

A young girl with dark hair in a ponytail, wearing a bright pink long-sleeved shirt, is raising her right hand in a classroom. She is looking towards the left of the frame with a slight smile. The background is a blurred classroom with other students and wooden desks.

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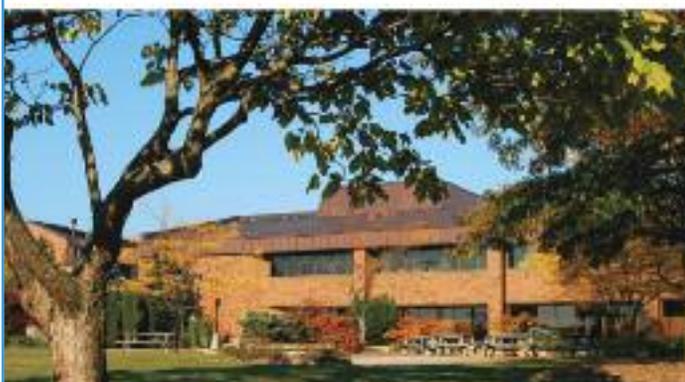
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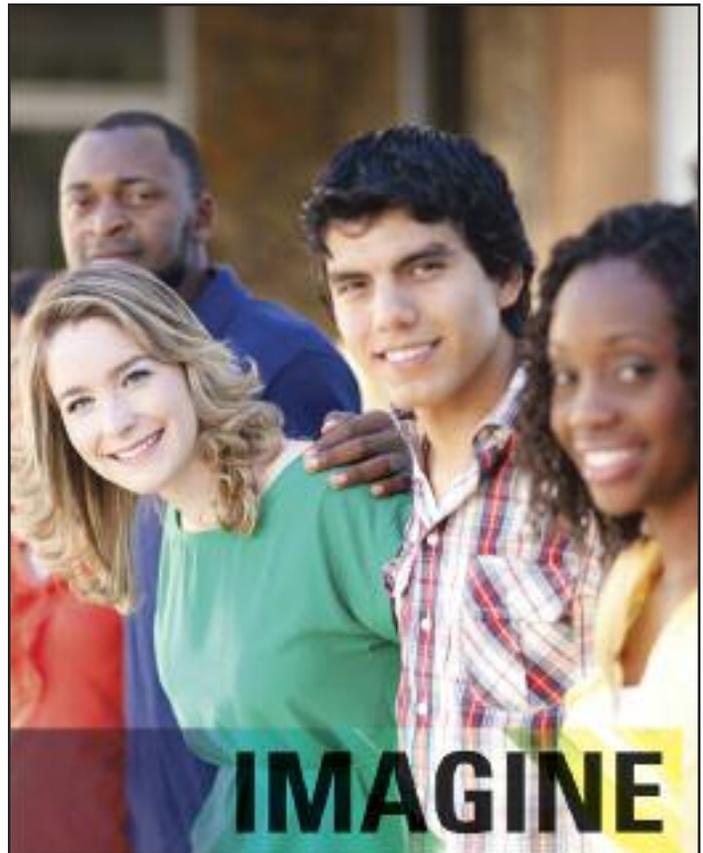
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MEQUON-THIENSVILLE SCHOOLS PREPARE STUDENTS FOR NEXT STEP

SCHOOL DISTRICT NURTURES STUDENTS' "FUTURE IDENTITY"

Ask any class of second-grade students what they want to be when they grow up, and you may get some typical responses – and some highly imaginative ideas as well. Teacher. Doctor. Soccer player. Candy taste-tester.

From a young age, every child has an idea of the person he/she might become. This idea is sometimes referred to as a child's future identity. A child's unique interests and predispositions along with exposure to situations, experiences and role models are all factors that influence a child's sense of who he or she might be someday. It is important to note that ideas of future self have a profound effect on students' everyday motivation in school.

"A child's vision for who he or she will become plays out in the classroom in his or her motivation and engagement," says Matthew Joynt, assistant superintendent for the Mequon-Thiensville School District. "We want all children in our School District to develop a sense of internal motivation and a vision for their future, beginning with our youngest learners and extending throughout their education. For each child, that vision of future self will change and evolve over time,

but our goal is that all students graduate with a sense of purpose, capable of taking advantage of the vast opportunities available to them."

Tying Future Identity to Educational Goals

Nurturing students' future identity and purpose is a priority for the Mequon-Thiensville School District, and counselors, educators and community members all play a part in achieving that goal.

Self-reflection exercises and conversations about college and career aspirations begin in elementary school and extend through high school. Counselors at all grade levels engage students in age-appropriate conversations designed to ultimately help students find fulfillment as adults.

"In elementary school, I talk with students about strengths and interests," says elementary school counselor Brenda Pepke. She also introduces the concept that interests and strengths can influence career goals and educational plans.

"All of this serves to give students a foundational understanding that, in their

lives, they will have many opportunities to explore options, ideas, choices and goals. In elementary school, we plant the seeds of self-reflection and goal-setting, which will be further nurtured as they grow and mature," says Pepke.

Lessons at the elementary school level also reinforce job-related skills such as sharing ideas, respecting others' opinions, resolving conflicts, collaborating and problem-solving.

As students grow and mature, they are able to be more selective in the vision they see for themselves as adults, and our counselors work to provide middle school students with opportunities for deeper reflection. Steffen Middle School counselor Kelly Matthias explains that students in seventh grade are introduced to the concept of career clusters, or groups of related professional opportunities.

"In seventh grade, students use an online career exploration tool that matches self-identified personality type, strengths and interests with career cluster suggestions," says Matthias. She explains that the career cluster suggestions help students further reflect upon their life goals and educational plans, including making some near-term decisions such as

planning what types of classes they should take in high school.

From a Goal to a Plan

The Mequon-Thiensville School District realizes that an opportunity exists to further extend the counselors' academic- and career-planning conversations with students. The District took an exciting and innovative approach to academic and career planning, recently announcing the addition of an academic and career planning (ACP) coordinator position for the 2016-17 school year and naming Matthew Wolf to fulfill the role.

In the role of ACP coordinator, Wolf will facilitate and oversee academic and career planning services for all students in middle school and high school in the District. Under Wolf's leadership, each student will extend his or her initial career explorations by preparing a career plan based upon his or her personally identified career clusters. Every student will conduct research on his or her career options, including investigating job availability, salary range and educational and/or certification requirements. Each student's career plan will be reviewed and updated with a counselor as needed. The career plan will help drive student course selections and educational goals.

"If students know what their goals are and they establish a plan to reach those goals, they see the purpose for their learning," explains Wolf. "The personalized goals and plan give students ownership of their education."

In addition to the work of counselors and the support of ACP services, middle and high school students in the academic middle have another opportunity for engagement in future identity planning and in identifying pathways for achieving goals. The Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) elective program is designed to stretch

students' current engagement and support them in taking advanced coursework, including AP and dual enrollment courses. In the program, students learn organizational and study skills, work on critical thinking and learn to ask probing questions, get academic help from peers and college tutors, and participate in enrichment and motivational activities. Through the AVID elective program, students have support to develop the skills and strategies to make college success a reality.

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It Takes a Village ... and a City

It requires the collaboration of many – including community members – to help students navigate the process of making their goals and dreams a reality. Educators strive to expose students to businesses and professionals in our community by providing experiences such as guest speakers and field trips. For elementary school students, this might take the form of a field trip to a local business, such as Wilson Elementary School's recent first-grade field trip to Suburban Motors in Thiensville.

In addition, Lake Shore and Steffen Middle School seventh- and eighth-grade

students have for many years had the opportunity to learn first-hand about a variety of professions from the practitioners themselves through an annual career fair, presented in conjunction with Junior Achievement of Wisconsin. Guest speakers at the fair this spring represented professions ranging from veterinarian to officer in the United States Marine Corps, and from executive in the Federal Bureau of Investigation to director of corporate social responsibility with the Milwaukee Bucks organization.

Junior Achievement Senior Operations Manager and Mequon resident Barbara Klocko explains, "The diversity of professionals represented at this fair provides students with great exposure to a variety of careers. A volunteer speaker may not ever realize the impact he or she has on a student, but we see time and again that introducing a student to a group of professionals can be a transformative experience."

Homestead High School students also have a number of opportunities for exposure to community resources. One such opportunity included participation in a "Tools for Life and Leadership" seminar this spring, sponsored by Spectrum Investment Advisors and developed by Mequon resident and international speaker Chuck Zamora. A group of seniors participated in the seminar designed to connect students with the business community. Zamora's seminar offered students insights into the power of goal-setting and self-confidence.

Abby Pipines, a member of the Homestead High School Class of 2016, reflects on the experience saying, "Tools for Life and Leadership allowed me to further develop and view the business world, along with life, in a whole different way. It taught me that every little thing counts, whether it's a handshake or how much effort you put into something."

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Spectrum founder Jim Marshall adds, “Investing in our youth helps build a strong community and leaders for tomorrow. By helping others, we become stronger leaders, too.”

The Next Step and Beyond

The Mequon-Thiensville School District knows that its work is greater than supporting students on their path to high school graduation. Their work in education is to help each student envision the person they hope to be at age 30 and beyond, and then help navigate a road to success.

Many resources and connections have been established to support students whose career plans include alternatives to four-year college. High school counselors and the ACP coordinator work very closely with each student interested in certification programs, apprenticeships, internships and other alternatives to ensure success in each of their chosen professions.

If a student does identify that his or her life and career aspirations are best achieved by attending college, Homestead’s counselors work with that student to find his or her best fit for the college experience and beyond.

The college search and application process is one that can be a challenge, for both students and parents. Jill McElroy, director of counseling at Homestead, explains that her high school counseling team works to minimize the stress of planning for college. “Our counselors meet with students and parents or guardians at different times during the high school experience. We talk with both students and their families about the college search process, and about what may be the best college fit for both a student’s career aspirations as well as for his or her student life experience. We also encourage deeper conversations between parents and students around everything from academic expectations to finances.”

McElroy further explains that the counseling team focuses on helping to minimize the confusion and apprehension that tends to come with major life choices – especially high stakes choices. The team encourages each student to embrace the joy and excitement of taking his or her next important life step.

Assistant Superintendent Joynt takes great pride in discussing the steps the Mequon-Thiensville School District has taken to guide and support students of all ages in developing future identity and aspirational college and career goals.

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HOMESTEAD STUDENT'S IDEA SPURS MEDICAL DEVICE INVENTION

Homestead High School student Max Potter, who helped his father develop a new type of umbilical cord clamp, was the focus of a recent article in the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel.

Max assisted his father, neonatologist Charles Potter, in developing a new and improved clamp that can help doctors avoid having the small devices slip out of their hands. In fact, Max gave his dad the idea to add finger holes – somewhat similar to a pair of scissors – to allow for a better grip. He came up with the idea in about 10 minutes.

Max's family and friends have always known him to be a tinkerer, even nicknaming him "MacGyver" after the popular 1980s TV show. He says he has been able to explore his natural curiosity through his coursework at Homestead, including Project Lead the Way (PLTW) – project-based, pre-engineering classes available to students as early as middle school in the Mequon-Thiensville School District.

"I took my first PLTW class in 7th grade, and after trying to solve the first project – to preserve an uncooked egg in free-fall while strapped to a rocket – I was hooked," Max says.

"The class does a fantastic job of teaching fundamentals of engineering of all kinds and gives students the opportunity to apply their knowledge and creativity to solve problems that are found in everyday life."

Max credits a number of teachers, including PLTW instructors Charles Harris and Robert Bruch, for encouraging his "tinkering" and allowing him to explore new ideas.

"They make the class more fun than any class I've ever taken. They are constantly finding ways to make the material more fun, and most importantly, they keep us on our toes. There's never a boring moment in the classroom," he says.

According to Max, the experience of helping to invent a new medical device has been "surreal," and he is thankful to have had the opportunity to work on something so important.

"In the past year or so, I have learned so much about the design process, product design and manufacture, and the business side of things," he says. "I've been able to work with a 3D printer and listen to what real people are looking for in a redesigned product. This has been such a wonderful opportunity to gain more knowledge about how things work, and when I inevitably invent something new, I'll now know a little bit more about how to go about things to make my dream a reality."

The Milwaukee Journal Sentinel article featuring Max may be found at mtds.k12.wi.us/invention.





HIGHLANDERS WIN WIAA DIVISION 2 CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE

The Homestead High School girls soccer team defeated the 2015 state champion Oregon Panthers to clinch the WIAA Division 2 title on June 18. The team finished the year 18-5-2, winning its first state title since 2007.

After 90 minutes of regulation play and 20 minutes of overtime, the Highlanders prevailed in a suspenseful shootout. Homestead's senior goalkeeper Kelli Ausman blocked the Panther's final shot to secure the title.

"This is so awesome," says Ausman. "It took a little bit for me to realize what had just happened. The ball was in my hands and I was like, 'That's it. We won. We're done.' It was incredible."

In his 15 years as coach, Rich Dorn has led the team to four state finals and two titles.

"They played their hearts out for their school," says Dorn. "It's a great moment to be a Highlander. These girls are a great source of pride for our school and our community."



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HOMESTEAD HIGH SCHOOL ORCHESTRA PERFORMS IN SPAIN



The Homestead High School orchestra traveled to Spain this spring, performing for enthusiastic crowds in two concerts.

Many members of Homestead High School's Orchestra described their international travel opportunity as a life-changing experience. They further described their two performances in concert halls in Toledo and Sevilla, Spain, as the most beautiful venues they may ever have the opportunity to play.

Orchestra teacher John Emanuelson says international travel presents unique opportunities for students to engage globally and make connections between other people and perspectives.

"We were greeted universally with respect and kindness at every stop," says Emanuelson.

In addition to their performances, students immersed themselves in Spanish language, cuisine and culture, and visited museums and sites of historical and cultural significance.



SCHOOL DISTRICT CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

When students come back to school this September, they can expect to see some amazing transformations to their school buildings.

This summer, construction crews and Mequon-Thiensville School District staff are hard at work updating facilities and creating innovative, student-centered learning environments at the elementary and middle schools. Homestead High School will see a number of enhancements to collaborative learning spaces. Additionally, Homestead's auditorium will be updated to become an accessible and state-of-the-art performing arts center. Finally, an outdoor, multi-purpose pavilion at Homestead will allow greater access to restrooms and concessions for school and community activities.

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A recent program at the Frank L. Weyenberg Library, titled "Zoozort," featured an introduction to live animals.



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FALL PROGRAMS AT THE FRANK L. WEYENBERG LIBRARY

The Frank L. Weyenberg Library of Mequon-Thiensville offers a variety of fun and free programs for all ages throughout the year. Check out the events below that are happening this season at the Library. All the information is also listed on the Library's website and calendar – visit flwlib.org.

CHILDREN'S EVENTS

Family Storytimes

Weekly storytimes every Tuesday*, Wednesday and Saturday at 11 a.m.

Storytimes include stories, fingerplays and songs. A responsible adult should be present and participation in storytime is highly encouraged. No registration is required, and all are welcome.

**Tuesday storytimes are at the Thiensville Village Market until the end of October 2016.*

LEGO Club

Meets last Monday of the month at 4 p.m.

Build up your creativity and LEGO skills at the Library. Share ideas, work together and make new friends as we focus on a new theme each month. Children ages 5 and up are welcome to attend. Bring a friend, no registration required.

August 29, September 26, October 31, November 28, December 19

ADULT EVENTS

No registration required for these free programs – all are welcome to attend!

To Be! Shakespeare Here and Now Thursday, August 25 • 6 p.m.

Experience an amazing, one-person interactive presentation featuring actor Ron Fry as William Shakespeare. Enjoy dynamic interpretations of excerpts from some of Shakespeare's most famous works combined with a humorous look at life in Renaissance England. The program also includes plenty of opportunities for audience members to star alongside The Bard of Avon.

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- **Tuesday, September 13 • 6 p.m.**
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Musician Lauren Pelon: A Fine Arts Program

Thursday, September 15 • 6:30 p.m.

Lauren Pelon traces the story of music and instruments throughout history and performs music from the 1st to the 21st centuries on archlute, guitar, lute-guitar, lyre and an assortment of other instruments. Pelon's compositions are featured, along with music from ancient Greece, medieval and renaissance Europe, Asia, Africa, the Middle East and the Americas. Pelon is noted not only for her accomplished performances on wind, string, free-reed and electronic instruments and voice, but also for her innovative programming.

Mrs. Lincoln: The 'First' First Lady:

A Theatre Performance by Laura Keyes

Wednesday, October 5 • 6 p.m.

Mary Todd Lincoln lived a life filled with triumphs and tragedies, but few people know her story. Enjoy this thrilling performance that focuses on the life and losses of Mrs. Lincoln, set on April 14, 1865. The program depicts an extraordinarily important time in our nation's history from a point of view that is not often explored. Learn how Mary Lincoln influenced monumental events in her lifetime and why her story is still relevant today.

Goode Rebeka, Trial By Fire: The Salem Witch Trials –

A Theatre Performance by Jessica Michna

Wednesday, October 26 • 6 p.m.

A riveting performance about the Salem Witch Trials, when innocent residents of Salem, Massachusetts, were tried and many executed in one of the most infamous chapters in early American history. Historian and actress Jessica Michna of "First Impressions" will portray the character of Goode Rebeka.

Winter Holiday Music with Phil Passen: A Fine Arts Program

Thursday, November 17 • 6:30 p.m.

Few musicians play the hammered dulcimer. Fewer still sing while accompanying themselves on this fascinating instrument. Phil Passen does both. In this program, the beautiful sound of the dulcimer is showcased with traditional and modern melodies and songs celebrating Christmas, Chanukah, Kwanzaa and the winter solstice – a wonderful and exciting way to hear winter holiday music.



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Tammy and Pat Ferry enjoy attending a Concordia athletic event.

TRANSFORMATIONAL LEADERS: A FOCUS ON PAT AND TAMMY FERRY



Tammy and Pat Ferry with their daughter, Rachel, who also works at Concordia.

In 1997 Rev. Patrick T. Ferry, Ph.D., took office as the eighth president of Concordia University Wisconsin at the age of 38 years old. He had been a history professor at the University for six years with big dreams to have a greater impact in the world and the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod through leadership in higher education.

He and his wife, Tammy, who grew up in higher education and has earned her own Ph.D., have together led the University through unprecedented growth and changing times. As they prepare for their 20th academic year as leaders, the Mequon couple, parents of five adult children and new grandparents, takes a moment to reflect on 21st century higher education, millennials and their favorite Mequon haunts.

Question: Reflecting on your personal college years, what were your plans for the future back then?

Pat: My college years were very transformative. It is the time I learned about my Lord and Savior, and it is the time I met my wife, Tammy. My service in Lutheran higher education is largely because of my undergrad experience.

Tammy: Higher education is in my blood. I was literally brought home from the hospital to a dorm apartment where my parents served as dorm directors. I have always found the university environment to be comforting and attractive, and knew that I wanted to stay in higher education for my profession. We joke at home about how higher education is our ‘family business’ and whenever we are out of town or visiting our kids we love walking around the campus of the local university.

Question: There’s a lot of negative talk about millennials in the workplace and out in the world. You two are around young adults all day, every day. Why are they so misunderstood?

Pat: It’s easy to be critical of other generations. Each one is shaped by a different set of experiences, challenges and cultural norms.

Today’s world is far more complex and the culture is pushing bounds and understandings more than any other generation before. Millennials are trying to make sense of all that using the technology and the immediacy that comes with it to the best of their abilities. They need some refining, but I sincerely believe that they are going to be the next greatest generation.

Tammy: I’m amazed at the depth and breadth of their service mindset. When I was in college, I and most of my peers were self-focused. Today’s college students are looking outside of themselves. They care about what is happening in the world and are studying abroad, serving overseas and rolling up their sleeves in their own communities to help make things better.

Question: As the cost of education continues to rise and there is growing conversation about the value and “worth” of a college degree, particularly a liberal arts degree, what do you say to the critics?

Tammy: A university’s job isn’t just to teach students how to make a living, it’s more about how to live a life; to live fully at work, with families, in the community. We live in a highly complex, rapidly changing society. Higher education helps people write with elegance, creatively and critically analyze situations, and better solve problems – all skills that are needed now more than ever.

Pat: Someone once said that ‘a university’s job is to make your mind an interesting place to spend the rest of your life.’ That saying resonates with me. When we prepare our students, we don’t just consider the qualifications they need for their first job, we want them to be ready for their second job – their called career – and their lives. That’s what makes Concordia so special.

Question: *There is a natural, geographic divide between Concordia University and the Mequon-Thiensville community (Lake Michigan and Highway 43 border the campus). How could the two better collaborate?*

Patrick: Concordia University’s growth is bound to have an impact on our neighbors. It is important to us to be good neighbors, manage traffic as much as we can and ensure a clean, safe environment for everyone on or around our campus.

We invite residents to get to know our students, see them in performances or athletic events, take classes with them, or sign up for our free clinics and adult-learning opportunities. We also frequently collaborate with the civic and community leaders with local forums, roundtables and events.

Many of our faculty and alumni live and work in the area, and many of the local businesses provide internships and jobs for our students, so we’re more aligned than people may realize.

There’s more work to be done, of course, but we are proud and grateful to be the Mequon-Thiensville community’s university.

Question: *The two of you are well-known around campus for living active, healthy lifestyles. Tell us about your daily routines.*

Pat: What do they say about running? “My sport is your sport’s punishment?” That’s about right. Tammy got me into running early on. To court her, I had to literally chase her. At first, running to me was about being fitness conscious and a way to stay competitive (Patrick was a scholar athlete in college). Now I know that Tammy and I are modeling healthy behaviors and good, daily habits for our students. (See side story to the right about Rev. Ferry’s long-standing running streak.)

Tammy: I’ve been involved in sports all my life. I played basketball in high school and college, and then started running soon after graduation. Our whole family runs. We manage to find 5Ks wherever we travel and make them a part of our vacation, and we especially love the Rock ‘n Roll marathon series. I also swim two days a week at Homestead High School through the Mequon-Thiensville Recreation Department.

Two of our sons have Type 1 diabetes. They were both diagnosed in high school. Type 1 diabetes is not caused by inactivity or poor nutrition – it’s more of a genetic condition. But as we all know, good exercise habits improve overall health outcomes for the future. So we encourage all of our children to lead active, healthy lifestyles.

Question: *How has their Type 1 diabetes diagnosis affected your family?*

Tammy: I think God has uniquely prepared us for this challenge. We know that we are “fearfully and wonderfully made,” each with unique and special physical traits. As a researcher and educator, I have been especially interested in learning about the physiological aspects of Type 1 diabetes as well as the science behind a cure. I enjoy reading and studying the medical reports and research and communicating these findings to the Type 1 diabetes community. This skillset has helped me cope with the challenges of having this disease in



Pat Ferry and Concordia students running together on his 1,000th day of running in a row.

A DAILY HABIT

On December 20, 2012, Rev. Patrick T. Ferry, Ph.D., made a New Year’s resolution to run every day for a year. Three and one-half years later, Ferry hasn’t missed a day yet.

Despite sickness, inclement weather, travel and a busy life, Ferry fulfills his resolution and remains steadfast to his commitment. Ferry says running – staying healthy and active – is a way to honor the Lord with his body.

“Concordia’s mission statement encourages ‘service to Christ in mind, body and spirit,’” says Ferry. “This is just one way I can live out a piece of that mission every day.”

the family and has helped me discover a passion for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRE). Pat and I have been active with them for years and I’m currently serving as the President of the Southeast Wisconsin Chapter.

Question: *When new students and their families come to town, what are your top local recommendations – your “Mequon Musts?”*

Tammy: We love the Highland House. That truly is our favorite restaurant, where we go to celebrate family birthdays or when our kids are in town. We also recommend Harvey’s.

Pat: We first make sure they know about our campus and all there is to enjoy right here. The Lakeshore Chinooks, the bluff, and all of the activities and performances that our students provide. We also look forward every year to Gathering on the Green.

Question: *What do you want Mequon-Thiensville residents to know about Concordia University?*

Pat: We are their community university. We belong to Mequon-Thiensville as much as we belong to anyone. We want the community to get to know our students, see them in action, and regard our campus as a special place in the community. We are here to serve.

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More than 50 local artists with studios from Mequon to Newberg will open their spaces to the public on the weekend of October 7-9 for the self-guided Ozaukee County Covered Bridge Art Studio Tour, coordinated by the Cedarburg Artists Guild. This unique event is an opportunity for people to get an up-close and personal look at some of Southeastern Wisconsin's finest artists and the spaces that inspire their work. Artists will be working during the event and are always happy to stop what they're doing to greet visitors, demonstrate their talents, talk with guests and sell their artwork to interested buyers.

The tour is free to attendees, and begins Friday, October 7, with studios open from 4-8 p.m. Saturday hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m., and Sunday hours are 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Covered Bridge Art Studio Tour maps can be downloaded from the website, or picked up at the Destination Station located within the Cedarburg Cultural Center, W62 N546 Washington Ave. in Cedarburg. Participants can start their self-guided tours at any studio.

"Magic happens inside and around an artist's studio," explains event coordinator Michelle Savas-Thompson. "Having the chance to take a glimpse inside some of these beautiful spaces gives even casual visitors and novice art collectors an appreciation for the soul and spirit each artist pours into his or her work. And to have a chance to actually see them creating their works is a priceless gift."

Art comes in many forms, and the Tour encompasses almost every artistic style and medium that is popular today, from paintings and drawings, to photography, sculptures, fiber arts, ceramics, jewelry, printmaking, metal, glass and leatherworks.

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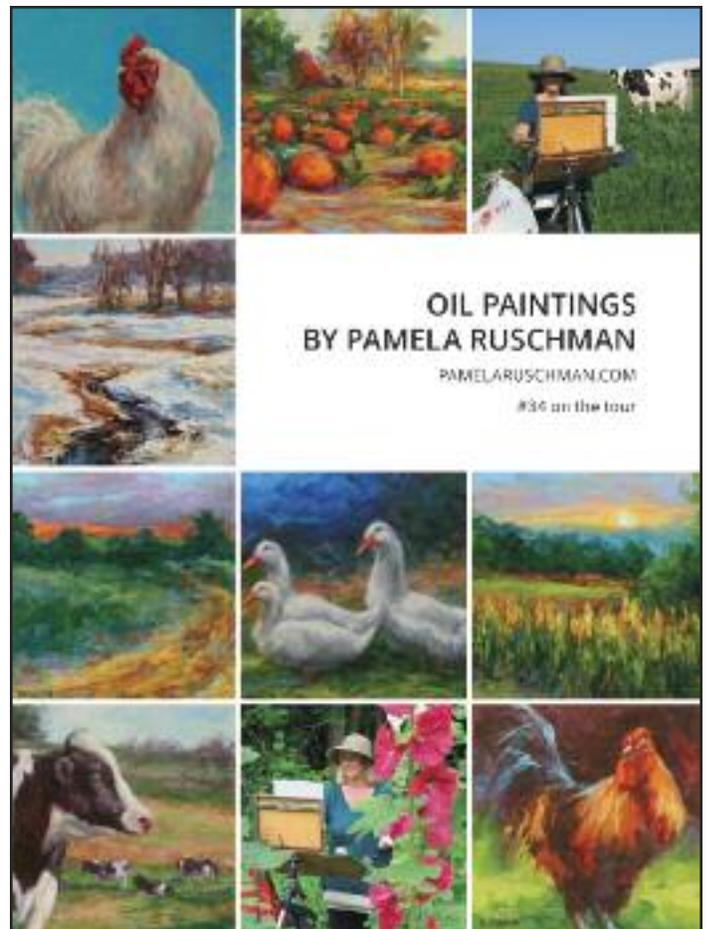


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Mequon Town Center is at the gateway to the City at the corner of Cedarburg Rd. and Mequon Rd.

COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT MOVES FORWARD IN MEQUON

Mequon is on the move with exciting new mixed-use, apartment and medical construction reshaping the landscape. These new properties are creating many new jobs and a wealth of new services and living options, as well as creating additional tax revenue for the City. Stay tuned as these new developments take shape.

FROEDERT HOSPITAL

Froedert plans to bring another state-of-the-art medical facility to Mequon with an 86,000-sq.-ft. medical office building on 7.3 acres at the corner of North Port Washington Rd. and Venture Court, just north of Mequon Rd. This project broke ground in early 2016 when the previous building was torn down.



Froedert will offer primary and specialty care services in this new three-story, \$20 million facility that is poised to open in the winter of 2016-2017. Froedert & the Medical College of Wisconsin Health Network is a partnership of Froedert Health and the Medical College of Wisconsin.

CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

After a lengthy search throughout the North Shore, Children's Hospital chose a location at the corner of Mequon Rd. and Market St. for its new 42,000-sq.-ft. medical office building, to be situated on 6.1 acres. Construction began in 2015, with plans to open in late summer of 2016. Children's Hospital will provide an array of services in this new \$9 million facility.



THE RESERVE

Ground has been broken on the newly approved 81-unit apartment complex to be constructed southwest of Aster Care Memory facility on Mequon Rd. This new development will include a mix of one-, two- and three-bedroom apartments ranging in size from 880 sq. ft. to 1,606 sq. ft., with an average size of 1,087 sq. ft. Building amenities will include underground parking, an indoor pool, and a community room and exercise facility. The development is estimated at a value of \$10 million.



In addition, a 60-unit, three-story residential care complex, valued at an estimated \$9.7 million, is also being constructed adjacent to Aster Care. The facility will include a community dining room, spa and beauty salon, a country store and indoor parking. Approximately



Photo by John O'Hara



40 employees will work at the facility. These two buildings will be joined by a mixed use retail/office building west on Mequon Rd. that is planned for the near future. These new additions are on 8.3 acres collectively and are estimated at a total of \$30 million.

MEQUON TOWN CENTER

The Mequon Town Center, at the intersection of Mequon Rd. and N. Cedarburg Rd., is a dynamic gateway to the City. This mixed-use development is alive with activity now that all businesses within the Town Center have opened (see page 23). Businesses include Colectivo Coffee, Cafe Hollander, The Ruby Tap, Elements Massage, Health in Balance Physical Therapy and Yoga, Forward Dental, Fisher Family Chiropractic, Supercuts, Get Happy Chocolatier, Leo and Lou, and Orange Theory Fitness. Luxury apartments are located above the retail spaces, and there is free parking (to the west between the two main buildings). The Town Center value is estimated at \$19 million. Be sure to stop by and discover this great property and business tenants.

At the same location as the Town Center is the new home of the Howard J. Schroeder American Legion Post 457, that opened in the fall of 2014 in the former Towne Market Mobil gas station and convenience store. The original building was moved from the corner of Mequon and Cedarburg Roads about 200 feet west on the development site and was remodeled and expanded for the Post.

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RESTORING MEQUON NATURE PRESERVE



Mequon Nature Preserve has embarked on a unique journey to restore the land as it existed prior to European settlement.

Efforts to restore the hardwood forests, wetlands and prairies began 11 years ago, and today 175 of 438 acres are enrolled in a comprehensive restoration program. Drain tile is broken to restore wetlands; invasive plants are removed including buckthorn, garlic mustard, dame's rocket and cattail through prescribed burns, forestry mowing and herbicide treatments. Annually, thousands of native trees, shrubs and flowers are planted.

New trees shoot up in what were once cornfields, and wildflower prairies have colorful blooms throughout the growing season. Twenty-five acres of wetlands dot the nature preserve and feed into nearby creeks. The success of the restoration program has led to a significant increase in faunas now thriving in their new home.

For instance, while birdwatchers and staff documented 68 bird species in 2007, 147 were spotted in 2016. Native fish species have gone from zero in 2007 to 11 today, and students are now finding turtles, snakes, toads, frogs and salamanders – species that were not here a few years ago. The land also supports 50 successful honeybee hives. As a fairly young nature preserve it is thrilling to see positive results so early in the restoration process.

Mequon has 1,020 acres of parkland, with the Preserve as the largest protected green space in the area. Restored lands not only benefit returning species, but

our community as a whole. Spending time in green space enhances connectedness to nature. It improves self-esteem and wellbeing, and reduces body fat, anxiety and stress. Multiple studies have shown that people diagnosed with ADD or ADHD function better after contact with nature. Individuals exhibited fewer symptoms after they walked through a park or played outdoors in green settings. The greener their surroundings, the fewer symptoms they showed.

Mequon Nature Preserve offers educational and social events for people of all ages. Restoration Rangers gather Thursday mornings from 9 a.m. to noon to work on land restoration projects. The Honeybee Club meets monthly and beekeepers keep their hives at the Preserve. Volunteers become citizen scientists through the Preserve's monitoring programs. Miss Joyce, the Preserve's volunteer storyteller, hosts storytime on Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. And each month, a community workshop is offered.

Visitors find the Preserve a welcoming place to walk dogs, bike and take photos. The land and outreach programs are free and open to all. For a trail map and calendar of events, visit mequonnaturepreserve.org. Or, for more information, call Amy at 262.242.8055 or email center@mequonnaturepreserve.org.

The PieperPower Education Center and main offices are located at 8200 W. County Line Rd. Mequon Nature Preserve is funded through charitable contributions.



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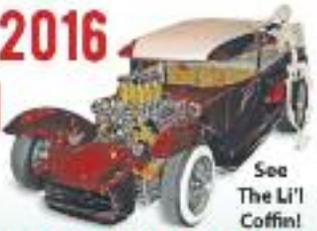
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New to the children's area this year will be a 40' inflatable obstacle course. A free shuttle is available from Homestead High School to Mequon City Hall starting at 11:30 am. Visit the City of Mequon website, ci.mequon.wi.us for ongoing updates to the event festivities.

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Featured Food/Beverage Vendors: Cafe 1505, Cafe Hollander, Falafel Guys, Joey Gerard's, Leonardo's Pizza, Mequon Chancery, Midori, Stilt House, The Burg/Burger Parlor, the cheel, The Ruby Tap, The Thiensville-Mequon Lions Club.

Local Artists: Deborah Dunn (jewelry), David Fliss (caricatures), Bob Holmes (wood), Jane Kraemer (jewelry), Sue Madden (beaded serving ware), Mary Spencer (glass), Kathleen Van Wagenen (jewelry).

Other Participants: Frank L. Weyenberg Library and the Jonathan Clark House Museum.

ANNUAL PILLARS OF THE COMMUNITY LUNCHEON HONORS MEQUON RESIDENTS

The Mequon Community Foundation recently held its fifth annual "Pillars of the Community" Award Luncheon and honored Mequon residents/brothers Christopher and Daniel Doerr.

According to Kathy Pederson, Mequon Community Foundation president, "Their leadership in advancing local healthcare services and other generous philanthropy has contributed greatly to the Mequon community."

Chris and Dan followed their grandfather and father into the electric motor business, becoming the third generation working in what became LEESON Electric Corporation. In 2000, they sold the motor company and formed Passage Partners, LLC. It was at this time they became involved in the aviation industry, purchasing Sterling Aviation in 2004. After selling Sterling in 2014, Chris and Dan founded Aircraft Cost Calculators, LLC, located in Mequon.

Giving back to their community has always been a priority for the Doerrs. Over the years, the brothers' philanthropic philosophy evolved into making substantial gifts to institutions and causes that have the greatest beneficial impact on their employees.

This philosophy led Chris and Dan to be significantly involved with the Columbia St. Mary's Hospital of Ozaukee in a number of ways, including philanthropic stewardship. Visitors to the hospital enter through the two-story Doerr Atrium, and the Doerr "Tradition of Caring Award" honors those who have demonstrated exceptional generosity through volunteerism or financial support of Columbia St. Mary's and the Ozaukee community.

"I can think of no more deserving recipients for the Mequon Community Foundation Pillars of the Community than Dan and Chris Doerr," says Lisa A. Froemming, President and CEO of Columbia St. Mary's Foundation. "Examine their life and work, and you will find thoughtful and generous donors and caring volunteers and big thinkers, devoted to making our community not just 'better,' but great."

The Mequon Community Foundation is a nonprofit organization that supports projects in recreation, education, culture, outdoor beautification and general public improvement in Mequon.

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Libby Wick (far left), the owner of Libby Montana Bar & Grill, poses with her staff outside her namesake restaurant in Mequon.



BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT: LIBBY MONTANA BAR & GRILL

How many of us get up in the morning and go to work at a place that we truly love? Libby Wick, who runs her namesake restaurant, Libby Montana Bar & Grill in Mequon, is one of these lucky people. Her popular North Shore eatery is open seven days a week and offers some of the most tasty food in town. And with Libby at the helm, you can expect friendly service from an owner who takes great pride in running her business.

But let's start first with the history of this fascinating, landmark building and the business name. According to Wick, "The original structure, built in 1911, was opened as a boarding house called Gruenwald's Resort," says Wick. "After that, it became Hank's Wagon Wheel, followed by Whiskey River Saloon and Kelly's."

Then, in 2000, she and her then-husband, Mark Metcalf, purchased it and named it Libby Montana. Curiously, the name honors the state they did NOT move to when they left Los Angeles in search of a better place to raise their son. "Although we moved to Wisconsin instead, Mark still got to get up each morning and go to Montana," says Wick with a chuckle. Since 2006, Wick has been the sole owner.

Libby Montana Bar & Grill is well known for its healthy variety of menu items, from grilled fish, pastas and fresh salads to beef and buffalo burgers. It also features a Friday fish fry, prime rib and pot pie specials on Saturdays, and a Sunday brunch. The restaurant also offers many gluten-free items, and a special \$2 kids' menu (dine-in only). According to Wick, the most popular items include Javier's fabulous firecrackers, killer ribs and reuben sandwiches. Homemade pizzas are made from scratch and the Saturday night prime rib "will make you wish everyday was Saturday," Wick says.

It's interesting to note that Libby Montana also features offsite catering for any size group, small or large. Menu offerings include a choice of hot and cold hors d'oeuvres, salads, sandwiches and wraps, and desserts – all suited for buffets or sit-down-style dinners. Onsite, Libby Montana offers both a private dining room for larger groups, and

seasonal dining outdoors.

But perhaps what makes Libby Montana most unique is its indoor sand volleyball facilities – among the largest in the metro Milwaukee area. Its volley dome has more than 3,000-sq.-ft. of manicured sand with three volleyball courts and an outdoor bar and picnic area. Volleyball leagues compete year-round, 6 nights a week. And the dome is also available for private family or corporate parties.

In addition, other non-profits can use the volleyball facility for fundraising tournaments free of charge. This is an example of Libby Montana's ongoing support for the community. Wick also holds multiple fundraisers at the restaurant each year, including an annual bra-decorating contest that benefits local breast cancer prevention programs, and a November-December event that benefits the Ozaukee County Food Pantry and the Hunger Task Force.

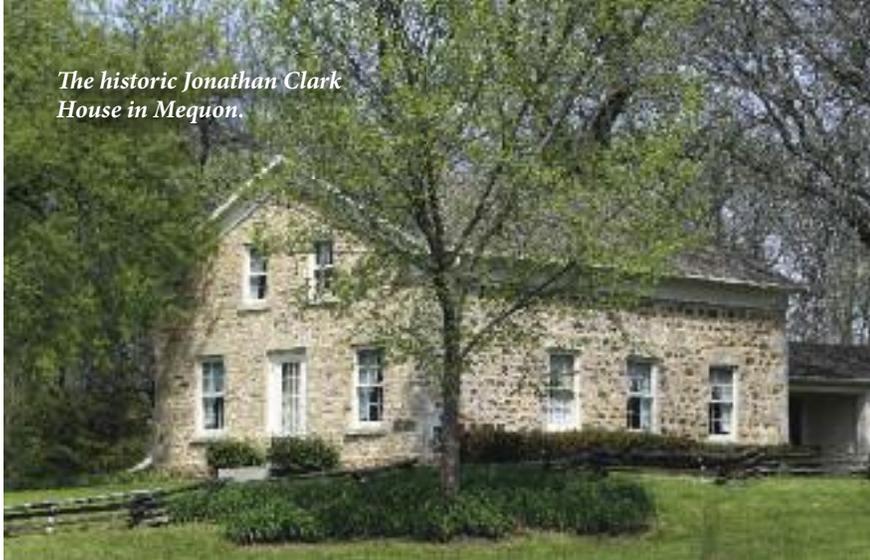
According to Wick, her customers are amazing and many of them have become as close as family over time. And her employees are hardworking and dedicated. "I consider myself incredibly lucky to have such a great staff," she says. "They are as much a part of the restaurant as the brick and mortar. Every day provides a new opportunity to meet new people, take care of them and make them happy."

So in Wick's mind, she has "THE perfect job." Because she loves it so much, her advice to others comes from Confucius: "Choose a job you love and you will never work a day in your life." At the risk of sounding corny, Wick says this is really how she feels about her work at Libby Montana.

Stop by Libby Montana soon – by car or by bicycle. They are located at 5616 W. Donges Bay Rd., along the Interurban Trail (at mile marker #1). Park your bike and come on in to enjoy the food, beverages and service – and say hi to Libby Montana (Wick).

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The historic Jonathan Clark House in Mequon.



CELEBRATING AND INVESTING IN OUR HERITAGE THROUGH HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Historic preservation is not a common topic at the dinner table or at the board room table, but it is all around us as we travel to school, work and play. It is the evidence that we are committed to preserving irreplaceable cultural resources. It is a tangible connection between the past and the present. It is one way that we demonstrate community pride.

The Mequon-Thiensville community preserves the marks left on its landscape by the many people who have shaped it. Preservation values not only the origin of a building, but its occupants over time and the uses to which it was put, and assumes that all evidence of them will be preserved. When a community preserves its historic, architectural and aesthetic character it helps to provide a sense of place and continuity. This is its collective memory.

Nina Look, executive director of the Jonathan Clark House, believes, "A community needs to preserve its old buildings in order to maintain a sense of permanency and heritage. Beautiful mid-19th century buildings provide a stimulating architectural balance with new design construction such as that in the Town Center."

Evidence of Historic Preservation Is All Around Us

The Mequon-Thiensville community is blessed that those who resided here many years ago saved and preserved historic structures. This is a community that values and preserves its heritage. Signs include the Mequon Landmarks Commission founded in 1982 and the Thiensville Historic Preservation Commission founded in 1975. These groups are led by community members who volunteer their time to embrace timeless heritage through historic preservation.

Community leader Bob Blazich says, "The Village of Thiensville has long been committed to preserving history in its two historic districts. A most recent example of preservation is the cheel restaurant building project developed by local business leaders Jesse and Barkha Daily."

The oldest building in the community is the Isham Day House set boldly across the street from Mequon City Hall. Another historically significant structure is the 1848 Jonathan Clark House. In 1982 it was the first building to be designated as a Mequon landmark. Just as the Mequon Nature Preserve is a science laboratory, the Jonathan Clark House is a history laboratory with a unique setting that enables children and adults to experience life of our early settlers. Both of these valuable resources are working closely with the Mequon-Thiensville School District to maximize potential for educating youth.



Our Community Celebrates and Invests in Preservation

Collaborative conversations are taking place between the Jonathan Clark House, Mequon-Thiensville Historical Society and the Trinity Freistadt Historic Village. These active non-profit organizations provide programming that inspires and stimulates the imaginations of young and old. But, of course, as these entities raise Mequon and Thiensville's quality of life, successes come with a high price of raising funds and attracting volunteers in order to sustain facilities and programs.

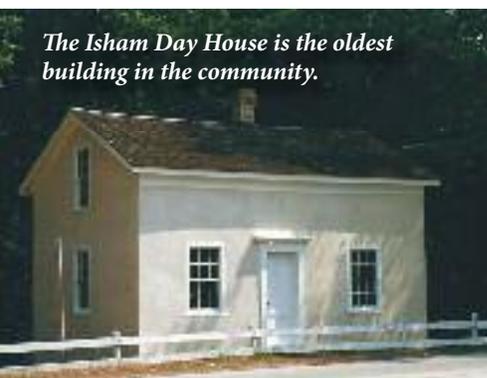
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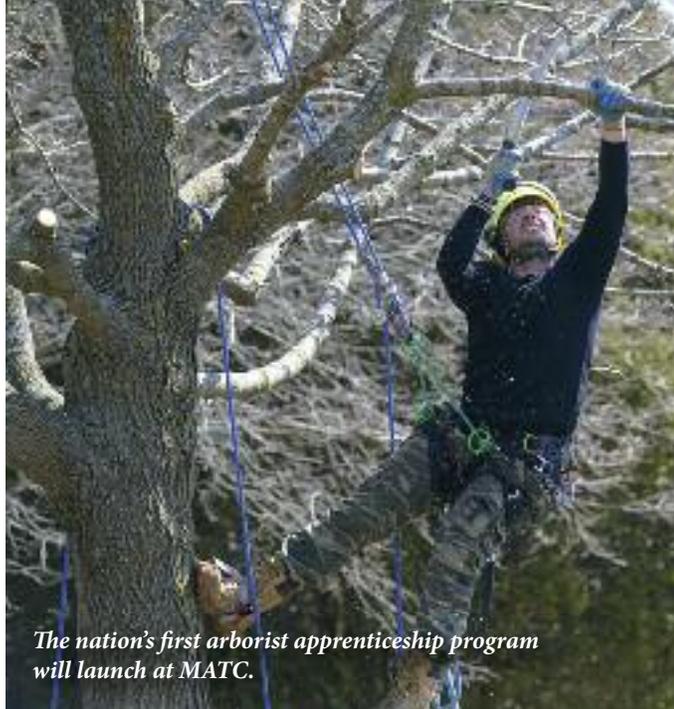
Will you talk about the Jonathan Clark House and the Thiensville Historic District around the dinner table tonight or around the board room table tomorrow? If you do, you just might be surprised how your interest is shared with others who value the past and its connection to the future. How you, your family and your co-workers invest in historic preservation will have a profound impact on the future.

Nina Look is executive director of the Friends of Jonathan Clark House and archivist for the Ozaukee County Historical Society. She can be reached at 262-618-2051 or jchmuseum@gmail.com.

Bob Blazich is president of the Mequon-Thiensville Historical Society and a member of the Thiensville Historic Preservation Commission. He can be reached at 262-242-4653 or rblazich@gmail.com.

The Isham Day House is the oldest building in the community.





The nation's first arborist apprenticeship program will launch at MATC.



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AREA SCHOOL COUNSELORS GO "CAREER CAMPING" AT MATC'S MEQUON CAMPUS

Summer is the season for camping – for families, for children and this year, for middle and high school guidance counselors!

In an effort to share information about the unique education and training Milwaukee Area Technical College offers, instructor Steve Burleson conducted a Career Camp for area professionals who work with students to help them identify academic and career areas of interest.

"We know that school counselors form a close bond with the students they serve," says MATC Mequon Campus Vice President Dr. Wilma Bonaparte. "Educating the counselors about MATC and the needs of the careers of the future will help the students in our community."

The three-day camp provided a comprehensive overview of MATC's academic programs, high-demand and fast-growing careers, hands-on experiences in MATC classrooms and labs, and visits to area businesses in a number of industry sectors, including Busch Precision in Milwaukee, GenMet in Mequon and MGS Manufacturing Group in Germantown.

Alisa Bailey, a Milwaukee Public Schools counselor, comments, "It was hands down the best and most informative workshop that I've attended as a school counselor. It was an opportunity to gather information to share with students the direct pathway to secure viable employment once they complete a chosen academic program at MATC."

Donations to MATC Promise Surpass \$1 Million – Program Now Offered to High School Seniors and Juniors

The MATC Foundation recently announced that donations to support the MATC Promise have surpassed the \$1 million goal. As a result, the college is now offering the program that provides four semesters of free tuition and fees for eligible students to high school seniors and juniors.

"The response to the MATC Promise has outperformed even our most optimistic expectations," says MATC President Dr. Vicki J. Martin. "Close to 3,000 high school seniors applied for this "last-dollar" scholarship program, far surpassing our goal of 1,000 applicants. We are grateful for the financial support from so many companies and individuals. The \$1 million goal was aggressive and I was confident that we would be able to attain it since the program will have a profound impact on young people and our community at large."

For more information on program eligibility requirements or to make a contribution, visit matc.edu/promise

Nation's First Arborist Apprenticeship Program To Be Offered at MATC's Mequon Campus

The State of Wisconsin announced the nation's first arborist apprenticeship program, that will help redefine the occupation by requiring plant health care duties in addition to tree-care duties.

Members of the Wisconsin Arborist Association and the business developed the apprenticeship program in partnership with the Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) and the state's Department of Workforce Development.



A recent Career Camp at MATC for area professionals provided an overview of the college's programs.

“As a time-tested and proven solution to the state's skills gap, Wisconsin Apprenticeship continues to grow and expand into new areas based on employer demand,” explains Governor Scott Walker. “Participating employers benefit with a customized solution to train and retain highly skilled workers, and the participating apprentice completes on-the-job training and related instruction that offer a pathway to industry-recognized credentials and family-supporting careers.”

National industry leaders are collaborating with Wisconsin Apprenticeship and WTCS to standardize training across the Arborist industry. Watchel Tree Service in Merton helped develop the standards for the program and signed the first apprentice to this new program.

“Milwaukee Area Technical College is pleased to partner with the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development to offer an arborist apprenticeship program,” says Dorothy Walker, dean of MATC's School of Technology and Applied Sciences. “Working closely with industry leaders to develop and offer standardized training will be important for future professionals in this fast-growing career.”

For more information on the Arborist Apprenticeship program and other Wisconsin apprenticeships, please visit WisconsinApprenticeship.org.

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- 86% of technical diploma graduates are employed within six months after graduation and earn an average annual salary of \$31,350.
- 92% of MATC graduates live and work in Wisconsin, most in the greater Milwaukee area.



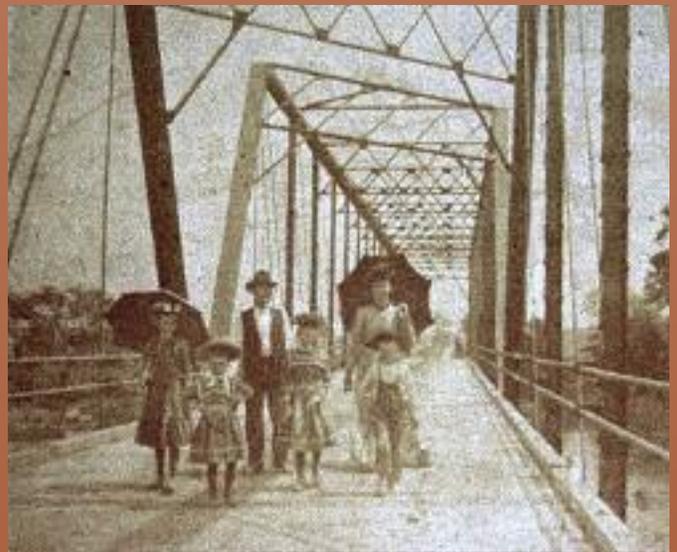
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SPOTLIGHT ON MEQUON-THIENSVILLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

PRESERVING OUR HERITAGE FOR GENERATIONS TO COME

The City of Mequon and the Village of Thiensville both have rich and fascinating histories. Fortunately, compelling details, photos and colorful stories about Mequon and Thiensville history are being preserved through the dedicated work of the Mequon-Thiensville Historical Society (MTHS).

This non-profit organization, which is 150 members strong, takes great pride in collecting historical records and photos dating back to the days when each of the communities (and the former Town of Mequon), was originally founded.

For history buffs and those who are simply curious, the Society's vast collection satisfies questions and provides interesting historical background information on both communities.

For example, did you know the following?

- The Village of Thiensville is named after John Henry Thien, a wealthy German immigrant who settled in the area with his wife in 1842.
- Thien then purchased 148 acres of land and Thiensville was incorporated as a village in 1910.
- The City of Mequon got its early start between 1834 and 1836 when a surveyor named Brink and his assistant surveyed the land that was later to become the Town of Mequon. (Mequon became a city in 1957.)
- The area was originally inhabited by Native Americans and European trappers, explorers and traders who used the Milwaukee River running through Mequon as a means of transportation.
- The name "Mequon" is thought to have come from the Native American word "Emikwaan" or "Miguan" meaning ladle, referring to the shape of the river in the area.

These historical tidbits come from the wealth of information found in the volumes of MTHS records that track the communities' history from the beginning to present day. MTHS information also includes records that support genealogical research and help answer questions about former businesses and properties.

But according to Bob Blazich, MTHS president, "One of our major accomplishments has been saving the landmark Isham Day House from the wrecking ball and restoring it to its 1839 footprint." This small house, which is across the street from Mequon City Hall, is the oldest structure in Ozaukee County that's still on its original foundation. The historic Isham Day House will open its doors for tours during the Taste of Mequon on September 10 (see page 22).

Indeed, MTHS plays an important part in preserving the history of the community and can be trusted to provide high-quality services well into the future. With financial help from the Mequon Community Foundation, the Mequon-Thiensville Sunrise Rotary Club and Connie Pukaite (the former mayor of Mequon), popular Milwaukee historian John Gurda was brought in as a guest speaker for the organization. "This helped to build awareness for the MTHS, increase membership and revitalize the group," explains Blazich.

The MTHS is not only a strong community partner by "bringing history alive," but is also an active, visible participant in special events in both communities. These include the Family Fun Before the Fourth parade and the City of Mequon's tree-lighting celebration in December. According to Blazich, "It's gratifying to see the broad community actively embrace our organization and support our mission."

A recent move from the Logemann Center to the Thiensville Professional Park at 216 Green Bay Rd. has enabled the MTHS to further archive its important data collection and make it more accessible. This collection includes census, tax, school and municipal records dating back more than 150 years. "But while this is a very exciting time for our organization, it is a challenging one," Blazich says.

Until recently, membership dues and personal donations were the primary sources of funding for MTHS, but since moving to a new office, membership dues alone do not cover expenses. Meeting the monthly rent and covering the purchase of additional archival storage materials is an ongoing challenge. So in response to these new needs, fundraising has become a major focus of the MTHS Board, according to Blazich. They have begun to solicit funds from local service clubs, grants, foundations and businesses, memorials and donations from the general public. It's important to note that the MTHS is a 501 (c)3 non-profit corporation, so all membership dues and donations are fully tax deductible.

Fortunately, thanks to a following of dedicated residents who share a love of history, MTHS membership continues to grow. These individuals are willing to work together to ensure that the history of Mequon and Thiensville is protected and available to all. MTHS is currently looking for volunteers interested in clipping and logging newspaper stories into its growing set of databases, and seeking people with QuickBooks knowledge, and fundraising and genealogy skills.

"Serving on the MTHS board has been an extremely rewarding experience," Blazich says. "I've enjoyed seeing the Society's membership and collection grow, and thereby, its future become more assured." He also urges everyone to continually be on the lookout for photographs, family documents or remembrances that might be of interest and could add historic value to the group's collection. "Recording history is a never-ending process," Blazich says.

Your Support Is Needed – Join Today!

The Mequon-Thiensville Historical Society depends on financial support as well as volunteer support to continue to collect, preserve and share the history of Thiensville and Mequon. Be a part of this important legacy and consider becoming a member, a donor and/or a volunteer. To learn more, visit mthistoricalsociety.org or stop by the office (where the group's archives are located) on a Thursday afternoon between 2-5 p.m.

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VILLAGE OF THIENSVILLE NEWS AND NOTES



MAIN STREET REHABILITATION ALMOST COMPLETE

Thank you for your patience during the first phase of Main Street's rehabilitation. In early July the first phase was completed. This phase consisted of concrete repairs, diamond grinding, median construction and the installation of new stamped concrete crosswalks. Phase two will begin in August and will include median landscaping, tree plantings and other landscape improvements. Phase three will begin this fall with the replacement of deteriorated light poles and the addition of LED light fixtures.

SCHMIT FORD ENDS 68-YEAR RUN WITH SALE TO BOUCHER GROUP

After nearly 68 years as a family-run Ford dealership in Thiensville, Schmit Ford has been sold to the Boucher Group Inc., another family-run firm that operates 17 auto dealerships across southern Wisconsin. Schmit Ford's last day was June 17.

Owner Tom Schmit, who turns 68 this summer, says he started thinking about

selling the business about 1-1/2 years ago. He still enjoyed what he was doing, but started seriously considering selling after seeing many of his friends enjoying retirement. He adds that the sale to Boucher Group was particularly attractive because current employees retained their jobs. Schmit says he has enjoyed being part of the Thiensville community and takes great pride in the relationships developed over the years.

Schmit Ford opened on August 4, 1948, the same day Tom Schmit was born. He started working at the dealership at age 14, and graduated from Homestead High School in 1966. After graduating from college in 1970, he began working full-time at the dealership.

The Boucher Group has Ford dealerships nearby in West Bend and Menomonee Falls, and will be able to share inventory, as well as a group-wide stock of about 5,000 used cars.

Best wishes to Tom Schmit in his retirement and thanks from the Village for being an important part of the Thiensville business district for so many years.

RIVERBANK FAMILY FESTIVAL TO BENEFIT THIENSVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT Saturday, August 13 10 a.m.-midnight

This year's Riverbank Family Festival has something for everyone! Enjoy a variety of food from various food trucks, children's games and a bouncy house, bean bag and kickball tournaments, and live music starting at 3 p.m. This year's musical line-up includes Rebel Grace and Road Crew.

Monies raised will fund equipment for the Thiensville Fire Department, a volunteer, paid-on-call department known for its exemplary

service to the community. Come on out and enjoy the day while supporting this vital community resource!

PORT WASHINGTON BANK BUSINESS LOAN PROGRAM

With the support of Port Washington State Bank, the Village of Thiensville aims to revitalize its economy with an established loan pool to encourage business development and revitalization of the Village. Loan proceeds may be utilized to fund a wide variety of commercial projects such as assisting new businesses with start-up costs and helping existing businesses with renovations or expansion plans.

What Can The Loan Be Used For?

- Redevelopment of blighted property and vacant facilities.
- Costs associated with environmental, safety, and/or building code compliance or development.
- Land or building purchase.
- New or replacement business signs.
- Leasehold (non-residential) improvements.

Applying is easy, and loan approval generally takes 15 days once an application is submitted and received. Contact Village of Thiensville Administrator Dianne Robertson at 262.242.3720 or email drobertson@village.thiensville.wi.us

Port Washington State Bank is a locally owned and operated, 116-year-old, five-generation community bank serving Ozaukee County through six full-service locations. The bank, with \$482 million in assets, is the only locally owned and operated bank headquartered in and exclusively serving Ozaukee County.

NEW! "MUSIC IN MOLYNEUX" – TUESDAYS AT 6 P.M.

Here's another great reason to enjoy Thiensville this summer! The Thiensville Business Association (TBA) is pleased to present a series of Tuesday night concerts in beautiful Molyneux Park along the river. Bring your family, meet your friends and enjoy live music in the park. Remaining concerts on the following dates will feature these talented musical groups: August 9-Dantes Bop; August 16-Johnny T-Bird; August 23-Jerry & Nora with the Revue; and August 30-String Along.

Bring a lawn chair or blanket and your favorite picnic foods. Purchase a beverage from the TBA and/or Cedar Crest ice cream from Glaze! ("scoops of fun"). Sit back, relax and enjoy these remaining beautiful evenings of the summer season. "Music in Molyneux" is weather dependent, so cross your fingers for no rain!



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Amy and Bob Ollman own Remington's River Inn in Thiensville.



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BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT: REMINGTON'S RIVER INN RELAXED, COZY DINING IN THE HEART OF THIENSVILLE

Remington's River Inn, a landmark restaurant in the Village of Thiensville, has offered healthy, casual lunches and dinners for area diners for over a decade. Along the way, this family-owned and -managed establishment has evolved into the popular, casual dining spot that Amy and Bob Ollman had envisioned over a decade ago when they first began planning the business.

"Bob and I had always talked about owning and operating our own restaurant someday," says Amy. "So when the Fetzer family decided to sell the building at 130 S. Main St., we saw it as an opportunity to make an investment and live our dream."

The Ollmans purchased the property in November 2002 and started extensive remodeling in June 2004, with the doors re-opening in April 2005. And the restaurant name? It is actually named after their beloved black Labrador dog. "We thought the name Remington's River Inn had a nice ring to it," Bob explains.

The warm, relaxing atmosphere and rustic setting at Remington's are a perfect complement to your favorite beverage and meal. The food is made to order with the finest, freshest ingredients. According to Amy, some of the most popular dishes include a Friday Fish Fry (choose the pan-fried Walleye for a real treat), homemade meatloaf with special tomato bacon jam, build your own burger and an outstanding Cobb salad.

Remington's also offers Taco Tuesdays and Saturday Night prime rib, plus daily food and drink specials. And, what's more, the restaurant is available for group events, including private parties, corporate luncheons or dinners, family gatherings, and holiday banquets.

"This is really a 'people' business," says Amy. "We enjoy the relationships we have developed with our customers, and always appreciate meeting and getting to know new patrons."

A key to the Ollmans' success has been managing costs while

maintaining the reasonable prices customers have come to expect. Another contributing factor, according to the Ollmans, is the restaurant's location. "We enjoy the small-town feel of Thiensville," says Bob. "As a family-owned and -operated business, we couldn't think of a more inviting neighborhood in which to work."

Amy points out that, in her mind, recent changes in local government have translated into positive programs and growth for the community, especially along Main Street. "We are very encouraged by the current direction the Village is taking," she says.

Amy is actively involved in the Thiensville Business Association (TBA), which allows her to help be a voice for local neighboring businesses. The TBA continues to work on attracting people to the community, offering a variety of special events, including the new "Music in Molyneux Park" on Tuesday nights this summer (see page 30).

Giving back to the community in other ways is also important to the Ollmans. "We have always done our best to contribute to many non-profit groups and causes," explains Amy. "We have been active with the Mequon-Thiensville School District, since both our children passed through the school system." They also enjoy supporting the Homestead High School football program. "Our son had a very successful football career at Homestead, and his experience was a critical part of preparing him for the next level. We think Coach Keel and his staff are great character builders," says Bob.

The Ollmans are appreciative of all their loyal customers. They also look forward to building many more relationships with new diners in the years to come. So stop by Remington's River Inn soon, relax and enjoy your meal in an atmosphere specifically tailored for friends and family. Serving lunch Tuesday through Sunday, and dinner daily.

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THIENSVILLE-MEQUON LIONS TO HOST 2nd ANNUAL APPLEFEST OCT. 2 FALL FESTIVAL/FUNDRAISER APPEALS TO ALL AGES

After a highly successful inaugural event last fall, the Thiensville-Mequon Lions Club will be hosting its 2nd annual Applefest on Sunday, October 2, from 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Applefest is a celebration of the autumn harvest and Ozaukee County's apple heritage. As with the annual Lionfest event, Applefest will be held in beautiful Thiensville Park on the shores of the Milwaukee River.

Applefest will feature live music along with a variety of vendors all focusing on – what else? – APPLES! Think fresh apples, apple pies, caramel apples, apple ice cream, ciders and wines – plus other fall treats and crafts. This family-friendly event is also highlighted by hay rides, an apple pie baking contest, a coloring contest, a polka contest, big wheel racing and face painting.

Save the date and bring the whole family to enjoy the beautiful fall season with your friends and neighbors in Thiensville Park. One-hundred percent of the net proceeds from the event will be donated to Lions' charities. For more information, visit tmlions.org or follow the club on Facebook.



KEEP IN TOUCH WITH VILLAGE NEWS!

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With so much happening in the community, the Village of Thiensville invites you to keep in touch via the Village website and social media. Stay informed and don't miss out on all of the community news as it develops. There are a variety of options to choose from:

- Sign up for "Notify Me" to subscribe and unsubscribe to only the information you are interested in. Receive calendar and news alerts by email or text message.
- Make online payments.
- Use "Let us Know" to leave a message.
- Click on "Community Voice" to share an idea or vote on an initiative.
- Follow the Village of Thiensville on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

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There are still many great days of summer ahead to experience a multitude of special events and activities in our two communities! Check out our calendar on the opposite page for a detailed list of exciting things to do in the months ahead: concerts, parades, art, trick or treating, historic library presentations, and so much more. Enjoy all that Mequon and Thiensville have to offer!

1. The talented Homestead High School Orchestra participated in a recent trip to Spain (see pg. 10). **2.** The Interact Club of Homestead High School, whose purpose is to provide service to our community, organized community members for “Teasel Take-Out Day” at Oriole Lane School in April. The eradication effort was also a campaign to raise awareness of this particular non-native, invasive species.

3. and 5. Family Fun Before the 4th is always a community favorite and the name says it all – plenty of family-fun activities in Village Park after a super parade through the community. **4.** Applefest returns for the second year on Sunday, October 2, at Village Park. Presented by the Thiensville-Lions Club, this event offers plenty of apple-themed activities (see pg. 33). **6.** Great crowds and weather were in store for the popular Gathering on the Green, July 15-16 in Rotary Park. Thanks to all for making this another terrific community event!



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Community Calendar

AUGUST

- **Mon., Aug. 1-Ongoing: MATC Mequon Campus Registration Underway for Fall Semester.** Call 262.238.2200.
- **Thur., Aug. 4: Shully's River Sounds, 7-10 p.m.** Featuring the Eddie Butts Band at Shully's, 146 Green Bay Rd., Thiensville, free. Visit shullyscuisine.com.
- **Tue., Aug. 9: Election Primary, polls open 7 a.m.-8 p.m.**
- **Tue., Aug. 9: Concordia University Wisconsin Registration for Fall Classes.** For more information, call the Registration Office at 262.243.4300.
- **Tue., Aug. 9: Music in Molyneux Park, 6 p.m.,** featuring Dantes Bop, presented by the Thiensville Business Association (TBA), see pg. 30.
- **Thurs., Aug. 11: Registration Day at all MTSD Schools.**
- **Thur., Aug. 11: "Jaws" the movie at the Mequon pool at dusk.**
- **Sat., Aug. 13: Riverband Family Festival, 10 a.m.-midnight,** Thiensville Village Park, sponsored by the Thiensville Fire Department. Enjoy a variety of food from various food trucks, children's games and live music starting at 3 p.m. Monies raised will fund equipment for the Thiensville Fire Department.
- **Tue., Aug. 16: Music in Molyneux Park, 6 p.m.,** featuring Johnny T-Bird, presented by the Thiensville Business Association (TBA), see pg. 30.
- **Tue., Aug. 16: Bat Mist Netting Demo, 7 p.m.,** Mequon Nature Preserve/PieperPower Education Center. Learn how biologists study bats in the wild, free. Email Jason at jnickles@mequonnaturepreserve.org.
- **Sat., Aug. 20: Skippyfest** at Skippy's Sports Pub & Grub, 113 N. Green Bay Rd.
- **Tue., Aug. 23: Music in Molyneux Park, 6 p.m.,** featuring Jerry & Nora with the Revue, presented by the Thiensville Business Association, see pg. 30.
- **Mon., Aug. 29: MATC Fall Semester Classes Begin.** Call 262.238.2200.
- **Mon., Aug. 29: Concordia University Wisconsin Fall Semester Classes Begin.**
- **Tue., Aug. 30: Music in Molyneux Park, 6 p.m.,** featuring String Along, presented by the Thiensville Business Association (TBA), see pg. 30.

SEPTEMBER

- **Thurs., Sept. 1: First Day of School** 5-year-old Kindergarten-Grade 12.
- **Thur.-Sun., Sept. 1-4: Harley-Davidson Rally, Suburban Motors** 139 N. Main St., Thiensville.
- **Fri., Sept. 2: Sommer's Pavilion Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony, 7 p.m.,** prior to Homestead High School football game vs. Grafton High School.
- **Mon., Sept. 5: Labor Day**
- **Thurs., Sept. 8: First Day of School for 4-Year-old Kindergarten.**
- **Sat., Sept. 10: 4th annual Taste of Mequon, 12-9 p.m.,** in front of Mequon City Hall. Family-friendly community event (see pg. 22).
- **Sat., Sept. 17: Public Safety Day, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.,** Walgreens' parking lot, 278 N. Main St., Thiensville.
- **Sun., Sept. 18: Pancake Breakfast, 8 a.m.-12 noon,** Thiensville Fire Department, 250 Elm St., sponsored by the Thiensville Fire Department.
- **Mon., Sept. 19: Falcon Day Golf Classic,** to benefit the Friends of Concordia Student Scholarship Endowment at the River Club of Mequon. Call 262.243.4333 or email sandy.vick@cuw.edu. for more information.

OCTOBER

- **Sun., Oct. 2: 2nd annual Applefest, 11 a.m.-6 p.m.,** Thiensville Village Park, presented by the Thiensville-Mequon Lions Club, see pg. 33.
- **Wed., Oct. 5: Mrs. Lincoln, The "First" First Lady, 6 p.m.** Performance about the life and losses of Mrs. Lincoln, set on April 14, 1865, at the Frank L. Weyenberg Library in Mequon (see pg. 12).
- **Fri., Oct. 7: Homestead High School Homecoming Parade, 4:30 p.m.,** Main Street, Thiensville.
- **Fri., Oct. 7: Homestead High School Homecoming football game vs. Whitefish Bay High School, 7 p.m.,** Homestead High School.
- **Fri.-Sun., Oct. 7-9: Ozaukee County Covered Bridge Art**

Studio Tour Self-guided tour of artist studios, free (see pg. 17).

- **Sat., Oct. 8: Undergraduate Visit Day** Visit days offer expanded programming to learn about admission, financial aid and academics. Register at cuw.edu/ugvisit or contact the visit coordinator at 262.243.4300.
- **Thur., Oct. 13: Fall Into Comedy Night, 6-9 p.m.,** annual fundraiser for Thiensville-Mequon Rotary Club at Mequon's River Club Ballroom to benefit local charities. Comedy by Mark Schiff. Heavy hors d'oeuvres, cash bar, raffles and silent auction. Visit tmrotary.org.
- **Sat., Oct. 15: Mequon Recycling Collection Event, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.,** behind Safety Building, 6300 W. Mequon Rd., sponsored by the City of Mequon. Free disposal of most items; TVs \$20, CRT monitors \$5.
- **Wed., Oct. 26: Goode Rebeka, Trial by Fire, The Salem Witch Trials, 6 p.m.,** at the Frank L. Weyenberg Library. See pg. 12.
- **Thur., Oct. 27: Thiensville Business Trick or Treat, 4-7 p.m.,** Villagewide in Thiensville. Children in costume and their adult escorts are invited to visit participating businesses for a treat on Main Street, Freistadt Road and Green Bay Road.
- **Fri., Oct. 28: Undergraduate Visit Day** Visit days offer expanded programming to learn about admission, financial aid and academics. Register at cuw.edu/ugvisit or contact the visit coordinator at 262.243.4300.
- **Sat., Oct. 30: Beggars Night and Thiensville Fire Department Trick or Treat, 4-7 p.m.,** door-to-door trick or treating in Thiensville.
- **Sat., Oct. 30: City of Mequon Trick or Treat, 4-7 p.m.**

NOVEMBER

- **Fri.-Sat., Nov. 4-5: Homecoming Weekend for Concordia University Wisconsin.**
- **Tue., Nov. 8: Presidential Election, polls open 7 a.m.-8 p.m.**
- **Wed., Nov. 9: Homestead High School Choral Concert, 7 p.m.,** James Barr Auditorium at high school, free.
- **Nov. 11: Let's Dance, 7-11 p.m.,** fundraiser for the Volunteer Center of Ozaukee County at Shully's Watermark in Thiensville. Dance lessons, wine and beer tasting, food, and dessert bar. Visit volunteerozaukee.org.
- **Sat., Nov 12: Undergraduate Visit Day** Visit days offer expanded programming to learn about admission, financial aid and academics. Register at cuw.edu/ugvisit or contact the visit coordinator at 262.243.4300.
- **Tue., Nov. 15: Homestead High School Orchestra Concert, 7 p.m.,** James Barr Auditorium at high school, free.
- **Wed., Nov. 16: Homestead High School Marching Band Concert, 7 p.m.,** James Barr Auditorium at high school, free.
- **Sat., Nov. 19: Homestead High School Band Performance in City of Milwaukee Holiday Parade, 9:30 a.m.,** Downtown Milwaukee.
- **Thur., Nov. 24: Turkey Trot 5K Run/Walk** in Thiensville, presented by the Junior Woman's Club of Mequon-Thiensville. Visit juniorwomansclubmt.org.

DECEMBER

- **Fri., Dec. 2: Thiensville Annual Christmas Tree Lighting, 7 p.m.,** Walgreens' parking lot, 278 N. Main St., Thiensville.
- **Sun., Dec. 4: Pancake Breakfast with Santa, 8 a.m.-12 noon,** sponsored by the Thiensville Fire Department at Mequon-American Legion Hall, 6050 W. Mequon Rd.
- **Tue., Dec. 6: Homestead High School Chamber Orchestra Concert, 7:30 p.m.,** St. Boniface Church, 3906 W. Mequon Rd., free.
- **Sat., Dec. 10: Winter Wonderland of Mequon, 4-6:30 p.m.,** in front of Mequon City Hall, sponsored by the Mequon Festivals Committee. Visit with Santa and live reindeer plus tree lighting. Visit ci.mequon.wi.us.
- **Wed., Dec. 14: Homestead High School Jazz Band Concert, 7 p.m.,** James Barr Auditorium at high school, free.

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