

# PACKERLAND

## The birth of the Packers Hall of Fame

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GREEN BAY – During the 1966 Packers football season, the Green Bay Area Visitor and Convention Bureau (VCB) surveyed tourists, convention visitors and area residents on the hotels, restaurants and amenities that the city had to offer.

While the organization received feedback on ways to alleviate parking issues and compliments city businesses and services, the results also offered feedback on the city and its Packers.

“Almost as frequent were the usual requests for Packers tickets... A Stanford, Conn., agent inquired, ‘Your city needs more polish. Are you possibly too imbued with your importance as a football town?’” Sarah Alden wrote in a *Press-Gazette* article.

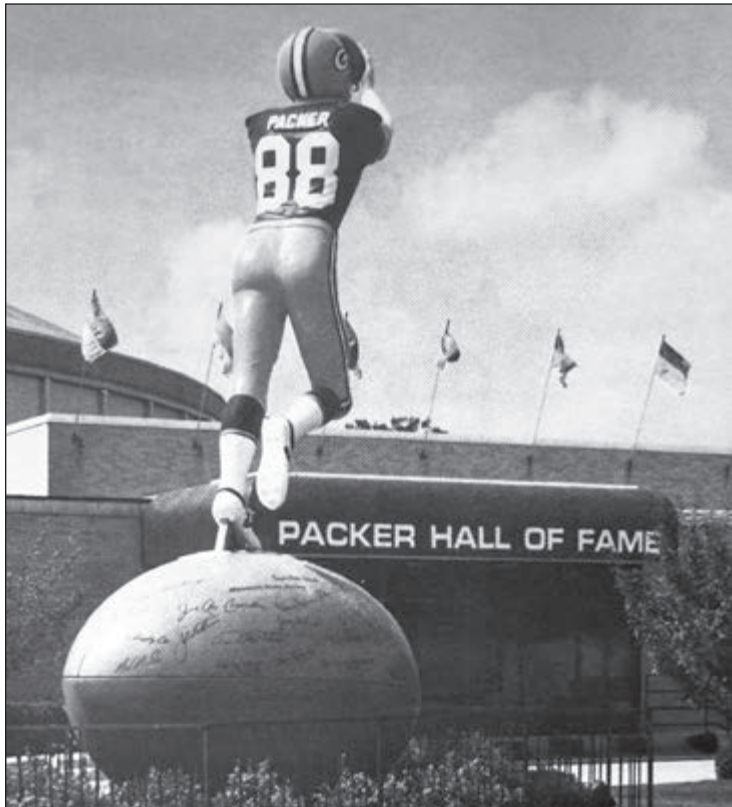
But, overwhelmingly visitors wanted to see more of the history-entrenched Packers.

In 1967, a seasonal display opened on the concourse of the Brown County Veterans Memorial Arena.

In 1969, Bill Brault, VCB manager, approached VCB Bard Member/WLUK Manager Tom Hutchison about starting a Packers Hall of Fame induction ceremony, similar to the Pro Football Hall of Fame event which was started five years before.

“With all the enthusiasm for the Packers at the time, such an event would attract a ton of publicity for his exhibit,” Hutchison wrote in *The Land of Milk & Money*.

“I enlisted the help of local business executive Al Schneider and the enthusiastic support of Chuck Lane, the young man Vince Lombardi had named publicity director for the Packers.”



The iconic “receiver” statue in front of the former Packers Hall of Fame. Packers photo

And things took off from there. The first meeting of the Hall of Fame Association held their first meeting in February 1970 and the organization honored their first inductees that fall.

“The idea for a permanent Packers hall of fame was hatched by Bill Brault before we even had the first induction banquet. Brault had opened his Packers exhibit beneath the stands of the arena in 1967, but could only run it during summer. Because of hockey games played by the Green Bay Bobcats, plus many other events held at the arena. Brault had to take his exhibit down in October and not set up again until May,” Hutchison recalled.

“Whatever is constructed should be in the area of Lambeau Field because of a great many of our visitors do it in connection with Packers practice,” Brault told *Press-Gazette* Sports Writer Lee Rimmel in January 1972.

Proceeds from that year’s induction banquet were to be earmarked for such a project.

Packers President Dominic Olejniczak expressed his support in the *Press-Gazette* article.

“Certainly a hall of fame would be of great value to the city. And, if and when the bureau has something specific to offer, I’m sure the Packers

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Never far from his journalism background, Thom was always eager to chronicle the moments of his life. Thom, far left, captured this photo of the Packerland editorial team at this year’s concept meeting at Lambeau Field, held July 29. Thom Gerretsen photo

## In tribute to our friend Thom

If you’ve followed the Packerland publication the past couple of years, you’ve likely seen the name Thom Gerretsen and read his work.

A longtime journalist, Thom had a passion for all Wisconsin sports teams and head full of historical knowledge to go along with it.

He began his long career in 1975 when he accepted a part-time position at WCLO/WJVL Radio in

Janesville as a reporter, then later at WPDR/WDDC in Portage.

He began working at WDLB/WLJY, then owned by Goetz Broadcasting Corp., in Marshfield in 1978 as a full-time assistant in the newsroom; later becoming the station’s news director in 1986.

Thom was also involved with the company’s statewide news and sports networks, where he was instrumental in sending news and audio soundbites to other ra-

dio stations across the state from its Marshfield studio.

This allowed Thom the unique opportunity to cover statewide sporting events, including the Wisconsin Badgers, Milwaukee Bucks, Milwaukee Brewers and Green Bay Packers; as well as the Packers’ two Super Bowl appearances in 1997 and 1998.

In 1999, Thom was employed at the *Marshfield News-Herald* as a

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Pictured here are the Golden Girls at Lambeau Field. Sandy Borkovetz is located on the far left in the second row, while Ann Neuville Thenell is located in the front row, second from right. Submitted photo

## Former cheerleaders relive Golden years

BY TORI WITTENBROCK  
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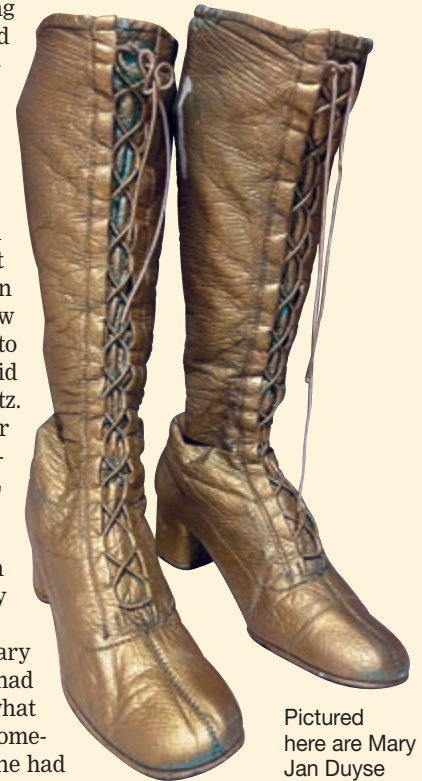
GREEN BAY – The Packers have one the most storied histories of any football team in the NFL, and though the Golden Girls are an important part of that legacy, their stories of performing routines on Lambeau Field while donning their signature gold sparkle uniforms live on today.

“I moved to Sturgeon Bay in 1969. If it hadn’t been for Annie (Neuville Thenell) I never would have known because I didn’t grow up cheerleading in high school so it was all new to me. I had to learn how to twirl and do the dances,” said Golden Girl Sandy Borkovetz.

Fellow cheerleader Thenell said that the process of becoming an NFL cheerleader at the time was very different from what we see now, though the atmosphere was equally as competitive.

“In my experience, Mary Jane (Van Duyse Sorgel) had an eye for picking out what type of talent or potential someone had. If she saw someone had a dance recital or twirling contest, she would nurture them and invite them to become a student,” said Thenell.

“For a dollar a session, my mother had paid for me to do acrobatics and tap dancing when I was about



Pictured here are Mary Jan Duyse Van Sorgel’s boots that earned her the name Golden Girl.

eight or nine. Throughout the years Mary Jane had invited me to practices with her cheerleading squad, not mentioning any of the details.”

Thenell said that Van Duyse Sorgel was the sole reason that the Packers were able to be at the forefront of NFL cheerleading.

“From that nurturing of us came her desire to put together the cheerleading squad that was far and beyond what anybody in this territory ever saw, which became the Golden Girls,” said Thenell.



Paired with the boots was the iconic gold sequin leotard that was worn during dance routines by the cheerleaders.

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general assignment reporter, and quickly promoted to managing editor in less than a year.

In late 2001, he was recruited to become chief editor for Wheeler News Service, where he was responsible for writing news and sports copy each day to be used by more than 75 Wisconsin stations.

In 2021, Thom was inducted into the Wisconsin Broadcasting Hall of Fame for his many years of service to the profession.

Thom retired in Novem-

ber 2017, but continued to contribute columns for the *Hub City Times* newspaper in Marshfield and our Packerland publication.

On July 29, our Packerland editorial team met at 1919 at Lambeau Field to discuss our vision for the upcoming editions, and Thom, as always, was upbeat and positive for the upcoming season and ready with his lineup of story ideas.

Shortly after that meeting, Thom was diagnosed with inoperable pancreatic cancer and soon fell sick.

He passed away days before our first edition of the

season was scheduled to come out.

We dedicate all of the remaining publications of this Packerland season to our friend and co-worker, Thom.

He will be missed for his wealth of knowledge and his ability to see the other side of every situation.

We are better for have known him.

He left pieces of himself behind in his beautiful family and his influence on all of us.

*Tori, Mike & Kris  
The Packerland  
Editorial Board*

**GOLDEN GIRLS**  
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Though Borkovetz and Thenell said that they realize now that what they were a part of was a significant step for women to have a platform in the NFL, at the time they underestimated the value of their opportunity.

"I was about 13 when she called one morning and said, 'Annie, I'd like to see if you're interested in going to the Packers game. Some of the regulars are saying it's too cold,'" said Thenell.

Little did Thenell know quite what she was agreeing to with her first game on the field being the notorious Ice Bowl.

"This was like three hours before game time. We were on our way to what would be known as the most outstanding, auspicious game of the century. It was quite a baptism by

fire," said Thenell.

The Golden Girls became known as trailblazers in the professional cheerleading community, but their platform was not quite the same as today.

"We didn't have to pay anything. We got our uniforms, but we had to pay for our own pom poms. A while down the road we were given a set of pom poms, but boy we had to be responsible with those," said Thenell.

"It was fun and it was good exposure to the wild world of professional football and it was a segway into avenues that we never would have dreamed of being exposed to."

According to Borkovetz, cheering for the Packers was one of the best experiences of her life, but the ladies on the field were also held to high standards in their line of work.

"(Mary Jane) was very

much after a June Taylor, Rockettes-type look with the high kicks — especially at the half-time shows. You really had to be doing your stretching exercises in order to have your toe above your forehead. She was very particular about that and the timing of it so that we were all in unison," said Borkovetz.

"We were also under no dating the players rules. That was part of it as well, so as much as people would think we got to know the players, we've known them better after being off the field because we would see them at signings and events."

While Borkovetz and Thenell said that it was an honor to be on the field with the players at such a great era in football, their role required a lot of dedication and hard work.

*To be continued in the next edition of Packerland.*



Tom Hutchison, right, hands President Gerald Ford a lifetime pass to the Packers Hall of Fame in 1976, as Bart Starr looks on.  
**Tom Hutchison photo**

**HALL OF FAME**  
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executive committee would seriously consider a proposal for some type of participation (presumably financial) by the Packers corporation," Olejniczak stated.

And the organization had a lot to showcase.

"Dick Bourguignon, the Packers vice president and a confidant of the Lombardis, convinced (Vince's wife) Marie to contribute the bulk of Vince's memorabilia after his sudden death from cancer in 1970. In the days before the hall was constructed, Marie had 17 crates of material sent to Kellogg Citizens National Bank where it was stored until it could be accepted, photographed and formally inventoried," Hutchison explained.

"The Packers not only had a film library going back to the beginnings of the team, they had radio broadcasts dating to the 1930s."

In May 1975, the Green Bay Packers Hall of Fame

Inc. was formed as a non-profit.

After much organizational equity, construction began that spring, with \$100,000 from the Packers, \$20,000 from the Hall of Fame organization and matching funds from Brown County.

The county also provided \$55,000 to construct a basement to store the basketball floor, chairs and other arena supplies.

A permanent home for the Packers Hall of Fame was dedicated in April 1976, with President Gerald Ford — who was offered a contract to play with the Packers in 1935 — on hand.

In July 1976, what was deemed as a "million dollar Packer scrapbook" opened adjoined to the Brown County Arena.

"[The] facility at nearly \$1 million and places the value of the exhibits it houses at approximately \$300,000. But the sentimental value of irreplaceable items from the

Packers' storied past do not have a price tag," Don Langenkamp wrote in the *Press-Gazette*.

The original Packers Hall of Fame — the first of its kind for a National Football League team — offered several rooms of team memorabilia.

The "Locker Room" was a two-part area offering reproductions of former players' lockers in one half and a projector showing training room activities.

A separate room hosted a mini-theater offering seating for 70 new people every 30 minutes for a Packers history film.

The "Playing Field" offered 14 exhibits of photos, memorabilia and Packers memories in what was considered the main hall.

In 2003, the Hall of Fame was granted a new home in the Lambeau Field Atrium.

For more on the Packers Hall of Fame, visit [www.packershofandtours.com/explore/hall-of-fame](http://www.packershofandtours.com/explore/hall-of-fame).

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# 2025 NFL DRAFT NEWS

## The park is in: Landowners near Lambeau say lots will be open for NFL Draft

BY MIKE WARREN  
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GREEN BAY – As the home opener came and went in mid-September, those living closest to Lambeau Field were more concerned with the health and projected return of starting quarterback Jordan Love, not the NFL's biggest offseason event, which is still six months away.

"It's a lot of fun," said Keith Wilhelm, who was busy parking cars at a house his mother-in-law owns adjacent to the southern-most Lambeau lots. "I've been parking cars for the last ten years."

Wilhelm says this season will also be his last because the house has been sold.

"This is the last season, so I wanted to help my regulars out by having one more season so they didn't have to scramble," Wilhelm added. "But, it's the best view of Lambeau."

And while he is going to park cars through the regular-season finale and potential playoff run in January, Wilhelm says he will not be part of the NFL Draft, hosted by the Green Bay Packers April 24-26, 2025 in and around Lambeau Field and the Tittleton District.

"I don't want to be anywhere near this place during the Draft," he told Packerland during our Sept. 15 visit. "It's gonna be crazy. You're going to have to walk everywhere because traffic is going to be at a standstill. No Draft plans."

Ben Selner has been parking cars for 17 years in his yard along Barberry Lane.

"There's quite a few regulars or somebody they know usually," he told us. "When I started I put a sign up, but there's no need to put a sign up anymore."

Selner does have Draft plans, but for parking only.

"Unfortunately, my wife won't let us rent the house out, so I might look into just parking some cars," he said. "I think we'll walk down and check it out, too, ourselves."

Selner was born and raised in Ashwaubenon, and has been providing transporta-



Ben Selner explains to a customer where he will be parking, prior to the Packers' home opener Sept. 15.

Mike Warren photos

tion assistance since he was a kid, when he got his first "regular."

"The Packers have that tradition with the bikes? Yeah, I was one of them kids," Selner recalled. "Mark Lee would take my bike all the time. He was my regular. My buddy had Gerry Ellis and we'd be up here for the two-a-day practices every day."

Matt Blank also grew up in the neighborhood. He moved with his family in the early 1970s from Fort Atkinson to Ashwaubenon, where his father was the pastor of a church near Lambeau Field.

"I used to park cars at my parents' house and the church," Blank remembered. "I probably did it for thirty years. Between the church property and my parents' property we'd do about a hundred cars."

After the Packers bought both the home and church property from the Blanks,

Matt's mother Patricia Blank moved into a nearby home along Ridge Road four years ago. Their plans for the upcoming NFL Draft are still somewhat up in the air.

"I don't have any plans in particular," Matt told us. "My brother's usually the one involved in renting the house out, because we do rent the house out, and on any weekend of the year. So, he's the one that oversees that. As far as I know, he doesn't have anybody for the house yet for the Draft."

As far as parking, Blank says he "most likely" will, but it may depend on who is renting the house.

"If it's a big group and they want the back yard, then we might just end up parking in the front, so we'll just kind of wait and see," he said. "If they pay a lot to rent the house and they don't want

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Jody Hakes guides a customer into a spot in his front yard along Ridge Road across from Lambeau Field, where he's been parking cars since he was a kid.

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# PACKERS OF THE PAST

## Ken Ruettggers #75

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GREEN BAY – Before the position was glamorized by Hollywood in a 2009 movie, Ken Ruettggers protected the blind sides of 10 different starting quarterbacks for the Green Bay Packers between 1985 and 1996 — a remarkable run which culminated with an NFL championship in Super Bowl XXXI in January 1997.

“One of the things I liked about Michael Lewis’ book *The Blind Side*, the first half was about how Bill Parcells and Lawrence Taylor changed the defense and made the Bill Walsh West Coast offense adjust to that, and to me, that first half was phenomenal,” Ruettggers told Packerland, during a July visit to Green Bay. “Michael Oher’s story, I started reading that and got kind of bored with it actually because that’s about eighty-five percent of the guys in the locker room, who’s got a Michael Oher-type story. And, of course, Michael Oher is who Michael Lewis chose to write about, but I was like, ‘Hey, that’s a lot of guys’ in those locker rooms stories.”

Ruettggers, who turned 62 in August, was a first-round Draft pick of Green Bay in 1985, taken seventh overall, after the Packers used a swap of multiple selections with the Buffalo Bills to move up seven spots to grab the offensive lineman out of USC, where — as a freshman — he blocked for 1981 Heisman Trophy winner Marcus Allen.

Ruettggers was drafted by another offensive lineman — NFL Hall of Famer Forrest Gregg, who served as head coach of the Packers from 1984 to 1987.

Coincidentally enough, Ruettggers chose Gregg’s former Packer jersey No. 75 as his own in 1985.

“My college jersey was 77, and I thought, ‘Man, if I pick 75 that’s a real high bar.’ But it was a good challenge, so I said, ‘Hey, why not?’ I made sure that I was going to work my butt off, so — even if I fell short — I was going to work hard no matter what,” said Ruettggers.

Following just two starts during his rookie year, Ruettggers started all 16 games of his second season.

An early career highlight for Ruettggers came at the end of that 1986 campaign, when he kept the aforementioned Taylor from setting a single-season record for sacks.

“We were finishing the season playing in New York on turf against Lawrence Taylor. He needed one sack to break the record, and I thought, ‘Oh man, I’m either going to be a hero or a goat.’ It all ended up well and I kept him from getting it, which is kind of interesting because several years



Ruettggers

later (2001), Brett Favre got sacked by Michael Strahan (against the Giants in New York), and that was what broke the single-season record,” Ruettggers recalled.

By his third season (1987), Ruettggers had become someone who future General Manager Ron Wolf told Packerland in a 2023 interview was “the best player on the team,” after Wolf had interviewed for the GM position that same year. Once Wolf eventually took the GM job in 1991, he identified Ruettggers as the second-best player on the Packers, behind wide receiver Sterling Sharpe.

Ruettggers played with quarterbacks Lynn Dickey and Jim Zorn in 1985, Randy Wright in 1986, Wright and Don Majkowski in 1987 and 1988 and full-time with

Majkowski in 1989, his only winning season prior to the arrival of the Holmgren-Favre era in 1992.

“It was a tough first seven years,” Ruettggers told us. “My first seven years we had one winning season and that was the magical season with Don Majkowski in ‘89. But then, (Bob) Harlan hired Ron Wolf, who hired Mike Holmgren. We picked up Brett Favre and Reggie White and it was such a great honor to be a part of that turnaround.”

And while the culmination of his career was not the storybook ending that every player dreams of, Ruettggers was a member of the 1996 team that won Super Bowl XXXI — a game he watched from the stands

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Ken Ruettggers, at far left, at this year’s Packers Hall of Fame Golf Classic with the NGL team. **Tori Wittenbrock photo**



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# CHEESEHEAD NATION

## SHAUN DOUGHERTY

BY TORI WITTENBROCK  
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GREEN BAY – The Green Bay Packers have been known for having a significant, nationwide fanbase that spreads far beyond the Green Bay area.

Lifelong Packers fan Shaun Dougherty is just one example of how the Packers have grown close to people from all over the country.

Dougherty from Oak Ridge, Tenn., said that being a Packers fan was a big part of his childhood and where his love of football began.

“I’ve been a Packers fan my whole life,” said Dougherty. “In fact, when my kids were younger, they all had Brett Favre onsies.”

“My favorite player on the Packers has always been Favre. I loved watching him play and the fact that the Packers are the one team that have such a long history and aren’t like any other NFL team.”

In addition to some of his favorite memories watching Favre take the field, one thing that has always kept him an avid Packers supporter is seeing the way the team is such a big part of the community.

“My favorite part of being a Packers fan is getting to see this all first hand,” said Dougherty. “Being in Green Bay is really a cool experience because I get to see how much of the fandom and team spirit is engrained within the community here in such a small town.”

Because he lives in Tennessee, Dougherty said that he has never been to a Packers game before and this trip has been his first time seeing Lambeau Field.

“In a lot of NFL football towns, the city is so big that the stadium and the team are often overlooked,” said Dougherty.

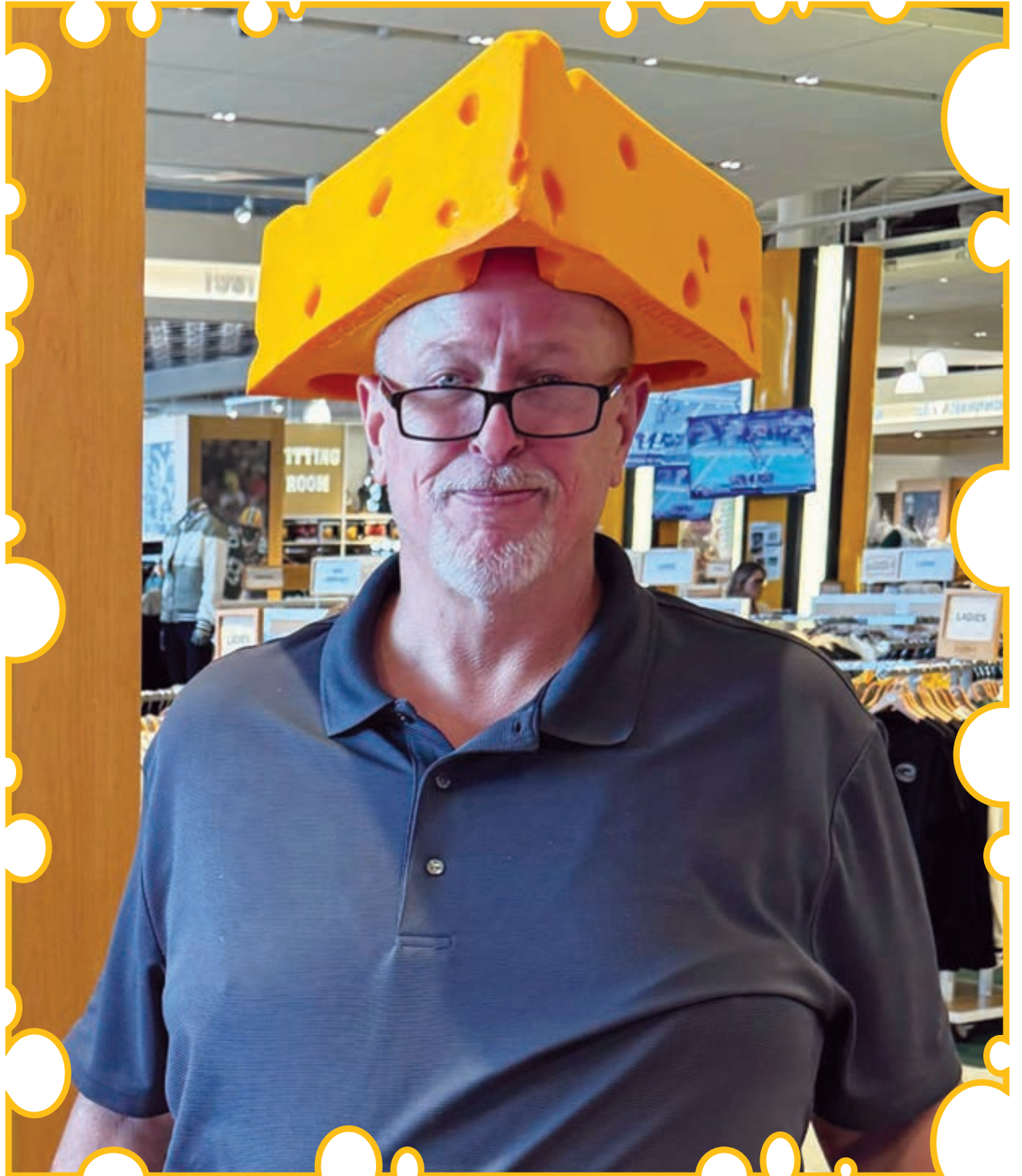
“That’s how it is with the Titans in Nashville. Here, the Packers and Lambeau Field get the respect they deserve, and that’s really cool to see.”

Although Dougherty is a long time supporter of the Packers, like many out of town fans, he said he had one mission on his trip to Green Bay — to acquire a cheesehead.

“Mission accomplished,” said Dougherty. “Now I feel like I’m truly a part of the Green Bay Packers fan culture.”

Though the Packers have had an interesting season with Jordan Love’s injury, Dougherty said he has enjoyed watching them come together as a team and perform well behind Malik Willis.

“It’s been really interesting as a Packers fan this season being from Tennessee. I like the Titans, but as a true Green Bay Packers fan, there’s nothing better than seeing us take a quarterback that they didn’t use to his full potential and put him to work to get a win over his old team.” 🍷



Dougherty

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cars parked, well then? So, we’ll see. But I imagine we’ll park some cars.”

Bonnie Maxwell has lived along Ridge Road for 43 years. Her children all parked cars in the yard while they were growing up, and Bonnie has since taken over as they each moved away.

“I’m always seeing something or learning something different,” Maxwell said.

Like the others, Bonnie has her regulars.

“There’s one guy that just parked in the garage. He’s been with me for twenty-three years,” she told Packerland. “But they’ve been here from Australia, Hawaii, Germany, Ontario, you name it.”

And while she enjoys parking cars and the camaraderie among those who drive them, Bonnie says she is not giving up her personal space for the NFL Draft next spring.

“I will be parking, but I’m not renting out my home,” she said. “I thought about it, but no. That’s my private domain.”

That domain, directly southwest and just across the street from one of the most iconic venues in all of sports, is something Maxwell knows is special.

“I can sit on my sofa and

just stare over there,” she told us. “I’ve lived here for so long I think I just kind of take it for granted, but I appreciate the view.”

Just a few doors down from Maxwell is Jody Hakes, who – along with wife Stephanie – parks cars in the yard of his childhood home, which the couple now owns.

“Back then we didn’t fill because the Packers weren’t the playoff Packers, so even at two-dollars a car we couldn’t fill our lot,” Hakes told us during the home-opening Sunday.

Along with parking, Hakes offers his customers the use of a bathroom and a space to bundle up for cold-weather games.

“I no longer live here, but I still own the property.”

Hakes now rents the property, usually to someone he knows or someone who knows them.

“The current tenant – which it is rented now – they know the lowdown. It’s the same as it always was. The door opens up on game day. People go in and use the bathroom. But the current tenant is a Packers fan and I think really enjoys it like my mother did,” said Hakes. “This was her highlight was the Packer game days and have people walking into her house and

getting to know everybody.”

Jody’s mother Mary passed away in 2017 and now he carries on the family tradition of parking cars.

“She wouldn’t have it any other way.”

As for renting the property for next April’s draft, “a regular will probably have it for that month,” Hakes tells us. “But we haven’t actually hammered out a number yet.”

After the renter takes the parking he needs, Hakes says the rest of the spots will be up for grabs.

“I will probably have a camper here for me because I’m assuming parking will happen all day long versus just four hours,” Hakes says.

Along with help from her sister, Lisa Evenson, Angela Mihalko has been parking two dozen cars per game for twelve of the twenty years she’s lived on Morris Avenue, just a few blocks south of Lambeau Field.

“We’re still pondering (draft plans),” Mihalko told us. “I know people are renting their houses, but I don’t think I’m comfortable with that. I was debating renting the front or back out for camping or RVs. Not sure if I’ll do that. But, I think we’re definitely just gonna be parking again for those three,

four days, and just charging a little more. I’m still kind of chatting with the neighbors and seeing what they’re doing and what they’ll be charging and see what other options there are. I feel like it’s probably going to end up being parking because that’s worked well for us.”


“Everybody who parks has been absolutely wonderful,” adds Evenson. “We have never had any problems. We’ve met some very interesting people. And even opposing fans have always been very gracious and very nice.”


On the day we were there, Mihalko said she got goosebumps as she parked two fathers who brought their young sons from Manhattan in New York City to see the Packers play.

“This was their dream to come to Lambeau Field and we helped them fulfill their dream today, so that was very fun for them. They’re just on Cloud Nine right now being here today for a home Packer game, so it was nice to chat with them and get their story.”

Stories like that will become all too common next April, as fans from every NFL market – and then some – converge on Wisconsin for what will likely be the state’s biggest event to date. 🍷

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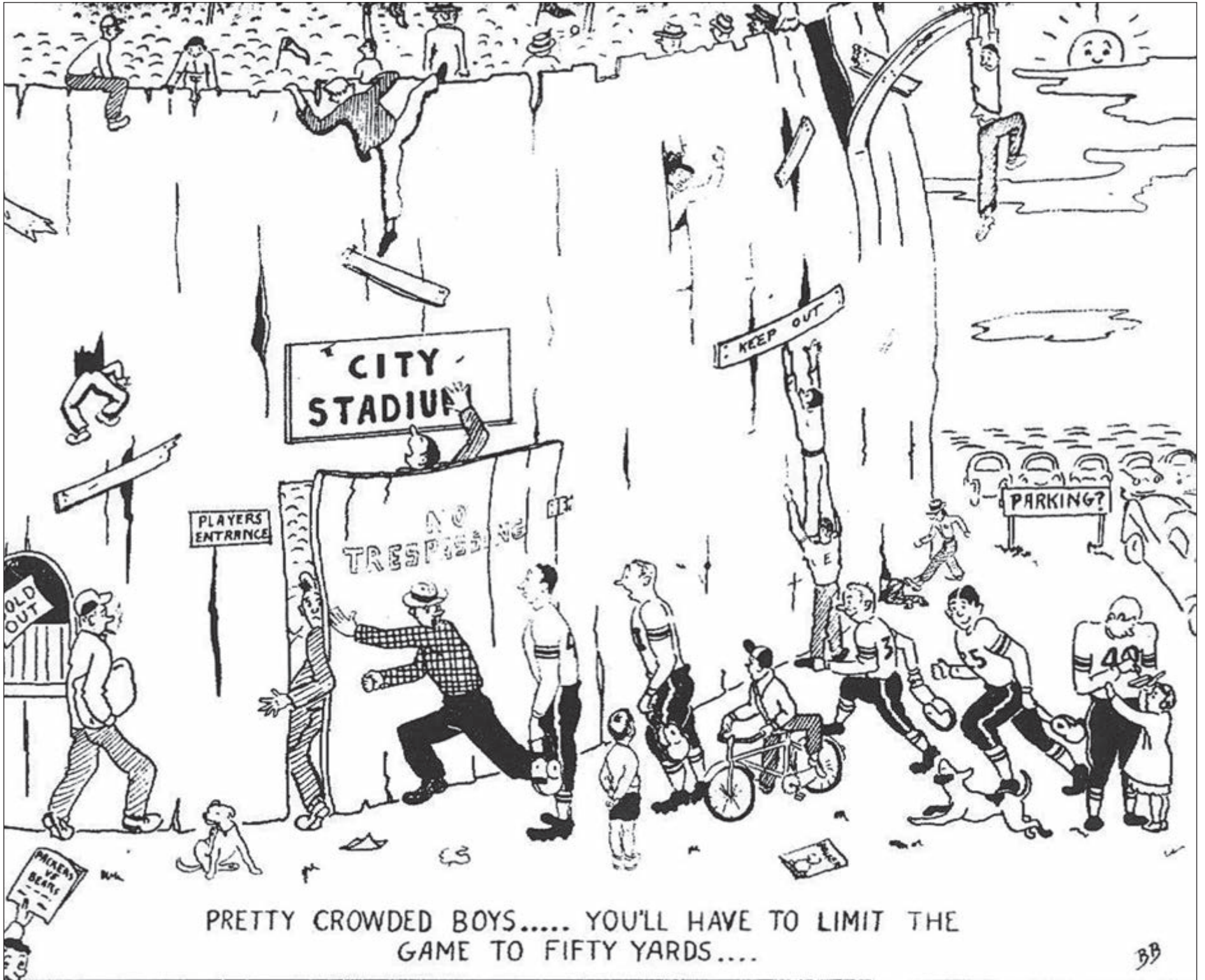




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A 1956 cartoon poking fun at the kids gaining unpaid entrance into the stadium.  
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*A few words from*  
**Lombardi**



*“Individual commitment to a group effort — that is what makes a team work, a company work, a society work, a civilization work.”*

*-Vince Lombardi*

**RUETTGENS**

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after injuries kept him out of the lineup.

“My last game was Dallas on Monday night in November, and my (left) knee just wasn’t going to do it anymore,” Ruetzgers recalled. That would be the last game the Packers would lose that season.

With five games remaining in the regular season, the 33-year-old left tackle announced his retirement.

“It was very mixed because I wanted to be out there and that was really hard,” said Ruetzgers. “On the other hand, I mean my goodness, to see your teammates that you had worked hard with win a Super Bowl and to be a part of that season was a privilege.”

Only 19 Packers played in more games than Ruetzgers, who appeared in 156 contests over 12 seasons in Green Bay, starting 140.

“I had to keep my head

down and really focus, not only because of the position, but because there’s a lot of great athletes out there. I mean, amazing athletes,” Ruetzgers said. “I was not at the top of that spectrum, so I really had to focus on being efficient and honing my techniques and studying film. That’s what it took for me to be successful.”

Ken Ruetzgers was elected to the Packers Hall of Fame in 2014, becoming the 150th member. 🏈

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# PACKERS vs. COLTS

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Green Bay Packers Center Josh Meyers leaves it all out on the field during a third and long for the Packers in the second hottest game on record at Lambeau Field.



Jacobs charges through the gap in the Colts defense for a first down.

Tori Wittenbrock photos



Green Bay Packers Linebacker Lukas Van Ness gets a sack against Indianapolis Colts Quarterback Anthony Richardson.



Players scramble to recover a Colts fumble in the Packers' 16-10 win.



Green Bay Packers Running Back Josh Jacobs carries the ball for a first down in their home game at Lambeau Field on Sunday, Sept. 15.



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Jacobs leans through the pile to get as many yards as possible as he is brought down by the Colts defense.

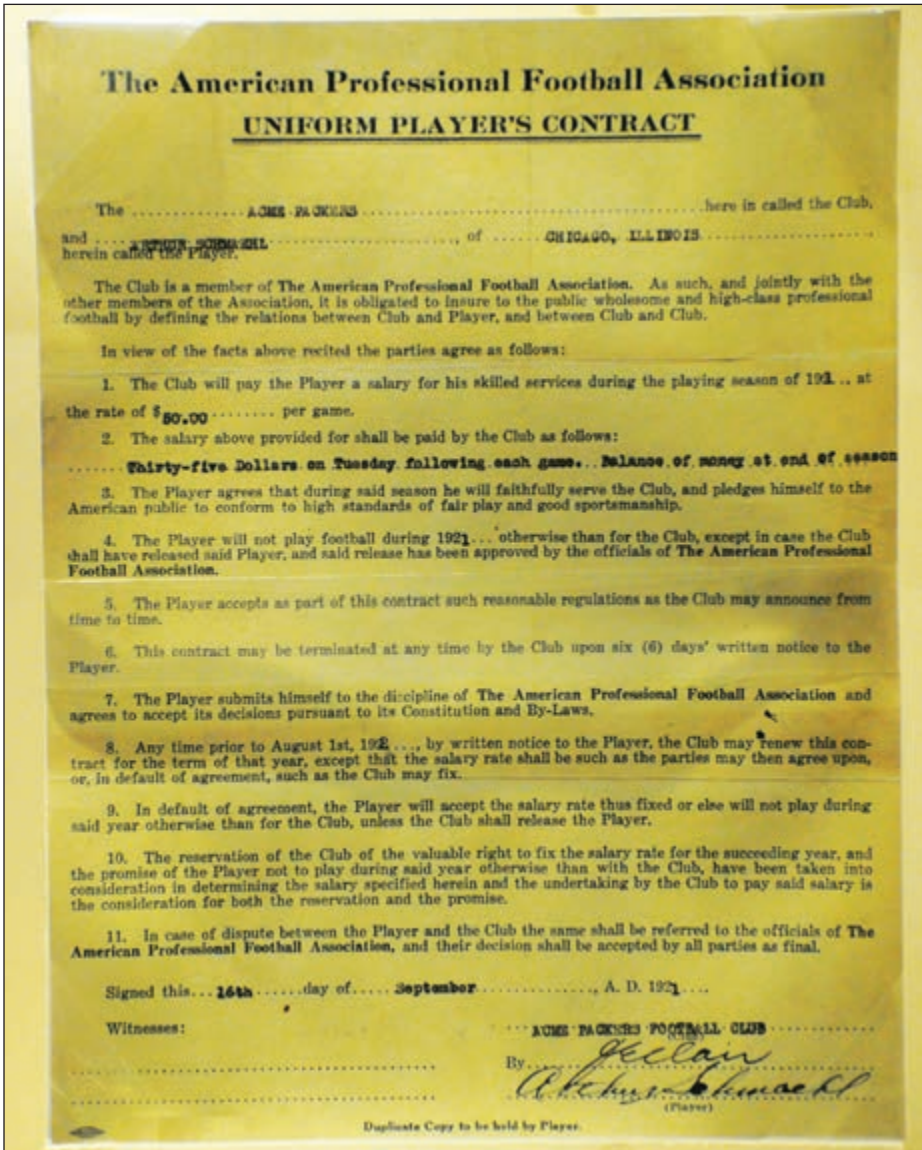




Green Bay Packers Wide Receiver Jayden Reed launches himself into the stands for a Lambeau Leap during the Packers game against the Indianapolis Colts.

Tori Wittenbrock photo

# 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](http://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](mailto:katief@gbphof.com).

A contract between the Acme Packers and 1921 Packers Fullback Arthur Schmaehl. The contract states that Schmaehl was to be paid \$50 per game for the 1921 season. Pay in the amount of \$35 was provided to the players on the Tuesday following the game and the balance at the end of the season. The contract is signed by Schmaehl and J.E. Clair. **Tori Wittenbrock photo**

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# Putting the cheese in cheesehead

## Fan Photo Gallery



Jeremiah Wegner, 9, of De Pere, puts all of his Packers jerseys on display. Anita Wegner photo



Excited Packers fans reach for a T-shirt during Family Night. Tori Wittenbrock photos



Young fans show their support for quarterback Jordan Love.



An excited fan calls out to the players as they take the field at Lambeau Field.

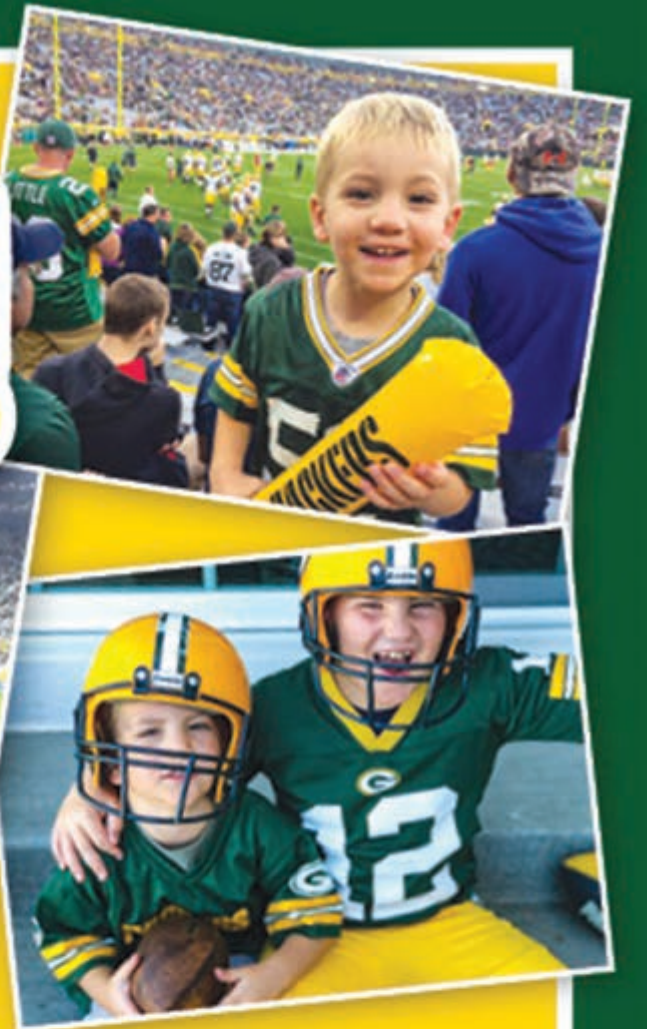


Fans travel from around the country to see their favorite players in action at Lambeau Field.



Scott Crevier, with license plate, poses with daughter, Randy, at left, and his two cousins, Joe Olson and Ben Olson, at right, at a Packers game. Crevier said that the family has six tickets and it is the only time he sees his cousins. **Scott Crevier photo**

# Fan Photos Wanted!



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