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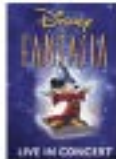
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Artist Thomas Dietrich's depiction of early papermaking in the Fox Cities. Courtesy of The Paper Discovery Center, Appleton.

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A First Time for Everything

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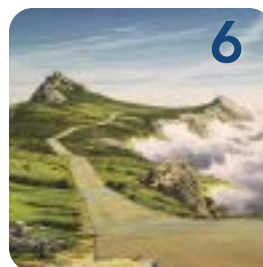
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Watercolor painting, "Milepost 51" (from Journey to Nevermore).

“There was a three or four month stretch where I was in love with afternoon sunlight,” says Lee Mothes, gesturing to a painting of a low tide illuminated by red, orange and purple light.

His Kaukauna studio is covered in the work he describes as capturing the “energy of the surf.” Mothes’ artwork reflects a lifelong love affair with the ocean. He was born and raised in Orange County, California, where he became well acquainted with coastal life. As a child Mothes sketched real and imagined scenes inspired by what he saw around him every day.

Mothes regularly visits the Pacific coast, wandering the beaches and taking photos that serve as inspiration for his work.

Being a professional artist didn’t always seem like a career option to Mothes. He loved creating art but “had no bearing on how to make that into a living. (Back then) I didn’t consider myself an artist at all.”

He tried his hand at architecture and carpentry, but always found himself going back to art. After he was drafted into the Army during the Vietnam War, Mothes realized he had to follow his art dreams.

“The Draft board got after me and I went in the army. I got out of that one, got back (to California) and I thought, ‘I almost died here. I want to go back to art school. It’s what I really want. Whether there’s a career in it or not, that’s where my passion is,’” Mothes says.

His most recent project is an ambitious retrospective.

“An Artist’s Journey to Nevermore”, is a compilation of 321 images that span his 55-year career as an artist. The book focuses on his creation of New Island, an imaginary place that inspires his work.

Mothes began fitting his coastal paintings to the imagined geography of New Island. Further, he began selling plots of the imaginary island as part of the greater project. The New Island project expanded to include its own currency—which appeared in a local coin collector’s catalogue—and its own flag, created by another local artist.

Through “An Artist’s Journey to Nevermore” and his ongoing construction of New Island, Mothes connects his vision with viewers.

“It’s buying a part of this big piece of art, 4000 square feet of work of art I call it, and then having your own part of it as an original painting,” he says. “But (it’s also) like real estate, in a way, a piece of property you can give to someone else or will to your kids,” says Mothes.

The retrospective’s page on Kickstarter, a crowdfunding website, allows interested people to pre-order the book, which he expects to be published in June. Mothes’ work will also be exhibited this summer at the Miller Museum in Door County, Appleton Art on the Square and the Art Street Show in Green Bay.

— by Eryn Wecker

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Dr. Schinke reviewing a post-operative x-ray.

Celebrating 25 years of podiatric experience, training, and caring for the families of the Fox Valley

This year marks the 25th anniversary of Northeast Wisconsin Foot and Ankle Associates serving the podiatric needs of the Fox Valley.

The practice was established in 1989 by Timothy Tougas, DPM. In 2005 Dr. Tougas welcomed partner Theresa Schinke, DPM. Both physicians are board certified podiatrists and hold a reputation for excellent care and patient loyalty. They offer sincere concern for their patients overall health and draw on 33 years of combined experience and continual training to give their patients excellent care.

SCOPE OF CARE

Whether its bunions, hammertoes, warts, fractures, foot pain or ingrown toenails, Drs. Tougas and Schinke are specialty trained and highly experienced in treating a variety of foot and ankle conditions. Tougas explains that many people are unaware of the treatments and/or corrective surgeries available that would allow them to achieve a higher quality of life. Schinke adds that individuals often live with pain while trying to convince themselves that it's tolerable. Seeing a podiatrist could mean that their pain may be treated easily and with minimal disruption to daily life with a small lift in footwear, or a custom orthotic. If left untreated, conditions such as tendonitis, plantar fasciitis, arthritis, or even ingrown toenails could become a bigger problem and treatment becomes more involved. "I realize certain treatments may be inconvenient for the busy lifestyles of many people, but frankly treatment can be less invasive and easier to cope with when addressed at the onset of symptoms." explains Schinke.

PATIENT SATISFACTION

If you ask either physician, they agree that little brings them more satisfaction than having a patient say they can resume an activity that was once too painful to attempt. Linda, a surgical patient of Dr. Schinke testifies "I had bunions on each foot and they were getting more painful as the years went by. My co-workers (fellow nurses) guided me to Dr. Schinke and I never looked back...I trusted her skills and she exceeded my expectations!" Kathy, a patient of Dr. Tougas, says she experienced nerve pain that made it difficult to walk but after surgery the pain is gone. "[Dr. Tougas] is an excellent surgeon."

KEYS TO SUCCESS

Tougas and Schinke agree that building relationships is core to their practice's existence. Creating rapport and trust with a patient, partnering with highly qualified colleagues, building a first rate support staff and fostering relationships with independent practices and healthcare systems in the Fox Valley is essential to seamless and comprehensive patient care. Tougas concludes, "we have worked hard to build and sustain these relationships and as residents of Northeastern Wisconsin, we are all better for it."



Dr. Tougas explains the benefits and shortfalls in the structure of footwear as it relates to proper foot support and function.



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arts events

- 2, 3 | Paul Thorn**
Paul Thorn has been pleasing crowds for years w/ his muscular brand of roots music. F & Sa, 7:30pm. Thrasher Opera House, Green Lake. 294-4279.
- 2-3, 9-10, 16-17, 23-24, 30-31 | Improv Comedy**
Live performance. 7:30 & 9:30pm. ComedyCity, De Pere. 983-0966.
- 3 | Gallery Walk**
6-9pm. Downtown Oshkosh. 426-3232.
- 3 | Fox Valley Symphony Carmina Burana Concert**
Carmina Burana is an enduring audience favorite & one of the most recognizable pieces of music ever written. 7:30-9:30pm. Fox Cities Performing Arts Center, Appleton. 730-3760.
- 3 | UW-Manitowoc Lakeshore Wind Ensemble: An American Salute**
"From Sea to Shining Sea" American Overture. 7:30pm. Capitol Civic Centre, Manitowoc. 683-2184.
- 3 | Sara Groves**
Singer/songwriter Sara Groves incorporates a message of justice into her music. 6:30 & 8:45pm. Cup O Joy, Green Bay. 435-3269.
- 3 | Rose & the Nightingale Public Concert**
K-8 students perform original poems set to music inspired by the Botanical Gardens. 11am & 12:30pm. Green Bay Botanical Gardens. 490-9457.
- 4 | Sunday Concert Series: Heller Mason**
Todd Vandenberg, the man behind the songs of Heller Mason, creates beautiful alternative country & indie rock songs w/ passionate lyrics. 2pm. Neenah Public Library. 886-6315.
- 5, 12, 19, 26 | Fox Valley World Dance**
Dance instruction. 7pm; request dancing, 8-9:30pm. South Greenville Grange Hall, Appleton. 734-4029.
- 5, 12, 19, 26 | Folk Dancers of Fox Valley**
Watch or participate in traditional folk dancing. 7:30pm. Memorial Building, Menasha. 734-4029.
- 6 | Oshkosh Fine Arts Association**
Art demonstration & business meeting. 6:30pm. Oshkosh Senior Center. 233-8731.
- 6-11 | Sister Act**
Sister Act tells the story of Deloris Van Cartier, a wannabe diva whose life takes a surprising turn when she witnesses a crime & the cops hide her in the last place anyone would think to look—a convent. Tu-F, 7:30-10pm; Sa, 2-4:30pm & 7:30-10pm; Su, 1-3:30pm & 6:30-9pm. Fox Cities Performing Arts Center, Appleton. 730-3760.
- 8-10 | Jesus Christ Superstar**
A dramatic interpretation of the final days of Jesus centering on the relationship between Jesus & Judas w/ blazing guitar riffs, piercing vocals & powerful, throbbing orchestrations. 7:30pm. Capitol Civic Centre, Manitowoc. 683-2184.
- 8 | Jerry Seinfeld**
Comedian of Seinfeld fame takes the stage. 7pm. Weidner Center for the Performing Arts, Green Bay. 494-3401.
- 9 | Fox Valley Concert Band**
UWFox presents the Fox Valley Concert Band's Spring Concert. 7:30pm. Perry Hall, UWFox. 832-2625.
- 9 | Big Cedar Bluegrass**
The upbeat bluegrass sound of Big Cedar will have you clapping your hands & tapping your feet. 7:30pm. Cup O Joy, Green Bay. 435-3269.
- 11 | Music @ the Library**
Featuring Premonition performing a fusion of blues & jazz. Families welcome. 2-3pm. Appleton Public Library. 832-6173.
- 11 | Chamber Ensembles Concert**
2-4pm. Harper Hall, Lawrence University. 832-6632.
- 15 | Nancy King & Steve Christofferson**
Jazz @ the Trout Season III presents Nancy King & Steve Christofferson. Advance tickets recommended. 7:30-9pm. Trout Museum of Art, Appleton. 733-4089.
- 16 | Tent Show Radio's 20th Anniversary Tour**
From the shores of Lake Superior, "Tent Show Radio" broadcasts the summer lineup of Big Top Chautauqua's finest acts. 7:30-10pm. Fox Cities Performing Arts Center, Appleton. 730-3760.
- 17 | Baileys Harbor Spring Fling**
Area artisans present their work. 9am-4pm. Town Hall, Baileys Harbor. 839-2366.
- 17 | Chris Hillman & Herb Petersen**
The Thrasher welcomes these pioneers of country rock. 7:30pm. Thrasher Opera House, Green Lake. 294-4279.
- 17 | Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra**
The Brown County Civic Music Association closes its season w/ a performance by the MSO. 7:30pm. Ralph Holter Auditorium, Green Bay West High School. 338-1801.
- 17 | Pippi Longstocking**
Valley Academy of the Arts presents Pippi Longstocking. 2-5pm. Jane Bergstrom Fine Arts Education Center, Neenah. 279-1578.
- 17 | Steve March-Torme-Snap, Sizzle & Pop!**
7:30pm. Grand Opera House, Oshkosh. 424-2350.
- 17 | Festival of Spring**
A free outdoor festival featuring the Paine's annual Spring Plant Sale & more than 200 vendors of original art, fine crafts, plants & garden supplies. 9am-4pm. Paine Art Center & Gardens. Oshkosh. 235-6903.
- 17 | Band of Seahorses!**
Wonderful guitar work & beautiful vocals combine for a collection of original alternative folk songs. 7-9pm. ARTgarage, Green Bay. 448-6800.
- 17-18 | Shepherd's Market**
Northeast Wisconsin's oldest fiber event. Demonstrations of spinning & weaving. Woodwalk Gallery, Egg Harbor. 743-4456.
- 22 | Bring It On: The Musical**
Inspired by the film, this show takes you on a high-flying journey through friendship, forgiveness & determination. 7:30pm. Weidner Center, Green Bay. 494-3401.
- 23 | Chris August**
Singer-songwriter Chris August showcases R&B & soul influences from his new album into his performance. 6:30 & 8:45pm. Cup O Joy. 435-3269.
- 24-25 | Sturgeon Bay Fine Art Fair**
16th annual juried, multi-media art show w/ entertainment, children's activities, food & beverages. Sa, 10am-5pm; Su, 10am-4pm. Sunset Park, Sturgeon Bay. 743-6246.
- 24 | Open Mic Night**
Come take the Cup stage! Contact jano@cupojoy.com to sign up. 7pm. Cup O Joy, Green Bay. 435-3269.
- 31 | Living River Quartet**
The music presented by Living River is a blend of contemporary praise, worship, gospel & a cappella styles. 7:30pm. Cup O Joy, Green Bay. 435-3269.

opening exhibits

Allen Priebe Gallery, UW Oshkosh. 424-0147

Senior Fine Arts Exhibition
thru May 5. Artist Reception: May 2, 6:30-8pm.

Graphic Design Senior Exhibition
thru May 12. Artist Reception: May 2, 6:30-8pm.

Appleton Public Library. 832-6173

Betty Proper
May 1-June 30. Watercolors & oil paintings. Lower level exhibit space.

ARTgarage. 448-6800

Installations
May 1-May 30. Works from the Green Bay Art Colony. Artist reception, May 8, 5:30-7:30pm.

The Aylward Gallery, UWFox, Menasha. 832-2626

UWFox Student Art Show
May 15-16. Paintings, drawing & ceramics. Reception, May 16, 5pm.

Baer Gallery at Bush Art Center, St. Norbert College, De Pere. 337-3181

Senior Art Exhibition
thru-May 3. The Senior Art Exhibition is the capstone experience for Senior Art & Design majors at St. Norbert College.

Jack Richeson School of Art & Gallery, Kimberly, 757-5415

Art From the Gardens
thru May 3. A non-juried exhibit of paintings depicting trees, plants, fruits, vegetables & flowers found in nature or a garden. Co-presented by the Trout Museum of Art & Creative by Design.

Collaborating for Carmina

It takes a grand collaboration to pull off "Carmina Burana".

This month, the Fox Cities Symphony Orchestra, newVoices and the Lawrence University Academy of Music's girl choir will team up to tackle Carl Orff's masterpiece, one of the most well-known pieces of classic choral literature.

"Audiences love Carmina because it's rhythmic and that rhythm gets at your inner musical core," says newVoices conductor Phillip Swan.



Both choirs have been hard at work learning the difficult languages and rhythms included in the work.

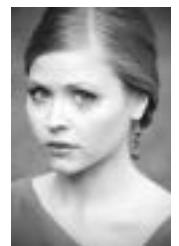
"It's like running a marathon at full speed the whole time," says

Dan Van Sickle, a baritone with newVoices. "Even the slow and gentle movements have an edge to them—you can't let down."

The work will feature soloists soprano Alisa Jordheim, an Appleton native who began her vocal studies at Lawrence and is now starting a major operatic career; tenor Steven Paul Spears of Lawrence; and baritone Chad Sloan.

"We try to do something together at least once a season, but are delighted when it can be something on this grand a scale," says Jamie LaFreniere, director of operations and marketing for the symphony.

The performance is May 3 at the Fox Cities Performing Arts Center.



Alisa Jordheim

— by Nicole Dunbar

Adding a Pop to Local History

A new take on the Black experience in Appleton may be popping into a neighborhood near you.

Next month, the History Museum at the Castle launches its latest concept in museum exhibits—a display that travels to where the people are rather than waiting for them to come to the museum.

Called a “popup exhibit,” the goal of A Stone of Hope: Black Experiences in the in Fox Cities is “to bring marginalized stories out to the community” says Nick Hoffman, chief curator of the History Museum at the Castle.

The exhibit seeks to debunk some common myths about the African American experience in the Fox Cities, Hoffman says. One myth busted is that Appleton was a ‘sundown town,’ meaning local ordinances kept racial minorities out by allowing them to work, but not live, within its borders.

The creators of the exhibit found “this wasn’t actually in city ordinances but sort of a social construct” according to Hoffman.

Along with debunking myths, the exhibit clarifies details surrounding Martin Luther King, Jr.’s visit to the Fox Cities, as well as exploring the activities of the Ku Klux Klan.

Visitors will also get to know individual stories such as Horace Artist, a Civil war veteran.

The exhibit will open at City Hall, then travel to different locations throughout the community during its two year run.



Ephraim Williams was a saloonkeeper at the Briggs House Hotel in Appleton during the mid-1880s. Later he became a nationally known circus manager. Credit: Taylor County Star and News, Medford, Wisconsin, April 25, 1891.

— by Eryn Wecker

Miller Art Museum, Sturgeon Bay. 746-0707

39th Annual Salon of Door County High School Art

thru May 28. Door County high school students from all five schools display a wide variety of work in all media.

Neville Public Museum, Green Bay. 448-4460

Not at Ease

thru May 31. Twenty original artist prints based upon the oral histories of 20 female veterans.

Oshkosh Public Museum. 236-5799

In Company With Angels: Seven Re-Discovered Tiffany Windows
thru May 11. Created by Tiffany Studios in New York City & named for the angels of the Bible’s Book of Revelation, the windows were crated & stored in various garages & sheds until their re-discovery in 2001.

Peninsula Art School & Gallery, Fish Creek. 868-3455

Five Objects of Inspiration

May 2–July 12. 20 painters are given the same 5 objects to incorporate into a still life painting. This exhibition demonstrates that it is not the subject matter, but how an artist chooses to express it that defines a work.

Plymouth Arts Center. 892-8409

Endangered Places, Historic Spaces
thru May 30. Water’s Edge Artists

Wriston Art Center Galleries. Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6621.

Man Up! Masculine Archetypes in Visual Art

thru May 4. Leach Gallery. Drawn from works in Lawrence’s permanent collection, the exhibition focuses on gender constructs present in U.S. society.

2D. 3D. 4D. 5D?

thru May 4. Hoffmaster Gallery. The work of Shawn Sheehy, a book artist.

Cosmogony 2.0

thru May 4. Kohler Gallery. Sculpture artist Carol Emmons’ work will be showcased.

Senior Art Major Exhibition
May 24–Jul 28.

community & cultural events

1 | Woodcock Survey

Presentation at 7pm, traveling survey at 7:50pm. Navarino Nature Center, Shiocton. 758-6999.

2-4 | Green Bay Garden Blitz

Help us unite the community in a shared vision of nutrition & sustainability by reclaiming green spaces & bringing healthy food to our community. Brown County Community Gardens, Green Bay. 391-4660.

3-4 | Feather Fest

2014 Feather Fest is a family-friendly weekend of bird related programs. 6:30–3pm. Mosquito Hill Nature Center, New London. 779-6433.

3, 10, 17, 24, 31 | Saturday Morning Bird Walk

Join us for a leisurely Saturday morning walk. All skill levels are welcome. 7–10am. Mosquito Hill Nature Center, New London. 779-6433.

4 | Victorian Tea w/ Mrs. Rogers ☎

Enjoy tea & refreshments hosted by Mrs. Cremora Rogers, First Lady of Hearthstone & a cast of servants & a tour of the home given by Mrs. Rogers’ house manager. Hearthstone Historic Museum, Appleton. 11am. 730-8204.

2 | First Friday Concert Series

An annual performance showcasing the talent of Steven Paul Spears’ voice studio. 2–3pm. Neenah Public Library. 886-6315.

10 | Blossom Run

Low key, fun, family-oriented event. 5 mile run, 2 mile walk/run & 1 mile youth fun run. 8:30am. Door County YMCA, Egg Harbor. 743-4949.



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- 10 | Roofing of the Goats Parade**
All goats are invited to participate. Goat costumes, Viking hats & other creative endeavors are encouraged. Sister Bay Advancement Association. 854-2812.
- 10 | Native Plant Sale**
Includes host & nectar plants to help monarchs. Plants are nursery-propagated grasses, sedges & forbs for all types of habitats. 9–11:30am. Wild Ones Fox Valley Area, Neenah. 740-7807.
- 10 | Growing Green**
Start your own vegetable, herb or flower garden, no matter how much or how little land you have. 9am–2pm. Mosquito Hill Nature Center, New London. 779-6433.
- 11 | Mother's Day @ the Garden featuring Brunch**
Enjoy a buffet style brunch while viewing the Garden's spring blooms this Mother's Day. 10–1:30pm. Green Bay Botanical Garden. 491-3691.
- 11 | Mother's Day Wildflower Walk**
Join Mosquito Hill Naturalist Mike Hibbard in search of the ephemeral beauties of spring. 1–3pm. Mosquito Hill Nature Center, New London. 779-6433.
- 15 | Sunset Flowage Canoe Trip**
Canoe Pike's Peak & McDonald Flowage on the Navarino Wildlife Area. 6pm. Navarino Nature Center, Shiocton. (715) 758-6999.
- 15 | TasteBud**
Enjoy tastings from area caterers, restaurants, wineries & breweries served throughout the budding spring Garden. 5–8pm. Green Bay Botanical Gardens. 490-9457.
- 16–18 | Door County Homebuilders Show**
The Door County Home Builders Association present 8 newly constructed homes. 11am–4pm. Door County.
- 17 | Frog-tastic Celebration**
Join us for all things froggy. Make a frog craft & a toad house, see live frogs & go for a spring frog hike. 1–3pm. Heckrodt Wetland Preserve, Menasha. 720-9349.
- 17 | Wandering Down the Wolf River**
Canoe from Shawano down the Wolf River to Hwy CCC. Canoes, PFD's & paddles provided. 8:30am. Navarino Nature Center, Shiocton. (715) 758-6999.
- 17 | Festival of Spring**
A free outdoor festival featuring the Paine's annual Spring Plant Sale w/ more than 150 vendors of original art & fine crafts. 8am–4pm. Paine Art Center & Gardens, Oshkosh. 235-6903.
- 17 | Scottie Dog Rally**
Nearly 200 Scottish Terriers come together & strut their scottitude. Complete w/ kilts & bagpipers. 11:30am. Downtown Baileys Harbor. 493-5878.
- 17–18 | Heritage Paddles 2014: A Tribute to Tributaries**
A series of paddle events to celebrate & explore Fox & Lower Wisconsin Rivers, along w/ sections of the Kickapoo, Mecan, & East Rivers. Fox-Wisconsin Heritage Parkway, Kimberly. 707-2965.
- 17–18 | Wade House @ Work & @ Play**
Experience behind-the-scenes tours of the Herring Sawmill & celebrate the household duties, trades & fun that helped shape this historic community. 10am–5pm. Wade House, Greenbush. 526-3271.
- 17–18 | Shepherd's Market**
Annual Fiber & Art-to-Wear Sale. 10am–4pm. Woodwalk Gallery, Egg Harbor. 743-1560.
- 18 | Natures' Images Spring Art Fair**
60+ fine artists displaying nature related paintings, photography, sculpture, crafts from natural materials, botanical & herbs. 10am–4:30pm. 1000 Islands Environment Center, Kaukauna. 766-4733.
- 19 | Memory Cafe: Kentucky Derby Party**
Learn about the history of the Kentucky Derby & have competitive horse races. 1:30–3:30pm. Neenah Public Library. 886-6315.
- 22–24 | Door County Festival of Nature**
Guided field trips to some of the county's most unique & beautiful natural areas. Th, 6:30pm; Fr, 7pm; Sa, 8am. Baileys Harbor Town Hall. 839-2802.
- 24 | Leave No Family Inside: Froggie Went a Courtin'**
Naturalist Jessica Miller introduces you to Wisconsin's native frogs. 12:30–3pm. Mosquito Hill Nature Center, New London. 779-6433.


24–26 | Sturgeon Bay Fine Art Fair
A variety of fine artists & craftsmen display their wares. Enjoy strolling entertainers, live music & colorful children's activities. Sa, 11am–4:30pm; Su, 12–4pm. Sturgeon Bay. (800) 301-6695.

24–26 | Celebrate DePere
Enjoy live entertainment, activities & shows for kids, food & beverage tents, a water ski show & fireworks on Su. Parade on M. Voyageur Park, DePere. 336-7980.

24–26 | Memorial Weekend 27th Annual Car Show & "Self-Abraction"
View more than 125 classic cars alongside the beautiful Fox River while shopping the outdoor craft fair. 9am–5pm. Scott Park, Omro. 685-6960.

26 | Heritage Hill—A Soldier's Remembrance
Heritage Hill honors veterans & current military personnel as they pay tribute to our fallen heroes. 10am–4:30pm. Heritage Hill State Park, Green Bay. 448-5150.

29 | A Time to Laugh Comedy Night & Charity Gala
Harbor House Domestic Abuse Programs presents its 10th Annual comedy night charity gala featuring "Whose Live Anyway?". 7:30–10:30pm. Fox Cities Performing Arts Center. 730-3760.

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It's an Art Affair

Art fair season opens like a peacock spreading its tail feathers this month as artists display the inspiration that carried them through the long winter.

At least four art fairs will show off plenty of artistic plumage, including Oshkosh, Kaukauna, Omro and Sturgeon Bay, one of the largest fairs in the region.

"Over 90 exhibitors will display their original works in a wide variety of media including sculpture, painting, jewelry, ceramics, fiber and photography; and all artwork is for sale," says Amy DeMeter, promotions coordinator for the Sturgeon Bay Visitor Center.

In addition to the works on view and for sale, the fairs also feature live music and other entertainers. Omro will feature more than 100 classic cars along the riverfront, while the Oshkosh Festival of Spring is paired with the Paine Art Center and Gardens annual plant sale.

Kaukauna's Natures' Images Spring Art Fair will feature more than 60 artists displaying nature related works, as well as crafts made from natural materials.

Details for the the region's art fairs can be found in the season lineup section of the FOX CITIES Magazine website or in our Not to be Missed calendar.

—By Nicole Dunbar

30 | Springtime at Heritage Hill 兔

Heritage Hill kicks off its season w/ breakfast on the farm, spring sheep shearing, children's games & more. 10am-4:30pm. Heritage Hill State Park, Green Bay. 448-5150.

30-31 | Garden Fair

100 vendors of plants, garden art & other garden supplies, live music from local musicians, tips & tricks from gardening experts & celebrate the season. 5-8pm. Green Bay Botanical Gardens. 490-9457.

31 | Chocolate Fest 兔

Chocolate Fest is a family friendly event at Commercial Club Park. Some of the scheduled events include Tour de Chocolate Bike Ride, 5K Run/Walk & an Artisan Village. 9am-10pm. Commercial Club Park, Hortonville. 779-4500.

31 | Door County Master Gardeners Annual Plant Sale

Sale of vegetables & flowering plants, both annuals & perennials. 9am-12pm. UW-Peninsular Research Station, Sturgeon Bay. 743-6255.

31 | Open Streets Green Bay

Join Open Streets Green Bay for a free bicycle ride through Green Bay's city streets. 9am-1pm. Downtown Green Bay. 437-5972.

lectures, readings, discussions & presentations

2 | The Teen Book Club: Clockwork Angel by Cassandra Cae

The book club creates an environment for teens to spark new friendships, read books they might not have otherwise read & participate in literary discussions. 4:30pm. Oshkosh Public Library. 236-5211.

3 | Outagamie County Master Gardeners Vegetables: The yummy side of gardening. 10-11:30am. Appleton Public Library. 832-6173.

5 | Poetry @ The Library Open Mic. For teens & adults. Come & read your original poems or a favorite poem. 4-5pm. Appleton Public Library. 832-6173.

5 | On the Road w/ Master Gardeners Landscapes using the Olmstead Principles, presented by Karen Peckham. 6:30-7:30pm. Appleton Public Library. 832-6173.

7 | Downtown Book Club Free-for-all. Choose your own book to discuss w/ the group. Feel free to bring a lunch. 12-1pm. Appleton Public Library. 832-6173.

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Look up and Discover

How well do you really know Menasha?

To celebrate National Historic Preservation month, the Menasha Landmarks Commission and merchants of Menasha want to put your knowledge to the test in a "Discover Historic Menasha" photo contest.

The challenge is to identify 20 architectural gems in downtown Menasha that often go unnoticed.

"We wanted a fun way to get people to slow down and look around so that they can notice the details of Menasha."

The contest also gives people a reason to visit the upper Main Street Historic District and enjoy the river walk while trying to find the locations to the photos.

Entry forms are available at Menasha City Hall and participating establishments. Two winners will be chosen to receive gift certificates from participating merchants for correctly identifying all 20 photos by May 31.

In addition to the photo contest, the Landmarks Commission will celebrate preservation with the May 14 re-opening of the Tayco Street Bridge Tower Museum. The ceremony begins at 5:30pm.

— by Mary Safranski

- 8 | **Preventing Heart Attacks & Strokes**
Presented by Dr. Ron Borkowicz. 4–5pm. Appleton Public Library. 832-6173.
- 12 | **Suburban Homesteading: Monarch Butterflies**
Tracey Koenig of Wild Ones & executive director of Heckrodt Nature Preserve discusses the plight of this beautiful butterfly & the challenges it faces. 6:30pm. Neenah Public Library. 886-6315.
- 14 | **Panel Discussion: Wills, Trusts & Leaving a Legacy** 📞
Wisconsin Public Radio presents Wills, Trusts & Leaving a Legacy, a panel discussion w/ financial experts. 10am–12pm. Neenah Public Library. (888) 909-4163
- 15 | **Waking up in a Park: The Volunteer Experience of an Appleton Couple**
Presented by Bob & Martha Schmall. 7–8pm. Appleton Public Library. 832-6173.
- 20 | **Non-Fiction Book Club**
Join the library for a discussion of contemporary nonfiction. Newcomers welcome. 2pm. Menasha Public Library. 967-3690.
- 22 | **Walk a Mile in my Shoes**
Topic: Our Asian Community. Co-sponsored by the Appleton Department of Community Development. 6:30–8pm. Appleton Public Library. 832-6173.
- 27 | **Meet Wisconsin Authors**
Presented by Gary Beyer, author of "You Must Answer This". Books for sale & signing. 6:30–7:30pm. Appleton Public Library. 832-6173.
- 29 | **State of Education lecture w/ Professor Duke Pesta**
Addresses & describes the one-size-fits-all standard for American education. 6pm. Appleton Public Library. 832-6173.

films

- 5, 19, | **Monday Matinee**
Join the Menasha Public Library for a great movie & popcorn. Menasha Public Library. 967-3692.

- 8 | **Thursday Night @ the Movies**
Documentary: A Sister's Call. Call & Rebecca Richmond were born into Atlanta's high society. To their neighbors, they were the perfect family. Nothing was further from the truth. 6–8pm. Appleton Public Library. 832-6173.
- 12 | **Monday Matinee: August: Osage County**
Starring Meryl Streep & Julia Roberts. A look at the lives of the strong-willed women of the Weston family. Rated R. 1–3pm. Neenah Public Library. 886-6315.
- 15 | **Thursday Afternoon @ the Movies**
Featuring Saving Mr. Banks. The story of Walt Disney's efforts to bring Mary Poppins to the big screen. Rated PG-13. 4–6pm. Appleton Public Library. 832-6173.
- 20 | **Tuesday Night Movie**
Featuring The Secret Life of Walter Mitty, starring Ben Stiller. Rated PG. Runs 114 mins. 6pm. Neenah Public Library. 886-6315.
- 21 | **Early Dismissal Movie**
Early dismissal movie. TBA. 1pm. Neenah Public Library. 886-6315.

classes & workshops

- 5 | **Creative Writing @ APL**
Led by Sharrie Robinson. 10am–12pm. Appleton Public Library. 832-6173.
- 6 | **Creative Journey**
Name Tag Collage. 10am–12pm. Appleton Public Library. 832-6173.
- 6 | **Legal Assistance Clinic**
Volunteer attorneys will be available to evaluate your problem & give legal advice. 4–6pm. Menasha Public Library. 236-4848.
- 7 | **Wild Ones Meeting: Native Plants**
Speaker Vicki Medland of UWGB presents on the difference between native plants & GMOs & how this affects us daily. 7pm. Green Bay Botanical Gardens. 490-9457.

- 8 | **Make Your Own Haku Lei Hair Clip** 📞
Learn the history & meaning behind the making of a traditional haku lei. All materials included. 6–7:30pm. Green Bay Botanical Gardens. 490-9457.
- 12 | **Nettle Night** 📞
Instructors from Herb Society of America help us to identify & prepare nettle/veggie soup, nettle pasta w/ garlic & Bronze Age nettle oatcakes. Green Bay Botanical Garden. 491-3691.
- 13 | **Creative Journey**
Images from my Life: A Writing Exercise. 10am–12pm. Appleton Public Library. 832-6173.
- 19 | **Knit2Together**
Multi-generational knitting circle. Newcomers always welcome. 6:30–8pm. Appleton Public Library. 832-6173.
- 19 | **Discover Your DSLR Camera's Controls** 📞
Bring in your DSLR camera & leave w/ the confidence to make great images in any situation. Green Bay Botanical Gardens. 491-3691.
- 20 | **Creative Journey**
Share what you are reading, writing, viewing or listening to. Artist trading cards for trading at 11:45. 10am–12pm. Appleton Public Library. 832-6173.
- 22 | **Creative Writing @ APL**
Led by Sharrie Robinson. 10am–12pm. Appleton Public Library. 832-6173.
- 27 | **Creative Journey**
Coffee House Chat. 10am–12pm. Atlas Coffee Mill & Bakery. 832-6173.
- 29 | **Living Sedum Wreath** 📞
Create a living wreath made of a wire form, moss & sedum. Plan to get dirty, have fun & leave w/ a beautiful start to your garden decorating. 6pm. Navarino Nature Center, Shiocton. 758-6999.

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children's events & classes

- 1, 15, 29 | **Book Groups—Page Turners**
8–11 y.o. book group. 3:45pm. Neenah Public Library. 866-6315.
- 1, 7, 8 | **Lapsit**
Storytime for 2 y.o. & young 3s. 10am. Neenah Public Library. 866-6315.
- 2 | **Diggers & Dents: Honk! Honk!**
Join the Menasha Public Library Children's Department in their parking lot to look at the City of Menasha Public Works Department's trucks & more! 10–10:30am. Menasha Public Library. 967-3670.
- 3 | **Stepping Stone Acrylic Painting Class**
One day class on how to draw & paint a Chickadee w/ acrylics on a stepping stone for your garden. 9am–1pm. Navarino Nature Center, Shiocton. 758-6999.
- 3 | **Art Activity Day: Design Your Mom a Glass Flower**
Design for your mom a glass flower that will then be made, on the torch, by a glass artist. 10am–1pm. Bergstrom-Mahler Museum of Glass. 751-4658.
- 3 | **Healthy Kids Day**
The YMCA of the Fox Cities is celebrating Healthy Kids Day® at the Heart of the Valley YMCA, w/ a free community event to get kids moving. 1–4pm. Heart of the Valley YMCA, Kimberly. 886-2124.
- 4 | **Star Wars Day**
May the 4th be w/ you. Celebrate a love of science & science fiction as the Children's Museum hosts a day dedicated for "Star Wars". Dress in costume for admission discounts. 10am–4pm. Children's Museum of Fond du Lac. 929-0707.
- 5, 12, 19 | **Let's Grow Garden Stories: Dig It**
Preschoolers & parents are invited for 3 weeks of gardening fun. Menasha Public Library. 967-3670
- 6, 9 | **Toddle Time**
Storytime for children 12–23 mo. old. 10:30am. Neenah Public Library. 866-6315.
- 6, 13, 20 | **Preschool Players Theater Group**
The Menasha Public Library will host a 3-week long theater group the last week will be the performance. 6:30–7pm. Menasha Public Library. 967-3670

- 6 | **Evening Family Storytime**
2–6 y.o. storytime. 6:30pm. Neenah Public Library. 866-6315.
- 6 | **Our Time**
3–5 y.o. storytime. 10am. Neenah Public Library. 866-6315.
- 7 | **Baby Time**
Storytime for children 0–11 mo. old. 9:15am. Neenah Public Library. 866-6315.
- 8 | **Toddle Time**
Storytime for children 12–23 mo. old. 9:15am. Neenah Public Library. 866-6315.
- 8 | **Lego Mania** 📺
Come build w/ us! Each month we have a new theme to inspire you. We provide the Legos. 3:45–4:30pm. New London Public Library. 982-8519.
- 8 | **Book Group—Girlfriends Read**
8 y.o. & up. 6:30pm. Neenah Public Library. 866-6315.
- 9 | **Peppa Pig Day Hurray!**
Join the Library for games, crafts, activities & a treat to celebrate the newest book & TV star, Peppa Pig. 10–10:30am. Menasha Public Library. 967-3670
- 10 | **Pooches & Pages**
1st–5th grade kids reading to therapy dogs. 15 minute appointments. 10–11am. Neenah Public Library. 866-6315.
- 17 | **Things That GO!**
Children can explore more than 50 different types of vehicles. We will also have music, food, vendors & various entertainers. 10am–2pm. Pierce Park, Appleton. 475-6779.
- 20 | **Turtle Tots Preschool Adventure—Spring has Sprung** 📺
How can you tell it's spring? Find out how animals on the reserve know spring has sprung. 9:30–11am. Heckrodt Wetland Reserve, Menasha. 720-9349.

More on the Web

► Expanded Calendar Listings

Our online events calendar is updated daily with concerts, classes, exhibits and more. Find out "What's Going On" every day of the week.

"Snap-Sizzle-Pop"

Steve March-Tormé will unleash his polished and charming voice during a Grand Opera House debut May 17.

The son of the legendary Mel Tormé, March-Tormé is a seasoned worldwide performer known for a smooth voice and upbeat jazz tunes. He is also well-versed in melodically driven pop music, which influenced his latest album "Inside/Out".

Fox Cities residents will recognize his distinctive voice from the airwaves, as he also hosts an afternoon drive time radio show. He loves an audience and giving them a good show.

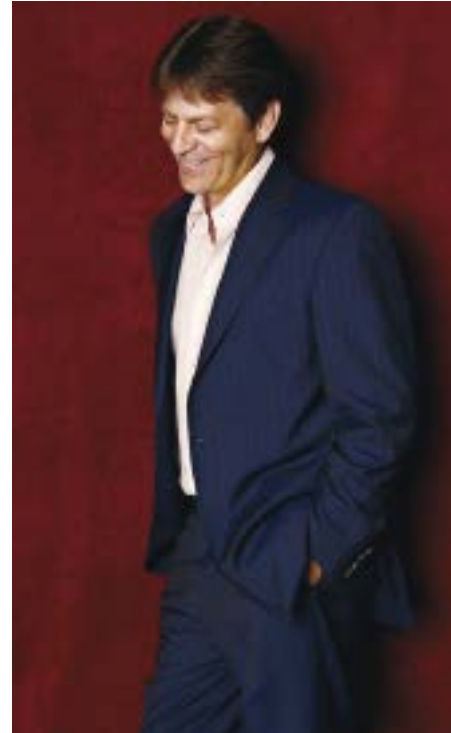
"I want a thirty year old to come to the show and say 'hey, he's a fairly hip cat!' " March-Tormé says. "But I also want a 70 year old to say 'boy, that guy really has a reverence for that music you can tell that he really cares about it.' "

Following in his father's performance footsteps wasn't the initial plan for March-Tormé, who had ambitions of playing professional baseball. Then he saw the Beatles.

"Seeing the Beatles live on Ed Sullivan and going, 'well I know I like music but wow! That's what I like, that's what I want to do,' " says March-Tormé, describing the fateful day.

Turns out the Beatles still have an influence. In his performance at the Grand, March-Tormé will perform a mix of classic jazz pop and original music from his latest album Inside/Out. He will also preview an upcoming Tribute to the Beatles scheduled for June 7 at the Leach Amphitheater.

— by Mary Safranski



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A River Runs Through It

By Sean P. Johnson



Nothing quite says Fox Cities like making paper.

For the third graders visiting from Menasha's Gegan Elementary School, the act of making paper in a former mill along the Fox River didn't include a deep discussion of its historical and cultural significance.

After all, it was just one activity in a station-to-station packed morning that included learning about simple machines, basic chemistry, an information scavenger hunt and — at least for a few brief minutes — burning off some energy while climbing on an indoor playground modeled after today's industrial paper making machines.

There is a lot more than paper to discover at the Paper Discovery Center.

"I think this may be one of my favorite field trips so far," says Javier Garcia Ros, a visiting teacher from Spain who helped organize the out-of-classroom experience for Gegan's third grade classes.

"Almost everything we do here ties back to our curriculum" he says. "It's very explicit and very easy for them to understand."

Ros is not alone with his endorsement.

The number of students visiting Paper Discovery Center projected to reach 8,000 this year, says Kathleen Lhost, the center's executive director. Drawing on its roots from the paper industry, as well as the influence of the departed Institute of Paper Chemistry, the center's educational activities lean heavy toward the science and technology curriculum many schools have adopted.

Mix in the historic context and the result is a celebration of the Fox Cities as the epicenter of the paper industry.

"It's really a nice way to highlight the history of the area and its heritage," says Lhost, who took over the helm of the Paper Discovery Center in 2011. "Plus, a lot of what we do ties in really well with the STEM curriculum in the schools."

A Riverfront Rebirth

The activities taking place in the Paper Discovery Center are part of the latest lease on life for the historic Atlas Paper Mill, which in 1999 was donated by Kimberly Clark Corp. for use in creating the Paper Industry International Hall of Fame.

That gift came during a time of transition for the industry, as aging facilities and global competition threatened the area's dominance within the industry. In addition, the Institute for Paper Chemistry had departed to Georgia.

Much like the river banks that border it, the road to reuse was a rocky one. While the Hall of Fame began inducting members in 1995, it did not have the money to renovate the old mill building, built in 1878 on the site of a riverfront sawmill. The building could have easily become another of the derelicts that at one time dotted the area.

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"I seem to remember that a tree was growing on the inside," says Karen Harkness, director of community development for the city of Appleton and a member of the Common Council when the building was donated. "Now look at how beautiful it is."

The financing challenge was solved when the Hall of Fame sold the mill to a private developer, who after renovating the building, leased it back to the group for the Paper Discovery Center. The Atlas Coffee Mill & Cafe also leases space in the building.

It was the Atlas Mill building, along with Pullman's, that played a key role in sparking much of the redevelopment taking place along Appleton's riverfront today, Harkness says.

"They jump started everything in that area," she says. "Communities like Appleton finally realized what an asset the riverfront could be."

River of Time

After all, it was the Fox River that made possible the industry the Paper Discovery Center celebrates. The Atlas Mill was right at its heart.

The Atlas Mill was among the first of more than 40 paper mills that would dot the Fox River. Built by the same investors who formed Kimberly Clark, the mill was the largest paper mill west of New York when it opened. It was also one of the first to make paper from ground wood pulp instead of rags.

All of this was made possible by the Fox River, which drops in elevation more than the height of Niagara Falls on its way from Lake Winnebago to Green Bay, providing an inexpensive source of power.

The Atlas Mill would survive an early fire and remain in operation for slightly more than 120 years for Kimberly Clark Corp. Also among its claims to fame: it was the nation's leading producers of decorated wallpaper throughout the 1930s and 1940s; it also introduced the first line of washable printing papers.

Flowing Forward

The paper industry's rich history provides the backdrop for today's activities at the Paper Discovery Center.

It can be found in the artwork and media clippings that adorn the walls. Models of converting machines, displays of paper products made here and an interactive exhibit showing the ground pulp process highlight the innovation that propelled the industry and powered the region's economic success.

The science behind many of those advances is demonstrated in the hands-on activities visiting children participate in.

One of the principle displays is a multimedia kiosk honoring the inductees into the Hall of Fame. There is a nameplate and photo for each member, as well as an interactive display that shows a YouTube video highlighting the history and accomplishments of each member.

This October, the Hall of Fame will induct its 20th class. Plenty of familiar Fox Cities names adorn the list of those already honored, a fitting tribute to their role building an industry and a community.

"The Fox River Valley would not be what it is today without paper," says Becky Walker, director of curriculum with the Appleton Area School District and board member for the Paper Hall of Fame. "The Paper Discovery Center keeps that in the forefront."

All of which helps create a fitting environment for the center's programing, she says. The history, science and innovation make it a valuable resource for educators and an unique attraction for visitors. The hands-on science is what sticks with the younger students, though the history makes an impression on later visits, she says.

The activity that ties everything together is making paper, says Walker.

"Kids today do so many things online and with the computer—that paper means something," she says. "We don't have a population that does that anymore."





Working: Man, Woman and Machine

Neenah Paper Inc. gifted The Paper Discovery Center with eleven paintings by Thomas Dietrich in honor of Fox River Paper chairman Robert Buchanan.

The works depict early papermaking at the former Fox River Paper mill in Appleton. Dietrich was a professor of Art at Lawrence University beginning in 1944 and later designated as Artist-in-Residence. The paintings are on display at the Paper Discovery Center as an ongoing exhibit.



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A First Time for Everything

By Sean P. Johnson

Fox Cities Firsts, From Famous to Fun

There is something special about the first time.

“I don’t know for sure what it is, but there is a great sense about being the first, being the one who introduced something to the world,” says Ellen Kort, an Appleton resident and author of “The Fox Heritage”, a history of the Fox Cities. “I’m grateful to have been chosen to write about them.”

Of course, every community has its firsts—first settler, first building, first families. Some firsts have reverberations outside the community, and can claim the status of “first ever” in the state, country and even the world.

The Fox Cities has its share of both.

A fruitful era of firsts occurred between 1880 and 1920, particularly for Appleton, which does not surprise Nick Hoffman, chief curator of the History Museum at the Castle.

“That’s really when it turned into a modern city,” he says.

A look at firsts in the Fox Cities, both great and small.

1911

1st Airplane

The first airplane appeared in Appleton during Wisconsin’s first “great year of aviation,”

in 1911, according to “Forward in Flight,” a history of aviation in the state.

A competition between Appleton and Green Bay to host the first successful flights in this part of the state heated up that summer. Unfortunately for the Green Bay effort, the pilot’s attempt to fly a hydroplane from the Fox River in DePere ended underwater.

An Air Event was organized for Sept. 3–4 at the Appleton Baseball Park, where Appleton resident Fred Felix Wettengel guaranteed aviator Cal Rodgers \$2,000 to do exhibition flying over the city. More than 3,000 people appeared to watch Rodgers’ aeronautic feats, and several were taken up as passengers.

Rides cost \$25, and the list of those taking flight with Rodgers included George Whiting and Elizabeth Graves Whiting. Aviation firsts that day included the first female passenger and first paying passengers in Wisconsin. Rodgers’ exhibition also is considered the first aviation event in Wisconsin.



1883

1st Theater

Appleton's first theater with a stage was known as Bertschy's Hall, located on the second floor of the Bertschy Building on the northwest corner of College Avenue and Appleton Street.

It struggled in its early years, at one point becoming a velocipede arena, says Hoffman.

Herman Erb bought the building and remodeled it into a real opera house at a cost of \$10,000. The remodeling was supervised by William Waters, the well-known Oshkosh architect who designed several of the state's best known opera houses.

Bertschy's Hall is mentioned in the Rand-McNally Official Railway Guide from 1886 as seating 600 and in the 1883 edition of "Jno. B. Jeffery's Guide and Directory to the Opera Houses, Theatres, Public Halls, Bill Posters, Etc. of the Cities and Towns of America."

Like many of the state's opera houses, Bertschy's would not survive the times.

"Opera Houses like that existed in almost every community in Wisconsin," Hoffman says. "Only a few saved them."



1st Brick Building

Appleton's City Center complex includes the first brick building constructed in the city, which was built by J.W. Woodward in 1857 at the intersection of Oneida Street and College Avenue.

1st Deed

The first recorded sale of land in the state occurred at Kaukauna in 1793. Dominique DuCharme obtained a deed for 1,282 acres. His price was two barrels of rum, paid to Wabispine and Tobacnoir.



1867

1st Baseball Team

The Appleton Excelsior was the first baseball team organized in the city. The team did not fare so well in their first game. According to accounts published in the newspapers of the time, they lost their first games to a team from Green Bay.

The team later changed its name to the Badgers and competed against teams from Green Bay, Oshkosh and Neenah.

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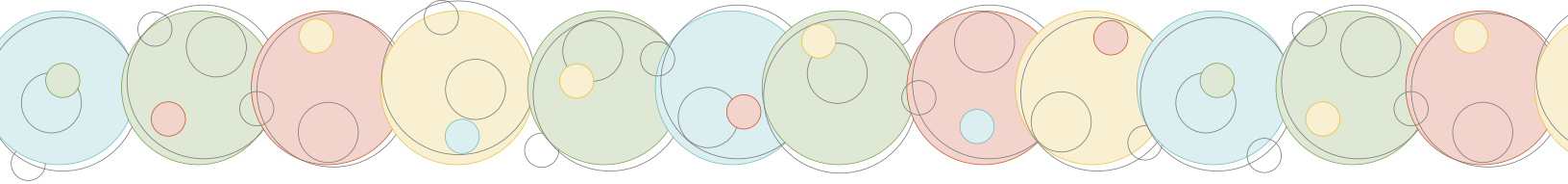
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1st Family 1813

The story of the first non-native families is often a tricky one to tell, as family members did not always live in the area year-round and were often quick to move back to civilization.

Augustin Grignon and his wife Nancy settled in what is now Kaukauna in 1813 after buying land from Paul Ducharme, whose brother purchased the tract from the local tribes. The Grignon's cultivated the land and for many years had the only house on the Fox River from Green Bay to Portage.

His brother Hippolyte was the first to settle in what is now Appleton in 1835 when he moved his family to the log cabin he built west of today's Lutz Park. The home would be known as The White Heron.

The family of John F. Johnston were the first permanent residents of what is now downtown

Appleton. Their small shanty was near the land being cleared for Lawrence University, and would have been located on the north side of what is now Johnston Street.

1st Balloon

In 1881, James Carter ascended in the balloon City of Paris, taking it from Telulah Park to an area near downtown Appleton. It was the first time a balloon took flight in the in the city of Appleton.



1760

1st Trading Post

Site of the first trading post on the Fox River as early fur traders penetrated the area. The post was setup before 1760 by Charles de Langlade and his son-in-law, Pierre Grignon. At the time, the area was known as Grand Kakalin.

1st Statewide Politician

The first statewide politician from the Fox Cities was James D. Doty, who served as territorial governor of Wisconsin from 1841 to 1844.

1st Hydro Electric Power Station

1882

Appleton hosted a first ever in the world event on Sept. 30, 1882 when the Appleton Paper and Pulp Co., the Vulcan Paper Co. and the Hearthstone—home of H. J. Rogers—were lighted by electricity generated from the Edison hydroelectric central station.

It was the first time in the world that electric lights were powered directly by water turbines. Thomas Edison's first electric generating plant was using steam.

The use of water turbines to generate electricity would spark several other historically significant firsts in Appleton in the following decades, including: the first hydroelectrically lighted hotel in the "west", Waverly House, 1883; and the first hydroelectrically lighted college building, Lawrence's Ormsby Hall, 1886.

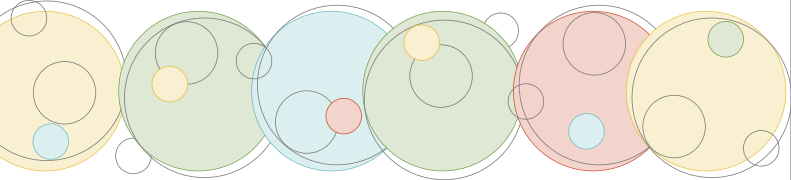
These successes led to the incorporation of the Appleton Edison Electric Company in 1890.



1st Cemetery

One of the first public cemeteries in the country, Oak Hill Cemetery in Neenah was founded in 1849.





1st Paper Mill

In 1854, C. P. Richmond started Appleton's first paper mill. Limited to wrapping paper at first, the mill was able to produce newsprint in 1857. It was the first paper mill on the Fox River, thought more than 40 mills would eventually follow.

Powered by the river's 168-foot drop in elevation from Lake Winnebago to Green Bay, the mills would make the Fox Cities the epicenter of the world's paper industry for more than a century.

Many of the companies that got their start, such as Kimberly Clark Corp., live on today as worldwide players.



1st Canal

1852

The first canal and lock in the Fox Cities was completed in 1852 in Neenah, the result of an intercity rivalry with Menasha. A group from Menasha was awarded the state contract. However, Neenah resident Harvey Jones began work on his own canal and though he died several months into the project, his estate completed the work. The Menasha canal was completed in 1856.

1st Cloned Tree

In April of 1969, Dr. Lawson Winton cloned the world's first test-tube tree, a triploid quaking aspen, at the Institute of Paper Chemistry.

The cloned tree was the result of research begun in 1959 to find ways to more quickly replenish and supply the raw materials needed for the region's pulp and paper industry.

According to a final report on the project issued in 1972, four trees were planted from the project. The first tree was planted on the lawn of the Institute of Paper Chemistry, the second at the National Arboretum in Washington, the third at Capital Park in Madison and the final tree in Minnesota.

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1st Electric Railway

Proving the value hydro-generation of electricity, Appleton embarked on another historic first when it began operating electric street cars on Aug. 16, 1886. Appleton was the first community in the nation to use electricity to power its transit system. The cars ran until 1930.

1881

1st Park

The first park in Appleton was created in 1881, when the city of Appleton purchased a large block of land north of the Lawrence campus for \$13,000. That site is now known as City Park.



1st Woman Mayor

Dorothy Johnson became the first woman mayor in the Fox Cities when she was elected the mayor of Appleton in 1980. The only woman so far elected to the post, she went on to serve 12 years.

Johnson was followed by Marigen Carpenter, who in 1982 was elected the first woman mayor in Neenah. She would serve until 1998.



1955

1st Church

1843

Van den Broek built St. John's church in Little Chute around 1843 to accommodate the growing number of parishioners to his Catholic mission. The first St. John Nepomucene Church was a log cabin 22 feet wide and 30 feet long and the first church in the Fox Cities. It would house the first church bell used to call parishioners to mass in the Fox Cities.

1st Mall

In March of 1955, the Valley Fair Shopping Mall opened in the town of Menasha, the first totally enclosed shopping mall in the world.

Originally opening with six stores, the mall would go through several expansions and grew to encompass more than 55 stores at its peak and more than 265,000 square feet of retail space. The land was eventually annexed into the city of Appleton.

The development of Fox River Mall in the early 1980s marked the beginning of the decline for Valley Fair, as tenants relocated to the newer facility in Appleton.

In 2006, the mall was acquired by VF Partners, a local group that began redeveloping the property. All that remains of the mall structure are Valley Cinema, the former Kohl's Food Store and Chase Bank. The redevelopment site is now called Valley Fair Center.

1st Hamburger

While the creation of the first hamburger may be contested, the Fox Cities area is the home of Charles Nagreen, who began calling a beef patty placed in a bun "a hamburger" in 1885.

It started as an effort to sell meatballs at the Seymour Fair. To make it more convenient for visitors to walk about the fair, Nagreen flattened the meatballs between two pieces of bread, giving Seymour a claim to the title "Home of the Hamburger."

It's a claim the community will vigorously defend, says Bill Collar, president of the Seymour Community Historical Society. The Society's museum boasts more than 1,000 pieces of hamburger memorabilia.

New Haven, Conn., Akron, Ohio, and Athens, Texas also claim the title as home of the hamburger, "It does get a little involved with the other communities," Collar says. "The big burger battle ended in a hung jury, but we won the Internet voting."



1st Treaty 1836

A simple roadside marker on Highway 96 near Little Chute denotes the site of the first treaty that opened the Fox River Valley up to white settlement. Under the terms of the Treaty of the Cedars, nearly 4 million acres of land in was ceded for \$692,000 and provisions.

1st Yacht Races

The first Yacht races on Lake Winnebago took place in Neenah and included boats from Neenah, Menasha, Oshkosh and Green Bay. The first competition took place in 1859 and featured boat built for Charles Doty, son of the former territorial governor.

Yachting clubs around Lake Winnebago would play an instrumental part in the development of the Inland Lakes Yachting Association, which hosts annual competitions throughout the country.

This year, several ILYA championships will be hosted on Lake Winnebago.



1923

1st Pro Tennis Tournament

The Fox River Valley Doubles Championship was introduced by the Doty Tennis Club in 1923 on the court at Doty Park in Neenah. By the 1940s, the tournament, which added the singles championships in the 1930s, had become a major destination for the top players on the tennis tour. During its run, top players such as Bobby Riggs, Don McNeil, Bill Tilden, Frank Parker, Don Budge and Pancho Gonzales played in the event, according to "Memories of Doty Island: a link between two cities."



1st Telephone & Exchange

In 1877, Alfred Galpin, an Appleton banker, constructed a telephone line between his home and office. This was only one year after Alexander Graham Bell invented the device and, according to some reports, was the first telephone in Wisconsin.

Druggist L. N. Benoit then installed telephones in his store with connections to doctors' offices. By 1878, Benoit had a switchboard linked to 25 phones around the city. It was the first switchboard in Wisconsin.

In 1881, Benoit was bought out by a precursor to the Wisconsin Telephone Company.



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All About the Green

By Sean P. Johnson

*The Color of
Water Wise Gardening*

Coneflowers

The eye-popping colors in your garden come with a cost.

When Mother Nature dishes out a dry spell, the first reaction for many gardeners is to reach for the hose and open the spigot. Constant watering to keep the flowers in bloom can be both time consuming and costly—especially if that dry spell drags on.

Take the drought conditions of 2012, for example. The lack of rain, coupled with escalating water rates, left many gardeners with not only withered flower beds, but blood pressure rising higher than the water pressure in a kinked hose.

“That 2012 drought was a real eye opener for folks,” says Kevin Jarek, a horticulturist with the University of Wisconsin-Extension for Outagamie County. “Given everyone’s water bills, anything we can do to capture and keep water in the garden is to our advantage.”

That anything has become known as water-wise gardening, or Xeriscaping, which is defined as landscaping and gardening that reduces or eliminates the need for supplemental water. Some call them water-wise gardens while others refer to them as rain gardens. Either way, it’s about creating a garden that uses water more

efficiently, uses less of it and reduces the time and costs to maintain it.

It does not mean giving up brilliant colors and textures.



While it’s been a common practice in drier parts of the country such as the southwest, the practice has been spreading across the country, in part as people have become more conscious of conserving water.

The first steps start long before the first seedlings are planted.

“When I think about it, I start with thinking how much water can I not use to water plants,” says Alison Schroeder, a landscaper with Lang Landscaping in Black Creek. “What can I do to use less water.”

A good place to start is the location of your garden, then preparing the soil so it better retains water around the roots of the plant, reducing the need for water, Schroeder says. Shaded areas generally require less water than sunny spots.

Creating better soil may take some early effort with this area’s sticky, clay soil.

“The first requirement really is good soil,” says Deb Willis, a designer with Lowney’s Landscaping Center in Appleton. “You will want to add compost or other organic material to break the soil up so the roots can spread. It also helps with water distribution.”

The better the water distribution, the less of it you need, Willis says.

Once the soil is prepared, it’s time to start thinking about your plants. Again, one of the first things to keep in mind is whether you are planting in an area that has a lot of shade, or will the

flowers be in the sun all day long.

In either case, one of the easiest ways to reduce the water needed for your garden is to select those plants that are native to the area that are more likely to thrive with the natural rainfall rhythms. It won't eliminate watering, but it can reduce it.

"There are many plants that are more drought tolerant and can help you create a water-wise garden," says Jim Beard, a certified organic landscape architect and horticulture instructor at Fox Valley Technical College with more than 40 years of landscaping experience. "Once you get them established, all they need is an occasional watering."

Selecting native plants does not mean giving



up on spectacular color or texture for your gardens, experts say. There are many colorful native plants that fit the color palette you desire.

Good choices include: Irises, Coneflowers—many colors are available, Black-eyed Susans, Sage—a way to add blue or Jo Pye Weed. Since most are perennials, the worst case scenario in a drought is that the plants go dormant and recover once there is adequate moisture.

"You can really have a beautifully colored garden, and these plants need a lot less water," says Schroeder.

But they will need more frequent water right after planting, at least until they are established. Once established, you can water less, reducing that amount even more if you understand how to water strategically.

"What you want to do is put the water in the right spot—at the roots—so you can do it more efficiently," says Beard.

He's a proponent of an irrigation system known as a trickle system, which is a low-pressure irrigation system that distributes water right at soil level so it does not evaporate or run off.

A trickle system can be installed with household tools and is fairly inexpensive, says Scott Wendels, branch manager for John Deere Landscape in Appleton. It consists of a half-inch flexible hose with emitters that discharge water



Black-eyed Susan

right at the roots. The system is designed to be buried just under the surface or under mulch.

"It put the water right where it needs to be," he says.

A related option to reduce watering costs is a rain barrel, which will capture water from rain events for later use. With two-thirds of the annual moisture total coming from rain events during the growing season, capturing and conserving water will reduce the need to turn on the tap to keep your plants thriving.

With the right plant selection, soil preparation and installation, water runoff can be reduced by as much as 25 percent, says Jarek. An experienced gardener using these techniques might be able to reduce their water usage by up to 40 percent.

"Anything you can do to keep the water in the soil and out of the storm sewer is to your benefit," he says. "It's not just about the money you save, but it's good for your garden."

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Whipping up family favorites

By Amy Hanson

Fox Valley foodies crack open their personal cookbooks

Some of the best culinary concoctions come from recipes that have been handed down from generation to generation.

This month, FOX CITIES Magazine asked five area chefs to share their favorite family recipes with readers. Read on to find out what they dished out.

Communal Dining

"It's a really traditional dish, but at the same time it's very versatile," says Larry Chomsisengphet, general manager of Basil Café in Appleton, of his family's spring roll recipe. "This is like an Asian version of a burrito."

Asian cuisine is usually done family style, he explained.

"It's your make-your-own kind of a thing," Chomsisengphet notes. "This is something that you learn to do because you want to add your own ingredients as a kid. I was kind of the odd one in my family because I didn't like bean sprouts in mine."



SPRING ROLLS

Courtesy of Basil Café

Ingredients:

Cooked shrimp, grilled fish or tofu (to taste)
Shredded lettuce (to taste)
Julienned carrots (to taste)
Chive sprigs (to taste)
Bean sprouts (to taste)
Fresh Thai basil leaves (to taste)
Fresh spearmint leaves (to taste)
Cilantro (to taste)
Julienned cucumber (to taste)
Roasted peanuts (to taste)
1 small package rice vermicelli noodles
1 package spring roll rice paper

Directions:

1. Cook protein according to directions, set aside.
2. Cut desired amount of vegetables, set aside.
3. Boil water and cook rice vermicelli noodles. Once cooked, set noodles to the side to air dry.
4. Fill a large bowl with hot water. Dip 1 or 2 sheets of spring roll rice paper (depending on thickness of the paper or desired chewiness/starchiness) in the water until paper is soft and pliable, but still maintaining shape.
5. Set the rice paper onto a plate or flat surface and stretch out flat like a tortilla and begin assembling your spring roll with the desired vegetables and/or proteins.
6. Roll like an egg roll or a burrito.
7. Dip in sauce if desired and enjoy!

Note: Spring rolls can be served with a creamy peanut sauce, light fish sauce vinaigrette, hoisin style sauce or Sriracha sauce.

Pasta Perfection

Nicole DeFranza recalls peeling garlic in her grandmother, Carmella DeFranza's, kitchen and watching her cook. Today, she is co-owner of an Appleton restaurant with her sister, Kristen Sickler, that bears her grandmother's name.

One of the selections on the menu at Carmella's: an Italian Bistro is Fusilli with Shrimp. It's a dish DeFranza's father and head chef, Larry DeFranza, has been "making for a long time," she says.

"It's our philosophy here to start with really fresh ingredients," she says. "Sundays in my grandmother's kitchen were always filled with love and food. ... Smells and food can conjure up memories and this is one that always does that for me."



FUSILLI WITH SHRIMP

Courtesy of Carmella's: an Italian Bistro

Ingredients:

12 jumbo shrimp, fresh
2 tablespoons olive oil
1 tablespoon fresh garlic, chopped
1 cup chicken stock (preferably home made)
1 cup dry white wine
¼ cup fresh lemon juice
1 pound fusilli (corkscrew) pasta
¼ pound lightly salted butter
6 sprigs fresh parsley, chopped
Salt (to taste)
Cracked black pepper (to taste)

Directions:

1. Bring large pot of salted water to a boil.
2. Place shrimp in large sautee pan with olive oil and garlic.
3. Heat over medium heat until shrimp are half cooked. They should be slightly white/pink.
4. Add chicken stock, dry white wine and lemon juice to sautee pan.
5. Bring liquid in sautee pan to a boil, then lower heat to low and reduce liquid to half.
6. While liquid is reducing, add pasta to boiling water and cook for directed amount of time. Be sure to test and drain when pasta is al dente.
7. Drain pasta, but do not rinse!
8. When liquid in sautee pan is reduced by half, add butter and continue to heat over low flame.
9. When all butter is melted and integrated into liquid, add pasta to sautee pan and heat for 2-3 more minutes over low flame.
10. Transfer to serving bowl and sprinkle with parsley.
11. Serve hot and enjoy!

Caramel Delight

Kyle Cross' mother, Carol Cross, knows best when it comes to caramels.

"It's from scratch, it's mom's. Everybody loves it," says the executive chef of Gather Americana Restaurant and Deli in Appleton. "They don't taste the same unless she makes them. It's always best from mom."

He recalls making them with her beginning around age 12. The cherished caramels are a



typical staple at Cross family gatherings to kick off the holiday season. Drier nuts, such as walnuts, can be added to the recipe.

CAROL CROSS' HOMEMADE CARAMELS

Courtesy of Gather Americana Restaurant and Deli

Ingredients:

- 1 cup margarine
- 1 pound light brown sugar
- 1 cup white syrup
- 14 ounces sweetened condensed milk

Directions:

1. Combine all ingredients in a saucepan.
2. Cook between 242-245 degrees, stirring constantly until mixture is a nice dark brown; about 20-25 minutes. Use candy thermometer to check temperature.

Pour mixture into greased 9-inch-by-13-inch glass pan.

4. Cut when solid at room temperature.

Makes: About 30 1-inch-by-1-inch caramels.

It's in the Sauce

"This for us was kind of the recipe that started it all," says Kimberly Finnell, co-owner of Osorio's Latin Fusion in Appleton of her mother-in-law, Hermelinda Osorio's, mole sauce. Finnell operates Osorio's with her husband, Liborio, and her brother-in-law, Edgar.

For eight years, Hermelinda sent a care package with mole paste every six months after the couple got married.

Liborio Osorio had a quest to perfect his own mole recipe.

"His first batches were good, but they weren't quite mom's," Finnell recalls.

"I wanted to share the flavor with everyone," Osorio explained, although his sauce is not quite as spicy. He also feels that side-by-side against his mother's recipe, hers would still win a contest. The executive chef remembers his mother pulling what she could from the cupboard to stretch the family's budget and groceries.

"He was always very much in awe at how she could create this magical sauce," Finnell notes.

The main flavor profile in the recipe remains the same, but tastes a little different each time it's made due to the fresh ingredients.

MAMA HERMELINDA'S MOLE SAUCE

Courtesy of Osorio's Latin Fusion

Ingredients:

- 5 ounces Chile Mulato
- 4 ounces Ancho Chile
- 1 ounce Chile Pasilla
- 1 teaspoon cumin
- 1 teaspoon whole black pepper
- 1 teaspoon Mexican oregano
- 4 whole cloves
- 3½ quarts chicken stock
- 1 whole disc Abuelita chocolate
- ¾ cup sesame seeds
- Salt (to taste)

Directions:

1. Toast the first seven ingredients over medium heat.
2. Once toasted, add spices to boiling chicken stock.

3. Boil for 20 minutes.
4. Add entire mixture to a blender – CAUTION mixture is HOT! Blend until pureed.
5. Add dark chocolate and sesame seeds; blend to incorporate.
6. Place entire mixture in a stock pot and simmer over medium heat until thickened – about 1 hour.
7. Serve.

Sweet Memories


Peter Kuenzi was in 5th or 6th grade when his grandmother, Louella Kuenzi, passed away, but he still remembers a simple, yet decadent treat she used to make.

"It was by far my favorite," says the chef/owner of Zuppas – Market, Café & Catering in Neenah of the moist chocolate cake. "She was a really good cook. ... We always had a good meal when we went out there."

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Q. *In the summertime, I tend to make more salads. I'd like to start experimenting with some homemade dressings. Do you have any tips to bases, or what to mix in?* —Delilah, Oshkosh

A. Delilah, you are not alone in the tendency to prepare and eat more salads during the summer. Warm weather has the effect on people to eat less (but drink more!). In addition, seasonal produce is at its peak of quality and prices are the lowest they will be for the year.

An easy ratio to remember when preparing salad dressing is found in the basic vinaigrette recipe, which is 3 parts oil to 1 part vinegar, seasoned with salt and pepper. It is very simple, just four ingredients and you're done.

There are as many variations to vinaigrettes as your imagination can dream of. While many people choose to use olive oil, other oils including canola, vegetable, corn and cottonseed work as well. Similarly, many people use red wine vinegar, but apple cider vinegar, rice wine vinegar or flavored or aged balsamic vinegars will work.

If you are looking for creamier-type salad dressing, you could utilize plain yogurt as a base. Although a dairy product, it can be low fat but still provide the creaminess you seek. I have included a recipe for a tangy yogurt dressing that I have used on foods ranging from grilled chicken sandwiches to leg of lamb to appetizers. I hope I helped you!

Chef Jeff's Yogurt Dressing Recipe

2 cups Plain Yogurt
½ cup Cucumber, peeled, seeded and diced
½ cup Red Onion, diced
½ cup Tomato, deseeded and diced
1 Tbsp Garlic, chopped
1 tsp Parsley, chopped
Garlic Salt
1 tsp

In a mixing bowl, combine all of the ingredients thoroughly. Allow the sauce to marry for approximately 1 hour prior to serving. Goes great with chicken, salads, spicy meats, or light fishes.

Chef Jeffrey Igel is the chair of the Culinary Arts & Hospitality Department at Fox Valley Technical College, Appleton. "Chef Jeff" has spent his entire career in the restaurant and hospitality industry, serving in many capacities.

DRINK OF THE MONTH

Recipe courtesy of:
Cena Restaurant and Bar

75 Flowers is a variation on a classic drink known as the French 75 that Cena General Manager Briam Leslie has created just for the summer season. The botanical gin combines with the lemon to create great summer tastes.



75 FLOWERS

1 tsp sugar (simple syrup can be used)
Juice from one-half a lemon
1.5 to 2 oz Uncle Val's Botanical Gin
1.5 oz Elder Flower Liqueur

Combine and mix well, Add ice, shake and double strain into a pint glass filled with ice. Add Prosecco or dry sparkling wine.

Kuenzi said his father, Norbert, recalled how his mother would take the cream off the milk that was delivered by the milkman and turn it into sour cream to be used in her dessert. The recipe has stood the test of time in the Kuenzi family since the 1930s or later, and can be made into cupcakes as well.

"I'm going to put this on the menu here at the restaurant because I forgot how good they were," Kuenzi joked. "They're so easy. I don't even like to bake, I do the cooking here."



GRANDMA KUENZI'S CHOCOLATE CREAM CAKE

Courtesy of Zuppas – Market, Café & Catering

Ingredients:

1 egg
1 cup sugar
Vanilla (to taste)
1 cup sour cream
6 tablespoons cocoa powder
1 teaspoon baking soda
1 cup flour

Directions:

- Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Line cupcake tin with liners.
- Lightly beat egg in a mixing bowl.
- Add sugar and vanilla. Mix until combined.
- Add sour cream and mix thoroughly.
- Scrape down the sides of the bowl and add cocoa powder, baking soda and flour. Mix until just combined.
- Pour batter into lined pans and bake for 20 to 25 minutes.
- Top with frosting when cool.

Makes: A dozen regular-sized cupcakes or six large cupcakes.

ORANGE CREAMSICLE FROSTING

Ingredients:

8 ounces cream cheese
¼ cup sour cream
½ teaspoon vanilla
1 tablespoon orange zest
1 tablespoon orange juice
5 cups powdered sugar

Directions:

- Beat cream cheese until fluffy.
- Add sour cream and vanilla. Beat until combined.
- Add zest and juice.
- Slowly beat in powdered sugar one cup at a time until desired consistency is achieved.



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