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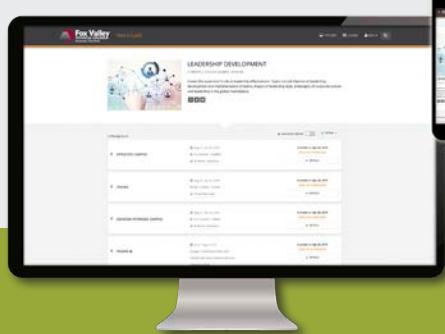
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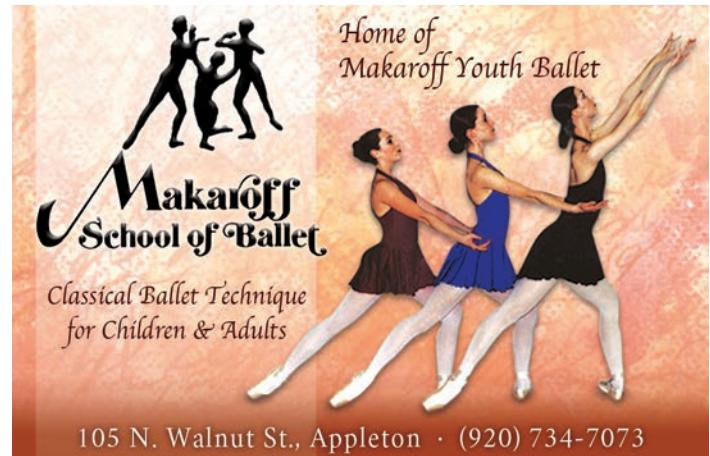
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In our May issue “Fox Cities Artifacts” story, we featured a recreation of the Jimos Hat Cleaners and Shoe Shine Shop at Appleton Historical Society. The exhibit is based on Andrew Jimos’s College Avenue location which opened in 1927. To clarify, the business itself opened in 1917 at a different location.

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Photo Credit: Emily Willey

Oshkosh native Emily Willey is no stranger to aircraft and art. Her passion for planes has become the creative inspiration for her work. "My father was a pilot and my mom had her license, so I was always surrounded by [aviation]," Willey says.

Willey's painting career began at age 14 when she asked her mom if she could paint a dolphin on her bedroom wall. "One dolphin became three dolphins and a turtle and then eventually the ocean," she says.

Willey is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh where she earned a bachelor's degree and a teaching license in art education. Although Willey does not currently teach, she says, "I have not given up and will keep looking for a teaching position."

Since the days of her mural paintings, Willey has taken up working with wood. Her unique style combines watercolor, wood stain and Unicorn Spit, which is a gel stain and glaze. Whether her work is client-based or one of her own ideas, she prefers to use photographs to help capture the essence of the subject. "I take a lot of photos of my own to use as reference because I want it to be correct, especially with airplanes. I have a huge bank of photos."

Once she has an image or series of images, she decides the medium it will go on – either watercolor paper or wood. If she uses wood, she has to both cut and sand it before she can pencil sketch, a process she affectionately refers to as her "prep party."

Willey spends most evenings working in her basement studio. "I am a full-time mom and

have a full-time job, so I wanted to be able to have a space where I could work and still be with my children."

Her deep love for art has also inspired her son. "He just helped me with one of my pieces," Willey says.

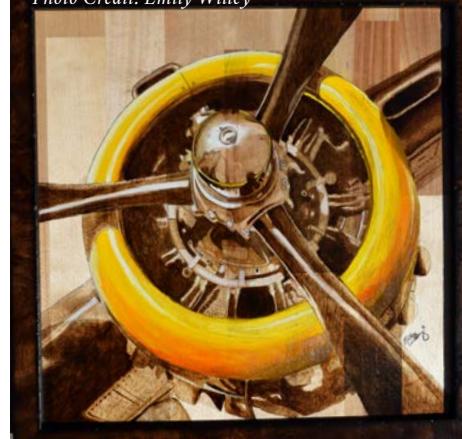
Find Willey during EAA AirVenture July 22-28 at the Seaplane base located at 5202 Streich Ln in Oshkosh. Here she will have originals and prints, along with other pieces from her collection for purchase. Also see her work at FOX CITIES Magazine's booth in Houdini Plaza during Art on the Town on June 21 from 5-8 p.m.

More of Willey's art can be found on her Facebook page Willey Art and on Instagram @willeyart. – By Patricia Israel



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Louis Comfort Tiffany, Necklace, c. 1918. 18 karat gold, platinum, tourmaline, diamond, natural pearl. Collection of Elizabeth Driehaus. Photograph by John Faier, © 2014 The Richard H. Driehaus Museum.

Tiffany, Charlotte Newman and René Lalique, this exhibit celebrates the impact of women on art jewelry across five regions: Great Britain, France, Austro-Germany, New York and Chicago. 10am-4pm. Paine Art Center and Gardens, Oshkosh. 235-6903.

Jeeves Intervenes

June 7-15

Hapless playboy Bertie Wooster and his old school chum Eustace Bassington-Bassington hatch a plan to dupe their meddling relatives to save Bertie from an undesired marriage and Eustace from an unwanted job in India. Will the ever-faithful manservant Jeeves be able to rescue these bumbling fools from themselves? Attic Chamber Theatre production. Sunday matinees, 2pm. All other performances at 7pm. UW Fox Valley Communication Arts Center, Menasha. 734-7887.

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Enchanted April

June 21-29

Two London housewives pool their savings to rent a villa in Italy for a ladies-only holiday away, reluctantly recruiting a pair of difficult upper-class women to share the cost. The four women clash and then begin to bond until the men once again upset the balance. Attic Chamber Theatre production. Sunday matinees, 2pm. All other performances at 7pm. UW-Fox Valley Communication Arts Center, Menasha. 734-7887.

Ken Ludwig's Moon Over Buffalo

June 26-30

Presented by Riverside Players, directed by Laura Frelich. Rated PG-13. W-Sa, 8pm; Su, 7pm. Riverside Park, Neenah. 886-6060.

Clue: The Musical

July 25-28 & 31-August 4

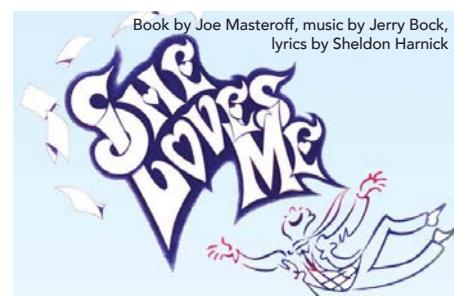
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She Loves Me

July 17-26

Shop clerks Amalia and Georg often don't see eye to eye. After both respond to a "lonely hearts advertisement" in the newspaper, they now live for the love letters that they receive, but the identity of their admirers remains unknown. Join Amalia and Georg to discover the identity of their true loves. Attic Chamber Theatre production. Sunday matinees, 2pm. All other performances at 7pm. UW-Fox Valley Communication Arts Center, Menasha. 734-7887.

Book by Joe Masteroff, music by Jerry Bock,
lyrics by Sheldon Harnick



Music

Street Music Week

June 10-14

Enjoy musicians performing up and down College Avenue. All tips will be donated to Feeding America of Eastern Wisconsin. 12-1pm. Downtown Appleton. 954-9112.



Windscapes: Building Lifelong Musicians

June 23

The Wisconsin Symphonic Winds conducted by Mark Fonder present a unique performance featuring music by Gustav Holst, Carolyn Bremer, Norman Dello Joio and Ottorino Respighi. The Wisconsin Symphonic Winds is a premier wind ensemble featuring the state's finest adult musicians. 3pm. Pickard Auditorium at Neenah High School. 751-6919.

Brats, Beer and Beethoven

July 5

Join the Fox Valley Symphony Orchestra for free music under the stars! This family-friendly, community event will feature a concert by the Fox Valley Symphony Orchestra and a huge fireworks celebration at Fox Cities Stadium. Tailgating is encouraged! Doors open at 6pm. Concert starts at 7:30pm. Fox Cities Stadium, Appleton. 733-4152.

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Ales on the Trails

June 21



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Discover Neenah: Doty Island Family Day

June 29

Narrated horse drawn wagon rides will transport you back in time as you learn the stories behind some of the beautiful homes on Forest

Avenue and throughout Doty Island. Tour the Doty Cabin, make a patriotic craft for Independence Day, play some historic games and enjoy refreshments. All activities are free. 1-4pm. Doty Park, Neenah. 729-0244.

Park to Park Paddle

July 20

This 8.4-mile public paddle event launches into the Fox River from Shattuck Park in Downtown Neenah, into Lake Winnebago, into the Menasha Lock, then north through Little Lake Butte des Morts into the Fox River to end at Lutz Park in Appleton. 7:30am-1:30pm. Shattuck Park, Neenah. 716-3150.

Best Friends Gourmet Bike Tour

July 28

Ride through the Fox Valley's beautiful countryside to benefit the mentoring programs of Best Friends of Neenah-Menasha. Ride any one of the other scenic routes including 12, 25, 55, 75 or the 100-mile Century route. Between 10:30 a.m. and 3 p.m., participants are invited to enjoy a gourmet picnic featuring fresh baked goods, calzones, sandwiches, wraps and beverages. Registration begins at 6am. St. Mary Catholic Middle School, Neenah. 729-5600.



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July 24

Kids 12 and under are invited to march down College Avenue in this non-motorized parade. Registration is free (but required). Parade ends at City Park where there will be food, music and

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This exhibit includes many exciting activities each week. "Winged Wonders–Bats!" on July 23 allows attendees to learn how bats help in pollination and assist farmers. "Monarch Butterfly Tagging" on August 18 will teach attendees about Monarch butterfly migration patterns.

The Botanical Garden staff encourages families and guests of all ages to come and enjoy a day in awe of nature's beauty. Feel free to bring a picnic lunch and spend the day basking in the summer sun near the aromatic flowers and colorful butterflies. Botanical Garden Educational Manager Linda Gustke says, staff has been excited about this exhibit for quite some time and are ready to guide a pleasant experience of their new enclosure and teach visitors how to protect their native butterfly population.

The exhibit, which is open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. through August 31, is included with regular admission. For more information, visit gbbg.org/butterflies. – Jacob Biese

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The Home Builders Association of the Fox Cities (HBA Fox Cities) is launching a virtual Parade of Homes on June 10.

"This is a virtual online event where consumers will be able to do walk-through tours of properties from the comfort of their own home," says HBA Fox Cities Director of Marketing and Business Development Megan Schlimm.

Homebuyers will be able to conduct 3D walkthroughs of 13 properties that range from a remodeled farmette to a Door County cottage.

"There is a good diverse mix of new construction, remodeling projects and condos," Schlimm says. "Some are for sale, some aren't. They will be marked as such during the event. All of the contact information for the builders involved will be online and we are adding another level with a 'Meet the Builders' section so they can tell consumers about themselves."

The virtual Parade of Homes will run until June 10, 2020, and complement the biannual in-person parades hosted by HBA Fox Cities, offering homebuyers the opportunity to continue their research in between parades.

Schlimm says to think of the virtual parade as a local version of Pinterest for the home industry—a place to find ideas and inspiration from regional contractors.

"So many people rely on the internet to do their homebuilding research. We want to be able to provide a resource for consumers in our local area to view products, services and builders they could actually use," she says. "We have such great talent in our area, we want more exposure for what our members can provide."

For more information and to explore properties starting June 10, visit foxcitiesparadeofhomes.com.
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NEW FACE: AMY DAVIS, APPLETON BOYCHOIR



The Appleton Boychoir welcomes Amy Davis as its new executive director starting in July, replacing Hilary Armstrong who is moving out of state for her husband's job.

Davis has volunteered with the Boychoir for the past five years as her son, Parker, progressed through the program; he graduated from the Boychoir in April.

Davis earned her bachelor's degree in liberal arts and her career history includes health care, public relations and marketing, writing and event planning positions. Davis shifted her focus to finance and wealth management, working in Madison for over 10 years. Her husband is from Appleton and the family moved here from Madison in 2012.

"I'm so impressed by Appleton and the Fox Cities, the whole Fox Valley is so immersed in such a beautiful arts culture," Davis says. "There are so many offerings for young people to get involved in the arts, whether it's music, visual arts or media."

Davis says her vision for her role at the organization comes in three parts: first to be an enthusiastic member of a dynamic team of people support-

ing the Boychoir's mission of providing boys with a positive musical experience, promoting leadership and collaboration skills, as well as building self-esteem; second, to continue to be a financially stable organization; and last, to grow the membership of the Boychoir.

"We're at about 100 members now and I'd really like to grow that," she says. "I'd like to see 150 boys, third through eighth grade, singing on stage, because it has been 180 members before; so it's building that awareness that it is something available to boys."

Davis says the most important part of achieving this vision is continuing to communicate with families involved with the boychoir who help market the organization to a larger network.

"They're our number one audience, our families, so responding to families is important because they have busy lives and have questions, and I want to be able to respond to them in a timely manner," Davis says. "If it wasn't for those families, those boys wouldn't be at rehearsals."

To help support the Appleton Boychoir, consider attending its second annual Songfest fundraising event at Pierce Park in Appleton on September 8 from 2 to 4 p.m.

For more information, visit appletonboychoir.com. —Zack Dion

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HEID MUSIC SUMMER CONCERT SERIES | May 30-August 29

Move, groove and relax to the rhythm of the region's hottest live bands during free concerts every Thursday. No concert July 4. 5:30-8:30pm. Houdini Plaza, Appleton. 954-9112.

LUNCETIME LIVE! CONCERTS | May 30-August 29

Enjoy free live music during your lunch break! Just the right amount of music for the middle of the day. No concert July 4. 11:30am-1pm. Houdini Plaza, Appleton. 954-9112.

LIVE! FROM HYDRO PARK SUMMER CONCERT SERIES | June 5-August 7

Hydro Park comes alive with a diverse musical line-up each Wednesday night. Bring your lawn chairs, your sunglasses and your dancing feet and enjoy an evening of unforgettable free entertainment. 5:30-8:30pm. Hydro Park, Kaukauna. 766-6300.

OUT TO LUNCH CONCERT SERIES | June 6-August 22

Bring or buy a lunch onsite and enjoy a mid-day break every Thursday

this summer. A variety of free entertainment will be featured along with a food truck of the week. No concert July 4. 11:30am-1pm. Shattuck Park, Neenah. 722-1920.

RIVERHEATH SUMMER CONCERT SERIES | June 15, July 13, September 21

Grab your family and friends for free music, food trucks, drinks/coffee and amazing views along the riverfront! 6-9:30pm. RiverHeath Community, Appleton. 209-5051.

EVENING CONCERT SERIES | June 19-August 14

Free concerts every Wednesday evening. 6-8pm. No concert July 3. Shattuck Park, Neenah. 722-1920.

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June

May 31-June 2 | Great Wisconsin Cheese Festival

Live music, amusement rides, kids entertainment, parade, walk/run, cheese tasting, cheese carving demo, cheese curd eating contest & more. 31, 5pm-12am; 1, 10:30am-12am; 2, 11am-5pm. Doyle Park, Little Chute. 423-3869.

June 2 | Art on the Island

More than 50 artists/craftspeople representing a wide variety of arts and crafts fill a tree-lined park on Lake Winnebago. Food, live music, kids' crafts, free admission & parking. 10am-4pm. Lakeside Park, Fond du Lac. 979-1977.

June 7-8 | BrillionFest

On Friday, Brillion Optimist Electric Parade featuring 11 artists, light-up floats & fire trucks at 9pm. On Saturday, there are activities for all ages, including sports tournaments, carnival games, a vendor fair & live music and entertainment. There are rummage sales all weekend. 7, 9pm-10pm, 8, 9am-1am. Friday, Downtown Brillion. Saturday, Peters Park. 418-1376.

June 7-9 | 26th Annual Lighthouse Festival

Coordinated by the Door County Maritime Museum. Join us for three days of boat excursions & guided land-based tours to 11 historic Door County Wisconsin Lighthouses. Varying tour times available between 8am-7pm. 743-5958.

June 8 | Manitowoc's Garden Faire Extraordinaire

A gardener's paradise in downtown Manitowoc! Enjoy vendors selling plants including annuals, perennials, herbs & shrubs. Crafters & artists will be selling garden art, fine crafts, statuary, furniture & food. Free. Open rain or shine. 9am-3pm. Washington Park, Manitowoc. 717-1177.

June 9 | Juneteenth Festival

This annual festival will be a celebration of African-American Heritage, freedom, unity & community. This years event features a Wakanda Marketplace. Family-friendly event for all ages. Free admission. Noon-6pm. City Park, Appleton. 832-1564.

June 13-16 | Chilton Summer Festival

Four day long summer festival featuring a city-wide rummage sale, community fireworks, street dance, and the state's biggest Father's Day parade Sunday at 11am. 418-1650.

June 14-15 | 41st Annual Metro Jam

Free two-day music festival with national, regional & local acts in a full spectrum of musical styles with Saturday

headliner Booker T. Jones. Friday, 5:30-9:30pm. Saturday, 12-10pm. Washington Park, Manitowoc. 683-5980.

June 14-16 | 30th Annual Strawberry Fest

Featuring a downtown art/craft fair with more than 100 vendors from across the Midwest, strawberry shortcake, a children's costume contest, live entertainment, great food & more. Events begin with city band concert Fri. at 7pm, continuing with events Sat. from 9am-4pm, and events Sun. from 8am-4pm. Waupaca High School Grounds. (715) 258-7343.

June 15 | 11th Annual Butterfly Festival

Fun-filled family event with face painting, crafts, games, inflatable activities, butterfly demonstrations & food. The net proceeds from this event will benefit the Kiwanis "iPads for Autism" project and various local child-focused, non-profit organizations. 9am to noon. City Park, E. Franklin St, Appleton. 436-4360.

June 15-17 | Oshkosh Irish Fest

Enjoy music, food, dancers, presentations, vendors, 5K, raffle, & more! 15, 4pm-9pm; 16 10am-9pm; 17, 8am-12:30pm. Leach Amphitheater, Oshkosh. info@oshkoshirishfest.com.

June 27-29 | Country USA

The maximum country music & camping festival. Three days of non-stop, world class entertainment, featuring country music's biggest & hottest headliners. Gates open 2pm daily. Ford Festival Park, Oshkosh. 882-4949.

June 28-30 | Altrusa Polkafest

Great Polka Bands, themed basket raffles & food! 28, 6-10pm; 29, 12-10pm; 30, Polka Mass at 10am & music 11:30am-8:30pm. Romy's Nitingale, Black Creek. 731-8869.

July

July 3 | Festival Foods Appleton Fireworks

Fox Cities' best fireworks display features live music, children's activities, inflatables & food & beverages. Proceeds from the event sponsor Appleton's Christmas shopping event. 4-11pm, fireworks starting at approx. 9:15pm. Memorial Park, Appleton. 730-1770.

July 3-4 | CommunityFest

Cosponsored by the cities of Neenah and Menasha, among others. Afternoon & evening activities including live entertainment, Webfooters Water Ski Show, food & beverages, Parade of Lights in Neenah on July 3 & activities at Riverside Park in Neenah & Jefferson Park in Menasha. 3, 12-11pm; 4, 8am-11pm, fireworks starting at 9:30 for both Neenah and Menasha. 886-6060.

July 4 | Festival Foods Fire over the Fox

Daylong Independence Day celebration with live entertainment, patriotic ceremonies, veteran salutes, fantastic food, children's activities, ski shows & the Festival Foods Fireworks. Events all day, fireworks at dusk. 1pm. Memorial Leicht Park, Hagemeister Park, Main Street Bridge, & CityDeck, Green Bay. 437-5972.

July 4 | Hometown 4th of July Celebration

Omro's Annual Hometown Parade, music by the Sonic Circus. Food will be available. Omro-Rushford Volunteer Fire Department Annual Firework display at dusk. Events begin at 12pm. Omro. 685-6960 ext. 23.

July 11-14 | Lifest

Annual Christian rock festival. 11, 12pm-11:45pm; 12 & 13, 8:30am-12am; 14, 8:30am-12 am. Sunnyview Expo Center, Oshkosh. (800) 955-5433.

July 12-14 | 5th Annual Subfest

A festival celebrating the submarine freshwater capital of the world. Submarine street art, a lighted boat parade, food, drinks, fireworks & more. 12, 9am-8pm; 13, 8am-11pm; 14, 10am-4pm. Downtown Manitowoc. 684-0218.

July 14 | Faire on the Green

From photography to jewelry to watercolors & pottery, enjoy the works of more than 100 talented artists & craftspeople. Featuring antiques and retail items, fair food & live entertainment. 9am-4pm. Paine Art Center & Gardens, Oshkosh. 235-6903.

July 18-20 | Paperfest

Family-oriented festival with live music, food, sports, games & more. It raises money for nonprofits in the Fox Valley. 18, 5pm-11pm; 19, 5:30pm-1am; 20, 10am-1am. Sunset Park, Kimberly. info@paperfest.com

July 18-20 | Rock USA

Now in its 9th year, Rock USA has grown into one of the most anticipated rock festivals in the U.S. with three stages, over 40 artists, unique food and beverage experiences and unforgettable camping. Thur, Fri & Sat, 12pm. Ford Festival Park, Oshkosh. 882-4949.

July 18-21 | 51st Winneconne Sovereign State Days

A weekend filled with a parade, street dances, fireworks, a carnival, flea markets, art shows & more. 18, 5pm-9pm; 19, 6pm-9:30pm; 20, 8am-8pm; 21, 8am-4pm. Waterfront Park & Marble Park, Winneconne. 475-1632.

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July 20 | Acoustic Fest

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July 20-21 | Midsummer Festival of the Arts

Shop artists' booths, enjoy live music, participate in family activities, gain free admission to the John Michael Kohler Arts Center. Saturday 10am-5pm; Sunday 10am-4pm. John Michael Kohler Arts Center, Sheboygan. 458-6144.

July 21 | 45th Annual Bergstrom-Mahler Museum of Glass Arts Festival

The festival features fine arts & crafts from artists across the region in a variety of media, as well as great food, children's activities & a beer garden. 10am-4pm. Riverside Park, Neenah. 751-4658.

July 23-28 | Outagamie County Fair

Carnival, big-name entertainment, junior fair exhibits, commercial exhibits, midway rides & food. 23, 7-11pm; 24, 12-11pm; 25-27, 8am-midnight; 28, 8am-6pm. Seymour. 833-2941.

July 24-28 | Oshkosh Main Street Music Festival

A celebration of the City of Oshkosh and the amazing downtown community. The festival features 100+ musicians, artists, comedians & entertainers. Venues throughout Oshkosh. The festival starts at 6 pm on July 24th and continues until the 28th. www.oshkoshmainstreetmusicfestival.com.

July 26-27 | Midwest Sunsplash Music Festival

Run/walk/bike, art, dance, food, drinks, live music including folk, funk, jam, blues, zydeco, polka, rockabilly, bluegrass & reggae. Benefiting Youth Go Neenah. Free Admission. Fri 5-11pm, & Sat 12-11pm. Main Street between Racine Street and Mill Street and Faith Technologies parking lot, Menasha. 944-4302.

July 28 | Art at the Park

Since 1960, Art at the Park has been a treasured community event that showcases the work of nearly 200 participating artists from throughout the country. Admission and parking are free. Art at the Park also features musical entertainment, local food vendors & children's art activities. 9am-4pm. City Park, Appleton. 733-4089.

August 1-4 | Mile of Music

900 live music sets from 200 regional and national artists in 70 venues throughout a one-mile stretch of Downtown Appleton. Times vary. www.mileofmusic.com.

August 3-11 | Sturgeon Bay Maritime Week

A variety of maritime events happening in various places around Sturgeon Bay. Events include the 29th annual Door County Classic & Wooden Boat Festival, live music & fireworks. Times vary. Door County Maritime Museum, Sturgeon Bay. 743-6246.

FARMERS MARKETS

Downtown Appleton Farm Market

Saturdays, June 15-Oct. 26. 8am-12:30pm. College Avenue from Appleton Street to Drew Street and Houdini Plaza, Appleton. 954-9112.

BayCare Clinic presents Farmers Market on Broadway

Wednesdays, June 5-Sept. 25. 3-8pm. Broadway St., Green Bay. 437-2531.

Chilton Farmers Market

Fridays, June 14-Oct. 25. 11am-4pm. Klinkner Park. 849-9787.

De Pere Farmers Market

Thursdays, June 20-August 29, 3pm-8pm. Sept. 5-26. 3pm-7pm. Downtown De Pere. 403-0337.

Fish Creek Settlement Shops Farmers Market

Wednesdays, June 5-Oct. 16. 9:30am-1:30pm or sell-out. Canceled if thunderstorms. One mile south of downtown Fish Creek, 9016 Hwy. 42. 868-2743.

Downtown Fond du Lac Farmers Market

Saturdays, May 11-Oct. 26. 8am-12pm. On Main St. from Western Ave. to Sheboygan St., Fond du Lac. Wednesdays,

June 5-Sept. 25. 11am-3pm. S. Main St. Plaza and Sheboygan St., Fond du Lac. 322-2006.

Downtown Green Bay Farmers Market

Saturdays, May 25-Oct. 26. 7am-noon. S. Washington Street, Doty and Stuart Streets, Green Bay. 437-5972.

Green Lake Farmers Market

Fridays, May 24-Sep. 27. 3-6:30pm. Town Square, Green Lake. On the corner of Hill and Mill Street. 294-3231.

Greenville Farmers Market

Wednesdays, May 29-Oct. 9. 3-7pm. Christus Lutheran Church, Greenville. 636-6489.

Downtown Kaukauna Farmers Market

Saturdays, June 15-Oct. 12. 7:30am-noon. 101 Crooks Ave, the parking lot on the corner of Second St. & Hwy. 55, Kaukauna. 766-6304.

Little Chute Village Market

Every 2nd and 4th Tuesday from June 11-Sept. 24. 4-7pm. Windmill Plaza at 130 W Main St, Little Chute. 788-7380.

Manitowoc Farmers Market

Saturdays, May 4-Oct. 26. 8am-1pm. 720 Quay St., along the Manitowoc River, Manitowoc. 686-6930.

Menasha Farm Fresh Market

Thursdays, June 13-Oct. 24. 2-6pm. 140 Main St., Menasha. 967-3608.

Future Neenah Farmers Market

Saturdays, June 15-Oct. 19. 8am-noon. Shattuck Park, Neenah. 722-1920.

Future Omro Farmers Market

Thursdays, June 6-Oct. 3. 4-7pm. Scott Park, Omro. 685-7005.

Oneida Farmers Market

Thursdays, June 20-Oct. 3. Noon-6pm. N7332 Water Circle Place, Oneida. 496-5649.

Oshkosh Saturday Farmers Market

Saturdays, June 1-Oct. 26. 8am-12:30pm. 400 & 500 Blocks of N. Main St. & 100 Block of Church Ave., Oshkosh. 509-1830.

Oshkosh Wednesday Farmers Market

Wednesdays, July 17-Sept. 25. 3-7pm. South Park, Shelter #1 at the corner of South Park Ave. & Georgia St., Oshkosh. 509-1830.

Plymouth Farmers Market

Thursdays, June 13-Oct. 10. 9am-1pm. Fairfield Plaza, Plymouth. 457-7272.

Pulaski Street Market

Thursdays, June 13-Oct. 3 (except 4th of July). 3-7pm. Mountain Bay Plaza, Pulaski. 822-4400.

Shawano Farmers Market

Saturdays, June 15-Oct. 5. 8am-noon. Franklin Park, Shawano. (715) 851-9834.

Sheboygan County Interfaith Organization Farmers Market

Wednesdays & Saturdays, June 1-Oct. 26. 8am-2pm. Fountain Park, Sheboygan. 457-7272.

Sister Bay Corner of the Past Farmers Market

Saturdays, May 25-Oct. 5. 8am-12pm. 1.5 miles south of Downtown Sister Bay, Hwy. 57 at Country Lane. 854-9242.

Sturgeon Bay Farm/Craft Market

Saturdays, June 1-Oct. 26. 8:30am to noon. Market Square, 421 Michigan St., Sturgeon Bay. 746-2914.

Two Rivers Farmers & Crafters Market

Thursdays, May 30-Oct. 24. 4-8pm. Saturdays, May 25-Oct. 26. 8am-1pm. Central Park, Two Rivers. 794-1482.

Waupaca Farm Market

Saturdays, June 1st- Oct. 26th 9am-2pm. E. Fulton St. and Main St. (City Square), Downtown Waupaca. (715) 281-7431.

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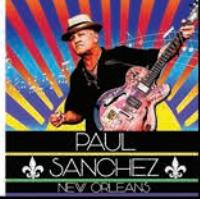
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Every year for one week, Oshkosh's Wittman Regional Airport becomes the world's busiest airport. With more than 19,588 takeoffs and landings throughout the week, the EAA AirVenture Oshkosh fly-in draws both local and international aviators and enthusiasts. "It's a gathering of people and airplanes that you'll find no place else in the world," says EAA Director of Communications Dick Knapinski. "People are here enjoying flight and it's really celebrating just that."

This fly-in convention brings many unique facets of aviation all to one place. Plane showings come in all shapes and sizes from the smallest ultra lights to 200-pound flying machines to 747s. Panel discussions and forums are also available for visitors to attend. Companies like Google and Amazon come to present their technologies. Visitors in the past have included the Navy Blue Angels, Apollo astronauts and comic book writer Stan Lee.

2019 marks a special year for EAA AirVenture as it is the 50th consecutive year the event has been hosted in Oshkosh. The organization has grown to 220,000 members from around the world and continues to grow.

"It's unique because it's an organization that is strictly dedicated for recreational aviation in all of its sports," Knapinski says. "Whether you build, fly, restore or just simply like flying and aviation, your place is here."

A LOOK BACK

The first Experimental Aircraft Association's (EAA) Fly-In Convention began in September 1953 as a small part of the Milwaukee Air Pageant. The fly-in was attended by less than 150 visitors and a mere 21 airplanes, mostly home-built and modified.

Six years later, EAA's fly-in had outgrown the area it used at the Milwaukee airport. The event was moved to the Rockford Municipal Airport in Illinois. More visitor opportunities were created during the event's time at Rockford based on the popular avational interests. These included shows about Warbirds, antiques and aerobatic performers. These were all incorporated in the EAA event for the next 10 years.

Then, once again, the convention moved due to its continuing success. The 21airplanes that attended 16 years earlier had grown to hundreds;

and the 150 visitors became tens of thousands. In 1969, the research for a new home began. The airport in Oshkosh was suggested by renowned aviator Steve Wittman, who had been an EAA member since the association was founded in 1953. It was a top candidate for many reasons. First, the acreage surrounding the airport was large enough to handle all of the airplanes, vehicles and tents that inhabited during the convention. Second, there were two long runways which didn't cross. This allowed for greater traffic flow. Last, Oshkosh city officials were eager at the prospect for the economic boost the convention would bring in for the community. Late in 1969, the EAA board said yes to the move to Oshkosh.

The 1970s and '80s brought the convention into national attention. Attendance numbers skyrocketed into six figures as the event became one of the most popular gatherings for sport aviation. EAA's Fly-In Convention would then be renamed EAA AirVenture Oshkosh in 1998.

The largest site improvement upgrade in the event's history began after the EAA AirVenture 2008. It was just recently completed in 2018 after many phases of construction. Visitor enhance-



ments and exhibitor-area expansion resulted from the extensive project. These have allowed the fly-in to maintain its world-class status.

EAA AirVenture Oshkosh continues to grow in numbers and worldwide success. In 2018, the event attracted over 600,000 aviator enthusiasts from 87 countries. Also visiting the event was more than 10,000 aircraft that arrived at Wittman and other airports in East Central Wisconsin.

AVIATION'S FAMILY REUNION

Even as AirVentures continues to grow in size and scope, the intimate sense of community has remained intact. For diehard AirVenture devotees, this community is as big a draw as the planes themselves.

Rick Larsen, EAA's vice president of communities and member programs, began attending the convention as a child when it was held in Rockford and continued making the pilgrimage with his own family after it relocated to Oshkosh. It was at AirVenture that Larsen's daughter Erica declared her intentions to one day become a pilot.

"That desire absolutely came from being in Oshkosh. It came from being exposed to this community that just never wavered," Larsen says. "From that point forward, she was 100-percent focused."

Erica made good on her promise and is currently a first officer for Delta Airlines based out of John F. Kennedy International Airport.

"When I think of the impact that [AirVenture] has, it's so much about inspiring, encouraging and nurturing, both kids and adults, to look at aviation as something you could go do," Larsen says.

Community doesn't end with the event's attendees. The week-long fly-in is run successfully by 175 full-time EAA staff members with help from more than 5,000 volunteers. These dedicated volunteers include people who leave homes in other countries or their jobs to make up the tremendous core that supports the event. Some come as early as May in mobile homes to begin helping.

"At the end of the day, it's about the people. It seals the deal in why you want to be involved in this," Larsen says. "That group of people who you volunteer with becomes a family. They may not see each other but once a year, but it's really important. There's something special about being here."

That is certainly true for Jim Casper, a four-decade volunteer veteran who leads the group in the North 40 aircraft camping area. Casper volunteers in flightline operations, helping to direct the arriving airplanes once they've landed on the grounds.

Casper has attended every single EAA AirVenture fly-in since the event has been held in Oshkosh and his volunteer job even led to a staff position. After retiring from Leach Company in 2005, Casper began working for EAA as manager of Pioneer Airport located behind the AirVenture Museum. The

1930s-era airport stores EAA's historic aircraft that aren't displayed in the main museum.

Casper's love for the technical side of airplanes has helped him forge many personal relationships, one of the main reasons he's been volunteering for more than 40 years.

"EAA is such a person-oriented organization that you make friends easily. You start volunteering and get hooked," Casper says. "[AirVenture] is a week of festivity celebrating planes, but also celebrating your dozens or hundreds of friends here. You come back for that extended family."

EAA AIRVENTURE OSHKOSH 2019

This year's fly-in occurs July 22 through 28. Larsen says visitors can expect to see the 50th anniversary theme spread throughout the event the entire week from airshows to Theater in the Woods programming.

"Monday night's Theater in the Woods will be focused on the anniversary with a long lineup of folks who have stories from the past 50 years," he says. "We'll have throwback merchandise available. You'll see that 50th theme integrated into the airshow as well. We are really looking forward to that."

EAA has invited the current owners of any of the showplanes that were present at the 1970 EAA fly-in back to Oshkosh this summer. They will be featured in exclusive parking areas on the grounds. As a special thanks to the Oshkosh community, Oshkosh residents will receive free admission on Monday of the fly-in.

Other important anniversaries will also be emphasized, one being the 50th anniversary of the Boeing 747. It is also the 75th anniversary of D-Day, so AirVenture will look back on what airplanes were used in that time. To commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Apollo 11 mission, Apollo 11 command module pilot Michael Collins and fellow Apollo astronaut Joe Engle will be featured during the evening program at Theater in the Woods on Friday.

EAA's unique place in aviation history has been impacted by technological advances. "The event will evolve as aviation evolves," Knapinski says. A popular topic this year is drones. Last year, AirVenture welcomed Great Lakes Drone Company who performed a night show of over 100 drones flying in different formations. They will make a reappearance this year with two shows.

Larsen says AirVenture continues to flourish and grow by encouraging innovation and development that has profound impacts on the aviation industry.

"The event grows in numbers, but it also grows in exhibitors and industries," he says. "You only have to look back 10 to 15 years and you didn't see Airbus and Boeing that now look at Oshkosh as the place they need to be because it represents the center of the aviation universe. I think that's a milestone, a big one. One that is a strong now as it's ever been."

AirVenture's Impact

Study shows EAA AirVenture benefits the Fox Cities economy

Numbers are based on the UW Oshkosh Business Success Center study conducted from the EAA AirVenture Oshkosh 2017 which surveyed hundreds of guests and exhibitors about their spending patterns during the weeklong event.

- Overall, EAA AirVenture brings in more than \$170 million for the five counties that span the Fox Valley (Winnebago, Fond du Lac, Outagamie, Calumet and Brown). In comparison, Packer games bring in \$15 million per game.
- Of that amount, \$121 million was direct spending, and almost \$50 million additional spending for area business.
- Major benefactors of the economic impact include lodging and camping like those staying in hotels, campgrounds, college dorms and private housing, food, entertainment, clothing/retail and fuel.
- The event also benefits Wisconsin as "new money" is brought into the state from the nearly 70 percent of attendees who come from outside of Wisconsin.
- EAA AirVenture supported more than 2,000 jobs in the region.



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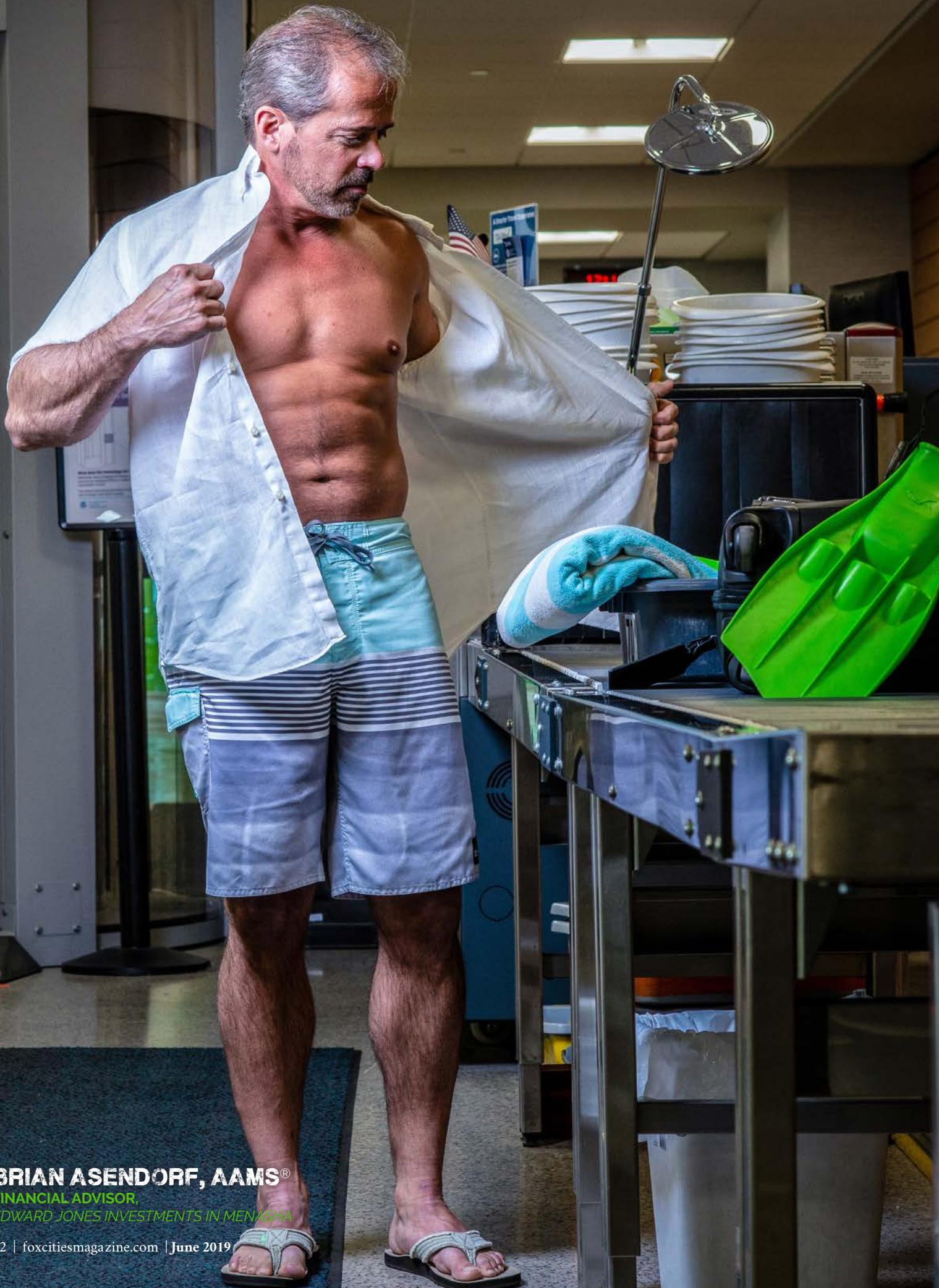
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Dining

BRAT ROYALTY

MEET THE SAUSAGE KINGS OF THE VALLEY

By Amelia Compton Wolff

Neuroscience Group Field
at Fox Cities Stadium
Wisconsin Poutine



Thank the region's strong German heritage or the simple fact that a perfectly grilled brat is one of life's greatest joys, but it's safe to say that summer is sausage season in the Fox Cities. Take a look at some of our favorite ways to enjoy the wurst of your dreams this summer.

OLD WORLD TRADITION

Mark's East Side in Appleton is beloved for its Friday fish fry, hand-muddled old fashioned and classic supper club vibe. But many patrons are just as devoted to Mark's traditional German cuisine. In fact, owner Mark Dougherty says about a third of the dishes coming out of his kitchen are German fare. A particular fan favorite are the German sausages.

"We like to say we have some of the best wurst," Dougherty says.

The appetizer menu features a sausage sampler which offers a taste of the full sausage dinner.

Mark's East Side
Sausage Sampler



The grilled sausages on the sampler are sliced in rounds and are best enjoyed atop a slice of grilled bread mounded with caramelized onions and German mustard which are served on the side.

"The sampler is a shareable way to try the different sausages. It's ample for two to four people," Dougherty says. "And if you like the sampler, you'll love the dinner."

The sausage dinner features three sausages served as whole links – weisswurst (veal sausage, light in flavor), knackwurst (similar to a bologna grind) and mettwurst (course ground like a brat and smoked).

"For dinner, we set the sausages in Bavarian kraut with caraway and sugar. The Bavarian-style kraut has a little more sweetness to it," Dougherty says. "Then you can choose a side of potato dumplings or spaetzle."

Looking for a lunch fix? A two-sausage version is served during the day.

Over at OB's Brau Haus in Appleton, the Valley's only exclusively German brewpub, General Manager Marrissa Belling says the brat dishes are especially popular.

LUNCH BREAK BRAT FRY

Upgrade your work day lunch break with a brat fry, held weekly through August at Cedar Creek Marketplaces's two Appleton locations. "To say our brat fries are popular is an understatement," says owner Peter Ellenz. "When the weather warms, it's hard to find a parking spot." Brat fries are held every Wednesday at the west location and every Friday at the east location from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Along with Cedar Creek's famous house-made bratwursts, the menu features hamburgers, hot dogs, grilled chicken and ribeye, cheese curds and side items. Regular and Italian bratwursts are on the weekly menu in addition to a speciality brat of the week in flavors like smoked cheddar, dill and chicken fajita. Stop in the store afterward to select from about a dozen speciality brat flavors to take home.

"One of the most popular appetizers is the curry bratwurst," she says. "That's two brats smothered in a German curry sauce. It's not like Indian curry. It's very different with touch of curry powder, and it's out of this world."

The brats are served whole with the intention of being cut and shared among the table.

If brats as an appetizer just isn't enough, try the brat dinner entree. The brat dinner includes two sausages, sauerkraut and two fresh-made sides like German spaetzle with a mushroom and white wine sauce. The German fries, sliced potatoes fried with bacon and onions, are the most popular side choice, Belling says.

The Old Bavarian sampler is the perfect choice when you can't decide between schnitzel and pork shanks. It includes one brat, a handmade meatball, a mini art des hauses schnitzel and a wild pork shank covered in peppercorn and mushroom gravy.

"Those are four of our most popular dishes, and you get a nice little taste of each if you can't decide," Belling says.

Belling says all the brats pair well with any of OB's locally produced German-style beers.

"Brats and beers go together like peanut butter and jelly, so you really can't go wrong," she says.

AT THE BALL GAME



Neuroscience Group Field
at Fox Cities Stadium
Wisconsin Poutine Burger

For some of the most creative brat creations, head to Neuroscience Group Field at Fox Cities Stadium, home of the Wisconsin Timber Rattlers.

Chris Prentice, assistant director of food and beverage, says brats are a staple at the stadium. All the brats are from Cher-Make Sausages in Manitowoc.

"We have regular brats at every concession stand in the stadium," Prentice says. "We also offer a chicken brat in original and pepper jack because our fanbase likes a healthier option."

If counting calories isn't the concern, check out the Wisconsin poutine served at the third base main concession stand. This reimagined poutine starts with waffle fries topped with cheese curds, beef gravy and brat coins. Fans can also order this poutine as a burger, called the Wisconsin Poutine Burger.

For the past four years, fans have been able to submit their culinary creations to the Wiscon-



Neuroscience Group Field
at Fox Cities Stadium
Rattlers Bites

sin Timber Rattlers Food Fight competition. Winning recipes are featured on the season's concession menu.

"This year we had about 75 submissions," Prentice says. "We narrow it down to the top five that we feel we could serve, then open it up to fans to vote for their favorite."

Fans picked The Almighty Pork Sandwich, submitted by Amanda Baranczyk, as the 2019 winner. The Almighty Pork Sandwich is a grilled, Cher-make brat cut in half, topped with BBQ pulled pork, melted Swiss cheese, peppered bacon, red pepper jelly and fried pickles served on an onion roll.

Last year's Food Fight champion, Rattlers Bites, also incorporates brats and can still be found on the menu as well. Rattlers Bites are sauerkraut, chopped brats and cream cheese deep-fried in a wonton wrapper served with spicy brown mustard.

IT'S A BIRD! IT'S A PLANE! IT'S A...BRAT?

Attend a Timber Rattlers home game and there's one tradition you will definitely not want to miss – the catapulting of brats into the stands filled with hungry fans.

This is accomplished with help from the "World Famous Bratzooka," a custom-designed compressed air-gun shaped like a giant brat, that debuted in 1998.

Director of Marketing Hilary Bauer is the Timber Rattlers' on-field master of ceremonies and designated Bratzooka shooter. During each home game, she launches roughly a dozen brats into the stands of Neuroscience Group Field at Fox Cities Stadium.



"People go crazy for it, that's for sure," Bauer says. "People stand right in the front row and want me to shoot [the brats] right at them. The kids swarm, they jump over chairs. It's like a foul ball."

The Cher-Make brats that are shot out of the Bratzooka are in buns, wrapped in foil and zipped in plastic bags, making them completely edible for the lucky fans who catch them. The Bratzooka is typically deployed during the fourth inning to the tune of "Go Daddy O" by Big Bad Voodoo Daddies.

Bauer says shooting the Bratzooka is a two-person job. She works with Ryan Cunniff, director of corporate partnerships, who loads the brats and offers insights on wind direction to help achieve the optimal brat shot.

"There's a learning curve in how to shoot over the net behind home plate and the dugout. It takes a bit to learn with the wind," Bauer says. "If it doesn't make it to the stands, of course we get booed, but we are pretty seasoned now."

For even more brat fun, hit up a Thursday game for Craft Brews & Brat night when 16-ounce craft beers and Cher-Make brats are just \$2. The Timber Rattlers will transform into the Wisconsin Brats for one more game this season on August 29. Celebrate as the ballpark turns into Bratoberfest when players wear the infamous checkered lederhosen green jerseys that debuted in 2018 and the Jerry Schneider polka band performs outside the front gates.

ask Chef JEFF

Have a culinary question for Chef Jeff? Go to foxcitiesmagazine.com and click Community Chat.



Q. I have lots of outdoor picnics and potlucks planned this summer. What's your go-to potluck dish that keeps well outdoors? — Thomas, Neenah

A. If at all possible, I try to bring items that can be prepared on-site and eaten immediately or maintained at the appropriate temperature, hot or cold, for the duration of the event. My go-to appetizer to make is a grilled gyro kebab which includes a lamb meatball, cherry tomato, black olive and a firm, high-temperature cheese that does not melt easily. My go-to salad to make is a crab pasta salad with surimi crab, pasta shells, onions, celery, mayonnaise, western dressing, hot sauce and pickle relish. My go-to entrée has to be something barbecued of course, such as pulled pork or smoked ribs. My go-to dessert would have to be my mom's recipe peanut butter bars made with graham crackers, peanut butter, butter, powdered sugar and chocolate. Food safety should always be a top priority in any outdoor or potluck event. Remember to keep hot foods hot using heated devices or chafing pans, cold foods cold using lots of ice, and the maximum length of time that any food product is available should be four hours or less.

To read more Chef Jeff and find recipes, go to foxcitiesmagazine.com and click "Columns."



Chef Jeff Igel is Program Director of Culinary Outreach at Fox Valley Technical College, Appleton. "Chef Jeff" has spent his entire career in the restaurant and hospitality industry, serving in many capacities.

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Menasha photographer Kimberly Henrickson had long been waiting to capture the perfect image of the College Avenue bridge, until one day the circumstances were right. "I was walking on the Fox Trot Trail with a friend going to get dinner and there it was, that perfect moment," she says. "It's crazy how life is just being in the right place at the right moment." Henrickson likes that the image shows multiple facets of the Fox Cities. "What I love about this photo is it captures that the Fox Cities can offer that urban big city vibe, but also the great outdoors," she says. "The best of both worlds."

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