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On the Cover

"Lawrence Fly-By" by Jared Birkholz of Appleton.
Birkholz is the grand prize winner of this year's People, Places & Things Photo Contest.

ARTIST SPOTLIGHT



Leaving people in stitches

Hudak tries her hand at subversive cross stitch, unexpected crafts

Cross stitch has come along way. In fact, for creative artist Beth Hudak it's a craft that hasn't outrun its course.

"I think it's taking people a while to not just think of cross stitch as something your grandmother does," Hudak notes. "What I'm able to provide in cross stitch can maybe clarify what fiber art can be."

The 31-year-old Green Bay resident has brought her take on subversive cross stitch, with catchy phrases influenced by pop culture including reality TV, films, song lyrics and current literature, to the area with scented sachets, pillows and more. While she says everything is slightly "silly," Hudak doesn't take the fun side for granted.

"I love to make things. I would make pretty much anything," she shares. "I feel very lucky to have whimsy in my world."

Hudak also has done "pseudo taxidermy" by making gold leaf dinosaur skulls and creating jewelry pieces, like earrings, from diodes and electrical parts. The Ohio transplant came across the later pieces and couldn't pass up the potential she saw in them. "I saw them and was like, 'Oh, those look like pretty beads,'" Hudak says.

She followed her fiancé, and now husband, to the Dairy State from Columbus, Ohio in 2013. Her family has had a cottage in the Rhinelander area for more than 100 years so she's "very familiar with Wisconsin." Hudak left behind a job with a small nonprofit, but gained the opportunity to figure out her skills and what she wanted to do next.

"I actually got to explore crafts in a way outside of relieving stress," she explains. Hudak spent a year almost exclusively creating before she moved into a position with another nonprofit.

"I was amazed with the welcoming artistic community here," Hudak says. "My passion is in creative problem solving, as well as creating things." Initially, Hudak thought she'd just do custom pieces, but was surprised to find "(people) liked what I liked." She's excited to see what comes of her wares as she begins to sell them and get her website, bethhudak.com, up and running.

"I'm also a big fan of knitting, but I'm not a very good knitter," Hudak confesses, even though she started at age 6 or 7 and learned from her mother. "Creativity was always encouraged, whether it was creative thinking or actually creating," Hudak says of her childhood.

Hudak plots her cross stitch designs using graph paper and spends about 30 hours a week on projects while talking on the phone, on FaceTime with friends or listening to podcasts. Hudak also is hoping she can take up reading while cross stitching since she's figured out how to read and knit at the same time.

So, where does Hudak find her materials?

"I love craft stores, it's a terrible addiction!" Hudak exclaims. "I'll always keep an eye out for things that could be used in a different way. ... It's terrible, I'm like a hoarder." Yard sales, thrift stores, and even Home Depot have all produced unexpected finds for Hudak in a variety of colors, shapes and sizes. She recently cleaned out her craft room and found oodles of yarn, fabric, rolls of tape, 300 needles and paper crafting items.

"It's all beautiful, so I can't get rid of it — ever," she says with a mock cringe of the paper leftover from her wedding that she used to make flowers. But, there are always more projects in the queue, like Halloween costumes or what to do with upholstery fabric she picked up during a treasure hunt.

"Now I have a ton of vinyl that I need to figure out something more exciting to do with than just envelope clutches," she says.

— By Amy Hanson



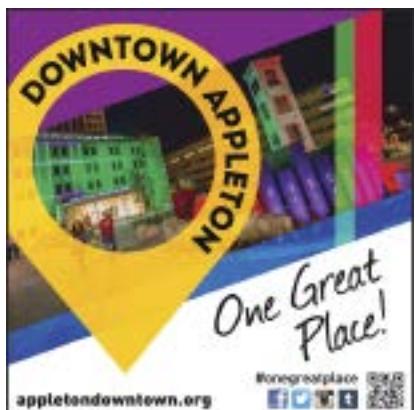
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New name, same mission

Exiting changes have been happening for the family medicine clinic tucked into a nook along the river on South Morrison Street. On July 1, 2015, UW Health Fox Valley Family Medicine officially became Mosaic Family Health, and local health systems Ministry Health Care and ThedaCare assumed sponsorship of the clinic. In addition, the residency program that makes its home at the clinic changed affiliations from the UW School of Medicine and Public Health to the Medical College of Wisconsin (MCW). Although the clinic has a new look and the residency program has a new academic partner, the mission is unchanged: to provide full-scope family medicine services while training future physicians and improving the overall health of the Fox Cities.

Local care

These changes allow the clinic to continue providing local access to high-quality care for more than 6,000 patients. Through its new affiliation with MCW, the Fox Valley Family Medicine Residency Program's academic partner now provides more resources from Milwaukee and the Green Bay campus.

The change presents creative opportunities for growth of the clinic and residency program. Annually, about 50 percent of the program's graduates remain in Northeastern Wisconsin. In partnership with MCW and the community, Mosaic Family Health is addressing Wisconsin's pending physician shortage.

Full-scope services

At Mosaic Family Health, patients help teach doctors, enjoy longer appointments and are treated with deep respect. The clinic goes above and beyond to provide

patients with caring conversation and quality medical attention.

Faculty doctors and resident physicians work together to provide holistic care for individuals and families. The clinic provides care and support needed from infancy through adulthood, with the following services:

- Maternity care
- Women's health care
- Health assessments and physicals
- Acute and chronic illness care
- Minor surgical procedures
- Mental health care
- Hospital care



Resident physicians have a little fun in a casting workshop.

Community partnerships

Mosaic Family Health's name reflects its many community collaborations and diverse patient base, all of which form a beautiful mosaic.

The clinic's doctors also care for patients at St. Elizabeth Hospital and Appleton Medical Center — local hospitals operated by the clinic's sponsors. Residents collaborate with, and learn from, community physicians, while enhancing the overall health of the Fox Valley by contributing knowledge and

fresh perspective to the local medical community.

As part of the clinic's mission to provide quality care for every stage of life, Mosaic Family Health physicians also regularly see patients and provide needed care at local nursing home Brewster Village.

Mosaic Family Health and the Fox Valley Family Medicine Residency Program are essential partners in improving community health and local quality of life. Look for the new name around town, and check out our new website, mosaicfamilyhealth.org!

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ARTS EVENTS

1-16 | Lend Me A Tenor

A hysterically funny, door-slapping comedy! Curtain times are Tues.-Sat. at 8pm, Sundays at 7:30 except Aug. 16 at 4pm. Peninsula Players Theatre, Door County. 868-3287.

4 | Artist-in-Residence: Rick McKinney

Appleton Public Library hosts an offsite tour of Fired Earth Pottery with Rick McKinney. Meet at Fired Earth, Appleton. 10am-11:30pm. 832-6173.

9, 12, 16 | Midsummer Dream

Characters and themes from Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream" come to life in the gardens. Aug. 9 5:30 & 6:30pm; Aug. 12 6:30 & 7:30pm and Aug. 16 5:30 & 6:30pm. Paine Art Center and Gardens, Oshkosh. 235-6903.

21 | Art on the Town: Paint on the Town

Celebrate Appleton's arts downtown as never before! Stroll the avenue to explore and enjoy rhythm and music, performing arts, visual arts and more. 6-9pm. College Avenue, Appleton. 954-9112.

28-30 | Artstreet

On Friday evening, an art fair preview is held. Saturday and Sunday, view the original works of 200 artists along with other activities. Begins Friday at 4pm. Downtown Green Bay. 435-5220.

CONCERTS & MUSIC EVENTS

2, 11 | Streaming LIVE at the Leach

Tuesday night concert series of local music. Water City Jazz Orchestra on Aug. 2, Nashville Pipeline on Aug. 11. 6-9pm. Leach Ampitheater. 236-5080.

4, 6, 8, 11, 13, 15, 18, 20, 22 | Peninsula Music Festival

Join the Peninsula Music Festival for concerts at the Door Community Auditorium. 7:30pm. 854-4060.

5, 12, 19 | Green Bay City Band

Free themed concerts on Wednesdays in downtown Green Bay. 7:30pm. St. James Park. 448-3365.

5, 19 | Evening Concert Series

Enjoy free live music on the lawn. 6-8pm. Shattuck Park, Neenah 722-1920.

5, 12 | Live at Lunch

Local restaurants will be on hand selling lunch entrees while musicians entertain in Opera House Square, Oshkosh. Noon-1pm. 236-5080.

6, 7, 13, 20, 27 | Waterfest

An outstanding lineup of jazz, pop, rock, R&B, blues and roots music. 5pm. Downtown Oshkosh. 303-2265.

6, 13, 20, 27 | Heid Music Summer Concert Series

Move and groove to the music of the summer. 5:30-8:30pm. Houdini Plaza, Appleton. 954-9112.

6, 13, 20, 27 | Lunchtime Live Concert Series

Enjoy acoustic music by local musicians on your lunch hour. 11:30am-1pm. Houdini Plaza, Appleton. 954-9112.

6, 13, 20, 27 | Out to Lunch Concert Series

Bring or buy a lunch and enjoy a mid-day break for live entertainment. 11:30am-1pm. Shattuck Park, Neenah. 722-1920.

6, 13, 20, 27 | Summer in the Park

This weekly music series features multiple musical genres, from jazz and blues to R&B and rock. 11:30am-2pm. Whitney Park, Green Bay. 437-5972.

6, 13, 20 | Sanimax Concerts at the Garden Series

Enjoy live music from various artists in the lovely setting of the Agnes Schneider Terrace. 6-7:30pm. Green Bay Botanical Garden. 490-9457.

6-9 | Mile of Music

Mile of Music's third season, "Mile 3," will feature over 200 artists and 60-plus venues featuring live music. Downtown Appleton. 831-6580.

Silent Film Series features theater organ, 1920s comedy

John Philip Sousa directs an orchestra to "Stars and Stripes Forever" as beloved actor Harold Lloyd performs onscreen. Sounds of delight erupt as Yankees star Babe Ruth

Academy Award runner-up will be screened at the History Museum at the Castle, accompanied 87 years later by Frank Rippl of the Packerland Theatre Organ Society.

"In the silent film era, theaters in big cities had full orchestras," explains Emily Rock, curator at the History Museum at the Castle. "For smaller towns, the silent film would be accompanied by the theatre organ. It's a fun throwback to see it like this."

"Speedy" stars Lloyd as Harold "Speedy" Swift, striving to save the last horse-drawn street car company in New York. The battle between modernity and nostalgia — automobiles and railways threatening to put the horse trolley out of business — combines with light romance to entertain the whole family.

Rippl will be performing an original accompaniment on a beautiful pipe organ from 1926 showcased at the museum. Original to the building, this organ is a treasure to transport audiences back in time.

"We hope to continue the film series and to keep encouraging more people to come," says Rock. "There are a lot of regulars, but we've been seeing more families in the summer especially. We're trying to reach a younger audience so they can appreciate silent films, too."

Go from the modern-day Little Apple to the Big Apple of the roarin' 20s with Harold Lloyd's "Speedy" at the History Museum at the Castle on Aug. 3 at 6:30 p.m. Doors open at 6 p.m. Tickets available at the door.

—By Clare Bruning

Photo courtesy of the History Museum at the Castle

appears in a fun cameo. These were the sights and sounds of the opening night of "Speedy" at the Rivoli Theatre in New York circa 1928. On Aug. 3, the same

7 | Fridays on the Fox

Whiskey Ditch will perform this week as a part of the free waterfront concert series. 5-9pm. CityDeck, Green Bay. 437-5972.

22 | Vince Gill

Famous for his top-notch songwriting, world-class guitar playing and warm, soaring tenor, all wrapped up in a quick and easy wit. 7:30pm. Fox Cities Performing Arts Center. 730-3760.

23 | Wisconsin Symphonic Winds

This 50-member wind ensemble will perform in the Arts and Communications Building at UW Oshkosh with guest conductor Dr. Jack Stamp. Tickets available at the door. 3pm. 424-1234.

OPENING EXHIBITS

2 | Home of the Hamburger

Thru Aug. 30. The upper level of the museum will host the world's largest collection of hamburger related items. Seymour Community Museum, Seymour. 833-6064.

22 | All Along the Shore

Thru Oct 18. A collaboration between the Door County Maritime Museum and the Door County Art League. Door County Maritime Museum, Sturgeon Bay. 743-5958.

30 | Members and Manitowoc County Artists

Thru Sept 20. Works by local artists and RWAM members. Rahr-West Art Museum, Manitowoc. 686-3090.

COMMUNITY & CULTURAL EVENTS

1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | Downtown Appleton Farmers Market

More than 150 vendors. 8am-12:30pm. College Avenue, Appleton. 954-9112.

1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | Downtown Green Bay Farmers Market

Saturdays, 7am-noon. S. Washington Street from Walnut to Stuart Street, Green Bay. 437-5972.

1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | Downtown Kaukauna Farmers Market

Saturdays, 7:30-noon. 101 Crooks Ave., the parking lot on the corner of Second Street and Hwy. 55, Kaukauna. 858-4669.

1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | Future Neenah Farmers Market

Saturdays, 8am-noon. Shattuck Park, Neenah. 722-1920.

1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | Oshkosh Farmers Market

Saturdays, 8am-12:30pm. 400 & 500 Blocks of N. Main Street and 100 Block of Church Avenue, Oshkosh. 252-2532.

1-8 | Sturgeon Bay Maritime Week

"A Salute to the U.S. Coast Guard." A variety of maritime events happening in various places around Sturgeon Bay. See a list of events at DCMM.org. 10am-5pm. Door County Maritime Museum, Sturgeon Bay. 743-5958.

4-9 | Winnebago County Fair

Entertainment including tractor pulls, barrel racing, bull riding, bands and shows. Food and midway rides. Sunnyview Exposition Center, Oshkosh. 685-3013.

5, 12, 19, 26 | Cookouts at the Garden

Join us on Wednesdays on the Mabel Thome Patio for our summer cookouts. 11am-1pm. Green Bay Botanical Garden. 490-9457.

5, 12, 19, 26 | Farmers' Market on Broadway

Stroll down the Historic Broadway District every Wednesday evening to enjoy a fun variety of local vendors and live music. 3-8pm. Broadway District, Green Bay. 437-2531.

5, 12, 19, 26 | Midweek Farm Market

Experience a smaller, more intimate farm market that still offers a great variety of products. 2-6pm. Houdini Plaza, Appleton. 954-9112.

5, 12, 19, 26 | Oshkosh Farmers Market

Wednesdays, 3-7pm. South Park, Shelter #1 at the corner of South Park Avenue & Georgia Street, Oshkosh. 252-2532.



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Kite festival soars to new heights

More than 30,000 people from across the U.S. are expected to flock to one of the largest kite festivals in the Midwest this year. Neshotah Beach in Two Rivers will become a destination to marvel at kites of all shapes, sizes, colors and designs Sept. 5-6 at the 10th annual Kites Over Lake Michigan.



Photo courtesy of Lester Public Library, Two Rivers, Wis.

A brand-new performance pavilion on the beach will hold the free community festival's first live music show Saturday night, with a performance by Boogie & the Yo-Yo from 8-11 p.m.

This year, another first is planned for Saturday evening by attempting to break the sky lantern record. "Every year that we have done the sky lantern release has been bigger than the previous year, conditions permitting. Last year, we released over 1,000 of them and it was a spectacular sight," says Chow Chong, owner of Unique Flying Objects, a specialty kite shop that sponsors Kites Over Lake Michigan.

Spectators also can expect to be wowed by giant show kites, a fireworks show and choreographed performances by precision stunt kite flying teams. Chong says these routines hail the most "oohs" and "aahs" from the crowd. "They fly dual- and quad-line kites and absolutely thrill the crowds with their maneuvers and artistry," he says.

Barbara Meyer, a kite flyer who travels from Maple Grove, Minn., to attend the festival every year, says between the variety of entertainment and the friendly atmosphere, it is nearly impossible to name just one reason why Kites Over Lake Michigan is so great. However, she says there is one reason that is consistently at the top of her list: it is a "fabulous end to summer."

Visit uniqueflyingobjects.com/index.php?main_page=index&cPath=116 for more festival information.

—By Jenna Nyberg

5, 12, 19, 26 | Sustain Greenville Farmers Market

Wednesdays, 3-7pm. Intersection of Hwy. 76 and Parkview. 757-9373.

5, 12, 19, 26 | Weed n' Feed

You weed (or do other garden chores) from 5-7pm and Green Bay Botanical Garden will feed from 7-8pm. 490-9457.

6, 13, 20, 27 | Menasha Farm Fresh Market

Thursdays, 2-6pm. 140 Main St., Menasha. 967-3644.

6, 13, 20, 27 | Oneida Farmers Market

Thursdays, noon-6pm. N7332 Water Circle Place, Oneida. 819-1933.

7-8 | 25th Annual Classic & Wooden Boat Festival

The entire family can take in beautiful, classic and wooden boats. 10am-5pm. Door County Maritime Museum, Sturgeon Bay. 743-5958.

8 | 27th Annual Burger Fest: Charlie and His Hamburger Factory

Check out the world's largest hamburger parade, a hamburger eating contest, a grill-off, the famous ketchup slide, 5k bun run, children's activities and live music. 6am-10pm. Seymour. 833-6064.

21, 28 | Food Truck Friday

Choose from 15 vendors, including food trucks and restaurants in the Broadway District. 11am-2pm. Museum Place, Green Bay. 437-2531.

21 | 8th Annual Hops on the Hill

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25 | 10-year Anniversary of the Fox Locks

Fox River Navigational System Authority celebration and ceremony. 4pm. Kaukauna Locks, 1008 Augustine St. in Kaukauna. 759-9833.

29 | Brigade Outdoors

This family friendly event explores Wisconsin outdoors sports with activities including a sporting clay course and archery course. 10am-4pm. Twin City Rod & Gun Club, Neenah. 725-3983.

FUNDRAISERS

6 | SOAR Fox Cities' Annual Golf Outing

Play 18 holes to benefit SOAR, a nonprofit that provides programming and services to individuals with developmental disabilities. Registration 8:30am. Shotgun start 10am. Royal St. Patrick's Golf Links, Wrightstown. 731-9831.

18 | Golf Fore Children

Join the Fox Cities Kiwanis Club for its 12th annual golf outing to raise funds for CASA of the Fox Cities, The Building for Kids and Appleton Fox Cities Kiwanis children's charities. Registration 8:30am. Shotgun start 10am. Royal St. Patrick's Golf Links, Wrightstown. 731-9831.

29 | Rock for Autism

All the profits from this annual concert and wine tasting go to adults and children with autism in Wisconsin. This year's performers are Stephen Pearcy, Daphni, Sedated, Eminence, Sonic Circus and the Red Light Saints. 3pm. Leach Amphitheater, Oshkosh. 740-6093.

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Fair offers fun for everyone

Ferris wheels, food on a stick, festivities and fun. These are just a few of the ideas that come to mind when thinking about a traditional summertime activity — county fairs.

"There will be many new attractions in terms of Junior Class exhibitors and Open Class exhibits," says Tom Egan, president of the Winnebago County Fair Board. "That makes the fair."

Participating youth will either now be old enough to exhibit or moving up in class, Egan added of the variety of opportunities for children to become involved in with the fair.

The Winnebago County Fair will take place Aug. 4-9 at the Sunnyview Exposition Center in Oshkosh. Entertainment includes tractor pulls, barrel racing, bull riding, bands and comedy shows. Of course, there will be a variety of good eats and midway rides for the whole family. The fair kicks off on Tuesday night at 5 p.m. and continues through Sunday.

Egan also is anticipating that young and old alike will be drawn to local bands, including Bad Habitz. "They're a very good, upcoming band. They hit it up very well with the young and older crowds," Egan says of the returning group, which will perform in the main tent this summer after performing last year in the Expo Tent.

Admission to the fair is \$10 in advance or \$12 at the door and includes admission onto grounds, Grandstand Shows and unlimited carnival rides.

"Our fair is one of the cheapest ones in the state," says Egan. "That's hard to beat at that price, you can't go to a movie for that these days."



—By Julia Lammers and Amy Hanson

LECTURES, READINGS, DISCUSSIONS & PRESENTATIONS

1, 29 | Life on the Bay: A Human History of Green Bay

Join a naturalist on the shores of Green Bay as we explore the tools, trades and stories of those who have called the Bay home. Afterwards, enjoy a sunset. 7:30-8:15pm. Bay Shore Park, Green Bay. 448-4262.

5, 12 | Get Up and Go History!

A guided walking tour of downtown Appleton. Compare historic photos to our changing landscape, discover hidden ghost signs and learn about forgotten historic sites. 6pm. History Museum at the Castle. 735-9370.

5 | Green Bay Historic Architecture Segway Tour

Experience the landscape of historic Green Bay like never before. Participants will glide through downtown and the Astor neighborhood to see many of the buildings that shape the identity of this community. 10am, noon, 2pm. Neville Public Museum. 448-4460.

8 | Bilingual Conversation Club

Practice your Spanish and English skills with engaging activities while interacting with people from different countries and cultures! 10-11:30am. Menasha Public Library. 731-9831.

10, 24 | Garden to Table Family Series

Families will harvest fresh produce and learn to prepare a healthy snack. 6-8pm. Green Bay Botanical Garden. 490-9457.

10 | Master Gardeners: Composting

In this presentation, the Outagamie County Master Gardeners will demonstrate how to turn your kitchen and yard waste into the best soil amendment. 6:30pm. Little Chute Public Library. 788-7825.

12 | Oshkosh Memory Café

The café offers a comfortable way for you and your care partner to have fun and socialize with others who are living in the early stages of Alzheimer's or another dementia. 1:30-3:30pm, every second Wednesday of the month. Oshkosh Public Library. 727-5541.

15, 29 | The Bluffs of Bay Shore: A Natural Wonder

Join naturalists to explore the geology found at Bay Shore Park. 10-11am. Green Bay. 448-6242.

17 | Memory Café: Luau

For those experiencing early stage dementia, mild memory loss or cognitive impairment, and for family and friends of those affected. A great opportunity for information, camaraderie and fun. 1:30-3:30pm. Neenah Public Library. 886-6315.

17 | Suburban Homesteading: Canning Tomatoes

A presentation by Christine Kniep, Family Living Educator at Winnebago County UW-Extension. 6:30-8pm. Neenah Public Library. 886-6315.

18 | Knit2Together

Multi-generational knitting circle. Newcomers welcome. 6-8pm. Appleton Public Library. 832-6173.

19 | Downtown Book Club

Discuss "The Girls of Atomic City: The Untold Story of the Women who Helped Win World War II" by Denise Kiernan. Noon-1pm. Appleton Public Library. 832-6173.

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20 | Girlfriends Read

This month, we'll discuss "Love, Aubrey" by Suzanne LaFleur. Snacks provided. 6:30-7:30pm. Neenah Public Library. 886-6335.

25 | Health and Wellness Education

Learn about arthritis with Greg Reynolds, certified Health & Fitness specialist. 4-5pm. Appleton Public Library. 832-6173.

FILMS

3 | Monday Matinee

"Kingsman: The Secret Service," rated R. 2-4:30pm. Menasha Public Library. 731-9831.

3 | Monday Morning Matinee

"Toy Story 2," rated G. 9:30-11am. Appleton Public Library. 832-6173.

3 | Silent Film Series: Harold Lloyd's "Speedy"

Accompanied by live organ music by Frank Rippl. 6:30pm. History Museum at the Castle, Appleton. 735-9370.

5, 12 | Movies in the Park

Enjoy a family film in Houdini Plaza, downtown Appleton. 8pm. 832-6170.

6 | Thursday Afternoon @ the Movies

"Still Alice," rated PG-13. 4-6pm. Appleton Public Library. 832-6173.

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

8 | Nearly Natural Nature Crafts

Learn how to press flowers and set them to make beautiful cards or bookmarks. 9am-3pm. The Bridge-Between Retreat Center, Denmark. 864-7230.

12 | Floral Arranging: Fresh from the Kitchen

Combine fresh vegetables and herbs with summer flowers to cook up a unique flower arrangement. 6-7:30pm. Green Bay Botanical Garden. 490-9457.

✿ = Suitable for families with young children. ☺ = Reservation required.



Photo courtesy of Graham Washatka

'Mile 3' eyes continued success

Mile of Music returns to Appleton on Aug. 6-9 and will feature more than 800 live performances.

"Mile 3," as this year's festival has been dubbed, will look to build

on the success of previous years.

More than 200 artists are set to perform for crowds expected to total around 40,000. Since its inception, Mile of Music has steadily drawn larger and larger crowds because of the fun summer atmosphere provided and the talent displayed on stage.

The main stages will be in Houdini Plaza, Jones Park, Lawrence Memorial Chapel, and OuterEdge Stage. There will be more than 60 other venues featuring live music during this year's festival.

Mile of Music co-founder and director Dave Willems says this year he looks forward to continued success and expansion. More visual arts, biking events, and even yoga will be incorporated this year. Also, there are plans in the works for artist "pop-ups" in new venues, as well as mobile stages, which will serve to increase excitement and anticipation.

"What I'm most excited to see is how the community evolves with the festival, making it their own," Willems says. While he has enjoyed the success achieved in recent years, what Willems cherishes most is the community coming together to celebrate new, up-and-coming artists.

VIP tickets are on sale for \$140, which will provide exclusive access to events and activities, discounts on Mile of Music-related showcases and merchandise, and admission to the kickoff concert on Aug. 5. For more information, visit mileofmusic.com.

—By Isaac Barthelness

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27 | Invaders in the Landscape

The DNR has released the updated version of the NR40. Come learn if you have plants on the most unwanted list. 5:30-7:30pm. Green Bay Botanical Garden. 490-9457.

31 | Cooking with Sunflower Oil

Learn how sunflower oil can shine in recipes including stir fry, salad dressing, baked goods and popcorn. 6-7:30pm. Green Bay Botanical Garden. 490-9457.

CHILDREN'S EVENTS & CLASSES

3-15 | Summer Science Fun: Electric Science

Explore electricity and all the technology and science behind it. 10am-4pm. Paper Discovery Center, Appleton. 380-7491.

3-7 | Youth Summer Camp: Nature Explorers

Kids, ages 9-12, will get into nature with games, crafts and adventures. 9:30am-12pm. Green Bay Botanical Garden. 490-9457.

3 | Garden Shutterbugs for Families

Learn about photo composition and basic operations with photographer Marc Amenson. Designed for families with children ages 5-12. 5:30-7pm. Green Bay Botanical Garden. 490-9457.

4, 11, 18, 25 | Children's Story Time

Drop in for stories, songs and activities all with a garden or nature theme. 10am. Green Bay Botanical Garden. 490-9457.

4, 11, 18, 25 | Young Artists Mask-Making Mayhem

During this fun class, students will create a papier-mache mask and decorate it. Rahr-West Art Museum, Manitowoc. 11am-12pm. 686-3090.

5 | Crime Scene Investigator Experience

Explore the basics of forensic science in a fun way and learn how the scientific labs of crime scene investigators work to identify "who done it." Neville Public Museum, Green Bay. 9am-noon & 1-4pm. 448-4460.

5 | Family Nature Night: Pond Life

Learn about the plants and animals that come out in the evening. 5:30-6:30pm. Green Bay Botanical Garden. 490-9457.

7 | Wisconsin Public Television's Get UP and Go! Day

Children and their caregivers are invited to this free family friendly event featuring music, dancing, hands-on activities and crafts and more, with a special appearance by PBS Kids' "Super Why!" 10am-noon. Jones Park, Appleton. 832-4950.

8 | Pooches and Pages

Children read aloud to registered therapy dogs that are gentle, calm and polite and listen patiently without judgment. 10-11:30am. Neenah Public Library. 886-6335.

12, 14, 15 | Storybook Stars Presents: The Berenstein Bears

Join us in the Mielke Family Theater for listening to the story read aloud, meeting the stars of the book and make a take-home craft. 10-10:30am & 2:30-3:30pm. Building for Kids, Appleton. 734-3226.

19, 20 | Summer Day Camp: Nature Scene Investigators

Grab your detective hats and follow clues to embark on this garden adventure! Ages 6-8 Wed. Ages 9-12 Thurs. 9:30am-3:30pm. Green Bay Botanical Garden. 490-9457.

21 | Children's Story & Activity Time

Join The Trout Museum of Art for an hour of fun and an exciting story surrounded by Norman Rockwell's iconic artwork. 10-11am. Appleton. 733-4089.

21 | Garden Sprouts: Veggie Fun!

Sprouts will harvest various vegetables growing in the Children's Garden, return to the classroom and make a tasty treat to take home. Designed for ages 3-5 and one accompanying adult. 10-11:30am. Green Bay Botanical Garden. 490-9457.

22 | Family Studio: Sun Print Surprise

Drop by the 5th floor of The Trout Museum of Art to create art as a family with this fun opportunity to engage in hands-on creative projects. Harness the power of the sun to create a print of your own design. 9:30am-1pm. Appleton. 733-4089.

Calendar listings submitted to FOX CITIES Magazine are subject to change. The public is welcome to submit events online or to calendar@foxcitiesmagazine.com.

= Reservation required.

Fox Locks restoration project hopes to bring flexibility, recreational interest to waterfront

On Aug. 25, the Fox River Navigational System Authority will be holding a celebration for the 10-year anniversary of their initial restoration efforts of the Fox Locks. The event will be held at the Kaukauna Locks, 1008 Augustine St. in Kaukauna.



Photos courtesy of the Fox River Navigational System Authority

Towns along the Fox River have used river locks to allow full navigation of the river since the 1850s. They were maintained by the Wisconsin Corps of Engineers until 1983, but were neglected due to costs. The Fox River Navigational Authority was created in the early 2000s to restore the locks for recreational and commercial use after demands for a working locks system grew stronger over the years.

"The Fox Locks system benefits the economy by promoting tourism and recreation and enhancing community waterfront development," says Harlan Kiesow, the current CEO of the Fox River Navigational System Authority. The initial stage of the restoration project began in 2005 and was completed earlier this year. Further projects will include a boat transfer and cleansing station to address concerns of invasive species entering Lake Winnebago.

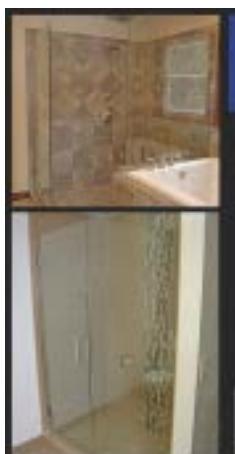
In addition to the restoration of the locks themselves, several stations will have additional renovations to attract public interest. For example, the De Pere lock station will have a small coffee shop constructed and the Appleton No. 3 lock station will have a visitor's center to show visitors the importance of the Fox Locks.

"The restoration of the Fox Locks preserves a unique resource that showcases the river history of the Fox Valley for local residents and visitors," says Kiesow. As the restoration continues, local residents will be able to enjoy the river to a greater extent.

—By Daniel Davis

Did you know?

An insert from the Fox River Navigational System Authority has been included in this issue. Please see the center of the magazine for more information.



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BUILDING UPON THE PAST

VHBA Summer Parade of Homes features reclaimed materials

By Amy Hanson

Photo courtesy of MIDWEST DESIGN HOMES

The design pictured is similar to work that will be shown in the Summer Parade of Homes.

As the old adage goes, what's old is new again. Such is the case for homes being showcased by five companies with entries in this year's Valley Home Builders Association Summer Parade of Homes that will incorporate reclaimed materials.

The 38th parade will include 34 homes and be held throughout the Fox Cities Aug. 22-23 and 27-30, with remodeling and landscape projects open Aug. 28-30. Tickets are available online at vhbaparadeofhomes.com, via the mobile app, at the VHBA office and all homes during event hours.

"Beginning in February with the 2015 Winter Parade of Homes, we started selling tickets online," says Heidi Zich, VHBA executive vice president. "We now track those ticket redemptions per home via a QR code that is scanned by a smart phone or tablet. This produces great information for the builders at the conclusion of the event. We also have a brand-new website dedicated solely to the parade and an updated mobile app."

Zich notes that about $\frac{3}{4}$ of attendees go to the parade for entertainment, while the remaining $\frac{1}{4}$ have an interest in building, buying, remodeling or redecorating. Whatever your motivation, there are plenty of tips and tricks to be seen at this year's parade.

ALEXANDER HOMES, LLC

Sandra and Troy Blob will be making their own home in one of their two entries from Alexander Homes, LLC in this year's Parade of Homes. The Alexander Homes member and president, respectively, chose to incorporate reclaimed materials into their Greenville home's design when Sandra found a piece at a store that she envisioned being part of her home's esthetic. Fortunately for her, the table sold and she was left

to figure out a way to create one. Alexander Homes had used barn wood, sourced from different barns, previously on mantles in homes they built and was able to build a table that mirrored the look of the one Sandra had spotted.

"We started going with a little rustic theme," Sandra says. "With the table I found and my husband found the barn wood, this all came together. ... It just gives the house a little something extra special."

While Sandra loves the unique nature of the table, it's not the only item in the Blob's home where the wood has been incorporated. Reclaimed boards also were used in the basement to create lockers and a bench in a mud room area, along with a theater bar area, vanity, and upstairs mantle and entertainment center.

"Once we started with it, we saw how it would all come together," Sandra says. "We were always planning to do the mantle."

She wanted to tie the reclaimed look throughout their home to make it cohesive and cozy. Finishing touches like a ladder purchased from an antique store add to the ambiance, which Sandra is hoping parade-goers identify with.

GRiffin BUILDERS INC.

Foundry brick recovered from Milwaukee, brown board and tobacco lath all will be incorporated into features in the Griffin Builders Inc. home on Purdy Parkway in Appleton. The materials will be highlighted in the lower-level pub and hearth room fireplace in the home that has been sold on contract, shares designer Amy Griffin.

"Naturally, we all have this subconscious desire to honor our history. When we start seeing these products and materials being reused, it pays homage to those who came before us," Griffin says.

"I think all of it is rather humbling."

The pub will feature a brick built-in structure with columns and the back wall will showcase the brick, along with brown board, or the non-painted side of barn boards, on the interior of the columns. A two-inch solid reclaimed material also will be used for the shelves and counters, Griffin explains.

Griffin Builders is no stranger to using reclaimed materials. In fact, they've worked with it for more than 10 years. The business' Appleton office space incorporates a variety of materials they've worked with, including wood found on the Door County side of Wisconsin after the Peshtigo Fire and wood from a Jim Beam distillery. Griffin notes that there is a "charm" to reclaimed materials and she often wonders about the stories the wood could tell. For individuals she has worked with, the stories can be personal and circle back to childhood.

"Like a lot of things, it's just taken that long to see enough of it and now it's become exponential," she says of reclaimed materials. Griffin enjoys using it in unexpected ways by juxtaposing the wood or other materials against something modern from the floor to the ceiling. Finished basements and accent walls have been popular. Most clients start with "bits and pieces," Griffin says.

"That can make it feel like a very casual room, and yet at the same time, if you're entertaining it can feel like a very formal room," Griffin adds. "I always tell people to go with your heart. ... It's about you and how you're going to use your home."

HEADLINER HOMES, LLC

Headliner Homes, LLC's Neenah parade entry will feature reclaimed and modern materials throughout the whole home from reclaimed mica



Photo courtesy of HEADLINER HOMES, LLC

This photo illustrates some of the reclaimed work Headliner Homes has done.

in the first-floor powder room to concrete countertops with butcher block in the kitchen, along with a brick wall in the dining room using materials from a building in Chicago and a hand-hewn mantle in the three-seasons room.

"Reclaimed stuff is actually more expensive than new stuff by far. It just depends where you want to put it," says Katie McGuire, owner and principal designer of Collaborations, LLC, who works with Headliner Homes.

"Like Katie said, you have to pick your battles though because the costs add up quickly," says Ryan Smith, owner of Headliner Homes, who says reclaimed materials are on average double the cost. "It's usually the touches and mix to make it all flow."

Smith enjoys being able to push the envelope with his homes and appreciates when clients give him creative freedom. His focus is aligning creativity with the continuity of the design.

"When all is said and done, you won't know if this lumber is old or new," he says motioning around the room.

"If you do it throughout the whole home, it looks like it was planned out from the beginning," McGuire adds.

Still, it takes a lot of time, effort and energy from sourcing materials to executing a design to get it all just right. And, of course, building with reclaimed materials isn't without its challenges and flexibility is important, Smith notes.

"(Clients) know what they want to see, they can see it in their mind, but it's only available when it's available," he adds.

MIDWEST DESIGN HOMES

Metals from factories, barn board mantles and industrial lighting is what Katie Jane Ferrito, designer and new home consultant with Midwest Design Homes, is finding clients are gravitating toward. Midwest Design Homes will include a spec design located in the Clearwater Creek subdivision in Appleton in this year's parade. The home's design will include a steel ceiling and barn door.

"I think it's just something different that people like that patina or natural look," Ferrito explains. "It's time for things to get a little rustic."

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"The barn doors right now are what people really like," Ferrito says. "People have always gravitated to pocket doors and this functions like that, but gives them something pretty to look at."

Ferrito likes to mix elements together, even though materials like barn wood and metal are opposites from an esthetic perspective. Basement bars, great rooms and tray ceilings in bedrooms are all getting the reclaimed treatment, along with floors, kitchens, dining areas and mantles.

"Everyone likes a little bit of it. At least one little touch," she adds.

VKB HOMES, LLC

A Neenah home, bought as an estate purchase in December 2014, was "a diamond in the rough" for interior designer Misty Hermanson of VKB Homes, LLC. The first-time entry from the company that

specializes in flipping homes is a house built in 1931 with a completely changed floor plan. Hermanson and her husband, Rich, began the project in March 2015 and finished it at the end of June.



Misty and Rich Hermanson

"I knew instantly I wanted to take this character and charm, and put a modern flair on it for a family who would appreciate this kind of architecture with modern touches," Hermanson says. "With flipping, we have a tight budget, it's not just about restoring and reclaiming."

Because of the nature of the homes that VKB Homes works with — found through foreclosures and estate sales primarily — each home sold comes with a one-year warranty, Hermanson adds. The property will be put up for sale for an asking price of \$219,900.

"We tried to restore everything we possibly could," Hermanson notes of features like the living room's fireplace and lead pane windows, an old accordion-style coat rack in the front closet, the railing on the stairway leading upstairs, glass doorknobs, skeleton keys and hardwood floors throughout the home.

The first floor initially included a bedroom with a makeshift bathroom that has been



VKB HOMES, LLC



Photos by Julia Schnese

transformed into a dining room and full bath. Doorways also were redirected. The four bedrooms upstairs and the main-level and second-level closed-in porches remain untouched. It was important to Hermanson to keep the bones of the home, retain the structure and respect the property. She makes lists before any demolition work begins in order to ensure items don't find themselves in the dumpster.

"This is what I love, this is my canvas. I'm the artist, I'm the painter," Hermanson explains of the pride she takes in her work. She's hoping those who look at the home "see there is beauty in pretty much every house. ... I'm not a 'lipstick flipper.' I care about people, I want to do it the right way."



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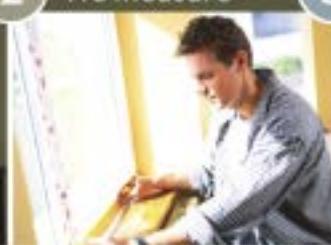
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Edward Klug and Margie Hundsucker

Margie Hundsucker

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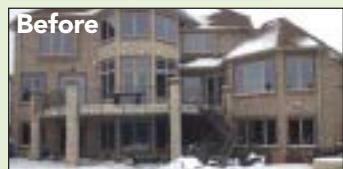


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GRAND PRIZE WINNER

"Lawrence Fly-By" by Jared Birkholz, Appleton

"If it makes your eye travel throughout the rest of the photograph, that makes a good photo," shares moderator Debbie Daanen of a key characteristic this year's panel of judges took into consideration, along with color, detail in shadows, highlights, story telling and personal connection, when selecting the grand prize winner.

Judge Paul Brunette felt "there's a lot of strength in the photograph with the eagle, and the cupola and Lawrence behind it." And he adds, the "tie to the community" also grabbed his attention and vote.

"I love the eagles, I love birds. I take a ton of photography. I'm kind of an obsessed hobbyist, I guess," confesses Jared Birkholz who managed to snap this eagle in flight on the south side of the Fox River facing Lawrence University at the end

of April during his lunch hour.

"I thought in my mind it would always be cool to get a photo like that," he adds. "It was one of those photos where I don't think I'll ever get another picture like that." Birkholz had been to the spot many times and seen eagles in the area previously perched on trees and watching for fish. It just happened on that particular day before he was about to leave, he was able to catch an eagle emerging from the water's surface after going down for a fish. Birkholz shot a sequence of 10-15 images with his Canon DSLR and a lens for shooting wildlife, which he lugs around in a backpack, he says. This shot was from the middle of the pack.

"I definitely will keep that as one of my favorites for a very long time," Birkholz shares of the shot.

PEOPLE, PLACES & THINGS

Our ninth annual photo contest

By Amy Hanson

PANEL OF JUDGES

Julie Poburka, assistant store manager, Simon's Specialty Cheese

Moderator: Debbie Daanen, owner and professional photographer, Debbie Daanen Photography

Paul Brunette, Contractivity! operations leader; Ralph B. Shiner, Jr. Center for Goodwill

Pam Seidl, executive director, Fox Cities Convention & Visitors Bureau

Matthew Carpenter, executive director, History Museum at the Castle

Michael Spurlock, senior partner, Spurlock Runyan Miller & Associates



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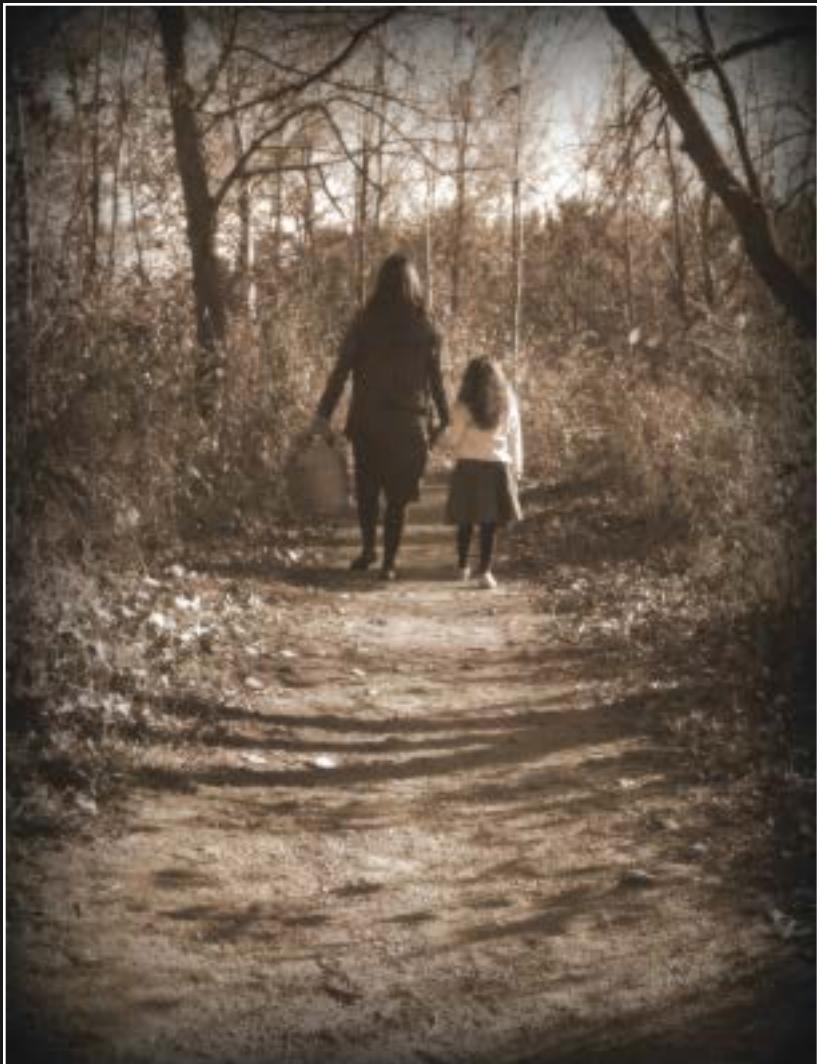
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SECOND PLACE

"Autumn Afternoon"

Christine A. Jackson, Grand Chute

During a Saturday afternoon in late October with friends, Christine A. Jackson was able to capture a sincere shot shared between two young girls at the Gordon Bubolz Nature Preserve in Appleton.

"She was walking and carrying my basket, and I just caught it at the right time," Jackson says. "I just captured that moment when the two were bonding and sharing a moment, and they didn't think anyone was looking."

Jackson enjoys shooting at the nature preserve and says "the leaves were almost completely off the trees" when she took the "afterthought" image with her Canon EOS 7D in fall 2014. She jumped around with the color of the image, but ultimately went with sepia.

"For some reason, the sepia worked so much better than the black and white did," she says. While the judges liked the sepia of the photograph, they would have preferred more highlights and lowlights within the image.

THIRD PLACE

"Rowing Under the 441 Bridge"

Dolores Howse, Appleton

Motion created an obstacle for Dolores Howse with her photograph.

"That was the major challenge. The boat was moving and you're moving, so I got a lot of blurry photos," she shares.

Howse was perched in an old aluminum coach boat taking shots of experienced and beginning rowers during a session of the Fox Valley Rowing Club's Learn to Row Classes with the Appleton Parks & Recreation Department.

"It's a little bit of encouragement for the new rowers," Howse explains of why she took on the task with her Canon. This image was taken somewhere between Telulah Park and the Roland Kampo Memorial Bridge on Wisconsin Highway 441 near Northland Avenue.

"You know it was on the river and the people aren't perfect. ... It speaks to the average Joe," says Pam Seidl of why the shot caught her eye.



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FIRST PLACE

"One photographer, a Thousand Islands"
Beth Spiering, Combined Locks

What started as an outdoor outing, turned into friendly competition between Beth Spiering and her husband, Weston (also a winner in this year's photo contest). The couple had ventured to Thousand Islands Environmental Center in Kaukauna for the first time after Beth found images that intrigued her from previous photo contest winners through a Google search of area nature centers.

At eight months pregnant, Beth took the image of Weston with her iPhone in October 2014 while he was using their new Nikon DSLR, she says. "We were competing with the new camera and the iPhone," she adds and the composition of the shot caught her eye. The judges appreciated the inclusion of the nature center.

"We really like to explore nature centers in the area," Beth shares. "At least once a week, we try to get out, weather permitting." The couple's 8-month-old son, Liam, now joins his parents on their excursions.



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FIRST PLACE

"Urban Vibe"

Justin Meyer, Menasha

Justin Meyer was able to capture his colorful creation off of Drew Street in Appleton, near Lawrence University.

"I kind of knew about the area and came across that spot after parking my car," he shares. "I just liked the urban feel of it. ... I thought the color of it was really cool and vibrant."

The hues also caught judge Julie Poburka's attention. "There's so much color and movement in it without being gaudy, which surprised me," she shares.

Meyer, who typically shoots nature photography, shares that this was his first time doing graffiti work.

"It wasn't too hard, the traffic was pretty slow," he says of standing to the side of the wall on the curb "on a really great sunny day" around noon in June. The image was taken with a Nikon D7100.



THIRD PLACE

"Star Spangled Lambeau" by Cara Jakubiec, De Pere

"I took the photo at a Monday night game. It was just the perfect photo," recalls Cara Jakubiec of the Dec. 8, 2014 face-off between the Green Bay Packers and the Atlanta Falcons at Lambeau Field. "At that moment, I didn't realize what was happening, I just started snapping photos and the fireworks went off at the same time."

Jakubiec, a Packers fan, attended the game with her family and went onto the field prior to its start due to a family connection. She remembers the game being "really cold" and shot the lasting memory with her iPhone.

The judges all agreed they enjoyed the patriotism of the image, along with its connection to the Packers.



SECOND PLACE

"Nightlife on College Avenue"
Dolores Howse, Appleton

License to Cruise in Appleton has become one of Dolores Howse's favorite Fox Cities events to shoot photos at and last year's September festivities were no exception. This time, however, Howse went later in the evening instead of going right after work as she had in the past.

"There were a lot of people milling around and I knew I wanted some people, but not too many,"

Howse explains of the shot she took with her Canon. "I like the older cars. I like the shape." She wanted to show that people were attending the downtown gathering, but have the focus remain on the car since it's an event that draws people because of the variety of vehicles, she explains.

Judges Paul Brunette and Matthew Carpenter both liked this selection.

"I'm a car guy," shares Brunette of being drawn to the color and saturation in the shot. "I like its tie to College Avenue and License to Cruise."

While Carpenter was torn about its category. "I kind of want to move it to 'Things' and have it win," he says.



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HONORABLE MENTION

"Winter Fog" by Christine A. Jackson, Grand Chute

"I drive by that tree all the time," says Christine A. Jackson of this photograph's subject matter. "It just amazes me that this tree stands year after year and hasn't been knocked over. ... Every time I drive by it, I'm like 'Where is that tree?'"

On her way elsewhere, Jackson stopped to photograph the dead limbs, with the barn in the background, as it was surrounded by the effects of fog during the month of January.

"I always come back to this photo because it's one of my favorites that I've shot because it's so simple, yet has a feeling to it," says Jackson who took the photo with her Canon EOS 7D. "There was no need to change that photo because I liked it exactly the way it came out."

"I like the honorable mention because people drive by there and know where it is," says judge Michael Spurlock. The other judges agreed.

Can you guess the location of this photo?

For the individual who can identify where Christine A. Jackson's photo was taken, FOX CITIES Magazine will provide a gift certificate to an area restaurant. Detailed answers should be submitted via email to Associate Editor Amy Hanson at edit@foxcitiesmagazine.com by Aug. 28; please include your name and a daytime phone number. In the event that more than one correct submission is received, a random drawing will be held. A winner will be notified in early September.



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FIRST PLACE

"Beyond the Eye" by Weston Spiering, Combined Locks

"The composition of the photo looked really good to me at the time," says Weston Spiering of his winning photo.

Moderator Debbie Daanen also took note of what Spiering captured.

"I ride my bike down there all the time," she says of the photo. "I don't know where that cleat is, but whoever saw that had a vision."

A lunchtime walk led Spiering to a pleasant surprise along the bike trail that runs parallel to the Fox River in the Eagle Flats area of Appleton. Spiering discovered the shot with his Nixon DSLR.

"I would go past that area quite frequently," says Spiering. "It was just an awesome day out and a friend of mine and I wanted to shoot in the Locks area."

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THIRD PLACE

"Intense Young Owl" by Rod MacKenzie, Appleton

Just outside of Thrivent Financial on Ballard Road in Appleton, Rod MacKenzie came across a face that wasn't too pleased to see him.

"We had seen them when they were little and I didn't have my camera that day," MacKenzie recalls of discovering a pair of owls.

"There were two, but one flew away," he says. "He didn't act too happy to see me, but I took the photo." The remaining owl, captured in this photo, was clicking back at MacKenzie as he clicked his camera, a Nikon P500, which he zoomed in 30 feet away to get the owl who was about 15 feet off the ground by MacKenzie's estimate.

"Most of the pictures I take are just for me. It was just a nice shot. The owl was sitting up for once," MacKenzie shares of the early afternoon in April. "He's just staring right at me. It was basically eye to eye."

The judges also were drawn into the owl's expression. "That little guy with his tongue out just makes me happy," says judge Pam Seidl





SECOND PLACE

"Double Flight Landing" by Beth Spiering, Combined Locks

Sitting along the runway at Wittman Regional Airport in Oshkosh watching planes come in prior to AirVenture, landed Beth Spiering her second win in this year's contest.

"That photo just happened to have both planes at the same time," she says. "It was a very sunny day. I was just trying to get as close a photo as I could. I wanted to capture the planes coming in and seeing that experience."

It was her first time at the airport watching the event set-up and she used her iPhone in July 2014 to capture the photo.

Judge Michael Spurlock was drawn to the photograph because of the reach AirVenture has around the world and the visitors who attend each year.

"You're just talking to so many people," he says. "You feel so global, yet so cosmopolitan."

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dock for dinner

By Amy Hanson

Restaurants attract boaters with waterfront dining options

The Waters Supper Club and Lounge, New London

Whether by powerboat or paddle, there are plenty of waterfront dining options that are luring boaters during the summer dining season. Establishments are hoping customers drop anchor for a while as a new trend in waterfront dining emerges. FOX CITIES Magazine has taken note of restauranteurs who have set sail on a course to offer boaters specialized menus, a place to rest their head or the opportunity to enjoy the water from another perspective by making their eateries an oasis for easy access, electricity and much needed fuel-ups for both watercraft and water lovers.

Dockside Tavern Food & Spirits

"Any of the places that are on the river, I think part of the attraction is outdoor dining," says Brian Lamme, general manager of Dockside Tavern Food & Spirits in Oshkosh. "Our docks are usually full on the weekend."

Dockside has 48 tables for outdoor seating and 12 slips to accommodate all types of boats. The restaurant opens everyday at 11 a.m. and serves the same menu all day. Live music also is featured on the patio Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Lamme shares. Performers are posted on the restaurant's website and Facebook page.

"I think that is a little bit of a draw," Lamme says. "We do a lot of one- and two-piece bands." Larger groups typically perform on the weekends.

"People are coming and going all day —

whether they're going to Lake Winnebago or Buttes des Mortes, we're in a pretty convenient location being right at the mouth of the river," Lamme adds.

Hagemeister Park

"The ease of the slips, how many there are, how big they are and the entertainment," is what draws customers to Hagemeister Park in Green Bay, says General Manager Curt Cornell.

Situated in The City Deck area, 100 slips are available for day use to boaters, pre-orders and food deliveries are available, and ice also is for sale. Hagemeister Park also offers live entertainment on Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Another draw is craft beer. The Packers-themed eatery has more than 220 beers available and 29 on tap; the majority of which are craft options, including local selections.

"We have everything from appetizers and wings up to steaks," Cornell says. "It's casual, but nice."

The Lake House Supper Club

Being across from the 90-slip Menasha Marina was appealing to Kelly Taylor when she opened the Lake House Supper Club with her husband, Stuart, in the former Nauts Landing location in Menasha.

"We wanted it to be upscale food in a pretty casual atmosphere so you could feel comfortable if

you're coming off a bicycle or a boat," Kelly says. The Taylors also have been working with the marina to have menus available, and will even run orders over to boaters.

The supper club serves brunch on weekends, and cocktails, appetizers and dinner Wednesday through Sunday. Items like prime rib, steak, seafood, hearty appetizers and Friday fish specials like sea bass have been a draw, Kelly says.

"We have a boat and what I find is it's nice if you have somewhere to go instead of just going around the water," she adds. "Even if it's just drinks and an appetizer on the deck, it seems they're just looking for somewhere to enjoy a weekend."

The Taylors have been approached to consider opening for lunch as well and may be adding that on Fridays in fall to test the waters.

Mr. Brew's Taphouse

"Really our draw is our craft beer selection. We have 48 on tap and fresh ingredients (and) meat from The Meat Block," says Tammy Verhagen of what's drawing customers to Mr. Brew's Taphouse, which recently opened in Appleton near Lock No. 4. The beers have changed since opening as well and will continue to do so.

"We do have options for people who don't want hamburgers," says Tammy of their non-beef black bean and turkey burger options. "People seem to like them as much as the burgers."

A favorite burger that customers can't seem to

get enough of is the Peanut Butter Burger. Because the restaurant is a franchise, the Verhagens have adhered to menu offerings. Boaters are welcome to call ahead for take-out orders or can dock and dine in by following the walking path. The dock allows for eight to a dozen boats to tie off comfortably.

"To stop for an appetizer, you're able to get off the boat and enjoy a soda or beer," Craig says. "If they want to get it to go, we can do that, too." Mr. Brew's offers two levels of indoor seating and an outdoor, fenced-in patio.

The Verhagens wanted a restaurant that was comfortable for families. Craig also enjoys being able to watch wildlife including eagles, pelicans, herons, ducks and turtles. He's hoping to work more with the Fox River Navigational System Authority to increase boat traffic.

Nauti Turtle Bar & Grill

A new riverside bar known as the Nauti Turtle Bar & Grill, is the latest venture from Jim VanderGeest who also owns Ted's Grandview Supper Club in Fremont. The space, with 82 dining chairs and a dozen bar stools, is on the same property as the established supper club.

VanderGeest is catering to the waterfront crowd by offering free electric service at the docks for up to 14 boats to plug into overnight, along with two bathrooms with showers. To-go packages, ice and beer also are available for purchase.

The entrepreneur says he's trying to "utilize the waterfront dining experience" and sees watercraft traffic turnover throughout open hours.

"There are only a couple of restaurants on the water," says VanderGeest referring to the Wolf River. "There's more boaters than restaurants right now."

The Nauti Turtle offers a laid-back, island vibe with decor including stamped cement and sun shades over the patio. Diners also can enjoy Caribbean-style music and live acoustic tunes on the weekend. The scaled-down menu, which is different than Ted's, features salads, wraps, sandwiches, burgers, appetizers, pizzas and a daily special, VanderGeest shares.

"They (boaters) come in during their lunch time, get back on the boat and then it gets busy again for dinner," he adds. The Nauti Turtle is open Wednesday through Sunday from 11 a.m. to dusk with the full menu offered until 4 p.m., and pizzas and appetizers available after 4 p.m.

River View Diner

River View Diner in Little Chute "has a beautiful dock," says manager Kurt Koehler.

The dock accommodates easily half a dozen watercraft from powerboats to kayaks and includes electricity.

"We would certainly welcome more boaters," Koehler adds. "We're looking at adding more signage down there."

Because the diner, which is attached to the Hawk's Nest, is on top of a hill it may be tricky to be seen by those who pass by. Still, Koehler, and owners Gary and Dorrie Konetzke, are entertaining new possibilities.

"There have been a few that have stopped for a meal or they'll have a drink at the bar," Koehler

says of boaters who have come into the restaurant. "We certainly want to build that part of the business. ... Our menu has changed and has grown tremendously since we opened." The restaurant is open for breakfast and lunch and later on Fridays for fish fries.

River View Diner has been open a little over a year now and has seasonal options, like garden and chef salads, along with nachos for the summer.

TJ's Harbor Restaurant

With panoramic views of Lake Winnebago and two levels of outdoor dining connected to TJ's Harbor Restaurant, the Oshkosh dining establishment is hopping during summer.

TJ's plans to open a new screened-in space with a glass garage door during this year's EAA AirVenture that will be open to the public following the event, says Brad Lind who is a partner in the restaurant with TJ Rodgers. The roughly 800-square-foot new space includes a bar area, high-top tables and a few other tables for seating that will accommodate 40-50 people. This is the first half of creating a courtyard area that can be used year-round to increase traffic for parties, holidays or in inclement weather, Lind says. The second facility will have a capacity of 99 people, he adds.

"We have 980 feet of harbor area and you could not get another boat in there," Lind says of the traffic he sees from boaters each summer. The stretch offers tie-off docking. "Our problem is our harbor. When it's full, it's full."

"The harbor is usually packed on the weekends. We have a line of boaters waiting to get in," adds General Manager Kristin Treichel.

Live entertainment from local bands also is available on Sundays.

"When you come to TJ's, we don't have frozen. We do our best to have something a little different," says Lind. The restaurant specializes in items like chicken, prime rib and duck cooked on a rotisserie, says Treichel, but also offers steak and pasta, with locally sourced products.

The Waters Supper Club & Lounge

Taking advantage of the Wolf River in New London, The Waters sees mostly locals with pontoon boats, but offers a 140-foot long, tie-off dock, says Jim Adrian, owner and manager.

The Waters features specials every day and entertainment on the deck on Sunday afternoons. Information is posted on The Waters' website.

When the water is high, Adrian says he sees more traffic. He has a sign out front to alert passing traffic of his establishment, which features a full soup and salad bar, pizzas, reubens, chicken sandwiches, burgers, chicken dinners, steak, seafood and fish fries on Friday. Adrian also has grab and go options.

"Some of them will come up here knowing that they'll get a steak diner," he adds. "Or, sandwiches. It doesn't take long to cook a burger when the grill is hot."

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Parma

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SAP

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Stone Cellar Brewpub

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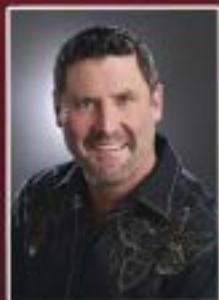
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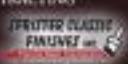
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