West De Pere Phantoms finishing in fourth place with a record of 10-6 on the season while the Seymour Thunder finished close behind in fifth place with a record of 7-11.

WDP's season ended with an 11-1 loss to Hortonville in the WIAA Regional Final round.

Green Bay East/West took last place with a record of 1-16.



De Pere 2023 Senior Claire Bradford battles for the ball in a game during their outstanding FRCC performance last season. The Redbirds are seeking redemption this year after losing 4-5 to Bay Port in the WIAA Sectional round as they prepare to enter the 2024 season.

Tori Wittenbrock photo

In the FRCC Bay Port and De Pere led the way in the conference with records of 14-4.

Though Bay Port took first place in the FRCC, De Pere was able to edge them out of an advancing bid with a 3-1 win in the WIAA Regional Final round, though the Redbirds went on to lose 10-0 to Hortonville in the WIAA Sectional Final shortly after.

Ashwaubenon, Notre Dame, Pulaski, Green Bay Preble and Green Bay Southwest filled out fourth through eighth place in the standings respectively.

Softball

The Bay Conference saw similar trends in softball in the Bay Conference with West De Pere (8-4) taking third place with Seymour (7-5) taking fourth.

West De Pere's season ended with a 4-2 loss to the FRCC's De Pere Redbirds in the WIAA Regional level.

Green Bay West/East

rounded out the bottom of the bracket with a winless 0-12 record.

In the FRCC, the Green Bay Preble Hornets were the dominant team, taking the No. 1 spot in the standings with a record of 16-2.

Pulaski followed closely behind with a record of 15-3, followed by Ashwaubenon (14-4) in third place.

De Pere and Bay Port took fourth and fifth respectively, with Notre Dame in seventh place and Green Bay Southwest taking the final spot in the standings.

The Preble Hornets knocked out Pulaski in an 11-1 game at the Sectional round and advanced all the way to the WIAA Sectional Finals before losing 10-0 to Kaukauna.

Girls soccer

Green Bay was dominant in the Bay Conference in the 2023 spring season. West De Pere took the top spot with a record of 9-0 while Seymour (4-4-1) took third place, followed by Green Bay East (4-5-1) in fourth.

West De Pere's season ended with a 2-0 loss to Cedarburg in the WIAA Sectional Final.

In the FRCC, the De Pere Redbirds dominated the conference with an undefeated record of 8-0-1.

Notre Dame (6-2-1) took third place in the conference.

Bay Port, Pulaski and Green Bay Preble took fourth through sixth in the standings while Green Bay Southwest and Ashwaubenon took eighth and ninth respectively.

De Pere's season ended with an upset 4-5 loss to the Bay Port Pirates in the WIAA Sectional round.

Bay Port advanced all the way to the WIAA State Semifinal round before losing 4-0 to Muskego.

Notre Dame lost 1-0 to Plymouth in the WIAA Sectional Final.

Boys tennis

For boys tennis, Notre Dame Academy was named the 2023 FRCC Champions.

The No. 5 Tritons (20-8) lost 5-2 to No. 4 Eau Claire Memorial (19-4) in the 2023 Team State Tournament Quarter Finals.

No. 2 De Pere's Nicholas Balthazor carried the Green Bay name all the way to the WIAA State Finals before losing to No. 1 Brookfield East's Oscar Corwin.

De Pere took first place in the FRCC regular season with a record of 9-0 with the Tritons following shortly behind with a record of 8-1.

Bay Port, Green Bay Preble and Green Bay Southwest took fourth through sixth respectively with Ashwaubenon and Pulaski rounding out the bottom of the standings.



Notre Dame Academy's Sydney Whitehouse plays defense in the Tritons' 60-52 loss to Pewaukee in the WIAA Division 2 state title game on March 9 at the Resch Center in Green Bay.

Rich Palzewic photo

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Overall, Notre Dame shot 47.8% from the floor (22-46) but only attempted eight free throws, making four.

The Pirates went to the line 23 times, converting 20 of those attempts (87%).

"The [free-throw] discrepancy did affect us a bit, but I was proud of how hard my girls fought and got back into the game — they never gave up," Rohde said. "We just couldn't get over the hump. But, these seniors went 115-5

during their four years — that's remarkable."

Fayta ended with 13 points, five assists and three steals to lead the Tritons.

Waldorf added 11 points, while Whitehouse and Mucial each added 10.

Phoenix Downs Cleveland State in Horizon League Championship Game

BY GREEN BAY ATHLETICS FOR THE PRESS TIMES

INDIANAPOLIS, IND. — Extra, extra! For the first time in six years, the Title is back in Town, tournament style! The Green Bay women's basketball team defeated Cleveland State University (CSU) 64-40 in the 2024 Horizon League Barbasol Championship Game on Tuesday afternoon.

Green Bay secured an automatic bid to the NCAA Tournament while collecting the program's 20th conference tournament championship and 25th overall.

The Vikings had no answers for Natalie McNeal, who dropped a career-high 32 points. Her previous career-high was 30, also against CSU on Feb. 3, 2024. Cassie Schiltz and Jenna Guyer tallied eight points apiece. Green Bay improved to 27-6 overall and has won three in a row. The Phoenix never trailed after taking



The UW-Green Bay Phoenix women's basketball team won the Horizon League Championship against Cleveland State for the first time in six seasons to advance to the NCAA Tournament on Tuesday, March 12.

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an 8-5 lead with 5:11 remaining in the first quarter.

McNeal was tabbed KeyBank Tournament MVP, while Schiltz was named to the All-Tournament Team.

Colbi Maples had 22 points to lead CSU (29-5). She was the only Viking to reach double figures.

How it happened

CSU and Green Bay traded buckets early in the game before Schiltz splashed a three

that gave Green Bay the 8-5 lead. A low-scoring first quarter ended with a pair of Bailey Butler free throws and a Guyer bucket, making it 12-7 Green Bay. The Phoenix stepped it up on offense in the second frame, thanks to stellar play off the bench and McNeal heating up. Guyer and Natalie Andersen scored four points each, while McNeal recorded eight points. Green

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Trista Fayta brings the ball up the court in first-half action.

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ASHWAUBENON – In a battle of two of the state’s best girls basketball teams, this one didn’t disappoint.

Searching for State history, Notre Dame Academy came up just short in its quest for a fourth consecutive Division 2 State title after falling to No. 1-State-ranked Pewaukee, 60-52, at the Resch Center in Ashwaubenon on March 9.

It was the third straight season the two teams met in the Division 2 title game.

Both teams will play in the Division 1 ranks next season.

The Pirates (29-1) began this season with an identical 60-52 victory over the Tritons (28-2).

“A big shoutout to Pewaukee,” Notre Dame Tritons Head Coach Sara Rohde said after the loss. “They played well, and I don’t think it was our night.”

Notre Dame came out of the gates slow after the Pirates jumped out to a 12-2 lead early in the game.

The Tritons’ Sydney Whitehouse kept her team in the game early by scoring eight points, only to see the Pewaukee bump its lead to 21-10.

“We got into foul trouble early and had way too many turnovers,”

Rohde said. “We were on our heels early and didn’t react the way we needed to. Pewaukee controlled the tempo, and we didn’t.”

Notre Dame ended the game with 15 turnovers, which the Pirates turned into 21 points.

After the slow start, Notre Dame seemed to calm down and got back into the game.

The Tritons went on a 9-0 run to pull within 21-19 with 6:36 remaining before halftime.

With the Pirates leading 26-23, Notre Dame’s Paige DeMoulin hit a three to tie the game.

Pewaukee grabbed the momentum back and ended the first 18 minutes of play with a 6-0 surge

to pull ahead 32-26 heading into halftime.

The Pirates continued to roll after intermission by scoring 10 straight points to bump their lead to 42-26 — completing a 16-0 run spanning two halves.

But Notre Dame didn’t go away quietly.

From there, the Tritons scored 15 of the next 17 points to claw their way back, 44-41.

Trista Fayta scored six points during that span, while Kaia Waldorf added five.

After the Pirates went back up 53-45 with 3:54 remaining, Peyton Musial nailed a three-pointer, Waldorf added a bucket and Fay-

ta had a steal and bucket to pull Notre Dame to within 53-52 with 2:31 remaining in the game.

“As a player, you have to stay cool, calm and collective,” Fayta, an Illinois State commit, said. “It was a little frustrating (getting so close), but then we’d have a turnover, miss a shot and then Pewaukee would score. There are so many teams that don’t get this chance, so I feel fortunate we got to State again.”

After pulling to within one, the Tritons wouldn’t score again, as Pewaukee ended the game by scoring the last seven points.

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