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**Children's Museum of Green Bay launches public phase of campaign**



Callen Dufresne, 5, of Pulaski, checks out the emergency services area of the current facilities during the Nov. 27 kick-off event. **Kris Leonhardt photo**

**BY KRIS LEONHARDT**  
 EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

GREEN BAY – On Nov. 27, the Children's Museum of Green Bay held a kick-off event to launch the public phase of its Reaching New Heights campaign.

The campaign will result in a \$6.5 million expansion, and campaign coordinators say they are

two-thirds of the way to that goal. Executive Director Toni Burnett called it "an important moment for the Children's Museum of Green Bay."

"Together, we have raised just over 60% on our \$6.5 million goal. That means we've secured over \$4 million; this is an incredible

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**"We provide a sanctuary for these children to dream, explore and learn, especially for those facing hardships."**

-Museum Board President April Smith



**Bringing Thanksgiving to those in need**

With the Packers hosting the Miami Dolphins on Thanksgiving night, the Christian Outreach's Annual Ecumenical Thanksgiving Dinner — hosted annually at Lambeau Field — moved meal preparations to the KI Convention Center in downtown Green Bay. On Nov. 27, community volunteers prepared and packaged meals to be transported on Thanksgiving Day to those in need. Pictured, volunteer Emma Ronk helps prepare meals for delivery. More video online at [gopresstimes.com](http://gopresstimes.com). **Freddy Moyano photo**

**Green Bay area ships out 10,000 Christmas boxes**

**BY JOHN CRAEMER**  
 CONTRIBUTING WRITER/  
 PHOTOGRAPHER

GREEN BAY – Several Green Bay locations served as collection sites for the 2024 running of Operation Christmas Child, which concluded Nov. 25.

"Operation Christmas Child is

a ministry of Samaritan's Purse, and they do international relief, and this is the world's largest Christmas charity," Tiffany Wieber, community relations representative for Operation Christmas Child in Green Bay and the surrounding area, explained.

Wieber said that approximately 10,000 shoe boxes were shipped

from Highland Crest Baptist Church in Green Bay filled with donated gifts and school supplies and personal items for a boy or girl in any age group.

The boxes are sent to children all around the world that are in need this Christmas.

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**Exploring Green Bay's available lots**



**BY CAROLINE VAN SISTINE**  
 CONTRIBUTING WRITER

GREEN BAY – The lot at 115 S. Van Buren Street in Green Bay is one of several parcels of land the city has made available to promote "thoughtful development and revitalization."

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Ed Belaire, left, and Kevin Lehoe, right, prepare approximately 10,000 boxes for shipping for Operation Christmas Child. John Craemer photos

**BOXES**  
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“A lot in Africa, India, South America: there’s lots of countries that the children are living in poverty, they’re living in slums, and these gift boxes are a blessing — a light in their gray world. Yes, lots of color, lots of crayons and fun things in these boxes,” Wieber said.

Operation Christmas Child has been collecting

and delivering shoebox gifts to children worldwide for more than three decades.

In 2024, Operation Christmas Child hopes to collect enough shoeboxes to reach another 12 million children.

The project of Samaritan’s Purse partners with local churches across the globe to deliver these tangible expressions of love to children in need according to their press release.

“So a lot of these gift boxes go to about 170 different countries. Not only North America packs shoeboxes, Australia, Germany, the Great Britain, they all pack shoeboxes, too, that are going around the world,” Wieber added.

For more information, on Operation Christmas Child, call (630) 474-9478, or visit [samaritanspurse.org/occ](http://samaritanspurse.org/occ) or [samaritanspurse.org/buildonline](http://samaritanspurse.org/buildonline).



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# Packers staff, players all in on 'My Cause My Cleats'

BY PRESS TIMES STAFF

GREEN BAY – Green Bay Packers players and staff took part in the “My Cause My Cleats” initiative as the team took on the Miami Dolphins on Thanksgiving night.

“The NFL initiative encourages players across the league to wear customized cleats on gameday to raise awareness for their hand-picked causes and show their support for numerous nonprofit organizations around the country,” a Packers release stated.

“At the conclusion of the campaign, participants can raise money for their cause by auctioning their cleats on NFL Auction. Fans are invited to bid on the game-worn cleats. All funds raised will be donated to each player’s selected charity.

“To bring their vision to life, players have collaborated with cleat manufacturers, designers and local artists to create their custom-designed cleats displaying their selected cause.”

Packers players taking part included Zayne Anderson, Family Connect of WI; Karl Brooks, Dementia Society of America; Kenny Clark, U.S. Dream Academy; Edgerrin Cooper, Happily Ever After Animal Sanctuary; AJ Dillon, Dillon Family Foundation; Romeo Doubs, Tricia’s Troops Cancer Connection; John FitzPatrick, ZERO Prostate Cancer; Rashan Gary, Made By Dyslexia; Malik Heath, Homeboy Industries; Julian Hicks, Beat the Streets Cleveland; Elgton Jenkins, Breast Cancer Research Foundation; Tucker Kraft, Cheyenne River Youth Project; MarShawn Lloyd, Blue Galaxy; Jordan Love, Hands of 10ve; Bo Melton, Boys and



Lukas Van Ness raised money for the Stead Family Children’s Hospital at the University of Iowa in Iowa City.

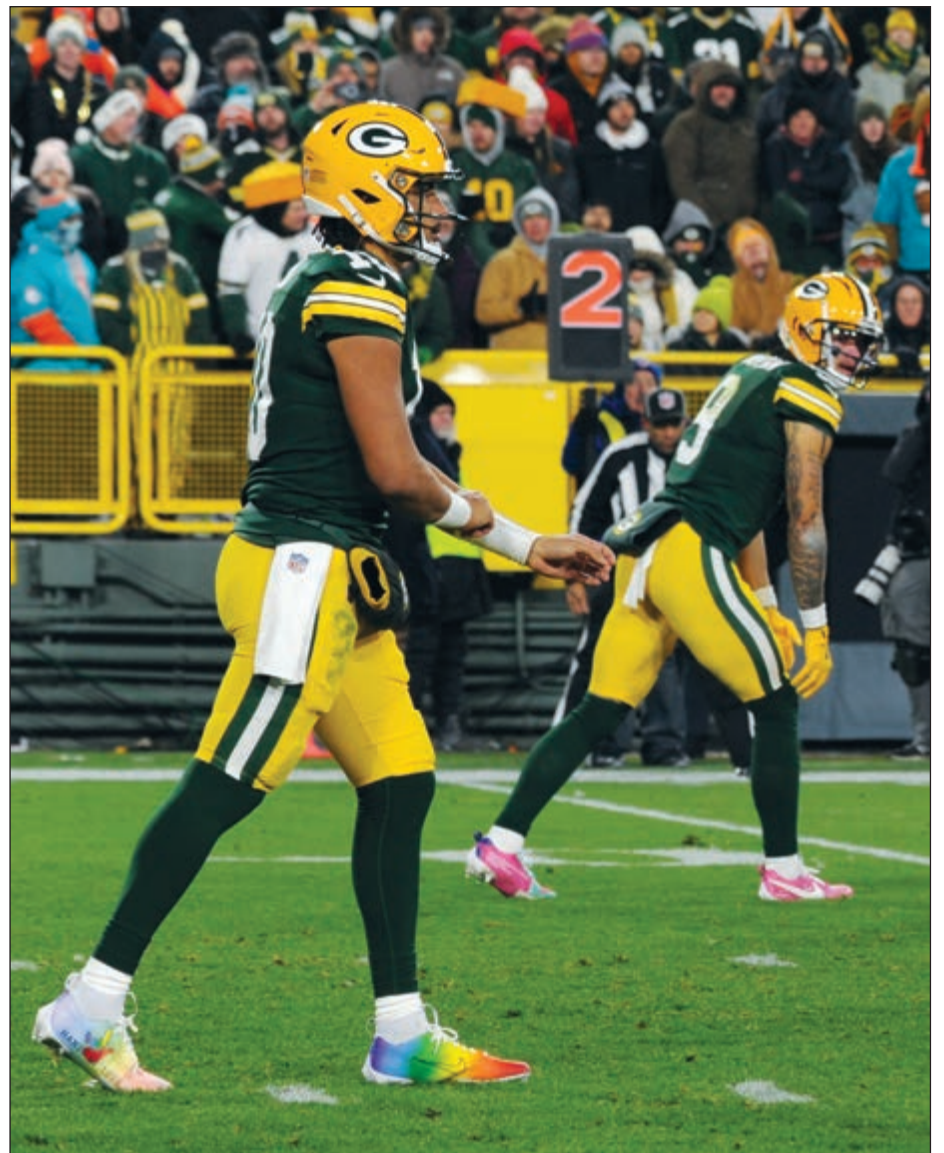
Tori Wittebrock photos

Girls Club of Greater Green Bay; Arron Mosby, Boys and Girls Club of Greater Green Bay; Josh Myers, The Jansen Myers Child Abuse Foundation; Jayden Reed, Chicago CRED; Sean Rhyman, American Breast Cancer Foundation; Ben Sims, Down Syndrome Association of South Texas; T.J. Slaton, Boys and Girls Club of Broward County; Carington Valentine, Get Out Network; Lukas Van Ness, Stead Family Children’s Hospital; Rasheed Walker, Youth is the Future; Christian Watson, American Breast Cancer Foundation & Light of Life Foundation

for Thyroid Cancer; Dontayvion Wicks, Friends of Pals, Youth and Families; Evan Williams, NAMI of Brown County; Malik Willis, American Cancer Society; and Emanuel Wilson, NAMI of Brown County.

The staff members participating included Derrick Ansley, Henderson-Ansley Foundation; Sean Duggan, Down Syndrome Association; Matt LaFleur, Valley Kids Foundation; Joseph McKillip, Public Immunity; and Kyle Wilber, Active Minds.

For more information on the initiative, visit [packers.com/community/my-cause-my-cleats](http://packers.com/community/my-cause-my-cleats).



Green Bay Packers players and staff took part in the “My Cause My Cleats” initiative as the team took on the Miami Dolphins on Thanksgiving night. Jordan Love was supporting his nonprofit, Hands of 10ve.

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# De Pere civics clubs seek nominations

**FOR THE PRESS TIMES**

DE PERE – The De Pere civics clubs are seeking nominations of a De Pere police officer or fire-rescue team for outstanding service to the De Pere Community in 2024.

If a De Pere police officer or fire-rescue member has made an impact in your life or someone you know, consider a nomination.

This is the 10th year for the recognition by De Pere civic clubs, Rotary, Optimist, Lions, Knights of Columbus, VFW Post 2113 & Auxiliary, Pink Flamings and Women's and Men's Clubs of De Pere.

Last year, Lea Taylor was selected as "Outstanding Fire Rescue" staff and Detective Sergeant Aaron Hanson for the "Beyond the Call Award."

Detective Sergeant Hanson earned the Beyond the Call for his handling of a



The De Pere civics clubs are seeking nominations of a De Pere police officer or fire-rescue team for outstanding service to the De Pere Community during 2024. **Stock photo**

fantanyl drug case.

He was nominated by the affected family.

Lea was nominated by the civic clubs for her work on the program to honor De Pere first responders, taking on the therapy dog program and Christmas gift

giving to families in need.

Nominations for 2024 should be submitted prior to Dec. 31.

For more information, contact Lee Meyers at (920) 676-9919.

A ceremony is planned for Feb. 25.

**MUSEUM**

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achievement for us," she added.

Currently, the museum serves over 70,000 visitors annually.

With the expansion, the museum hopes to reach a target of 150,000 guests.

The 16,000-square-foot expansion will increase capacity from 350 to 1,100 and will include 2,000 square feet of traveling gallery space, with new exhibits every six months; a "STEAMworks Lab" for hands-on scientific, engineering and technology activities; a "Trades and Training" exhibit to inspire future builders and tradespeople; a "Hardware Store" with interactive stations, including blueprint building, painting, a LEGO zone and a tool section; and a "Farm and Dairy" exhibit where guests can experience farm life, such as milking a cow and baling hay.

"Additionally, this Celebration Room that we're standing in right now will allow us to significantly expand our birthday parties and rentals, as well as field trip rentals. Right now, if you want a birthday party at our children's museum, you are looking at January to hold it here because this room can only hold so many," said Heather Heil, director of business development.

"This new space will also bring much-needed improvements to our parking, increasing our capacity to over 150 spaces in the back."

Board President April Smith called the campaign progress "a testament to



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the generosity and belief of this incredible community."

"We are well on our way to transforming the museum into a space that can inspire, educate, empower even more children and families," she added. "The work we do at the Children's Museum of Green Bay is vital to this community. We provide a sanctuary for these children to dream, explore and learn, especially for those facing

hardships. Our programs and exhibits serve as the foundation for educational growth, fostering creativity, critical thinking and curiosity in young minds."

Staff plans to break ground on the project in December and is hopeful for a 2025 opening.

The museum is located at 1230 Bay Beach Rd., Green Bay.

For more information on the museum and the campaign, visit [playgbcc.com](http://playgbcc.com).

# Y4D Solutions for Learning receives \$15K grant

**BY PRESS TIMES STAFF**

GREEN BAY – Associated Bank and Federal Home Loan Bank of Chicago's Community First Accelerate Grants Program recently awarded Y4D Solutions for Learning LLC with a \$15,000 business grant.

Y4D Solutions for Learning LLC, based in Green Bay, offers after-school tutoring services for students Grades PK3-12.

"With the grant, Y4D Solutions will purchase a vehicle to transport students to the center, as well as iPads and other necessary technology for students who cannot afford them. This initiative will help eliminate financial and transportation barriers, ensuring more students can access high-quality educational support," an Associated Bank release stated.

"At Associated, we work to uplift our colleagues, customers and communities by providing sound

financial services and resources, and supporting small business is essential to fulfilling that promise," said LaDonna Reed, senior vice president, director of community accountability with Associated Bank. "Since 2019, small businesses have created over 70% of new jobs, making them not only an economic engine but also the core of the communities we serve because they employ their neighbors and keep money in their neighborhoods."

Community First Accelerate Grants for Small Business assist with the growth and development of small businesses in Illinois and Wisconsin, creating economic opportunity in service communities and offering grants of up to \$30,000 to eligible small businesses.

Eligible small business applicants must be a for-profit entity; be headquartered in either Illinois or Wisconsin; have been established under its cur-

rent ownership for at least 12 months prior to application; have an annual gross revenue of \$1 million or less; have a business relationship with the member for at least 12 months prior to application; and provide goods or services in a business sector that directly contributes to community-building.

Grants are intended to strengthen a recipient's financial position, operational efficiency and/or human capital.

Small businesses may use accelerate grants for the purchase or improvement of property; machinery, tools or equipment; inventory, materials or supplies; workforce development or training; and technology.

For more information on the grant program, visit [www.fhlbc.com/community-investment/community-first-programs/community-first-sup-reg-sup-accelerate-grants-for-small-business](http://www.fhlbc.com/community-investment/community-first-programs/community-first-sup-reg-sup-accelerate-grants-for-small-business).

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**Alumni of the week**

Former Green Bay Packers Defensive Tackle Cullen Jenkins, left, signs an autograph while visiting with fans at the Lambeau Field Atrium on Nov. 27, along with former Packers Defensive End Aaron Kampman, right, leading up to the Packers-Dolphins game on Thanksgiving night. Jenkins came to the Packers in 2003 as an undrafted free agent. Jenkins had a career-best seven sacks in 11 games in 2010 en route to the Packers' Super Bowl XLV victory.

Kris Leonhardt photo

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# Holmgren, Sharpe one step closer to Pro Football Hall of Fame induction

BY PRESS TIMES STAFF

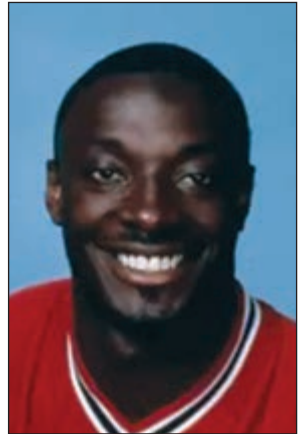
GREEN BAY — Former Green Bay Packers Coach Mike Holmgren and Packers Receiver Sterling Sharpe are one step closer to a Pro Football Hall of

Fame induction.

A Pro Football Hall of Fame release said that five individuals had reached the “finalist stage across three categories for possible election to the Pro



Holmgren



Sharpe

Football Hall of Fame's Class of 2025.”

“Moving within one step of inclusion in the next class of enshrinees are Ralph Hay (Contributor), Mike Holmgren (Coach), and Maxie Baughan, Sterling Sharpe and Jim Tyrer (Seniors). The remaining bar to clear: approval from at least 80% of the members of the full selection committee at their annual meeting next year in advance of the class unveiling during Super Bowl LIX week in New Orleans, La.

“For the first time, the finalists from these categories within the selection process are competing directly against each other under bylaws the Pro Football Hall of Fame's Board of Directors approved earlier this year. The revision to the process will help ensure the exclusivity of inclusion in the game's most elite fraternity.”

Members of the selection committee may vote for three of the five finalists.

“If none of the five individuals receives 80% approval, then the one who

receives the most support would be elected to the Class of 2025,” the release added.

“Holmgren coached the Packers from 1992-98, leading Green Bay to six playoff appearances in those seven seasons, including three NFC Central titles, three NFC Championship Game appearances, and back-to-back Super Bowls, winning Super Bowl XXXI following the 1996 season and ending the Packers' 29-year title drought,” the Packers said in a release following the announcement.

“After leaving Green Bay, Holmgren also coached the Seattle Seahawks to that franchise's first Super Bowl appearance, following the 2005 season.

“Sharpe was a three-time first-team All-Pro selection and a five-time Pro Bowler in his seven seasons with the Packers (1988-94). A first-round draft pick out of South Carolina, Sharpe set the (then) NFL record for receptions in one season with 108 in 1992 and

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# The Lost Dauphin: An interview with a prince

BY KRIS LEONHARDT  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

*Continued from last week*

In an 1853 Putnam's magazine article, Rev. John H. Hanson continued to recount Eleazar Williams' tale, as the Prince of Joinville connects with him through the church asking for an interview with Williams before he returns to France.

"Some time elapsed, and I heard nothing more on the subject, which was beginning to fade from my mind; when one day, while on board a steamer on Lake Michigan, I had an interview with the Prince, who shortly after, at Green Bay, revealed the secret of my birth," Williams said.

"My reputed mother is still living at a very advanced age. She is now at Caughnawaga (New York.)

"I ought, as soon as the Prince told me the secret of my birth, to have returned to the East and seen her. But I unfortunately neglected to do so for some time, and when I did come, I found that the Romish Priests had been

tampering with her, and that her mouth was hermetically sealed."

Williams claims that the priests told her, "Suppose that this man should prove to be heir to a throne on the other side of the Great Salt Lake, what injury may he not do to the church. He has been brought up a Protestant, and if he obtained sovereign power it would be the ruin of many souls. You must therefore say nothing one way."

"But we have had the Baptismal register at Caughnawaga examined, and the priest was made to certify to it, and though the names of all the rest of her children are recorded there, together with the dates of their birth and baptism," Williams said, "mine does not occur there and the births of the children follow so closely upon each other at regular intervals — of two years between each — that it does not seem naturally possible I could have been her child, unless I was a twin to some other child whose birth and baptism are recorded while mine are not..."

Williams also added the

story of a French gentleman who died in New Orleans in 1848 with the last name of Belanger "who confessed on his death-bed that he was the person who brought the Dauphin to this country, and placed him among the Indians, in the northern part of the State of New-York," Williams said.

"It seems that Belanger had taken a solemn oath of secrecy, alike for the preservation of the Dauphin, and the safety of those who were instrumental in effecting his escape, but the near approach of death and the altered circumstances of the times, induced him to break silence before his departure from the world."

On the steamship, Williams also produced a silk dress with about a dozen feet of train.

"It is a dress of Marie Antoinette. It was given to me by a person who bought it in France, and who hearing my story, and considering me the rightful owner, made me a present of it."

*To be continued*



Williams

Putnam's magazine image

## HALL OF FAME

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then broke it the next year with 112.

"He also led the league in TD receptions twice, including his final season

with 18, before a neck injury forced his early retirement.

"Sharpe had reached the senior semifinalist stage previously but this is his first time as a finalist. Se-

nior candidates are no longer eligible for the modern-day selection process and last appeared in an NFL game in 1999 or earlier. The other two senior finalists this year along with

Sharpe are Maxie Baughan and Jim Tryer."

If selected, Holmgren and Sharpe will join 28 other individuals from the Packers enshrined in the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

## LOTS

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that align with community standards and zoning requirements.

Here's how the program works and what potential buyers need to know.

### Where do these lots come from

Over the past two decades, the City of Green Bay has acquired infill lots through a combination of city funding, county tax deed foreclosures and private purchases, explained Real Estate Specialist

Ronda Bitney.

### The application process

If you're interested in purchasing a lot, here's the step-by-step process:

**Submit an application**

Buyers must complete an

application, which is then reviewed by the city's Real Estate Investment Team. The team evaluates the proposal to ensure it aligns with city goals.

### Approval process

After review, the application is sent to the Redevelopment Authority, which meets on the second Tuesday of each month to make final decisions.

### Build timeline

Approved buyers are expected to complete their project within one year.

### What the city looks for in a buyer

While anyone can apply, the city prioritizes buyers who:

**Meet project deadlines**

The ability to finish construction within a year is critical.

### Follow zoning codes

Projects must adhere to

zoning and setback requirements.

### Align with neighborhood design

Proposed buildings should complement the architectural style and scale of surrounding properties.

### How the city advertises available lots

Infill lots, like the one at 115 S. Van Buren Street, are listed on the City of Green Bay's website at

<https://greenbaywi.gov/332/Available-Properties>.

The listings include:

### Property details

Price, zoning information, and a link to a parcel map.

### Development suggestions

Recommended building styles and approved plans.

In addition, the City of Green Bay also places signs

on the lots.

### When lots sell for \$1

While most lots are sold at market value, the city occasionally sells parcels for \$1 to support affordable housing initiatives.

Bitney explained that this happens when developers demonstrate a "funding gap" in their projects, and the donation of land can make the difference between success and failure.

Organizations like Habitat for Humanity and NeighborWorks Green Bay have benefited from this option, creating affordable housing for the community.

If you're interested in applying for available properties, start by visiting the Green Bay available properties page at [greenbaywi.gov/332/Available-Properties](https://greenbaywi.gov/332/Available-Properties) and complete the application.

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# USDDP passes financing for capital referendum

BY LEE REINSCH  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

DE PERE – The Unified School District of De Pere (USDDP) approved two resolutions granting the district permission to finance the \$22 million capital referendum that district residents approved in last month's election.

The first resolution approved issuing a bond anticipation note (BAN) this month for \$15 million.

The second resolution enables the district to refinance the BAN early next year and issue the remaining \$7 million of the total referendum in general obligation promissory notes.

"Issuing debt in two pieces allows the district more flexibility with its interest earnings," USDDP Finance Director

Dawn Foeller said.

It means the district will be able to put more money toward capital improvement projects than it otherwise would be able to.

The capital referendum that passed last month will fund repair and replacement of failing HVAC, electrical and plumbing systems; leaky windows, doors and walls; and make accessibility improvements in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

It doesn't involve new construction, additions, or new buildings.

When referendums pass, entities such as school districts and municipalities usually need the money soon and can't wait until property tax increases kick in, accumu-



The Unified School District of De Pere (USDDP) approved two resolutions granting the district permission to finance the \$22 million capital referendum that district residents approved in last month's election.

File photo

lating enough to pay for a project.

To obtain the money up front, they issue bonds, which investors buy, through an investment group or lending institu-

tion.

USDDP Public Finance Director Jordan Masnica of Baird told the board at a previous meeting that for the last 24 months, the federal funds rate

has been higher than the cost of borrowing at the 20-year AAA municipal benchmark.

"That's only happened five other times in the last 33 years," he said.

They include five months in 2019, 21 months in 2006-07, 12 months in 2000-01, six months in 1998 and 11 months in 1997-98.

The fall 2024 capital referendum, which passed 10,103 yes votes to 5,128 no votes, added an extra \$0.33 in property taxes per \$100,000 of home value.

## Hearing aid

In other business, attendees of school board and other meetings held in the De Pere High School community room will be able to hear better.

The board approved the purchase of audio equip-

ment for the community room.

Board members and staff have fielded complaints from attendees about not being able to hear board members and those addressing the board with their backs to the audience.

Improvements will include ceiling speakers in the middle and back of the room and two hanging microphones at the front of the room.

The speakers will pick up the audio from the microphones.

The equipment, from Camera Corner Connecting Point, will cost \$9,181.26.

District Technology Director Curt Pieschek said the upgrades would be in place by the end of January.

## NEWS BRIEFS

### Dr. John Hayes welcomed as director and faculty physician at MCW-Prevea Family Medicine Residency Program

GREEN BAY – The Medical College of Wisconsin (MCW)-Prevea Family Medicine Residency Program in Green Bay is pleased to welcome Dr. John Hayes, a board-certified family medicine and addiction medicine physician, as its newest Residency Program Director and Faculty Physician.

Dr. Hayes earned his medical degree from Northwestern University, Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine, completed residency at Northwestern McGaw Family Medicine Residency and is certified by the American Board of Family Medicine, American Board of Preventive Medicine (Addiction Medicine) and American Academy of HIV Medicine.

"I am honored to lead the incredible team of residency physicians at the MCW-Prevea Family Medicine Residency Program in Green Bay, which is now in its fourth year of serving the Green Bay community," said Dr. Hayes.

Established in 2021, the MCW-Prevea Family Medicine Residency Program is the first family medicine physician residency program in Green Bay.

The program is for physicians who have completed medical school and are interested in the field of family medicine.

"The MCW-Prevea Family Medicine Residency Program is specifically designed to bring family medicine physicians to the Green Bay region," said Dr. Hayes. "By bringing up-and-coming physicians to the region, we're creating more access to appointments for our patients and providing them with the opportunity to see a family medicine physician quickly."

Since the creation of the program, Prevea and MCW have welcomed 14 resident physicians, preparing them to be well equipped to take care of patients in settings including rural or urban, multi-specialty or solo practice, inpatient, outpatient, obstetrics, urgent/emergent care and academic or private practice.

In addition to his role as residency program director, Dr. Hayes also serves as a residency faculty physician at the residency program, mentoring resident physicians and providing care to patients.

His key services include routine care for children, adults and the elderly, preventative medicine, medication management, substance use disorder treatment, chronic pain management, HIV treatment, hepatitis C treatment, complex chronic disease management, women's care, pregnancy care and delivery, mental health treatment, minor office procedures and osteopathic manipulation.

"I almost always work with the resident physicians, which means my patients can expect to work with two doctors," said

Dr. Hayes. "They will not only receive expert level care from myself, but they'll also be cared for by eager learners — resident physicians who have just received the latest education and training."

### NWTC partners to drive energy efficiency and support Wisconsin's manufacturers

WISCONSIN – In a shared effort to strengthen small and mid-sized manufacturing businesses in Wisconsin, Northeast Wisconsin Technical College (NWTC) has partnered with Southwest Wisconsin Technical College (SWTC) on a \$3 million grant from the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE).

The grant aims to reduce energy costs, introduce innovative technologies and bolster workforce training to ensure Wisconsin manufacturers remain competitive and resilient.

"This opportunity builds on NWTC's long history of supporting manufacturers through innovation and workforce development," said Kathryn Rogalski, NWTC's vice president of Academic Affairs and Workforce Development. "Manufacturing is the backbone of Wisconsin's economy, providing high wages and essential goods. When our manufacturers succeed, our entire region thrives. We look forward to working with our partners on this important initiative."

SWTC will lead the grant in partnership with NWTC, Madison Area Technical College (MATC) and the UW-Stevens Point K-12 Energy Education Program (KEEP).

This project, known as the Wisconsin Energy Partnership (WEP), is funded by the DOE's Office of Manufacturing and Energy Supply Chains (MESC) through their Industrial Training and Assessment Center grant (ITAC).

Transforming manufacturing with the Wisconsin Energy Partnership The WEP project focuses on three key initiatives:

**Innovate Industry** — Through hands-on, work-based learning, students will bring the latest innovations and best practices right to the manufacturing floor. Free, course-based energy site assessments will jump-start conversations about energy reduction, electrification and decarbonization. Over three years, the consortium plans to conduct 30 energy assessments and engage at least 90 students in high-impact learning.

**Empower the Workforce** — Energy considerations are increasingly complex as the world electrifies and digitizes. Through upskilling programs, manufacturers and industries along the supply chain will equip employees with tools to make informed energy decisions. Topics will range from sensors and cybersecurity to energy analytics and HVAC controls. At least 200 incumbent workers will be upskilled with tailored training to fit industry needs.

**Advance Pathways** — The biggest concern among Wisconsin employers is the lack of qualified and available workforce with energy expertise. The group will address this by promoting energy career pathways to increase enrollment, with a focus on women and underrepresented populations. They will launch the "Clean Energy Careers" campaign and hold recruitment events to engage these communities.

The WEP aims to identify \$4.88 million in energy savings, reduce energy use by at least 19.5 million kilowatt hours, and help manufacturers adopt cleaner energy practices.

With Wisconsin's manufacturers responsible for 31% of the state's energy use, the industry is poised to play a significant role in achieving the state's net-zero energy goals.

"By helping manufacturers make the most of their resources and adopt new technologies, we're not just addressing immediate needs—we're ensuring the long-term success of our local workforce and industry," said Ann Franz, Executive Director of Northeast Wisconsin Manufacturing Alliance (NEWMA). "NEWMA is looking forward to working with NWTC on helping its members access the energy assessments and upskilling the manufacturing workforce to make better energy solutions for their companies."

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**Building Wisconsin**

State Senator Eric Wimberger and State Representative Joy Goeben were presented with the Associated Builders and Contractors “Building Wisconsin” recently at Milis Flatwork in Kaukauna. They received the awards for their work last legislative session to get more people into the skilled construction trades. The state of Wisconsin announced an all-time high number of apprentices in the program’s 112-year history. **Submitted photo**

# City approves habitat restoration grant

BY KRISLEONHARDT  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

GREEN BAY – During its Dec. 3 meeting, the Green Bay City Council approved a \$500,000 DNR/EPA grant to complete the necessary engineering for an “area of concern” habitat restoration project at the Wildlife Sanctuary and Renard Island Nearshore Waterway, adjacent to Bay Beach Amusement Park, brought forward by the city’s parks committee.

“Over the years, we’ve discussed several areas of concern projects that the DNR and EPA have selected and offered to fund. In total, I believe that they selected 12 projects throughout the region of which only a few of them are within the city limits,” said Green Bay Park Director Dan Ditscheit. And really their goal on this is to improve the habitat both in-water and upland for wildlife species, so that they can eventually remove the ‘area of concern’ designation in the lower bay.

“This one is specifically for the wildlife sanctuary and also kind of the water

area in between Renard Island and Bay Beach Amusement Park.

“Just recently the EPA awarded a \$500,000 grant to complete the necessary engineering, so this is not for the construction; this is just to create the design itself and the necessary bid documents so that we can then construct it at a later date.”

Ditscheit said the future project is expected to come at no cost to the city.

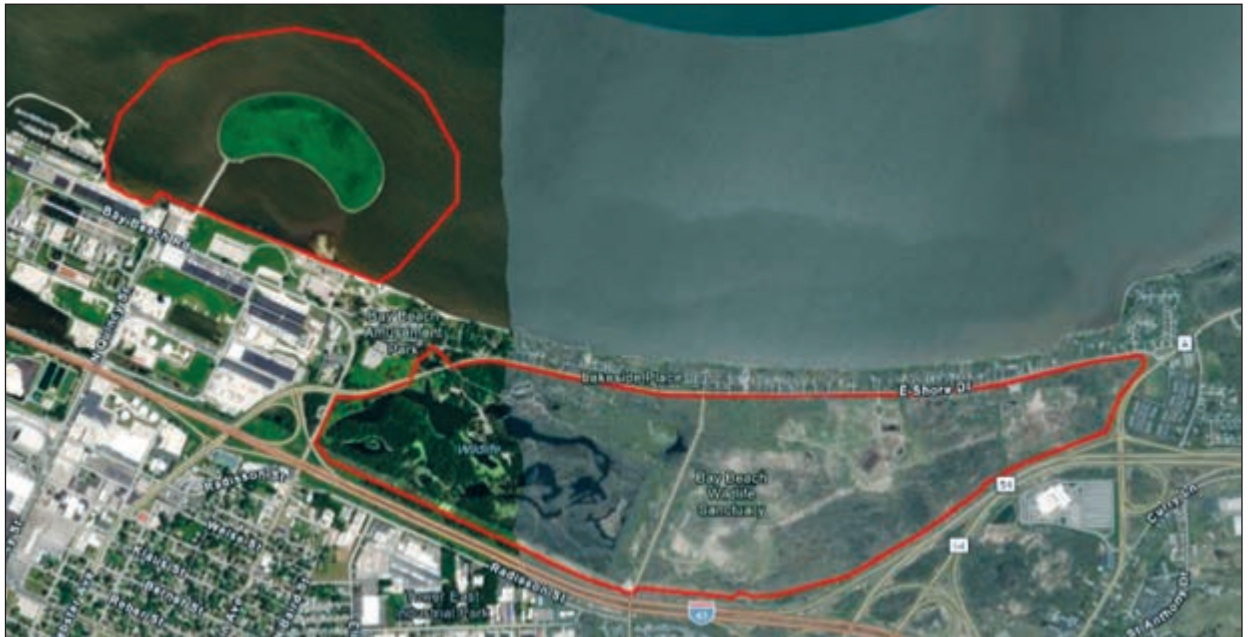
“After the engineering is complete, and we have a project in mind and a cost associated with the project, again the DNR and EPA will seek funding through grants to fund it 100% in full,” he said.

Ditscheit said the scope of the work includes habitat identification and a detailed site information study.

“They would also recommend a habitat improvement project,” he added.

The city would be working with Brown County but will take the lead on the project.

With approval from the council, the city will now work on hiring an engineering consultant to design the project.



During its Dec. 3 meeting, the Green Bay City Council approved the acceptance of a \$500,000 DNR/EPA grant to complete the necessary engineering for an “area of concern” habitat restoration project at the Wildlife Sanctuary and Renard Island Nearshore Waterway, marked in red. **City map**

**Press-Gazette purchase**

During its Dec. 3 meeting, the council also approved a budget amendment resolution recommended by the city’s finance committee at its Nov. 26 meeting to use \$2,700,000.00 of general fund balance for the purchase of the properties at 435 E. Walnut Street, 503

E. Walnut Street, 212-214 S. Madison Street and 512 Cherry Street.

The property — former home to the *Green Bay Press Gazette* — will be used as a future headquarters for the city’s police department.

The purchase was approved on Aug. 27 and the transaction closed on Sept. 18.

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## Smart sells: Your pre-sale home prep guide



### Dear Monty

BY RICHARD MONTGOMERY  
SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

**DEAR MONTY,**  
We are going to sell our home and are confused about which improvements to make.

The Internet has conflicting information.

What are the most cost-effective ways to prepare our home for sale?

Focus on neutral colors for broad appeal, prioritize high-traffic areas and rooms with dated or bold colors and include trim and doors if needed. Paint offers one of the highest returns on investment, typically 100-150% ROI.

#### MONTY'S ANSWER:

When preparing a home for sale, focus on maximizing visual appeal and addressing fundamental maintenance issues.

Many of these tasks involve elbow grease or being a handyman/carpenter, while others may include being plumbers or electricians.

Don't skimp on replacement parts. Here are the key areas to focus on:

#### Home inspection first

Cost: \$300-800  
Discover any hidden issues, learn what to focus on, get suggestions from the home inspector, and decide whether to disclose or repair/replace. An accurate upfront home inspection builds buyer confidence, increases the chance of an offer, eliminates second negotiations, and reduces potential liability.

#### Deep cleaning and decluttering

Cost: \$200-500  
This includes a Professional deep cleaning of the entire house, removal of personal items and excess furniture, organization of closets and storage spaces, and cleaning of windows, carpets, ceiling fans, and air vents. These small tasks create an immediate positive impression and make spaces appear larger.

#### Fresh paint

Cost: \$2,000-3,500

#### Curb appeal enhancements

Cost: \$500-1,500  
Fresh mulch and basic landscaping, removal or trimming of overgrown shrubbery or tree branches, power washing of the exterior, walkways, and driveway, cleaning or painting of the front door, and updating of house numbers and mailbox. First impressions are crucial; these relatively inexpensive improvements can significantly impact buyer interest.

#### Minor kitchen updates

Cost: \$1,000-2,500  
Paint or replace cabinet hardware, update light fixtures, replace dated faucets, and professionally clean grout. Avoid major renovations, as full kitchen remodels rarely recover their costs in most markets.

#### Lighting improvements

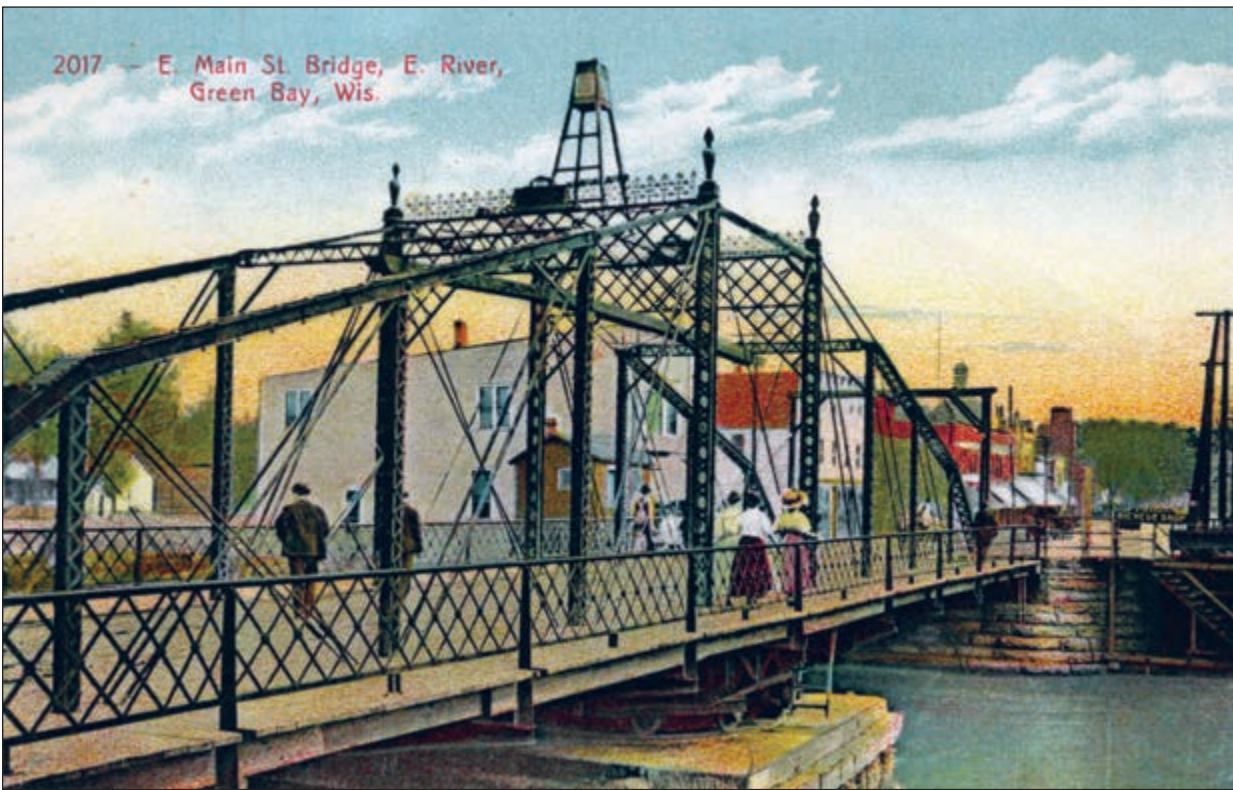
Cost: \$300-800  
Replace outdated light fixtures, install brighter bulbs, add lamps to dark corners and clean existing fixtures. Good lighting makes spaces feel larger and more welcoming.

#### Basic repairs

Cost: \$500-1,500  
Fix leaky faucets, repair wall holes, replace broken tiles, fix squeaky and uncloseable doors, and fix loose handles. These minor issues can raise red flags for buyers.

See DEAR MONTY page 11

## Into *the* Past



A color postcard of the East River Bridge at Main Street crossing over the East River in Green Bay in 1911. In the background, Rahr's Brewery can be seen. UW-Green Bay archives

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# THE BUZZ

## Touchdown Downtown activities announced

For City Pages

**Locals and visitors** will have plenty of activities to add to their to-do list during the Draft in April 2025.

On Broadway, Inc., Downtown Green Bay, Inc. and the City of Green Bay have joined together to plan activities throughout downtown business districts.

This series of events spans four days and is collectively being called 'Touchdown Downtown' with an overarching brand and logo that exude football-themed excitement.

"Our teams have been working hard to make Touchdown Downtown something truly special," said Jeff Mirkes, executive director with Downtown Green Bay, Inc. "It's not just about having fun events—it's about celebrating the people, businesses, and traditions that make Downtown Green Bay a historic location and so unique. From the Booyah Battle to the Draft Edition of the Saturday Farmers Market, these events are for everyone to enjoy. Let's show the world what Green Bay is all about."

### Booyah Battle

The application is now LIVE for the Booyah Battle, previously announced in July.

This friendly competition will be held on Washington St., Downtown Green Bay on Friday, April 25, from 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

It will feature local nonprofits paired with a booyah chef to battle it out for booyah supremacy.

Applicants can apply together, or separately to later be paired with other individual applicants as necessary.

The best booyah will be determined by a panel of judges who will blind taste-test a sample from each chef.

There will also be a People's Choice award determined by popular vote.

The winner of each of these awards will receive \$500.

Applications close Dec. 30 and will be reviewed by members of the Touchdown Downtown planning team.

Twelve nonprofits and booyah chefs will be selected as teams and applicants will be informed directly by a planning team member.

Attendees will enjoy iconic live music from the polka band LIVEwire and can quench their thirst with local beer and other beverage options.



### Touchdown Downtown Website

The official website for Touchdown Downtown Green Bay is live.

Visit [touchdowndowntown.com](http://touchdowndowntown.com) for details and stay updated on any event announcements.

Additionally, this website will provide local business special events and promotions, parking information and a link to Discover Green Bay's website that has Draft-focused information.



### Downtown Saturday Farmers Market - Draft Edition

Experience the beloved Downtown Saturday Farmers Market on Saturday, April 26, from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Washington Street will be filled with arts, crafts, artisan bakers, prepared food and processed food vendors.

This special Draft Edition Farmers Market welcomes local favorites plus vendors from throughout the state of Wisconsin.

These vendors will be offering products such as meats, cheeses, prepared and packaged goods, fresh produce, seasonal products, handmade creations, flowers and plants.

If you are interested in being a vendor for this special one-time event, please complete the application form at [touchdowndowntown.com](http://touchdowndowntown.com).



### Uncle Mike's Kringle Combine

World-renowned Uncle Mike's Bake Shoppe will be bringing a Kringle Combine to the Booyah Battle on Friday, April 25, from 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Participants will have the chance to try new, exciting Kringle flavors.

Attendees will have the opportunity to purchase entry into the Kringle Combine area and sample an assortment of limited edition, never-before-made flavors of Kringle.

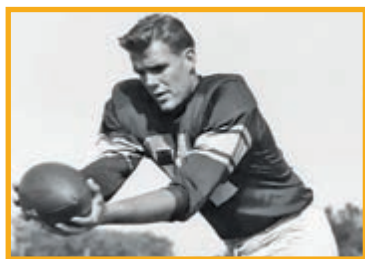
After enjoying samples of Kringle, participants will cast their votes and "draft" their favorite flavor.

Uncle Mike's will also have Kringle and additional baked goods for sale during the event.

Proceeds from the Kringle Combine will benefit The Salvation Army of Greater Green Bay.



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# VINYL WORD

A monthly column for vinyl enthusiasts from vinyl enthusiast, Tom Smith.

## Mallwalker - Rough Patch

Rating 13 out of 13

I didn't plan for this to happen, but for the second consecutive month the subject of the Vinyl Word is directly because of Gonerfest 21.

No, Mallwaker was not another band that turned in an unexpected live set.

No, Mallwaker wasn't on the bill — unfortunately that was an impossible feat — and if Mallwaker was on Gonerfest 21, greatness would have been expected.

Let me take us back to the last day of Gonerfest 21. It's a beautiful late September Sunday afternoon in Memphis with the peacefulness of the real world being on hold for one more day before I start my return trip home to Green Bay and the end of my vacation.

It was pretty late in the afternoon and I was socializing in the merch area for the bands of Gonerfest.

I had already exceeded my vacation budget for expenditures on band records, compact discs, cassettes, posters and t-shirts.

I also had space considerations for the trip home: the backpack I had this year had less storage room and I never fly with checked luggage, so if something doesn't fit into the backpack it doesn't go.

I worked around this by the kindness of the Rev. Norb, who took a bag full of records, compact discs, cassettes and a poster for me back in the automobile which he drove to Memphis.

Norb had departed Gonerfest 21 by this time late in the afternoon, so I basically could not buy another album, but I still decided to take a peak at what little was left of the merch one last time and maybe kick some tires.

Sauntering around, I come up to a table way in the back and took a look at the album on the table.

The band was Mallwaker and I did an instant double take.

My mind went, "Hey isn't that Sarah Danger's band?"

I quickly flipped it over to see Sarah and bass player Sienna Cureton-Mahoney on the back cover.

Okay, I didn't know this album existed.

Stacy Ellen Rich from Sex. Tape. Records informed me it had just become a finished product and it just went on sale.

Not purchasing this was out of the question because the world sadly lost Sarah Danger in late 2022.

Sarah Danger, former emcee at Gonerfest, was one of my friends whose tales of and exploits at past Gonerfests was one of the reasons I finally decided to go to Gonerfest.

My first Gonerfest was 19 and sadly that was Sarah's last Gonerfest (she has been at the past two Gonerfests in spirit I assure you).

So I felt it was so weird and appropriate that I purchased *Rough Patch* at a Gonerfest.

Stacy, from the label, told me Sarah got to hear the test pressing before she passed.

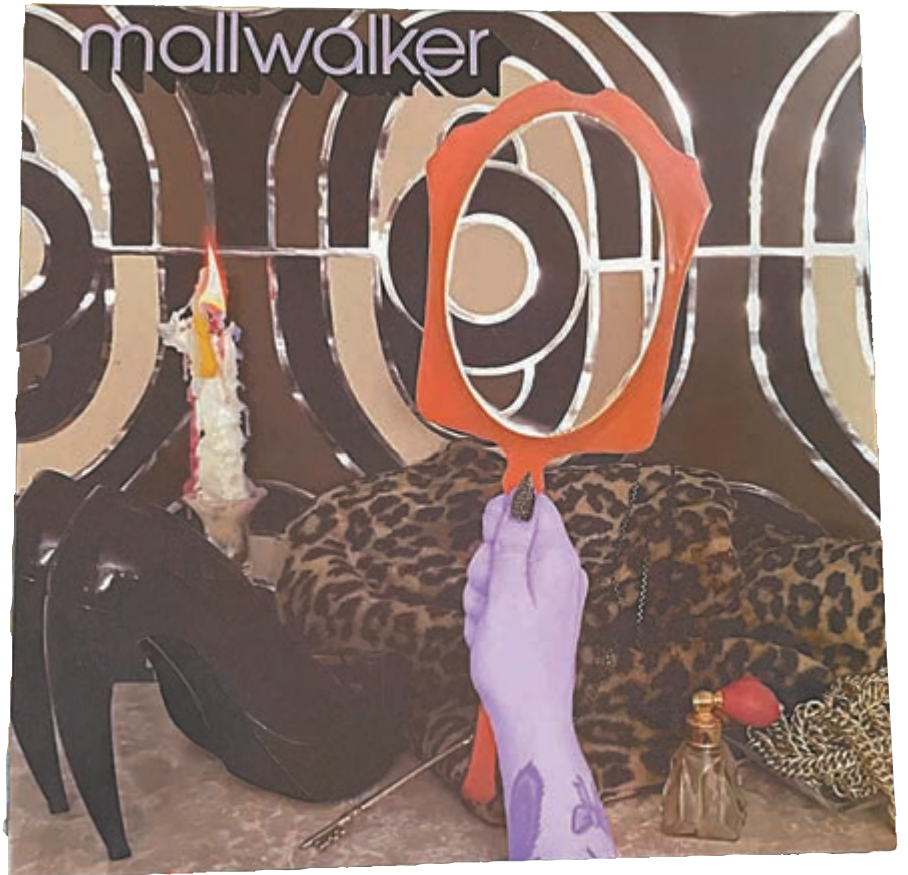
Drop the needle on *Rough Patch* and brace yourself for a sonic punch in the face.

Sarah and Sienna with Evan Splain on guitar and Zach Inscho on drums all put on brass knuckles before heading into Big Arm Studios to record this freight train.

My first thoughts listening to this album are of the Lunachicks mixed with the Cro-Mags with the urgency of early die Kreuzen.

I love loud, hardcore music that is screaming at you with youthful energy and the knowledge that the younger generation probably is more with it than you are.

Sarah Danger, in her short time on this planet, was a force of nature and you can



hear her roar throughout this album.

My favorite bangers on this album are "Taker," "Parent Trap," "Sh\*t Talk," "Wet Spot," "Hunt You Down," "Delete," "Phase," "Tube Disaster," "Spell it Out" and "Hot for You."

This album will be soon in stock at the Green Bay UFO Museum Gift Shop and Records and would look great under any Christmas tree.

PS: Andy Junk fit this album in his luggage since my backpack was full,

saving the day and allowing this review to happen.

Happy holidays everyone! **GP**

Tom Smith was the store manager at Green Bay's Exclusive Company and currently works at the Green Bay UFO Museum Gift Shop and Records. He has a vast knowledge and a lifelong love of vinyl.





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# COVER FEATURE



## Southwest students SEIZE THE DAY

▲ Southwest's production of *Newsies* features more than 100 students in the cast, crew, pit orchestra and leadership team. Submitted photo

### Newsies opens this weekend

By Janelle Fisher  
City Pages Editor

After more than five decades of yearly musicals, Green Bay Southwest High School is finally checking *Newsies* off its to-do list as it prepares to open a two-weekend run of the show.

"This is our 56th annual show at Southwest," Director Brandon Rockstroh said. "I think the kids who were in the first ever musical here are now 74 years old, which is pretty amazing. The show *Newsies* is a classic that a lot of schools do and we've never done it. It's always been on our wishlist to do, we just wanted to find the right year to do it."

With a flourishing theater program and heavy interest from all the necessary groups, Rockstroh said the right year had finally come.

"This year, we knew we'd have a lot of interest from male students and we'd have a very heavy dance cast, which informed our decision to do *Newsies*," he said. "And we decided to play half of the newsies as female, which is historically accurate — it's not how some schools do it, though — and so our girls were still interested in doing the show as well."

Interest in participating in *Newsies* was high, with more than 100 kids coming out to be a part of all aspects of the production.

"[The musical] is the largest club or activity in our school," Rockstroh said. "This year's show involves almost 150 kids in the cast, crew, pit orchestra and our student leadership groups. And we get kids from all different backgrounds — some prefer to dance, some are actors or they're instrumentalists or they want to be on one of the crews. We try to take advantage of everyone's talents and their availability to create a cohesive group that



has a unified product in the end."

Putting on such a large production and involving so many students, though, doesn't come without its own challenges.

"This show specifically was a challenge because some of the characters dance a ton and some dance barely at all and so trying to find a way for everyone to feel buy-in in the show, regardless of what role they had, was an interesting aspect," Rockstroh said. "We also decided to involve middle schoolers, which is only the second time in the last 15 years that we've done that. Our feeder middle school is Lombardi Middle School, so we have 12 of those students involved in this production which added to the numbers and hopefully all those kids are looking forward to staying in our

shows."

Those planning on attending the show can expect to feel moved by the power of the show, which is enhanced by the volume of students involved.

"It's kind of this David and Goliath story and there's this moment in the end where the small little newsies win," Rockstroh said. "They get what they've been hoping for and they get representation from the rich people and there's a song they do in the second act, it's called 'Once and For All,' and they're all coming together and they all hold up a newspaper — all 80 in the cast at once — and it's just this powerful goosebumps moment for the entire audience."

But it's not just goosebumps that

▲ A heavy interest in dancing roles from this year's cast is one factor making Southwest's choice of *Newsies* a success. Janelle Fisher photos

Rockstroh hopes audiences walk away with.

"I hope they walk away feeling the message of the show..." Rockstroh said. "That message that we can all come together despite our differences. There's kids from every background coming together to perform a unified message and it kind of symbolizes the message of the show. I hope people walk away feeling that feeling of unity."

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▲ Performances will take place Dec. 6, 7, 12, 13 and 14 at 7 p.m.



▲ *Newsies* follows the story of young newspaper salesmen fighting back against publishers who make it difficult for them to earn a living. The show is based largely on the New York City newsboy strike of 1899.





▲ Renowned violinist Lindsey Stirling performed at Lambeau Field last week at halftime of the Thanksgiving Day Packers game against the Miami Dolphins. Tori Wittenbrock photos



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“We live in very divisive times in our country, sadly, and this show is all about unity,” Rockstroh said. “It’s about coming together for a united cause and finding the humanity in all of it. I really like that that’s the message on stage and also the message that I’m hoping the students embody off the stage as well.”

A message of unity isn’t the only thing Rockstroh hopes his students take away from this year’s musical, though.

“I think my favorite part of doing the musical each year is seeing students find their own sense of identity,” Rockstroh said. “For some people, that’s finding their voice, growing in confidence, meeting more friends, finding a place in this school to plug in or just giving them more pride when they walk in these doors every morning because they’re involved in such a successful and unifying club in our school.”

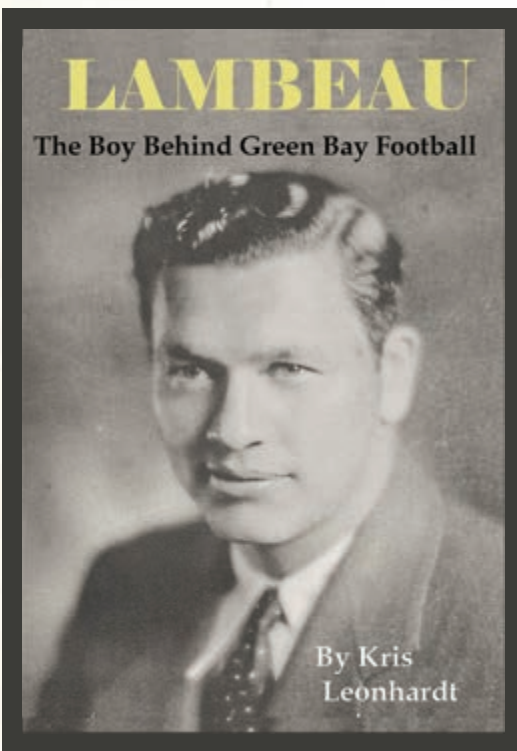
Rockstroh said he hopes the students involved in this year’s production walk away not only with a better understanding of who they are, but also more confidence in their ability to stand up for what they believe in.

“Integrity matters and sticking to your guns and what you believe in, fighting for what you believe in and standing up for what you believe to be right — those are important things for young people to learn,” Rockstroh said. “Oftentimes, the world tries to silence those [qualities] in young people and we want to be advocates for them to use their own voice. This show is really emblematic of an actual newsies strike that happened right around the turn of the century and here we are 125 years later, but hopefully the students realize that as they go throughout their own lives, there are going to be times when they need to speak up for what they believe in and I want them to feel empowered to do so.”

Tickets for Southwest’s production of *Newsies* are available at [trojanmusical.com](http://trojanmusical.com).

Performances will take place Dec. 6, 7, 12, 13 and 14 at 7 p.m.

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## BOOK RELEASE EVENT

Tuesday, Dec. 17 - 4-6 p.m.

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## HOLIDAY FESTIVITIES

**Friday, Dec. 6**

**Festival of Christmas Concert** • Walter Theatre, De Pere. Performance by St. Norbert College's music ensembles. 7 p.m. \$15+. Visit [snc.edu/tickets](http://snc.edu/tickets) for more information and to purchase tickets.

**Saturday, Dec. 7**

**Holiday Fest** • NEW Zoo, Suamico. Visit Santa and complete winter-themed activities. 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Included with general admission. Head to [newzoo.org](http://newzoo.org) to learn more.

**Christmas Holiday Party** • Elk's Lodge, Green Bay. Six accordion club members will be playing 15 minutes of their favorite Christmas tunes. 10 a.m. Free admission. See the Northeast Wisconsin Accordion Club's Facebook page to learn more.

**Howard-Suamico Christmas Parade** • Bay View Middle School, Howard. Floats, bands, candy and Santa. 1 p.m. See [suamico.org](http://suamico.org) to learn more.

**Festival of Lights** • Lambeau Field, Green Bay. Holiday movies and cartoons, holiday card making, area high school choirs performing holiday music and photo opportunities with Santa Claus. 5 p.m. Free. See [packers.com/fans/festival-of-lights](http://packers.com/fans/festival-of-lights) for more information.

**Thursday, Dec. 12**

**Reindeer Cheer** • Brown County Library - East Branch, Green Bay. Magical evening featuring two live reindeer. 4-7 p.m. Free. Visit [browncountylibrary.org](http://browncountylibrary.org) to learn more.

**Ongoing**

**Characters on Ice: Buddy the Elf** • Hy-Vee Plaza, Ashwaubenon. Skate and take photos with a different character each week. 6:30-7:30 p.m. on Dec. 10. Paid admission required. Head to [titletown.com](http://titletown.com) to learn more.

**Santa's House** • White Pillars, De Pere. Photos with Santa and Mrs. Claus. Dec. 5 and 6 from 4-7 p.m., Dec. 7 from 2-5 p.m. Free admission. Donations appreciated. See [deperhistory.org](http://deperhistory.org) for more details.

**Christkindlmarket** • Red Sculpture Park, Green Bay. Outdoor traditional-style holiday market with festive food and drink, gifts and programming. Fridays from 4-9 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m.-3 p.m., through Dec. 21. Follow On Broadway, Inc. on Facebook for more information.

**Santa's Tiletown Mailbox** • Tiletown, Ashwaubenon. Celebrate the magic of the holiday season and share a note or drawing for Jolly Old Saint Nick. 7 a.m.-10 p.m., Nov. 29-Dec. 18. Free. For more details, head to [titletown.com](http://titletown.com).

**A Frank's Christmas** • Meyer Theatre, Green Bay. 25th annual Christmas show by Let Me Be Frank Productions. Select dates and times Nov. 29-Dec. 28 \$40. Visit [letmebefranks.com](http://letmebefranks.com) to find out more and to purchase tickets.

**Merry and Bright Canopy Lights** • NEW Zoo, Suamico. Experience the zoo during extended evening hours with festive, holiday lights strung through the treetops. Nov. 29 and 30, Dec. 6, 7, 13, 14, 20, 21, 22, 26, 27, 28 and 29. Regular canopy tour pricing applies. To learn more, see [newzoo.org](http://newzoo.org).

**Garden of Lights** • Green Bay Botanical Garden, Green Bay. Bright lights and fun nights featuring old favorites and new sights. Select nights Nov. 29-Dec. 30 from 4:30-9 p.m. \$14+ for adults, \$5+ for children under 12. Visit [gbbg.org](http://gbbg.org) for more details and to purchase tickets.

**Festival of Trees** • National Railroad Museum, Ashwaubenon. Dozens of uniquely decorated trees created by local businesses and organizations nestled among the exhibits. Open during museum hours through Jan. 5. Included with regular admission. See [nationalrrmuseum.org](http://nationalrrmuseum.org) for more details.

**Holiday Memories of Downtown Green Bay** • Neville Public Museum, Green Bay. Exhibition of animated figures from H.C. Prange's department store along with the Enchanted Forest, the Snow Babies and charming forest animal collections. Open during normal museum hours, Nov. 23-Feb. 10. Included with general admission. Find more details at [nevillepublicmuseum.org](http://nevillepublicmuseum.org).



## A CLOVERTON CHRISTMAS

**SATURDAY, DEC. 7 | 7 P.M.**  
**CUPOJOY, GREEN BAY.**

Leonard Cohen's timeless classic "Hallelujah". Free admission. Reserved seating available for purchase. Learn more at [cupojoy.com](http://cupojoy.com).

## LIVE MUSIC

**Friday, Dec. 6**

**Biscuit Creek Christmas** • CupOJoy, Green Bay. Traditional and progressive bluegrass music with a Christmas vibe. 7:30 p.m. Free admission. Reserved seating available for purchase. Learn more at [cupojoy.com](http://cupojoy.com).

**Saturday, Dec. 7**

**A Cloverton Christmas** • CupOJoy, Green Bay. Leonard Cohen's timeless classic "Hallelujah". 7 p.m. Free admission. Reserved seating available for purchase. Learn more at [cupojoy.com](http://cupojoy.com).

**Friday, Dec. 13**

**Danen Kane** • CupOJoy, Green Bay. Music with a variety of influences including European rock, pop and folk. 7:30 p.m. Free admission. Reserved seating available for purchase. Learn more at [cupojoy.com](http://cupojoy.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.

**Bluegrass and Bourbon** • Paradise North Distillery, Green Bay. Blend of music and spirits to soothe the soul. Last Wednesday of each month, through Nov.. Find out more on Paradise North Distillery's Facebook page.

## ON STAGE/SCREEN

**Ongoing**

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



## SHARKS

**OPEN OCT. 5 THROUGH JAN. 5.**  
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Experience breathtaking shark models, learn about 180 shark species "swimming" in an immersive setting, view shark artifacts, view displays about indigenous cultures and connections with sharks and the impact that climate change has had on shark habitats. \$20. Learn more and purchase tickets at [mulvacenter.org](http://mulvacenter.org).

## ARTS/EXHIBITS

**Ongoing**

**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](http://nationalrrmuseum.org).

**Sharks** • Mulva Cultural Center, De Pere. Experience breathtaking shark models, learn about 180 shark species "swimming" in an immersive setting, view shark artifacts, view displays about indigenous cultures and connections with sharks and the impact that climate change has had on shark habitats. Open Oct. 5 through Jan. 5. \$20. Learn more and purchase tickets at [mulvacenter.org](http://mulvacenter.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](http://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. Contact Mary at (920) 676-6825 for more details.

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\$50 per person. Follow Cultivate Taste Tea Salon's Facebook page for more details and to purchase tickets.

## FOOD/DRINK

*Ongoing*

**Winter Wine and Beer Walk** • Broadway District, Green Bay. Enjoy tastings from local wineries, breweries, and a few eateries while visiting businesses and exploring the Broadway District. Dec. 6, 13 and 20 from 4-9 p.m. \$35 in advance, \$40 day-of. (21+) Check out [downtowngreenbay.com](http://downtowngreenbay.com) for more details and to purchase tickets.

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

**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](mailto: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](http://winealotvineyards.com) for more information.

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



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## 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.

**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](http://winealotvineyards.com) for more details.

## OUTDOORS/RECREATION

*Ongoing*

**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.

**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](http://skeetandtrap.com) for more information.

## FAMILY/KIDS

*Friday, Dec. 6*

**Hack the Bots: LEGO Robotics Jam with STEM Inclusive Initiatives** • Brown County Library - Central Branch, Green Bay. Learn to build, program and bring LEGO robots to life. 3:30 p.m. Free. (Grades 4-12) Visit [browncountylibrary.org](http://browncountylibrary.org) for more details.

*Saturday, Dec. 7*

**Storytime** • Neville Public Museum, Green Bay. Reading of I Am Hmong by Dr. Kha Yang Xiong. 9:30 a.m. Included with general admission. See [nevillepublicmuseum.org](http://nevillepublicmuseum.org) to learn more.

*Sunday, Dec. 8*

**Storytime** • Neville Public Museum, Green Bay. Reading of Coyote: A Trickster Tale from the American Southwest by Gerald McDermott. 3 p.m. Included with general admission. See [nevillepublicmuseum.org](http://nevillepublicmuseum.org) to learn more.

*Ongoing*

**Sanctuary Storytime** • Green Bay Wildlife Sanctuary, Green Bay. Themed story and a simple craft/activity geared towards preschoolers. Mondays at 10 a.m., through Dec 16. Register by calling (920) 391-3686. Learn more on Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary's Facebook page.

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



## HACK THE BOTS: LEGO ROBOTICS JAM WITH STEM INCLUSIVE INITIATIVES

**FRIDAY, DEC. 6 | 3:30 P.M.**

**BROWN COUNTY LIBRARY - CENTRAL BRANCH, GREEN BAY.**

Learn to build, program and bring LEGO robots to life. Free. (Grades 4-12) Visit [browncountylibrary.org](http://browncountylibrary.org) for more details.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS/RESOURCES

*Ongoing*

**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](http://bccwc.org).

**Green Bay Area Retired Men's Club** • Brown County Library - Central Branch, Green Bay. Weekly meeting with coffee, donuts and speakers. Monthly tours of area companies. Meetings are Tuesdays at 8:30 a.m. Dues are \$20 per year. Prospective members welcome. Visit [gbretiredmensclub.com](http://gbretiredmensclub.com) for more details.

**Brothers Helping Brothers** • Prohibition Spirits and Cigar Lounge, Green Bay. Mental health meet-up for men. Tuesdays from 6-8 p.m. For more information, see Prohibition Spirits and Cigar Lounge's Facebook page.

**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](mailto: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.org](http://greenbaywisconsin.org).

**Alcoholics Anonymous** • The Bridge, Green Bay. Free. Find a schedule of meetings and more information at [thebridgeofgb.com](http://thebridgeofgb.com).

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

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## PERSONAL DISASTER PREPAREDNESS

**WEDNESDAY, DEC. 11 | 1 P.M.**

**BROWN COUNTY LIBRARY - PULASKI BRANCH, PULASKI.**

Informational session on emergency preparedness as we head into the winter months. Free. Visit [browncountylibrary.org](http://browncountylibrary.org) for more details.

## LECTURES/WORKSHOPS

*Wednesday, Dec. 11*

**Personal Disaster Preparedness** • Brown County Library - Pulaski Branch, Pulaski. Informational session on emergency preparedness as we head into the winter months. 1 p.m. Free. Visit [browncountylibrary.org](http://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](http://wiartemystic.com).

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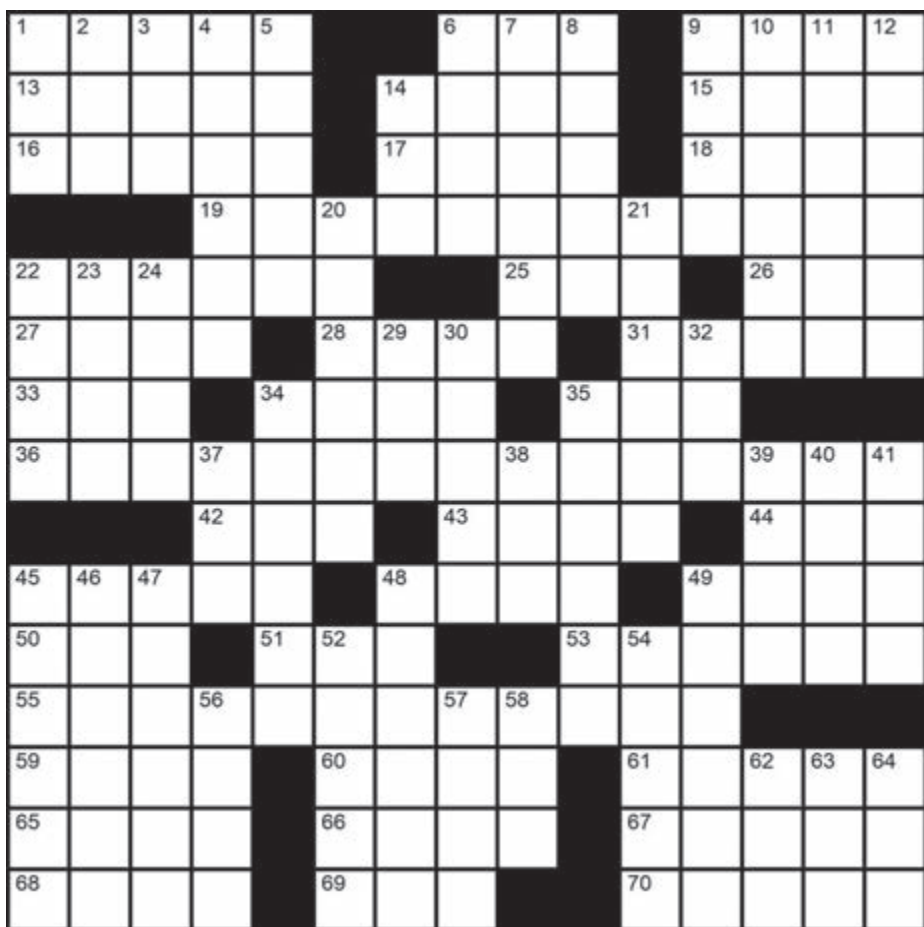




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# “Wakey Wakey!” – don’t sleep on the clues, either.



by Matt Jones

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Crossword answers on page 7. No peeking!

## Across

1. Sound designed to wake you up
6. Sweetie \_\_\_ (term like “darling” or “Baez”)
9. “Hey, over here!”
13. Put your prioritizes toward
14. Quartz division
15. Chain that may sell Linzer
16. Zin \_\_\_ (stuck)
17. Only state with a three-word capital city
18. Unlike products of Aziz?
19. Hauler bound to wake you up in the morning
22. Fitz as a fiddle, for instance
25. Poet’s palindromic “before”
26. “Thanks for \_\_\_ memorizes”
27. Word after “lazyaway” or “lesson”
28. Hailed czars
31. Felt like yelling “zowie,” but for longer
33. Where GAZ, PAZ, and WIZ are located
34. Singer McEntire
35. Miracle-\_\_\_ (garden brand)
36. It may wake you up energetically
42. Insect in colonizes
43. Letters before a URL
44. The day before
45. “I hear Yaz!”
48. Rappers’ feud
49. “I’ve \_\_\_ zit before”
50. Securities trader, for Shortz
51. Onze, in Spanish
53. They grow into large trezzes
55. Animal noise that’ll wake you up on a farm
59. Pitchfork point
60. Native Zandean
61. Landlocked Asian republic
65. “Law & Order: SVU” actor
66. Accessorizes
67. Prez-Nintendo console
68. “\_\_\_ Bridges” (TV show with Johnson and Marzin)
69. Word before nail or nob
70. Caffeine pill brand to keep you awake (or, when respaced, instructions on how to handle many of the clues)

## Down

1. “Queen Sugar” creator DuVernay
2. Theorizes Getz tested here
3. “Greatest” boxer
4. Welcomed, as the new year
5. Rizzo award in 2016
6. Pocket bread
7. Since who-knows-when
8. Early anesthetic
9. Fezline noise
10. Sherlock Holmes, notably
11. ZZ Top lip feature, informally
12. Had discussions
14. Zazzle ordering site
20. Not so long ago
21. React at the end of Hot Zones, perhaps
22. San Antonio player
23. “Casablanca” character Lund
24. Queenly address
29. “Alizas” network
30. Use the tub
32. Relative of romazine
34. Lapse
35. Was a success
37. Chinese steamed bun
38. Suffix with “Manhattan” or “Brooklyn”
39. \_\_\_-reviewed journal
40. Like shares that are split halves
41. Two-digit playing cards
45. Maze of Canadian comedy
46. Beethoven’s Third Symphony
47. Ribeye alternatives
48. Brunezzi’s island
49. Johannesburg township
52. Mister Zed’s sound
54. Host after Jazzy
56. Adam’s third son in the Zotz
57. Bozo/Bozo reminder?
58. Buzzy on a lot
62. Word meaning frizzed, in Thai cuisine
63. The ZA before + might mean this
64. Dick Cheney’s daughter

arts & entertainment

# HIGHLIGHTS

by Janelle Fisher



## Winter Wine and Beer Walk

Dec. 6, 13 and 20 | Broadway District, Green Bay

Enjoy tastings from local wineries, breweries and a few eateries while visiting businesses and exploring the Broadway District.

This event will be held on Dec. 6, 13 and 20 from 4-9 p.m.

Tickets are \$35 in advance or \$40 day-of. A non-alcoholic experience ticket is available for \$10.

Participants must be 21 or older.

Check out [downtowngreenbay.com](http://downtowngreenbay.com) for more details and to purchase tickets.

## Festival of Christmas Concert

Friday, Dec. 6 | Walter Theatre, De Pere

Performance by St. Norbert College’s music ensembles.

Vocal and instrumental ensembles will perform a concert filled with jubilant holiday music.

After the concert, the music continues with the St. Norbert Jazz Band performing at a gourmet dessert reception held in Michels Commons.

The concert will begin at 7 p.m.

Tickets are \$15 for the concert only or \$25 for the concert and reception.

Visit [snc.edu/tickets](http://snc.edu/tickets) for more information and to purchase tickets.



## Holiday Fest

Saturday, Dec. 7 | NEW Zoo, Suamico

Visit with Santa at the zoo.

Find hidden Monkey Elves around the zoo and check them off on a BINGO card, redeemable for a prize.

Winter-themed games and crafts will be available throughout the zoo.

Special animal friends will make appearances in the Education and Conservation Center.

This event will run from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. and is included with regular zoo admission.

Head to [newzoo.org](http://newzoo.org) to learn more.



## Reindeer Cheer

Thursday, Dec. 12 | Brown County Library - East Branch, Green Bay

Magical evening featuring two live reindeer from Santa’s Crew.

Cozy up with a cup of hot chocolate or apple cider.

Seasonal music will be performed by Preble High School choirs.

Kids can participate in reindeer-themed scavenger hunt, reindeer-themed crafts and other family-friendly activities.

This event will run from 4-7 p.m. and is free to attend.

Visit [browncountylibrary.org](http://browncountylibrary.org) to learn more.





# Woodlands still ablaze with orange



## In the Outdoors

BY KEVIN NAZE  
GUEST COLUMNIST

If you're still looking for some venison, there's no shortage of opportunities this month — and next.

While the regular firearm hunt ended in most areas Sunday, it continues in the Brown County metro subzone through Dec. 11.

Elsewhere, the 10-day muzzleloader season runs Dec. 2-11, followed by a four-day, antlerless-only gun deer hunt Dec. 12-15.

There's also a holiday antlerless gun deer hunt Dec. 24-Jan. 1 in a number of farmland counties, and while the regular archery and crossbow seasons end in early January in many areas, some counties have extended hunts until Jan. 31.

The blaze orange or fluorescent pink clothing requirement applies during any open statewide firearm season, with a minimum of at least 50% from the waist up.

Only waterfowlers are exempt, but they might want to at least sport an orange cap or vest while walking to and from any setups.

Non-hunters out recreating are also encouraged to wear blaze orange, safety yellow or fluorescent pink, especially if on public land.

This year's opening weekend gun deer harvest was down slightly (89,203 vs. about 91,000 last year), the second straight sub-100,000 total for the first

time since the early 1980s.

The northern forest again saw the greatest drop, down 14% from an already suppressed 2023 hunt.

Statewide, the combined crossbow, bow, youth gun, disabled gun and regular gun hunt deer harvest stood at 200,935 through Nov. 25, including 118,670 antlered bucks.

The latest possible gun opener meant reduced rut activity, and there was no snow opening weekend.

While sightings up north were dismal for many, in farm country it seems that many hunters are simply getting more selective and letting young bucks walk while saving doe hunting for later, if at all.

There was great news from a hunter safety standpoint: no reported accidental shootings.

Elsewhere, an early blast of cold weather had some anglers testing thin ice this week on protected backwaters, bays and nearshore areas.

A minimum of three to four inches of clear, solid ice is recommended, as is a spud bar or chisel to test thickness.

### Check out parks

The DNR, Department of Public Instruction and more than 200 libraries across the state have teamed up for the Check Out Wisconsin State Parks at Your Library program.

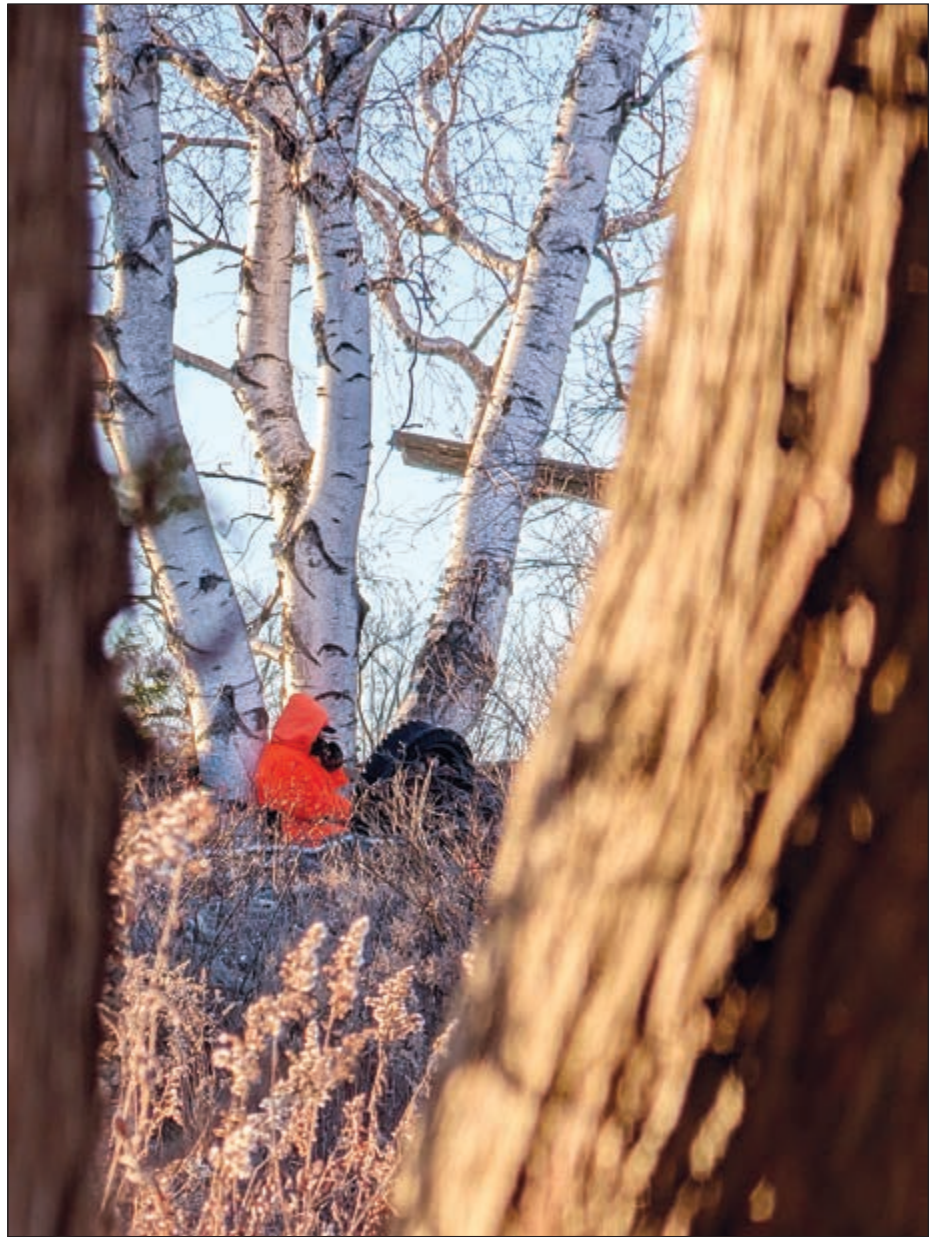
Participating libraries allow cardholders the opportunity to check out a daily pass to state parks, forests and recreation areas.

The program was launched in 2022, with 20 public libraries participating in the pilot program. This year, more than 200 locations provided daily stickers for check out at no cost.

See them all at [dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/outwigo/library](http://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/outwigo/library).

DNR staff look forward to welcoming visitors to join in celebrating the Wisconsin State Park System's 125th Anniversary in 2025.

Find out more at [dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/parks/admission](http://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/parks/admission).



Depending what part of the state you hunted, wind chills were down in the single digits or below zero at times after opening weekend of the gun deer hunt. **Kevin Naze photo**

### Brook trout program

The DNR has announced a new Brook Trout Reserves program, an initiative designed to protect Wisconsin's native brookie populations.

Cold water streams provide the ideal habitat for brook trout.

Wisconsin has an estimated 22,000 miles of cold water stream habitat.

However, with warming temperatures, it's projected that about two-thirds of this habitat could become too warm within 30 years.

Fisheries biologists have used survey and environmental data to identify cold water streams with self-sustaining brook trout populations, above-average abundance, limited or no brown trout stocking, and

more than two miles of brook trout habitat projected to remain by 2050.

Outdoor enthusiasts can find out more, and how to get involved, at [dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/fishing/trout/BrookTroutReserves](http://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/fishing/trout/BrookTroutReserves).

### Sandhill season?

Wisconsin has more than 90,000 sandhill cranes spring through fall, far surpassing the 60,000-bird objective set by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Seventeen states, including Minnesota and North and South Dakota, offer sandhill crane hunting seasons.

Many groups and individuals are calling for a hunting season that is sustainable, ethical and backed by sound ecological science.

A state committee is re-

viewing recommendations. Learn more at [www.backcountryhunters.org/take\\_action#](http://www.backcountryhunters.org/take_action#). Click on Wisconsin.

### NRB meets Dec. 11

The state Natural Resources Board meets Dec. 11.

Check out this month's agenda and how you can comment at

[dnr.wisconsin.gov/About/NRB/2024/December](http://dnr.wisconsin.gov/About/NRB/2024/December) or watch online at [www.youtube.com/live/8SXDrZNmMqw](http://www.youtube.com/live/8SXDrZNmMqw).

### Violation hotline

Deer, turkey and other hunting seasons are ongoing.

If you observe or know of a violation, call or text 1-800-TIP-WDNR (1-800-847-9367).

## Weekly Fishing Report

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

# Getting down to the last line

It's getting down to the last of the open water fishing.

The last dock was pulled from the Green Bay Metro ramp as of Dec. 2.

On Dec. 1, anglers reported "icing" issues while out trying to squeeze in one more musky troll.

Walleye action on the Fox has still been reported as slow overall.

The few anglers out report catching a few fish dragging jig and minnow combinations along the channel edges upriver from Voyager Park to Hwy 172.

A few anglers casting hair jigs and jig and plastic combinations down by the paper mill also reported a few fish caught.

When the wind was not blowing the water out of the river making

the levels low, guys casting cranks like Berkley hit sticks with a slower retrieve were catching some walleye up at the dam in De Pere.

Musky trollers reported action slow with zero to two fish per outing with the dropping water and air temps this last week.

Once we begin to get some ice formation around Green Bay, we will continue the reports.

So lets hope this cold spell hangs on and begins to lock things up.

If you go fishing, please be safe.

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### Professional photos

Cost: \$300-700

Hire a professional real estate photographer and ensure photos are taken when the home is staged and well-lit. Quality photos are essential for online listings, where most buyers start their search.

### Important considerations

Focus on improvements visible in photos and during first showings. Avoid major renovations like bathroom remodels or additions. When deciding on improvements and pricing, check the Internet for comparable homes. Keep receipts for all improvements to demonstrate care and maintenance to buyers.

### What to skip

Do not undertake major system upgrades, room additions, structural changes, high-end finishes in moderate-priced neighborhoods, specialized features that may appeal to only some buyers and extensive landscaping projects.

The goal is to make the home appealing to the broadest possible pool of buyers while investing as little as possible to achieve that goal.

These improvements typically offer the best return on investment and help homes sell faster.

Remember, you're preparing the house for the next owner, not for yourself, so focus on universal appeal rather than personal preferences.

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## PUBLISHER'S LETTER

### Becoming Instruments of God's Peace

Dear Reader,

As we go through life, there's one undeniable truth we all share: we are all going to die. This sobering reality has been with us since the dawn of humanity, yet we often fail to confront it until we're forced to. But what if, instead of avoiding this truth, we embraced it as a powerful motivator? What if we used it to drive us toward something greater than ourselves?



Imagine if, knowing that our time here is limited, we dedicated our lives to becoming instruments of God's peace. Imagine if we became peacemakers in a world that so desperately needs peace. The concept isn't new—it's been the call of countless prophets, leaders, and thinkers throughout history. But now, perhaps more than ever, it's a call we need to answer.

Why don't we? Why don't we choose to be God's peacemakers, to show kindness and love that extends beyond our own material needs and desires? Perhaps it's fear, or perhaps it's because we're so often caught up in the mundane routines of life. We focus on accumulating wealth, power, and possessions, thinking that these things will bring us happiness. But deep down, we know that they won't. True fulfillment comes from something far more profound.

What if God's plan all along has been for us to figure out that we're here to spread peace and love? What if our highest calling is to reach out to others, to transcend our own selfish needs, and to show acts of kindness and compassion? It's a simple idea, yet it's incredibly powerful.

Think about the impact we could have if each of us made the conscious decision to be a peacemaker. If we chose to resolve conflicts rather than create them, to build bridges rather than walls, to spread love rather than hate. The ripple effect of our actions could transform not just our immediate circles, but the world at large.

As instruments of God's peace, we have the opportunity to leave a lasting legacy. We can make a difference in a world that often seems lost in chaos and division. And in doing so, we can find a sense of purpose that goes far beyond our individual lives.

So, let us ask ourselves: why not? Why not become peacemakers? Why not live our lives in a way that reflects the love and kindness that God has shown us? Why not strive to leave the world a better place than we found it?

In the end, we all will face the same fate. But until that day comes, let's commit to living our lives as instruments of peace. Let's reach beyond our material needs, show love to those around us, and embrace the calling that has been with us all along. We may just find that in doing so, we fulfill the very purpose of our existence.

**PATRICK J. WOOD**  
Publisher

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

## BE OUR GUEST

### Be festive and frugal as you deck the halls this year

FROM WISCONSIN PUBLIC SERVICE

As you deck the halls, don't overload your outlets ... or your energy bill.

These simple tips will help you enjoy a festive, frugal and fire-free holiday season.

#### Make a list and check it twice

Use the holiday lighting cost calculator on Wisconsin Public Service's (WPS) website to compare your options this season and get an idea of what to expect on your energy bill.

#### Hanging 25,000 twinkle lights

Switch to LEDs. They use less energy compared to old incandescent lights and can last up to 20 years.

#### Timing is everything

Put your holiday lights and powered outdoor decorations on a timer. That way, there's no risk you'll forget to turn them off

when you go to bed.

#### Reflect on your options

Rather than adding more lights to your tree, brighten existing lighting with tinsel, mirrored ornaments and other reflective items.

#### Simplify and save

Consider using festive floodlights on the outside of your home rather than multiple strands of string lights. Halogen and LED bulbs will use less energy.

#### Stay off the naughty list

Make sure to inspect your strands of lights and throw away any that are damaged. Also, don't overload your outlets or string too many lights together — follow the manufacturer's guidelines on how many strings you can connect and how to connect them safely.

For more energy efficiency tips, visit the WPS website.



## BE OUR GUEST

### Choose local Christmas trees this holiday season

FROM THE WISCONSIN FARM BUREAU

Support Wisconsin's economic and environmental sustainability by choosing locally grown Christmas trees this holiday season.

"When supporting local, whether its Christmas tree growers or anything else this holiday season, your hard-earned money stays in your community," said Krista Peterson who manages Inspiration Acres in Slinger with her sister Kara Kasten-Olson. "I think that part is really, really important to consider when choosing where to spend your dollars this holiday season."

According to the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection, Christmas trees are harvested from over 800 tree farms in Wisconsin contributing \$50 million in sales to the state's economy.

In addition to being economically sustainable for local and state economies, supporting local is also environmentally sustainable.

"When you think about

sustainability and benefits to the environment, local trees don't have to be hauled as far, they're fresh," said Peterson. "You have the option to know that you are supporting the Wisconsin economy from that perspective as well."

There are several environmental benefits of real Christmas trees:

- The trees absorb carbon dioxide and other gases, and in turn, the trees emit oxygen.

- For every real Christmas tree harvested, two or three seedlings are planted.

- Tree farms serve as great habitats for wildlife to live.

After Christmas, trees can be recycled into mulch to be used on trails or gardens.

Growers use the mulch around seedlings to preserve moisture and reduce weed competition.

Some recycled cut trees are used as soil erosion barriers or wildlife habitats.

Beyond the economy and environment, choosing a real Christmas tree also strengthens community ties.

This commitment to buying local extends to locally sourced foods, handcrafted gifts and possibly participating in community initiatives, making the holiday season even more meaningful and impactful.

"If you look at all the things you can support from a local perspective, it's not only your décor, it's the food you put on your table when you gather around at Thanksgiving or Christmas, it's the unique artisans here in our state," said Peterson. "There are so many wonderful "buy local" and community projects that can be supported."

According to Gather Wisconsin, Wisconsin ranks fifth in the nation for Christmas tree production with more than 850 Christmas tree farms on 23,000 acres.

Wisconsin tree growers harvest more than half a million trees every year.

To learn more about Wisconsin-grown Christmas trees and other holiday traditions, visit GatherWisconsin.com.

If you would like to have your own family experience at a Wisconsin Christmas tree farm local to you, use the interactive map "Find a Real Tree" in the Wisconsin Christmas Tree Producers Association's website.

A complete list of farms and retail lots is available on the Wisconsin Christmas Tree Producers Association's website along with tips for selecting a tree and caring for it once you have it home.

For more information about farm-grown trees, visit the National Christmas Tree Association website at [realchristmastrees.org](http://realchristmastrees.org).

Through a grant received by the WCTPA, the Wisconsin Agriculture in the Classroom program collaborated in creating education resources and promoting careers in the tree industry.

These resources are available to students by contacting WCTPA Executive Secretary Cheryl Nicholson at [info@christmastree-wi.org](mailto:info@christmastree-wi.org).

## BE OUR GUEST

### Plan ahead for holiday celebrations

FROM THE WISCONSIN STATE PATROL

December is here, and with it, another season of holiday celebrations.

Don't cut the party short by driving impaired — it is dangerous, reckless and never the only option.

Wisconsin State Patrol's December Law of the Month brings attention to impaired driving laws and encourages motorists to find safe ways to get to their destinations this holiday season.

"Across the state, Wisconsinites are celebrating the holidays and the end of another year," Wisconsin State Patrol Superintendent Tim Carnahan said. "We encourage everyone to take responsibility and plan ahead if you plan to celebrate. Designate a sober driver ahead of time, take public transit, or use a

rideshare program to keep yourself and others safe on the roads. There is never an excuse for driving impaired."

On average, someone is injured or killed in an impaired driving crash every two hours in Wisconsin.

In 2023, there were over 7,700 impaired driving crashes that claimed the lives of 186 people on Wisconsin roads.

#### It's the law

In Wisconsin, drivers are prohibited from operating any vehicle with a blood alcohol concentration (BAC) of more than 0.08.

Under Wisconsin's "not a drop" law, drivers under age 21 are prohibited from having any detectable amount of alcohol in their system.

Drivers may not have any illegal drugs in their

system when behind the wheel.

Motorists who refuse a blood/breath alcohol test will lose their license for at least one year and may have their vehicle impounded.

#### Taking action

Wisconsin law enforcement works hard year-round to encourage safe driving and prevent impaired driving.

Over 7,500 law enforcement officers across the state are trained in Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE). This helps law enforcement detect impaired drivers and get them off the road.

With almost 400 Drug Recognition Experts (DREs) across the state, Wisconsin is helping lead the nation in eliminating

drug-impaired driving. DREs help prevent tragedies by identifying the signs of drug-impaired driving and securing convictions to keep them off the roads.

The Wisconsin State Patrol is continuing to highlight the danger that impaired driving poses throughout the holiday season with its Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over campaign.

Running from Dec. 13, 2024, through Jan. 1, 2025, Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over is an annual holiday partnership with local law enforcement to keep Wisconsin roads safe and free of impaired drivers.

#### Stay safe, make smart choices

Driving impaired carries serious consequences.

See CELEBRATIONS page 15



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**SECTION 00 11 13 ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**  
 CITY OF DE PERE  
 925 SOUTH SIXTH STREET DE PERE, WI 54115  
 The **City of De Pere** will receive sealed bids for the following work:  
**9th Street Reservoir Overflow Modifications Contract No. 404-24-01 Bids will be received until 1:00 p.m. Local Time, on Wednesday, December 18, 2024.**  
 For this project, bids will be received and accepted via the online electronic bid service through QuestCDN vBid Online Bidding, only. **Paper bids will not be accepted.** To submit a vBid online bid you must download the project bid document file from QuestCDN, which will add you to the plan holders list and gain you access to vBid Online Bidding. Contact QuestCDN.com at 952-233-1632 or [info@questcdn.com](mailto:info@questcdn.com) for assistance in setting up a free standard membership registration, downloading this digital project information, and submitting your bid via the vBid Online Bid Portal. The online bid portal (Live Bid Schedule Document) will be open when documents uploaded for viewing.  
**There is a non-refundable fee of \$50 for a set of digital contract documents.** (This fee includes both downloading of digital plans/specs and online bidding.)  
 The unconfirmed bid results will be publicly read aloud after the bid portal closes on **Wednesday, December 18, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. local time. The bid opening will be held by teleconference. Any interested Contractors or members of the public that would like to participate in the teleconference will need to call 1-414-877-0020 and enter the code 872098 when prompted.**  
 A pre bid meeting will be held **Wednesday, December 11, 2024 at the 315 N. 9th Street, De Pere, WI 54115**, where a meeting and a site tour will occur at 10:00 a.m. local time.  
**Project Description:**  
 The project includes the following in accordance with the plans and specifications:  
 - Demolition and abandonment of existing overflow piping  
 - Installation of new overflow pipe to outfall  
 - Installation of new outfall structures and tie-in to storm drain.  
 - Repair to asphalt pavement removed for pipe installation.  
**Prospective bidders must be on the plan holders list through QuestCDN for bids to be accepted. Robert E. Lee & Associates, Inc., requires bidders to prequalify 5 calendar days prior to bid opening. Contract documents for this**

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**project may be examined online or downloaded at: [www.questcdn.com](http://www.questcdn.com). The QuestCDN eBidDoc Number for this project is: 9401988**  
 Each bid must be accompanied by a Bid Bond or certified check equivalent to 5% maximum proposal. **If a check is submitted, it must be received in Robert E. Lee & Associate's office by the posted bid date/ bid time.**  
 The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids or any part of a bid. Further, the Owner reserves the right to waive any informality in any bid. The Owner reserves the right to increase or decrease the quantity of any item or portion of the work, or to omit portions of the work as may be deemed necessary by the Owner; and the same shall in no way affect or make void the contract, except that the appropriate additions to or deductions from the contract price will be made.  
 The owner encourages DBEs including MBEs and WBEs to submit bid proposals. The Bidding Documents may be examined for free at:  
 - QuestCDN.com or [www.releeinc.com/bid](http://www.releeinc.com/bid) list - enter **eBidDoc number 9401988**  
 If you are interested in purchasing a paper copy, you may do so by contacting Blue Print Service Company for paper sets (contact Appleton 920-733-4539 or Green Bay 920-494-4539). Downloaded plans are not scaleable, neither the owner nor the engineer shall be held responsible for the scale of downloaded plans. Only printed plans obtained from Blue Print Service Company shall be considered to be scaleable plans.  
 No Bidder may withdraw his bid within 90 days after the actual date of the opening thereof.  
 The letting of the work described herein is subject to the provisions of the Wisconsin State Statutes, in particular 62.15, 66.0901, and 66.0903.  
Eric Zygarlicke, Water Department Supervisor  
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**Ashwaubenon** WNAXLP  
 NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING / PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Public Hearing will be held by the Village Board of the Village of Ashwaubenon, Brown County, Wisconsin, on December 17, 2024, at 6:00 pm in the Ashwaubenon Village Hall, 2155 Holmgren Way, at which time the Village Board will consider the request to rezone parcel VA-838, 1375 W. Main Avenue, from BP Business Park to P Public Use in the Village of Ashwaubenon, Wisconsin. / **Affected Parcel:** VA-838 / The request is available for inspection during regular business hours at the office of the Village Clerk, 2155 Holmgren Way, Ashwaubenon, Wisconsin. / All interested persons, firms and corporations wishing to be heard are invited to be present and may be heard at this hearing. / Dated this 18th day of November 2024. /s/ Kris A. Teske, Village Clerk Publish / RUN: November 29, 2024 & December 6, 2024. WNAXLP

City of Seymour  
 Public Hearing Notice  
 Request to Approve Preliminary Plat for Planned Unit Development  
 Please take notice that a public hearing will be held in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building located at 328 N. Main Street, Seymour, WI on Thursday, December 19, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. to

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consider a request from Golden Meadow Holdings, LLC to consider approval of the preliminary plat, identified as the Golden Meadow Estates Planned Unit Development, with current zoning of Single-Family Residential and Conditional Use Permit-Multi-Family Residential being rezoned as a Planned Unit Development with Single-Family and Multi-Family Residential units. Tax Parcel No. 340152700 is located immediately east of Mainline Drive between Crestview Drive and Della St. The property is described as follows: being part of the southwest ¼ of the southeast ¼ and part of the northwest ¼ of the southeast ¼ all in section 33, township 24 north, range 18 east, City of Seymour, Outagamie County, Wisconsin. Persons interested in making comment on the following proposals (1) to provide preliminary plat approval for the planned unit development (2) to rezone Parcel No. 340152700 as a Planned Unit Development with Single-Family and Multi-Family Residential units may do so at the public hearing, or by letter to the City Clerk's Office at 328 N. Main Street, Seymour, WI 54165. Correspondence can also be sent via e-mail to the City Clerk at [clerk@cityofseymourwi.org](mailto:clerk@cityofseymourwi.org) Correspondence is to be received no later than 4:30p.m. on Wednesday, December 18th. Christy Stover, Clerk-Treasurer  
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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING, REVISION FOR DE PERE GREENWOOD CEMETERY ASSOCIATION PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Annual Meeting of Members of the De Pere Greenwood Cemetery Association shall be held on Wednesday December 11th at 6:00 PM at De Pere Kress Library 333 N. Broadway St. De Pere, Wisconsin. The purpose of the meeting is to elect/reelect Trustees for varying terms and for such other matters as may come before the members. Qualifications to vote are that the individual must be a lot owner or proprietor with substantiation of ownership of cemetery lot/lots in the De Pere Greenwood Cemetery. De Pere, Wisconsin, or person who is related to any person buried in the Cemetery and is a surviving spouse, son, daughter, brother, sister or niece or nephew and adult resident of the State of Wisconsin with proof of identification. Questions or inquiries may be directed to Jewels Sowers at De Pere Greenwood Cemetery Association 435 N Broadway, De Pere, WI 920-334-1859 [info@deperegreenwoodcemetery.org](mailto:info@deperegreenwoodcemetery.org) Publish 11.30.24 & 12.06.24 WNAXLP

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
 Notice is hereby given, that on **Tuesday, December 17, 2024**, at 7:35 PM or as soon thereafter as can be heard, a public hearing will be held by the Common Council of the City of De Pere to act on the request for a zoning map amendment at the following property: **Parcels ED-870 & ED-871**, approximately 0.0 feet southeast from the N Broadway ST and Cass ST intersection, from MX2 (Neighborhood Mixed-Use District) to GX1 (Office-Residential Mix District). The public may attend the

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meeting either in person in the Council Chambers (2nd Floor City Hall, 335 S Broadway ST, De Pere WI) or electronically. Electronic or telephonic access to the meeting is below: Computer/smart phone accessing <https://www.gotomeet.me/DePere> OR dial by phone: United States (Toll Free): 1-866-899-4679 United States: +1 (312) 757-3117 Access Code: 154-883-285.  
**A map of the proposed zoning map amendment is available by emailing Peter Schlein at [pschlein@deperewi.gov](mailto:pschlein@deperewi.gov).** Dated this 26th day of November, 2024.  
 BY ORDER OF THE COMMON COUNCIL  
 James G. Boyd  
 Mayor  
 Carey E. Danen  
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**Suamico** WNAXLP

The Suamico Village Board will conduct the following Public Hearing on Monday, December 16, 2024 beginning at 6:00 PM at the Suamico Village Hall, 12781 Velp Avenue, Suamico, WI 54313 to consider the following Amendment to Chapter 19 Floodplain District: §19.06. Nonconforming Uses Amend Chapter 19.06(1)(b)8.A.(3) Shall be constructed with electrical, heating, ventilation, plumbing, and air-conditioning equipment and other service facilities must be elevated to or above the flood protection elevation. Publish 11.29.24 & 12.06.24 WNAXLP

**Suamico** WNAXLP

The Suamico Village Board will conduct the following Public Hearing on Monday, December 16, 2024 beginning at 6:00 PM at the Suamico Village Hall, 12781 Velp Avenue, Suamico, WI 54313 to consider the following:  
 A request by Joe Sturke to rezone Lot 1 of the CSM on Parcel SU-322 from Agriculture to Rural Residential at 2970 School Lane.  
 Michelle Bartoletti  
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 MINUTES VILLAGE OF ASHWAUBENON VILLAGE BOARD TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2024 12:00 PM  
 Village Hall - Boardroom 2155 Holmgren Way, Ashwaubenon, WI 54304 Phone (920) 492-2301 [ashwaubenon.gov](http://ashwaubenon.gov)  
 Call to Order: The meeting of the Ashwaubenon Village Board of Trustees was called to order by President Mary C. Kardoskee at 12:00 pm.  
 Roll Call: Attendee Name Present Excused Mary Kardoskee Kelly Servais Gary Paul Chris Zirbel Chris Atkinson Tracy Flucke Jay Krueger.  
 Others present: Patrick Leigl (Village Attorney), Joel Gregozeski (Village Manager), Brian Rickert (Director of Public Works), Greg Wenholz (Finance Director), Aaron Schuette (Community Development Director), and Rex Mehlberg (Parks, Recreation & Forestry Director). Marcus Rennie (Management Analyst), Will Engels (Assistant Zoning Administrator) Members of the public: Jeff Van Beaver, Jennifer Herrington, Bert slinge.  
 Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.  
 Action on Agenda: Motion (Atkinson, Flucke) to Approve the agenda. Motion carried

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unanimously. RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]  
 MOVER: Trustee Chris Atkinson  
 SECONDER: Trustee Tracy Flucke  
 AYES: Mary Kardoskee, Kelly Servais, Gary Paul, Chris Zirbel, Chris Atkinson, Tracy Flucke  
 EXCUSED: Jay Krueger  
 Action on Minutes: a. Consider/Discuss/Act on the Open and Closed Session Minutes from September 24, 2024 and the Open Minutes from the Special Meeting on October 8, 2024. Motion (Atkinson, Flucke) to Approve the Open and Closed Session Minutes from September 24, 2024 and the Open Minutes from the Special Meeting on October 8, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.  
 RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]  
 MOVER: Trustee Chris Atkinson  
 SECONDER: Trustee Tracy Flucke  
 AYES: Mary Kardoskee, Kelly Servais, Gary Paul, Chris Zirbel, Chris Atkinson, Tracy Flucke  
 EXCUSED: Jay Krueger  
 Comments from Public: Jim Rafter addressed the board to introduce himself and outline his reasons for running for public office. Joel Gregozeski (Village Manager) read aloud a letter submitted by Theresa Rosik and Chuck Geurts to the board.  
 Written Communications and/or Announcements: a. Presentation: Update on the Ashwaubenon Performing Arts Center by Kate Williams of the Ashwaubenon School District. Kate Williams provided a summary of the income statement and balance sheet for the PAC over the past five years. She discussed how the fund balance could be allocated and offered an overview of the PAC's purposes and uses. b. Consider/Discuss 2024 Halloween Trick-or-Treat Hours. The Trick-or-Treat hours will be held on October 31st from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM, consistent with the tradition observed in previous years.  
 Action on Consent Agenda: Motion (Paul, Flucke) to Approve the Consent Agenda, not including 8.a) Motion carried unanimously. RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]  
 MOVER: Trustee Gary Paul  
 SECONDER: Trustee Tracy Flucke  
 AYES: Mary Kardoskee, Kelly Servais, Gary Paul, Chris Zirbel, Chris Atkinson, Tracy Flucke  
 EXCUSED: Jay Krueger  
 a. Consider/Discuss/Act on a Class "A" Beer/"Class A" Liquor License Request for SPX GB Hospitality LLC dba Spark by Hilton Green Bay. Motion (Paul, Servais) to Approve a Class "A" Beer/"Class A" Liquor License Request for SPX GB Hospitality LLC dba Spark by Hilton Green Bay. Motion carried unanimously. RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]  
 MOVER: Trustee Gary Paul  
 SECONDER: Trustee Kelly Servais  
 AYES: Mary Kardoskee, Kelly Servais, Gary Paul, Chris Zirbel, Chris Atkinson, Tracy Flucke  
 EXCUSED: Jay Krueger  
 b. Consider/Discuss/Act on the Distribution of State-Required Housing Fee and Housing Affordability Reports. c. Receive/Accept: Investment Report. d. Receive/Accept: September Financial Statements. e. Receive/Accept: Budgeted Expenditures. f. Receive/Accept: October 2024 Public Works Department Report. Public Hearing: a. Public Hearing on Ordinance No. O10-2-24, Amending the Definition of Medical Treatment Facility. Action Items: a. Consider/Discuss/Act on Ordinance No. O10-2-24, Amending the Definition of



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 Medical Treatment Facility. Village Attorney Patrick Leigl reported that Village staff has identified a section of Chapter 17 requiring updates. Specifically, the definition of "Medical Treatment Facility" should be revised through the adoption of the attached ordinance. Currently, the ordinance only includes inpatient care. The proposed amendment would expand the definition to cover both inpatient and outpatient care. After review, staff believes it was the Village Board's original intent to include this broader definition. The updated definition aligns more closely with standard interpretations and recognizes that alcohol and drug rehabilitation centers typically serve both inpatient and outpatient clients. Motion (Atkinson, Flucke) to Approve Ordinance No. O10-2-24, Amending the Definition of Medical Treatment Facility. Motion carried unanimously. RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS] MOVER: Trustee Chris Atkinson SECONDER: Trustee Tracy Flucke AYES: Mary Kardoskee, Kelly Servais, Gary Paul, Chris Zirbel, Chris Atkinson, Tracy Flucke EXCUSED: Jay Krueger.  
 b. Consider/Discuss/Act on Appeal of Denied Operator License - Jennifer Herrington. Village Attorney Patrick Leigl provided an explanation of the denial letter, the original application, and a letter from Jennifer Herrington. The denial was based on incorrect information provided to Ms. Herrington by an attorney from another state. In light of that misinformation and the significant time that has passed since the infractions the Village Attorney recommend approval of the Operator License. Motion (Atkinson, Servais) to Authorize Approve Operator License and uphold the appeal- Jennifer Herrington. Motion carried unanimously. RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS] MOVER: Trustee Chris Atkinson SECONDER: Trustee Kelly Servais AYES: Mary Kardoskee, Kelly Servais, Gary Paul, Chris Zirbel, Chris Atkinson, Tracy Flucke EXCUSED: Jay Krueger.  
 c. Consider/Discuss/Act on a Class "B" Beer/"Class B" Liquor License Request for Murko Green Bay LLC dba Picklr Green Bay. Village Manager Joel Gregozeski reported that Murko Green Bay, LLC, doing business as Picklr Green Bay, is seeking approval for a Class "B" Beer/"Class B" Liquor license for 2610 Holmgren Way. Should the Village Board not approve the "Class B" Combo license, they are requesting consideration for a Class "B" Beer/"Class C" Wine license. Although the 90-day intent has been signed, construction may take slightly longer than anticipated. All required paperwork and fees have been submitted, and a representative will be present to address any questions. The Public Works & Protection Committee denied the liquor portion of the request due to the lack of food service but approved the Class "B" Beer and "Class C" Wine license. Motion (Kardoskee, Atkinson) to Approve Class "B" Beer/"Class C" Wine License Request for Murko Green Bay LLC dba Picklr Green Bay. Motion carried unanimously. RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS] MOVER: President Mary Kardoskee SECONDER: Trustee Chris Atkinson AYES: Mary Kardoskee, Kelly Servais, Gary Paul, Chris Zirbel, Chris Atkinson, Tracy Flucke EXCUSED: Jay Krueger.  
 d. Consider/Discuss/Act on Contractual Agreement between the Village of Ashwaubenton and Fair

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 Market Assessments, Inc for Property Assessment Services for Calendar Year 2025. Village Manager Joel Gregozeski reported that the Village's contract with Fair Market Assessments is set to expire at the end of 2024. The proposed agreement attached would extend services with Fair Market Assessments for an additional year through 2025. Paul Denor, who has served as the Village's appointed assessor in recent years, has expressed concerns regarding Fair Market's capacity to sustain its current client load. Consequently, Fair Market Assessments is proposing a one-year contract extension as they assess their future capabilities. The year 2025 will be a maintenance year for assessments; however, in accordance with previous recommendations and Village Board direction, 2026 will require a market adjustment. This adjustment will necessitate securing an assessor with the capacity to handle the increased workload. Extending the contract with Fair Market Assessments for 2025 provides the Village and our current assessor time to evaluate the need for potential changes moving forward into 2026. Motion (Servais, Atkinson) to Approve Contractual Agreement between the Village of Ashwaubenton and Fair Market Assessments, Inc for Property Assessment Services for Calendar Year 2025. Motion carried unanimously. RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS] MOVER: Trustee Kelly Servais SECONDER: Trustee Chris Atkinson AYES: Mary Kardoskee, Kelly Servais, Gary Paul, Chris Zirbel, Chris Atkinson, Tracy Flucke EXCUSED: Jay Krueger.  
 e. Consider/Discuss/Act on a Planned Unit Development (PUD) Extension Request for PUD Ordinance #O11-1-23 for 2213-2145 S. Oneida Street, Parcels VA-67-A-8, VA-67-A, VA-460-P-108, and VA-90-4-11 by Acts 1:8 Foundation. Community Development Director Aaron Schuette reported that on November 28, 2023, the Ashwaubenton Village Board Approved Ordinance #O11-1-23, which established specific parameters for a Planned Unit Development (PUD) to allow for the development of a 4-story hotel with parking on the designated parcels. According to Section 17-2-600(H) of the Ashwaubenton Municipal Code, "The Planned Unit Development shall remain valid for a twelve-month period from the date of Village Board approval, unless a longer period has been agreed upon by the Village Board. If construction has not commenced, or no use has been established during this period, the PUD shall be considered void, and the overlay designation removed, unless a petition for a time extension has been granted by the Village Board." Any extension request must be submitted in writing at least thirty (30) days prior to the expiration of the approval, outlining the reasons for the delay. Acts 1:8 Foundation, the property owner, submitted a written request for an extension on October 3, 2024, for consideration at the Village Board meeting on October 22, 2024. The extension request, including the reasons for the delay and the original PUD ordinance, is attached for review. Additionally, a letter from the community opposing the extension of the PUD has been submitted for the Village Board's consideration. Motion (Servais, Flucke) to Deny Planned Unit Development (PUD) Extension Request for PUD

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 Ordinance #O11-1-23 for 2213-2145 S. Oneida Street, Parcels VA-67-A-8, VA-67-A, VA-460-P-108, and VA-90-4-11 by Acts 1:8 Foundation. Motion carried unanimously. RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS] MOVER: Trustee Kelly Servais SECONDER: Trustee Tracy Flucke AYES: Mary Kardoskee, Kelly Servais, Gary Paul, Chris Zirbel, Chris Atkinson, Tracy Flucke EXCUSED: Jay Krueger.  
 f. Consider/Discuss/Act on Ordinance No. O10-1-24, Allowing for the Permitted Use of Sheep or Goats to Clear Invasive Vegetation. Community Development Director Aaron Schuette reported that Section 4-1-5 of the Ashwaubenton Municipal Code, which regulates the keeping of livestock and poultry, currently prohibits the keeping of sheep or goats in any zoning district outside of the RE-Rural Estate district. The proposed amendment to Section 4-1-5 would allow sheep or goats to be used for prescribed grazing of invasive vegetation, subject to a permit issued by the Community Development Department. This method of using goats and sheep to control invasive species, particularly buckthorn, has become a popular and environmentally friendly alternative to herbicides, especially near water bodies. The proposed ordinance includes strict performance standards to ensure the health and well-being of the animals, while minimizing any disturbance to surrounding neighborhoods. The Ashwaubenton Planning Commission recommended approval of the ordinance at their October 1, 2024 meeting, with an additional provision that a minimum of 180 days must elapse between permits for the same parcel(s) of land. Motion (Atkinson, Servais) to Approve Ordinance No. O10-1-24, Allowing for the Permitted Use of Sheep or Goats to Clear Invasive Vegetation. Motion carried unanimously. RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS] MOVER: Trustee Chris Atkinson SECONDER: Trustee Kelly Servais AYES: Mary Kardoskee, Kelly Servais, Gary Paul, Chris Zirbel, Chris Atkinson, Tracy Flucke EXCUSED: Jay Krueger.  
 g. Consider/Discuss/Act on the Villages' 1941 Fire Truck: Rex Mehlberg, Parks, Recreation & Forestry Director, presented options regarding the village 1941 Fire Truck. One option is to sell the vehicle, although its monetary value is estimated to be only a few thousand dollars. Alternatively, the Village could retain the vehicle for public relations, special events, or its historical significance. If kept, Village mechanics have indicated they could upgrade the vehicle by replacing the brake lines and fluid, provided their schedule allows. Additionally, former Trustee Mark Williams has suggested he might be able to arrange for the necessary repairs to be donated, should the Village decide to preserve the vehicle for public relations or historical purposes. Trustees Paul and Atkinson have inquired about the potential cost of housing the fire truck in a building for public display to the community down the road. Trustee Flucke asks that we add this to our facticity study on how we could possibly use space for this. Motion (Paul, Atkinson) to Approve the keeping and fixing of the Villages' 1941 Fire Truck. Motion carried unanimously. RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS] MOVER: Trustee Gary Paul SECONDER: Trustee Chris Atkinson AYES: Mary Kardoskee, Kelly Servais, Gary Paul, Chris Zirbel, Chris Atkinson, Tracy Flucke

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 EXCUSED: Jay Krueger  
 h. Consider/Discuss/Act on Changes to Brush Collection Operations. Brian Rickert, Director of Public Works, provided an overview of the current roadside brush collection operations and highlighted the need for adjustments. After a thorough review, it has been determined that the current operations are unsustainable and do not fully align with the municipal code. It is important to note that our efforts far exceed those of neighboring municipalities. Director Rickert lead a discussion on the current operations and present recommendations for the future to ensure the program is both sustainable and compliant with regulations. Motion (Paul, Flucke) to Approve changes to Brush Collection Operations. Motion Adopted. RESULT: ADOPTED MOVER: Trustee Gary Paul SECONDER: Trustee Tracy Flucke AYES: Mary Kardoskee, Kelly Servais, Gary Paul, Chris Zirbel, Tracy Flucke NAYS: Chris Atkinson EXCUSED: Jay Krueger  
 i. Consider/Discuss/Act on Changes to Bulk (Large Item) Collection Operations: Brian Rickert, Director of Public Works, provided an overview of the current bulk (large item) collection operations, noting that they are unsustainable and do not comply with the municipal code. He emphasized that the Village's efforts in this area surpass those of neighboring municipalities. Director Rickert will lead a discussion on the current operations and present recommendations for the future of the program. Trustee Paul made a motion, seconded by Trustee Flucke to conducted Bulk Operations during the months of April, June, August, October. However, before a vote was taken, Trustee Paul amended the motion to include a timeline for the Bulk Operations from April to September. Trustee Flucke rescinded her second. The amended motion was then seconded by Trustee Atkinson. Motion (Paul, Atkinson) to Approve Changes to Bulk (Large Item) Collection Operations from April-September. Motion Adopted. RESULT: ADOPTED MOVER: Trustee Gary Paul SECONDER: Trustee Chris Atkinson AYES: Mary Kardoskee, Kelly Servais, Gary Paul, Chris Zirbel, Chris Atkinson NAYS: Tracy Flucke EXCUSED: Jay Krueger. Motion (Paul, ) to Approve Changes to Bulk (Large Item) Collection Operations as presented and only conducted during the months of April, June, August, October. Motion carried unanimously.  
 j. Consider/Discuss/Act on Changes to Village Medical/Dental/Vision Insurance Plan for 2025: Village Manager Joel Gregozeski summarized that Administration is not recommending any substantial plan design changes for 2025. This decision is due in part to a significant increase in premium equivalents—up to 15.8% for medical coverage and 3% for dental. As a reference, during the 2024 Plan Year, the Village increased the employee contribution to premiums by an additional 2.5%. In the 2023 Plan Year, the Village raised deductibles to \$2,000 for single plans and \$4,000 for family plans, while maintaining out-of-pocket maximums at \$6,550 for individuals and \$13,100 for families within the network. Additionally, the Village set employee premium contributions at 5%, unless employees completed a health risk assessment and annual physical, in which case the contribution was reduced to 2.5%. All other coverage

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 remained unchanged. Attached are the draft 2025 medical and dental plan premium equivalents as of September 17, 2024. Please note that the medical/Rx premium equivalents are subject to minor adjustments before Tuesday's meeting due to final bids received for stop-loss insurance. The final figures will be presented at the meeting on Tuesday. Motion (Paul, Atkinson) to Approve Changes to Village Medical/Dental/Vision Insurance Plan for 2025. Motion carried unanimously. RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS] MOVER: Trustee Gary Paul SECONDER: Trustee Chris Atkinson AYES: Mary Kardoskee, Kelly Servais, Gary Paul, Chris Zirbel, Chris Atkinson, Tracy Flucke EXCUSED: Jay Krueger.  
 k. Consider/Discuss/Act on the 2025 Bellin Onsite Services Agreement: Village Attorney Patrick Leigl summarized the attached services agreement between the Village and Bellin, outlining the scope of onsite services and the associated rates/payment terms. While the scope of services remains unchanged, provider rates have slightly increased, primarily due to rising medical costs and adjustments in line with the consumer price index. This increase was anticipated, as Village staff have been discussing service scope and cost trends with Bellin throughout the year. Staff have no concerns with the agreement and recommend approval to continue the onsite provider services. Motion (Flucke, Zirbel) to Approve 2025 Bellin Onsite Services Agreement. Motion carried unanimously. RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS] MOVER: Trustee Tracy Flucke SECONDER: Trustee Chris Zirbel AYES: Mary Kardoskee, Kelly Servais, Gary Paul, Chris Zirbel, Chris Atkinson, Tracy Flucke EXCUSED: Jay Krueger.  
 l. Consider/Discuss/Act on Contract Award for Argonne Park Boardwalk Installation: Rex Mehlberg, Parks, Recreation & Forestry Director, summarized those bids for the proposed boardwalk installation project in the Argonne Park woods, located behind Cabela's, were opened on Wednesday, October 16th. Three bids were received, with the lowest bid of \$114,600 submitted by Custom Manufacturing, Inc. Additionally, an alternate bid for a trail extension, depending on funding availability, was also submitted by Custom Manufacturing in the amount of \$91,900. Notably, Custom Manufacturing was the supplier and contractor for the recent boardwalk installation at Sherwood Forest. Motion (Paul, Servais) to Approve the contract award for the Argonne Park boardwalk installation, along with approval for the second trail extension. However, the second trail extension should only proceed if sufficient funds become available. Motion carried unanimously. RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS] MOVER: Trustee Gary Paul SECONDER: Trustee Kelly Servais AYES: Mary Kardoskee, Kelly Servais, Gary Paul, Chris Zirbel, Chris Atkinson, Tracy Flucke EXCUSED: Jay Krueger Motion (Atkinson, Servais) to Reconvene into Open Session roll call vote was taken 3:03pm. Motion carried unanimously. Publish 12.06.24 WNAXLP

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 any work that impacts or involves digging in the Village rights-of-way unless an exemption is granted by the Director of Public Works. Motion (Flucke, Servais) to Approve Resolution No. R10-4-24 Approving the Village of Ashwaubenton to Enact a Right of Way Moratorium. Motion carried unanimously. RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS] MOVER: Trustee Tracy Flucke SECONDER: Trustee Kelly Servais AYES: Mary Kardoskee, Kelly Servais, Gary Paul, Chris Zirbel, Chris Atkinson, Tracy Flucke EXCUSED: Jay Krueger.  
 11. Items for Next Agenda: Trustee Flucke requested that staff begin working on reviewing the Nuisance Ordinance.  
 12. Closed Session Items: During the meeting, the Village Board of the Village of Ashwaubenton may convene into Closed Session pursuant to: 1. Wisconsin Statute Section 19.85(1)(c) for considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the Village Board has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. Trustees present included Kardoskee, Flucke, Paul, Atkinson, Zirbel, and Servais, with Krueger excused. Also in attendance were Village Manager Joel Gregozeski and Village Attorney Patrick Leigl. Motion (Zirbel, Flucke) to Convene Into Closed Session role call was taken at 3:00pm. Motion carried unanimously. RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS] MOVER: Trustee Chris Zirbel SECONDER: Trustee Tracy Flucke AYES: Mary Kardoskee, Kelly Servais, Gary Paul, Chris Zirbel, Chris Atkinson, Tracy Flucke EXCUSED: Jay Krueger.  
 13. Reconvene into Open Session: The Village Board may thereafter reconvene in open session pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Section 19.85(2) to report the results of the closed session and consider the balance of the Agenda. RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS] MOVER: Trustee Chris Atkinson SECONDER: Trustee Kelly Servais AYES: Mary Kardoskee, Kelly Servais, Gary Paul, Chris Zirbel, Chris Atkinson, Tracy Flucke EXCUSED: Jay Krueger  
 14. Adjourn: Motion (Atkinson, Servais) to Approve Adjourn at 3:03pm. Motion carried unanimously. RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS] MOVER: Trustee Chris Atkinson SECONDER: Trustee Kelly Servais AYES: Mary Kardoskee, Kelly Servais, Gary Paul, Chris Zirbel, Chris Atkinson, Tracy Flucke EXCUSED: Jay Krueger Motion (Atkinson, Servais) to Reconvene into Open Session roll call vote was taken 3:03pm. Motion carried unanimously. Publish 12.06.24 WNAXLP

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 VILLAGE OF  
 ASHWAUBENTON  
 VILLAGE HALL-2155  
 HOLMGREN WAY  
 VILLAGE BOARD OF  
 TRUSTEES & FINANCE &  
 PERSONNEL MEETING  
 MINUTES-NOVEMBER 12,  
 2024  
 Call to Order: The meeting of the Ashwaubenton Joint Village Board and Finance & Personnel was called to order by President Mary C. Kardoskee at 5:00 pm. Roll Call: Mary Kardoskee Kelly Servais Gary Paul Chris Zirbel Jay Krueger Chris Atkinson Tracy Flucke Tom Selk Tim Jadin  
 Also Present - Patrick Leigl (Village Attorney), Joel Gregozeski (Village Manager), Brian Rickert (Director of Public Works), Greg Wenzholz (Finance Director), Aaron Schuette (Community



**Minutes 7725**  
 Development Director), and Rex Mehlberg (Parks, Recreation & Forestry Director), kris Teske (Clerk), Steve Birr (Village Engineer), Marcus Rennicke (Management Analyst). Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Action on Agenda: Motion (Krueger, Servais) to Approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously. **RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS] MOVER:** Trustee Jay Krueger **SECONDER:** Trustee Kelly Servais **AYES:** Mary Kardoskee, Kelly Servais, Gary Paul, Chris Zirbel, Jay Krueger, Chris Atkinson, Tracy Flucke, Tom Selk, Tim Jadin. **Action on Minutes:** a. Consider/Discuss/Act on the Minutes of the November 14, 2023, Joint Finance & Personnel Committee and Village Board Meeting. Motion (Paul, Zirbel) to Approve the Minutes of the November 14, 2023, Joint Finance & Personnel Committee and Village Board Meeting. Motion carried unanimously. **RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS] MOVER:** Trustee Gary Paul **SECONDER:** Trustee Chris Zirbel **AYES:** Mary Kardoskee, Kelly Servais, Gary Paul, Chris Zirbel, Jay Krueger, Chris Atkinson, Tracy Flucke, Tom Selk, Tim Jadin **Action Items:** a. Consider/Discuss/Act on the Adoption of an Updated Permit Fee Schedule. Aaron Schuette stated that Staff cleaned up and updated the fee schedule as it relates to building, electrical, heating ventilation and air conditioning, plumbing, and zoning permits. The purpose of this was to create a document that is easier to read and update the minimum fees to better ensure that time spent on inspections, paperwork, etc., is accounted for. Motion (Servais, Paul) to Approve the Adoption of an Updated Permit Fee Schedule. Motion carried unanimously. **RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS] MOVER:** Trustee Kelly Servais **SECONDER:** Trustee Gary Paul **AYES:** Mary Kardoskee, Kelly Servais, Gary Paul, Chris Zirbel, Jay Krueger, Chris Atkinson, Tracy Flucke, Tom Selk, Tim Jadin. b. Consider/Discuss the Draft 2025 FY Proposed Budget Joel Gregozeski stated that the annual joint Village Board / Finance & Personnel meeting to review, discuss and recommend approval of 2025 Village Budget. All board and committee members received the proposed budget. Department Heads are all responsible for submitting a budget for each of their respective departments. The draft budget is consolidated by the Village Finance Director and through a series of meetings with the Village President, Village Manager, Finance Director and Departments Heads, modifications are discussed and made resulting in this proposed budget. The plan for this meeting is to review the entire proposed 2025 budget: starting with the General Fund revenues, General Fund departmental expenditure budgets, Special Revenue funds, Debt Service fund, Capital Projects funds, Enterprise funds, and Internal Service funds. The final action is to recommend a final budget, including a final levy and tax rate to adopt and approve through resolution at the November 26, 2024, Village Board Meeting. A copy of the Proposed 2025 Budget is available on the Village website or at the Village Clerks office. Motion (Krueger, Servais) to Approve 2025 FY Proposed Budget. Motion carried unanimously. **RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS] MOVER:**

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 Trustee Jay Krueger **SECONDER:** Trustee Kelly Servais **AYES:** Mary Kardoskee, Kelly Servais, Gary Paul, Chris Zirbel, Jay Krueger, Chris Atkinson, Tracy Flucke, Tom Selk, Tim Jadin. c. Consider/Discuss/Act on Collateral Assignment of the Development Agreement between the Village of Ashwaubenon and Cormier Property Partners LLC Patrick Leigl stated On July 29, 2024, the Village and Cormier Property Partners, LLC executed a Development Agreement for the property located at 2277 Holmgren Way. The Development Agreement included a PAYGO TIF incentive for the developer to construct a mixed-use residential/commercial property. The agreement additionally permitted the developer to obtain financing through an authorized lender with consent and approval of the Village. Obtaining a collateral assignment agreement to secure financing is standard for project development. Staff consents to the collateral agreement and the lender. Motion (Paul, Krueger) to Approve Collateral Assignment of the Development Agreement between the Village of Ashwaubenon and Cormier Property Partners LLC. Motion carried unanimously. **RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS] MOVER:** Trustee Gary Paul **SECONDER:** Trustee Jay Krueger **AYES:** Mary Kardoskee, Kelly Servais, Gary Paul, Chris Zirbel, Jay Krueger, Chris Atkinson, Tracy Flucke, Tom Selk, Tim Jadin d. Consider/Discuss/Act on Collateral Assignment of the Development Agreement between the Village of Ashwaubenon and Merge, LLC. Patrick Leigl stated On January 16, 2023, the Village and Merge, LLC executed a Development Agreement for the property located at 6667 Mike McCarthy Way. The Development Agreement for Common Place Phase II included a PAYGO TIF incentive for the developer to construct a mixed-use residential/commercial property. The agreement additionally permitted the developer to obtain financing through an authorized lender with consent and approval of the Village. Obtaining a collateral assignment agreement to secure financing is standard for project development. Staff consents to the collateral agreement and the lender. Motion (Krueger, Flucke) to Approve Collateral Assignment of the Development Agreement between the Village of Ashwaubenon and Merge, LLC. Motion carried unanimously. **RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS] MOVER:** Trustee Jay Krueger **SECONDER:** Trustee Tracy Flucke **AYES:** Mary Kardoskee, Kelly Servais, Gary Paul, Chris Zirbel, Jay Krueger, Chris Atkinson, Tracy Flucke, Tom Selk, Tim Jadin. **Closed Session Items:** During the meeting, the Village Board of the Village of Ashwaubenon may convene into Closed Session pursuant to a. Wisconsin Statute Section 19.85(1)(c) for considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the Village Board has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. A motion to adjourn the Finance & Personnel meeting at 6:00 PM was made by Servais and seconded by Flucke. The motion was unanimously approved. Motion (Paul, Servais) to Approve move to closed session at 6:02. Motion carried unanimously. **RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS] MOVER:** Trustee Gary Paul

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**SECONDER:** Trustee Kelly Servais **AYES:** Mary Kardoskee, Kelly Servais, Gary Paul, Chris Zirbel, Jay Krueger, Chris Atkinson, Tracy Flucke, Tom Selk, Tim Jadin. **Reconvene into Open Session:** The Village Board may thereafter reconvene in open session pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Section 19.85(2) to report the results of the closed session and consider the balance of the agenda. Motion (Servais, Krueger) to Approve Reconvene in Open session. Motion carried unanimously. **RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS] MOVER:** Trustee Kelly Servais **SECONDER:** Trustee Jay Krueger **AYES:** Mary Kardoskee, Kelly Servais, Gary Paul, Chris Zirbel, Jay Krueger, Chris Atkinson, Tracy Flucke, Tom Selk, Tim Jadin **Publish 12.06.24 WNAXLP**

**Ordinances 7740**

**Ashwaubenon WNAXLP**  
**VILLAGE OF ASHWAUBENON ORDINANCE O11-1-24**  
 The Village of Ashwaubenon has amended Sec. 7-4-154(C) (1)(2)(3), Chapter 7, Article 4 of the Ashwaubenon Municipal Code relating to special event and property storage parking violations. A full text of the Ordinance may be obtained or reviewed by contacting the Office of the Village Clerk of the Village of Ashwaubenon at 2155 Holmgren Way, Green Bay, Wisconsin, 54304, Phone (920)492-2302. The full text of the Ordinance may also be reviewed on the Village of Ashwaubenon's website under Ordinances at [www.ashwaubenon.gov](http://www.ashwaubenon.gov). This ordinance summary is published pursuant to Wis. Stat. Section 61.50(3). Dated this 26th day of November, 2024. /s/Kris A. Teske, Village Clerk (Run) December 6, 2024 **WNAXLP**

**Ashwaubenon WNAXLP**

**VILLAGE OF ASHWAUBENON ORDINANCE O11-2-24**  
 The Village of Ashwaubenon has amended Sec. 2-7-740(A) (5), Chapter 2, Article 7 of the Ashwaubenon Municipal Code relating to relocating Wards 9 & 10 polling location. A full text of the Ordinance may be obtained or reviewed by contacting the Office of the Village Clerk of the Village of Ashwaubenon at 2155 Holmgren Way, Green Bay, Wisconsin, 54304, Phone (920)492-2302. The full text of the Ordinance may also be reviewed on the Village of Ashwaubenon's website under Ordinances at [www.ashwaubenon.gov](http://www.ashwaubenon.gov). This ordinance summary is published pursuant to Wis. Stat. Section 61.50(3). Dated this 26th day of November, 2024. /s/Kris A. Teske, Village Clerk (Run) December 6, 2024 **WNAXLP**

**Ashwaubenon WNAXLP**

**VILLAGE OF ASHWAUBENON ORDINANCE O11-3-24**  
 The Village of Ashwaubenon has created Sec. 6-14-470, Chapter 6, Article 14: Temporary Video Boards, Sec. 470: Standards and Regulations of the Ashwaubenon Municipal Code. A full text of the Ordinance

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 may be obtained or reviewed by contacting the Office of the Village Clerk of the Village of Ashwaubenon at 2155 Holmgren Way, Green Bay, Wisconsin, 54304, Phone (920)492-2302. The full text of the Ordinance may also be reviewed on the Village of Ashwaubenon's website under Ordinances at [www.ashwaubenon.gov](http://www.ashwaubenon.gov). This ordinance summary is published pursuant to Wis. Stat. Section 61.50(3). Dated this 26th day of November, 2024. /s/Kris A. Teske, Village Clerk (Run) December 6, 2024 **WNAXLP**

**Ashwaubenon WNAXLP**

**VILLAGE OF ASHWAUBENON ORDINANCE O11-4-24**  
 The Village of Ashwaubenon has created a PUD Overlay Zoning District for Parcel VA-132-13 on Marina Lane. A full text of the Ordinance may be obtained or reviewed by contacting the Office of the Village Clerk of the Village of Ashwaubenon at 2155 Holmgren Way, Green Bay, Wisconsin, 54304, Phone (920)492-2302. The full text of the Ordinance may also be reviewed on the Village of Ashwaubenon's website under Ordinances at [www.ashwaubenon.gov](http://www.ashwaubenon.gov). This ordinance summary is published pursuant to Wis. Stat. Section 61.50(3). Dated this 26th day of November, 2024. /s/Kris A. Teske, Village Clerk (Run) December 6, 2024 **WNAXLP**

**Hobart WNAXLP**

**VILLAGE OF HOBART - PUBLIC NOTICE**  
 Please take notice that the Village of Hobart has enacted the following ordinance:  
 • Ordinance No. 2024-09 (AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF HOBART, BROWN COUNTY, WISCONSIN) - The purpose of this Ordinance is to re-zone property, specifically Parcel HB-889-1, located at 1380 East Adam Drive, from R-3: Residential District to R-1: Residential District. The ordinance, in its entirety, may be obtained or reviewed at the Office of the Village of Hobart Clerk at 2990 South Pine Tree Road, Hobart, Wisconsin, Phone: (920)869-3802. The full text of the code may also be accessed on the Village of Hobart website at <https://www.hobartwi.gov/villag> administrator. This ordinance shall take effect on the day after publication of this notice. Date of Publication: December 6, 2024 Lisa Vanden Heuvel, Hobart Village Clerk **WNAXLP**

**Suamico WNAXLP**

**NOTICE OF ORDINANCE ADOPTION VILLAGE OF SUAMICO, BROWN COUNTY WI Ordinance 2024-13**  
 An Ordinance Amending Chapter 11.23 Keeping of Dangerous/Potentially Dangerous Dogs Regulated Notice is hereby given that the Suamico Village Board enacted the following ordinance on December 2, 2024:  
**Ordinance Section 1:** Chapter 11.23(4) is amended as follows; Appeal of Dangerous/Potentially Dangerous Dog Determination. Any person aggrieved by the determination of the Village Humane Officer and/or Police Department, as provided in Section 11.23(3) above, may appeal such determination by submitting a written appeal to the Public Health & Safety Committee within 10 days of such determination. The owner, keeper, or harbinger of a dangerous/potentially

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 dangerous dog shall comply with all provisions of this section while awaiting the outcome of the appeal. **Ordinance Section 2:** All ordinances or parts of ordinance inconsistent with or contravening the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed. **Ordinance Section 3:** This ordinance shall be in full force and effect following passage and publication. This complete ordinance may be obtained at the Village Clerk's office located in the Suamico Municipal Services Center, 12781 Velp Avenue, Suamico, WI or via the Village of Suamico's website, [www.suamicowi.gov](http://www.suamicowi.gov). Michelle Bartoletti, Village Clerk Publish 12.06.24 **WNAXLP**

**CLASSIFIEDS**

**Announcements 7005**



Farm Fresh Food Delivered To Your Door! Place Order By 10 pm Wednesday for Friday Delivery. [www.farmfreshxpress.com](http://www.farmfreshxpress.com)

**Miscellaneous Merchandise 7266**

Donate your car, truck, boat, RV and more to support our veterans! Schedule a FAST, FREE vehicle pickup and receive a top tax deduction! Call Veteran Car Donations at 1-888-425-2108 today!

Eliminate gutter cleaning forever! LeafFilter, the most advanced debris-blocking gutter protection. Schedule a FREE LeafFilter estimate today. 20% off Entire Purchase. Plus 10% Senior & Military Discounts. Call 1-855-948-3442

Prepare for power outages today with a Generac Home Standby Generator. Act now to receive a FREE 5-Year warranty with qualifying purchase. Call 1-888-355-6955 today to schedule a free quote. It's not just a generator. It's a power move.

**Dogs 7272**

**For Sale: GOLDEN RETRIEVER PUPPIES**  
 8 weeks old, up-to-date on shots. \$450 each. 720-717-1944

**For Sale: POMERANIANS:**  
 12-weeks old, up-to-date on shots, vet-checked. We also have **SHELTIES** looking for homes. 715-326-0710

**Wanted to Buy 7524**

**AUTOMOBILES WANTED:** Running or not. Cash on the spot. Same day pick up. Paying Top Dollar. Call 920-290-6662.

**Trailers 7552**



**2 Horse straight load trailer:**  
 2006 S & S Duraline. Exterior professionally refinished in 2021. Rubber floor mats. Tires excellent condition, spare included. Clean title. Asking \$4800. 715.340.2419

**General Employment 7110**

**RESCARE COMMUNITY LIVING**  
**Now Hiring! \$2500 Hiring Bonus:** Seeking Full-Time and Part-Time Direct Support Professionals, In-Home Caregivers, and Supervisory Positions. Will train the right candidate! \$18-20/hour, all shifts in Rhinelander, Tomahawk. Call/Text Beth at 715-897-4003

**CELEBRATIONS**

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Operating While Intoxicated (OWI) charges can cost you around \$10,000.

Stay safe and save money on the road this holiday season:

- Select a sober designated driver ahead of time. If you're feeling impaired, you are likely over the 0.08 Blood Alcohol Concentration limit and should not drive.

- Remember you have options: take the bus, call a taxi, use a rideshare or ask a sober friend to drive you home.

- If you have a friend who is about to drive under the influence, step in. Take away their keys and get them home safely.

- If it's your turn to be the sober driver, take that job seriously.

- If you suspect a driver is impaired, safely gather as much information as you can about the vehicle, driver and location. Then call 911.

**BASKETBALL**

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the bleeding with an and-one off a terrific pass inside from Jenna Guyer, but it was the only three points Green Bay scored in the third period.

Despite the struggles, Green Bay went into the last frame with a 41-34 lead.

Following a Butler three to extend Green Bay's lead to 53-43 midway through the fourth quarter, Norfolk State slowly crept back into the contest. Wheeler finished a layup before Da'Brya Clark knocked down a triple, pulling the Spartans to within five. Wheeler eventually completed what ended up being a 9-0 run for the Spartans with a layup to give NSU a 54-53 lead with 19 seconds remaining.

After a timeout, Schreiber turned around and banked a shot off the glass for the lead with eight seconds remaining, which proved to be the game-winner in a thrilling 55-54 victory.

**Game notes**

Norfolk State scored 18 points off 16 Green Bay turnovers, while the Phoenix notched 12 points off 13 NSU turnovers.

NSU had 11 fast break points to Green Bay's two.

The Green and White had a 35-33 edge on the boards.

Jasmine Kondrakiewicz led all players with 12 rebounds.

NSU tallied 10 steals to Green Bay's six.

For the latest and most up-to-date information on Green Bay Athletics, please visit [GreenBayPhoenix.com](http://GreenBayPhoenix.com).

**CALL TODAY TO PLACE YOUR CLASSIFIED AD! 920-799-4687**

**General Employment 7110**

**Support Staff**  
 The Ashwaubenon School District is seeking candidates for the following positions; full time Evening Maintenance Technician and full time Special Education Aide. For complete job descriptions and application information, please visit <https://tinyurl.com/ASDSupportPostings> or contact the District Office at 920-492-2900.



## FRCC All-Conference Teams

### Boys Soccer

#### First Team

Owen Fawcett, forward, De Pere, 12  
 Logan Nycz, goalkeeper, De Pere, 11  
 Yosef Navarro, midfield, Green Bay Preble, 12  
 Bogdan Tereshchenko, forward, Green Bay Preble, 12  
 Huj Chi Vang, defense, Green Bay Preble, 11  
 Guiliano Auricchio, midfield, Notre Dame, 12  
 Keegan Maxfield, defense, Notre Dame, 12  
 Liam West, forward, Notre Dame, 11  
 Hudson Schultz, forward, Pulaski, 12

#### Second Team

Woodlens Frederic, forward, Bay Port, 11  
 Hayden Matuszewski, defense, Bay Port, 11  
 Erik Schmidt, midfield, Bay Port, 12  
 Daniel Schoeller, midfield, Bay Port, 12  
 Charlie Tollefson, defense, De Pere, 12  
 Talan LeCapitaine, forward, Green Bay Preble, 12  
 Johnathan Mendez, midfield, Green Bay Preble, 12  
 Pietro Auricchio, forward, Notre Dame, 12  
 Donovan Holderness, defense, Pulaski, 12  
 Maddox McKeefry, forward, Pulaski, 12

#### Honorable Mention

Carter Thompson, defense, Ashwaubenon, 12  
 James Amtmann, defense, Bay Port, 11  
 Ethan Olson, goalkeeper, Bay Port, 12  
 Brady Shanda, forward, De Pere, 9  
 Maxim Skurka, midfield, De Pere, 10  
 Landin Gauthier, goalkeeper, Green Bay Preble, 11  
 Ben Rowell, defense, Green Bay Preble, 12  
 Raymond Arrozal, goalkeeper, Green Bay Southwest, 12  
 Ian Jones, defense, Green Bay Southwest, 11  
 Leo Weber, defense, Notre Dame, 11  
 Colin Tackmier, midfield, Pulaski, 10

#### Co-Player of the Year

Liam West, Notre Dame

#### Co-Player of the Year

Yosef Navarro, Green Bay Preble

#### Officials of the Year

Peter Bernardy  
 Ben Nommensen  
 Lynn Soukup

## Bay Conference All-Conference Teams

### Boys Soccer

#### First Team

Landen Arnstad\*, West De Pere, 2025, forward  
 Kasey Kamler\*, West De Pere, 2026, midfield  
 Evan Capelle, West De Pere, 2025, defender  
 Marti Bach, Seymour, 2027, at large  
 \*Unanimous

#### Player of the Year

Evan Capelle, West De Pere, 2025, defender

#### Offensive Player of the Year

Landen Arnstad, West De Pere, 2025, forward

#### Second Team

Lalo Camarena, Seymour, 2026, forward  
 Rafael Guerrero-Vazquez, Green Bay East, 2027, midfield  
 Shakur Habane, Green Bay East, 2025, defender  
 Christofer Reyes, Green Bay East, 2025, defender

#### Honorable Mention

Gabriel Rodriguez Diaz, Green Bay East, 2026, keeper  
 Richard Perez, West De Pere, 2025, forward  
 Cooper Nimmer, West De Pere, 2026, midfield  
 Carson Johnson, Seymour, 2026, midfield  
 Nic Inman, Seymour, 2025, defender  
 Holt Wojciechowski, West De Pere, 2026, defender  
 Riley Inman, Seymour, 2025, defender  
 Jhovanny Macias, Green Bay East, 2027, midfielder



### Wildcats defeat Spartans

West's Areion Jones receives a pass in their first game of the season to get them a record of 1-0 to start their season in the Bay Conference.

Janelle Fisher photo

## Game Day in Green Bay



The Packers defeated the Miami Dolphins 30-17 on Thanksgiving Day in a snowy Lambeau Field atmosphere. See online for full gallery. **Tori Wittenbrock photos**



Lukas Van Ness and Rashan Gary bring down Miami Dolphins Quarterback Tua Tagovailoa.

## Schreiber's big game helps Green Bay defeat Norfolk State

BY GREEN BAY ATHLETICS FOR THE PRESS TIMES

SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO – The Green Bay women's basketball team completed yet another close contest on Saturday morning, grinding out a 55-54 victory over Norfolk State to conclude the Discover Puerto Rico Shoot-out.

Green Bay (5-3) has won consecutive games after having a three-game win streak come to a halt on Thursday against Virginia.

Saturday's win marked the fifth game Green Bay has played that has finished within five points, and the third game to finish within three points.

Maddy Schreiber was on a heater Saturday morning, leading all scorers with 23 points, shooting 9-of-14 from the field.

She also grabbed four rebounds and tallied an assist. She was the only Phoenix to reach double figures, with Bailey Butler scoring nine and Natalie McNeal and Callie Genke each re-



Phoenix women's basketball's Cassie Schiltz and Natalie McNeal helped put UW-Green Bay over the top in their game against Drake. **Green Bay Athletics photo**

ceiving eight points.

Norfolk State (7-3) was led by Diamond Johnson's 17 points. Kierra Wheeler added 14, and Anjanae Richardson chipped in with 10.

#### How it happened

The Phoenix started strong thanks to a bucket by Schreiber and a three from Butler.

Norfolk State had a quick run capped with a triple from Richardson,

giving NSU a 9-7 lead with 3:49 left in the opening stanza.

Green Bay ended the frame on a strong note, getting a layup from McNeal on a second-chance opportunity before getting a buzzer-beating jumper from Butler, going into quarter number two with a 16-13 edge.

Green Bay put an arm's length between them and the Spartans in the second frame, getting threes from

Schreiber, Miah Meyer and Genke. Green Bay popped off for 22 points and outscored NSU by 17 in the quarter, going into the break with a commanding 38-18 lead.

Green Bay went ice cold out of intermission, with the Spartans sprinting to an 11-0 run, pulling back to within nine at 38-29 with 4:09 remaining in the third quarter. Schreiber stopped

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# Senior Spotlight

## Tate Gerth, Pulaski High School, baseball, basketball, soccer

**Parents' names:** Nikki, Steve  
**Siblings:** Maggie, Cassidy, Grady  
**Position or events:** Outfield/pitcher, guard, defense  
**Instagram:** @tategerth  
**Career Highlight:** Pitching in a playoff game my junior year.

**At what age did you start playing your main sport?**

Basketball at five years old.

**Who introduced you to the sport?**

My dad.

**Has this always been your favorite sport?**

Yes.

**How has balancing**

**academics and athletics been different for you from your freshman year to your senior year?**

Freshman year I did not have to worry about sports as much. Now, with film and other aspects of varsity sports it is harder to balance, but my schedule at school has freed up so I have time to get everything done.

**What is your favorite part about this sport?**

Bonding with teammates and creating memories.

**What about it has caused you to stick with it for this long?**

I have never not enjoyed it when playing.

**What would you say**



Gerth

**is your biggest asset on the court?**

Endurance.

**What has been your most memorable experience in high school sports so far?**

Winning a regional plaque for soccer my junior year.

**How does it feel as a senior, to look back throughout high school and see your growth (as a person and athlete)?**

It feels great to see the improvement in all aspects of life.

**Do you have any pre-match rituals/routines/superstitions?**

No.

**Do you take any extra steps to prepare for a**

**big match/game/meet, outside of regular practices?**

Drink extra water on game days.

**Any memorable coaches or teammates you'd like to give a shout out to?**

No.

**Any hobbies outside of sports?**

Playing Brawl Stars.

**Favorite song?**

Not sure.

**Sports drinks like Gatorade and Powerade or water?**

Gatorade.

**Future Plans? (college, major, career, etc.)**

Major: business finance.

## Green Knights off to record start after sweep of UW-Eau Claire

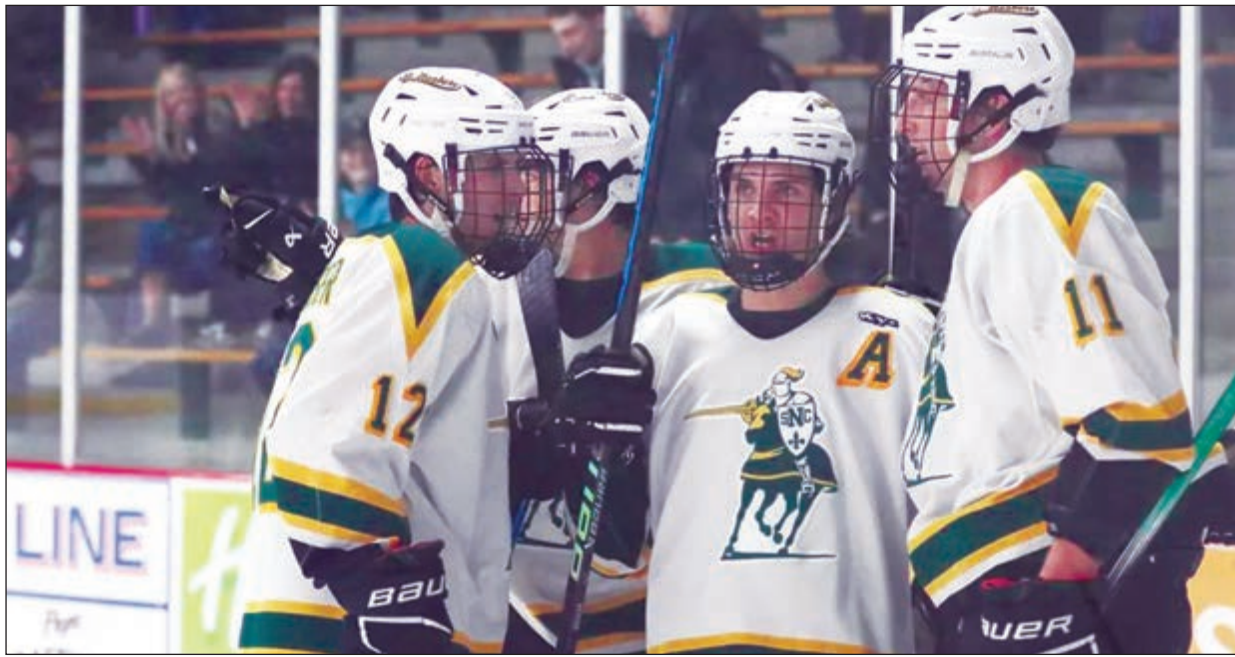
BY SNC ATHLETICS  
FOR THE PRESS TIMES

EAU CLAIRE – St. Norbert College wrapped up a perfect month of November with a 2-1 win over UW-Eau Claire in a tightly contested non-conference game at Hobbs Ice Arena.

The Green Knights (11-0), ranked No. 2 in the USCHO.com Division III Poll, finished 11-0 in November and, in the process, fashioned their best start to a season in program history.

The season-opening winning streak wasn't the only milestone set in the win, with senior forward Liam Fraser scoring both goals. It marked the seventh consecutive game Fraser has posted the game-winning goal for the Green Knights, believed to be an NCAA Division III record for consecutive game-winning goals.

The seven game-winning goals already ties the St. Norbert single-season record, matching Johan Ryd in 2010-11 and Adam Stacho



SNC Green Knights hockey added another win to their record with their 2-1 win over UW-Eau Claire.

SNC Athletics/Patrick Ferron photo

in 2023-24.

It was also his 16th career game-winning goal, setting a new St. Norbert career record after snapping a tie at 15 with Peter Bates (2018-22).

Eau Claire struck first

when it scored off a Jordan Randall marker at 13:01 of the first period. It didn't take long for the Green Knights to get the equalizer, with Fraser scoring off a breakaway feed from Day-

ton Deics at 14:33.

The game stayed deadlocked until the Green Knights struck late in the second period, with Fraser scoring on a redirect off a pass from below the goal

line at 18:56, with Brock Baker and Braden Lindstrom assisting.

The goal was the 70th of Fraser's career, making him just the third Green Knight to ever reach that plateau.

The marker was his 145th career point, tying him for fourth on the St. Norbert career scoring list with Maris Ziedins (2000-03).

The third period turned into a taut defensive battle, with limited chances for both teams. Eau Claire would pull goaltender Max Gutjahr with 1:20 remaining.

The Blugolds didn't get a shot until a Grade-A scoring chance by Dayne Hoyord with less than five seconds left was turned away by St. Norbert netminder Grant Adams to preserve the win.

Eau Claire outshot St. Norbert 23-22, with the margin provided by a 9-3 edge in the third period. Adams made 22 saves for the Green Knights, while Gutjahr made 20 stops for the Blugolds.

St. Norbert was 0-for-3 on the power play, while Eau Claire was 0-for-1. The Green Knights committed just one minor penalty in the contest.

## Green Bay comeback bid falls short against Campbell, 72-66

BY GREEN BAY ATHLETICS  
FOR THE PRESS TIMES

GREEN BAY – The Green Bay men's basketball team trailed Campbell by 20+ points at home in the second half on Saturday afternoon before eventually bringing the game back to a two-point game late. Unfortunately, the Phoenix was never able to take back the lead and fell 72-66 at the Resch Center.

The Phoenix was led by a 20-point, nine-rebound performance from Anthony Roy, while Marcus Hall had 13 points and four rebounds of his own. Mac Wrecke was solid once again off the bench, finishing with seven points and five rebounds in 24 minutes.

Campbell was led by Oak Creek native Jasin Sinani, who scored 22 points to go with eight rebounds. The Fighting Camels had three others finish in double figures, with Colby Duggan and Cam Gregory scoring



Green Bay's efforts against Campbell fell short in their 72-66 loss.

Green Bay Athletics photo

11 and Bragi Gudmundsson finishing with 10.

**How it happened**

The visitors came out strong to start, scoring the first eight points and hold-

ing Green Bay scoreless until the 15:43 mark when Ben Tweedy made a layup. Green Bay battled back and tied the game up at 13 all with 10:21 to go in the half after a Roe Oselka layup.

The two teams played to a tie again at 26-26 before the Fighting Camels finished the half with a 7-1 run to take a 33-27 lead into the break.

The Phoenix cut that six-

point lead down to two after a Foster Wonders layup at 18:58. However, following that was an 18-0 Campbell run that broke the game open. The Phoenix bounced back themselves, however,

outscored the Fighting Camels 32-14 over the next eleven minutes. A pair of Preston Ruedinger free throws capped the run and cut the Campbell lead to 65-63 with 2:56 to go in the game. That would be as close as Green Bay got, as Campbell defended and hit free throws to secure the 72-66 win.

**Game notes**

Green Bay was slightly outrebounded, 36-34.

Green Bay struggled to get the offense going, finishing 39.7% from the field and 23.1% from three.

Each team scored 34 points in the paint.

Campbell shot 44.8% from the floor and 32.1% from three.

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**SCHMOLL**  
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"I started the recruiting process as soon as I could, which was around November of my junior year. It was really cool because I had some coaches reach out to me through Instagram and some through letters that they would send to the school, so I was able to tour five schools over time. It was a little stressful just trying to talk about money, but it was also really cool because I got to see a lot of big schools and little schools. Being a recruit, you get a lot more in depth views of the school than on a normal tour," said Schmoll.

Keeping her priorities in mind has been a major aspect of what Schmoll said she takes into consideration when selecting a university.

"All three schools are in the state. Two are definitely smaller and one is pretty big. That's still a deciding factor for me. I think there are a lot of perks to both the big schools and the small schools, but a priority for where I go is definitely an education-first school. I want somewhere that the coaches and professors still put academics first over athletics but also care about their athletes and want them to succeed. I need them to understand that at the end of the four years, I am going to be focusing on my academics more than my athletics," said Schmoll.

**Her Phantom legacy**

"I've qualified for State all four years in swim and cross country, and those are both fall sports. Out of the three years for track that I have competed, I have qualified for State and will hopefully for a fourth year this season," said Schmoll.

Not only did Schmoll qualify to compete in the WIAA State Tournament each year for her sports, she performed exceptionally well.

"For cross country, freshman year I got seventh for the State meet at Division 1. Sophomore year, I got third. For swimming I took



Kate Schmoll is a West De Pere Phantom and said she cannot wait to further her academic and athletic career in college. Submitted photos

around 11th in my individual event which is the 100-Fly. For track, freshman year I took fourth in the mile and fourth in the two-mile," said Schmoll.

According to Schmoll a significant part of her motivation was proving those who doubted her ability and dedication wrong.

"I think a big thing for me was just that I wanted to show everyone that I could do it. I've been running and swimming for years," said Schmoll.

Even though she found her way to success in athletics with two fall sports and one in the spring, Schmoll said seeing a dip in her grades was never an option for her.

"A big thing was just that I never wanted to sacrifice my academics for my athletics. I took a few college credit classes and APs. I just make sure I have study halls when I need them. In the fall I go to cross country practice right after school from 3-5 p.m. I would have dinner with my family and if I needed to get homework done I would take care of it before swim practice at night around 7-9 p.m. I just made sure if I had any more homework I would get it done after that," said Schmoll.

"It's just a lot of trying to work efficiently so that I can do everything at a good level. I have a 4.38 cumulative GPA. Making sure I

keep up my grades is a priority, but just making sure I appreciate it all has been a really big thing for me."

**A lot to be thankful for**

However, one of the most important lessons Schmoll said she has learned in high school was not in athletics or academics, but something she can apply to her everyday life.

"I think a big thing for me is that I've learned to appreciate it all a lot more. Especially with it being senior year and it being the last time for everything, I think I have grown a lot as a teammate. This year as a captain for cross country and swimming, I think I have grown as a teammate and seen other people improve, not just myself. Academically, I have more of a balance of study habits, making sure how and when to get everything done," said Schmoll.

Schmoll said that much of her success would have never been possible without having everyone in her corner to support her.

"A lot of it is my family. I would never be able to do anything without my parents. They run me from one practice to the next. I'm very honored to say that I've had one or both parents at every single one of my meets, which is just really awesome," said Schmoll.

"A lot of my friends are

also my teammates, so it's really cool to be able to run with them and swim with them. This year I got to swim with my sister who is now a freshman. That was a really cool experience. Getting to swim my last meet at State with her was really special. A lot of good people in my life."

Schmoll gave much of the credit for her success to her older brother Matthew, younger sister Kara, and her parents.

However, Schmoll said that her journey has been full of challenges, and in her experience having a good coach can make or break your experience in a sport.

"I probably have good examples of good and bad," said Schmoll.

"Mr. Lakken was my middle school coach. He really helped me find a love and a joy for cross country. He could see the best in every runner, no matter their time. That's what made him so special — he never treated me or anyone else different for being fast. He just wanted everyone to care and enjoy the sport and do their personal best. That really helped me focus on my time vs. my place."

"Mr. Johnson I had for freshman year in high school. He was really amazing because I could tell he just believed in me. I had a negative experience where a coach kind of didn't really



Schmoll is currently going through the recruiting process to select her future college. She said she cannot prioritize one sport over another because she has an equal passion for running and swimming.

believe in me and thought I shouldn't be allowed to do this because I wouldn't keep up my academics with it. Mr. Johnson was always the one who said he knew I could and would always check on me versus just assuming things about me," said Schmoll.

"I've been blessed with a lot of good coaches. My current coach, Ms. Bloomer, has shown me how amazing she can be when people doubt her, too. They weren't really sure she could transform the sport into what she did, and I think she did an amazing job by making cross country more respected by people who don't run."

"My swim coach, Ms. Wolf, has been amazing because she always believed in me as well. She makes individual workouts for different people every day and you can see the hard work that she puts in and that makes the team also want to work hard and she's part of the reason I had the opportunity to go to State on a relay with my sister," said Schmoll.

In her free time, Schmoll said she has some hobbies that transcend the sports

world and bring her joy amid all the chaos of her ambitions.

"I love writing poems. I've really gotten into that recently. I love listening to music when I'm studying, running, swimming. I love going out to eat with my friends and catching up with them, especially now that a lot of them are away in college," said Schmoll.

"I do a lot of volunteering. I like to volunteer at Christian Outreach — a thrift store here in De Pere. I also do a lot of timing for swim meets. A lot of my volunteer work is for the National Honor Society. I'm also in a SADD program for our school, which is Students Against Destructive Decisions. That was a decent part of my high school experience because of the 15 minutes simulation that we run to warn against drunk driving. It was just really powerful to be a part of."

Schmoll said that she hopes to one day have a career in the finance field, whether that means personal finance or accounting.

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Palouse, Kagan guided the Washington State backline to the second-best goals-against average in program history, allowing just 0.59 goals per game. The Cougars made an NCAA Second Round appearance that year, knocking off Montana in the opening round.

In Kagan's four years there, the Cougars went 39-21-18.

"I am honored to be the next head coach of Green Bay women's soccer," Kagan said. "I believe in Josh Moon's vision for the program and believe Green Bay can be very successful in the Horizon League moving forward. Green Bay is an outstanding place to raise a family — and Jessica and I are excited to raise our young daughter Elli-ana here. Green Bay was also so attractive because of the thriving hospitality industry which is so important to my wife. We

can't wait to get started in Titletown! Go Phoenix!"

Kagan will oversee the rebuilding of the Phoenix program, an area in which he has some experience. At Oregon State, Kagan took over the program as head coach in 2019 following a 2-17 season from the Beavers the season prior. Oregon State went on to finish 11-6-2 the following season, the best turnaround in the NCAA that season. In addition, Kagan revamped the Beavers' offense as OSU went from scoring six goals the previous year to 31 in 2019. Playing a pandemic-altered season in the spring of 2021, the Beavers made the most of their shortened campaign coming up with a signature win early in the spring as OSU defeated No. 3 Stanford, 2-1, for just the second win over the Cardinal in program history.

"We are thrilled to welcome Matt and his family to UWGB," said the

Mark Murphy Endowed Director of Athletics Josh Moon. "Matt brings a ton of experience from the Power 4 level to our program, and he knows how to build and sustain a winning culture. Matt will elevate Phoenix soccer - we are excited for our current and future student-athletes to go to work under his leadership," said Moon.

Before becoming head coach at Oregon State, Matt was the Associate Head Coach for Mississippi State, where he helped the Bulldogs qualify for the NCAA Tournament for the first time in program history in 2018. The Bulldogs achieved a 9-5-4 record in his first season with the team, their best record in 16 years.

Kagan has achieved more than just making the NCAA Tournament but has great experience in finding success within the tournament as well. Kagan was the Associ-

ate Head Coach at Loyola Marymount when they advanced to the Sweet Sixteen, grabbing victories over No. 13 ranked California followed by Minnesota. In his final season with the program, Loyola finished 11-5-3 including wins over nationally ranked teams like No. 15 Pepperdine and No. 18 Long Beach State. Additionally, Kagan served as an Assistant Coach at the University of Miami from 2011-13, where the Hurricanes advanced to the NCAA Tournament and the second round after defeating Alabama in round one in 2011.

In addition, Kagan was an Assistant Coach at Evansville, when they advanced to the NCAA Tournament in 2008 after winning the Missouri Valley Conference and being a member of the conference's coaching staff of the year.

Kagan piloted Worcester State from 2005-08, where the Lancers saw

NCAA DIII Tournament action in three of his four seasons, including a Sweet Sixteen bid in 2007.

Kagan led the squad to an overall record of 45-15-3 while boasting a 16-1-1 conference record during his tenure.

As an Assistant Coach at Assumption College, Kagan aided the Greyhounds to a Sweet Sixteen appearance in the National Tournament in 2004, ranking as high as 14th among DII schools in the country.

Kagan is a 2002 graduate of Southern New Hampshire University where he led his team to three NCAA Tournament appearances including a national runner-up finish as a senior. He earned both a bachelor's (sports management) and a master's degree (business administration) from Southern New Hampshire.

**Rebuilding**

Kagan will be taking

over the Phoenix program for head coach Julie Grutzner, whom the Phoenix announced they would be moving on from after the conclusion of their 2024 season.

Grutzner inherited the Phoenix program as an alumni after serving as assistant coach to Jason Spain, who led the team to fourth place in the Horizon League in 2021.

Grutzner led the Phoenix to a record of 7-30-12.

The Phoenix finished their 2024 season in eighth place in the Horizon League under Grutzner after taking 11th place in 2022 and 2023.

Kagan said he believes in the program's potential and is looking forward to rebuilding the women's soccer team from the ground up.

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## Triple threat Schmoll taking talents to college

BY TORI WITTENBROCK  
SPORTS EDITOR

DE PERE – West De Pere senior Kate Schmoll is on her way to making a decision about where to continue her academic and athletic career after a successful high school stint competing in three sports — two of which overlapped.

Schmoll has not only competed in cross country and swim, both as fall sports, but also runs track in the spring — and is on track to qualify for the State Tournament in each sport all four years.

“I started swimming competitively when I was seven and I started at Ashwaubenon swim club,” said Schmoll.

“I swam in high school for the De Pere-West De Pere co-op team. Then, for cross country I started running in second grade for the JDRF walk because my sister has Type 1 Diabetes. The following years into third, fourth and fifth grade, I ran the Bellin Run and then started formally running cross country in sixth grade. I also run track which I started in middle school around sixth grade.”

Schmoll said she has been the first person in her family to be a runner, though she followed in her mom’s footsteps in swimming.



Schmoll has qualified for the WIAA State Tournament for each of her sports all four years of high school. Her three sports are swim, cross country and track. Submitted photo

“I’m the middle child. I have an older brother and a younger sister. My mom did swim in high

school, so that’s probably why I got put into club swimming. My parents just saw me really enjoy-

ing running when I was younger, so they just had me do the run club,” said Schmoll.

### The next step

Schmoll said that regardless of her workload, she has an equal passion for swimming and running and finds joy in each of them, making it difficult to prioritize one over the other.

“That’s always really hard for me. Out of the three, my top two are swimming and cross country. I could never choose between the two because I love them both so much. I still don’t know if I have an answer, because I love them pretty equally,” said Schmoll.

Because her passion for running and swimming runs so deep, Schmoll said she is interested in pursuing a collegiate career for both sports.

“Right now I am talking to some coaches. I have three schools that I am looking at. Two of the schools I am talking to for swimming and running. One school is just for running. I am hoping to have an answer on college stuff soon, but right now I kind of just have three choices. I know I’m going to continue running or swimming wherever I go,” said Schmoll.

Like many high schoolers, Schmoll said that the recruiting process has been a really exciting experience for her.

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## West defeats Lux-Casco



Green Bay West’s Brandon Wilson charges down the court in the Wildcats’ 79-64 win over the Luxemburg-Casco Spartans. Janelle Fisher photo

## Matt Kagan named Green Bay women’s soccer head coach



Washington State Assistant Coach Matt Kagan will take over as the head coach of the Green Bay Phoenix women’s soccer team. Green Bay Athletics photo

BY GREEN BAY ATHLETICS  
FOR THE PRESS TIMES

GREEN BAY – Director of Athletics Josh Moon named Matthew Kagan the next head coach of the Green Bay women’s soccer program Friday afternoon.

Kagan comes to Green Bay after spending four seasons as a Women’s Soccer Assistant Coach at Washington State.

Kagan also previously served as

the Head Coach at Oregon State and will become the 15th Head Coach in Phoenix women’s soccer history.

“I want to thank Todd Shulenberg and Anne McCoy for giving me the wonderful opportunity to join the Washington State community,” said Kagan. “We thoroughly enjoyed our four years in Pullman and will always root for the Cougs!”

During his first season on the

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