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## TOP CHEF

### Fundraising effort pits EL food gurus in its 10th season

By Mike Mathes  
for the Depot Dispatch

An afternoon of gourmet food and fine wine awaits participants at the 10th Annual Top Chef Elkhart Lake.

On Sunday, March 3, a new Top Chef and People's Choice winner will be crowned at the Grand Libelle Ballroom at Elkhart Lake's Osthoff Resort. The event takes place from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Tickets to attend the 10th annual Top Chef competition, and partake in the day's offerings are on sale at Lake Street Cafe, Elkhart Lake, or at [mccdcare.com](http://mccdcare.com), the official website of the Midwest Council for Children with Disabilities.

While Elkhart Lake's top chefs compete for bragging honors at this event, the real winner at Top Chef Elkhart Lake is a local charitable helping agency known as Midwest Council for Children with Disabilities (MCCD).

Tickets can be purchased for entire tables, or individually.

#### Tasting opportunities

Throughout the afternoon attendees get the opportunity to taste food samples, including special appetizer items prepared by the best chefs from Elkhart Lake's participating restaurants.

Each participant gets to vote for the People's Choice Award, based on their favorite appetizer.

As the afternoon unwinds, the five competing chefs will put their skills to the test in a Quick Fire Throwdown competition.

The competition will start as the competition officials will unveil a "surprise" table of entree items for the chefs to work with.

Last year's competition featured seafood entrees, as an example.

Chefs will pick their protein from the table, then go to the pantry provided by Top Chef to select their added ingredients. Each chef is also allowed to bring a box of their own "secret" ingredients—items they traditionally like to cook with. Of course, they don't know what they will be making until the throwdown takes place.

Each chef has 30 minutes to prepare their meal and serve to the judges for

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Old Man Winter may have cast a cold spell on Elkhart Lake over the weekend, but he didn't dampen the spirits of those who came out to celebrate Schnee Days. From pub crawls, to the SchneeLauf, from talent shows to chili sampling, Elkhart Lake folks showed they knew how to make the best of a winter weekend. It might have taken a little more bundling up than usual, but the Schnee Days spirit carried on.

Mike Mathes photos





# Top Chef

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determination of the Top Chef Elkhart for 2019.

This year's participating restaurants will be Lake Street Cafe, Lola's on the Lake, Elkhart Inn, Brown Baer and Paddock Club.

Other local businesses will also be offering samples of food and beverages.

A live auction and silent auctions will be held throughout the event.

## Assisting children

In its 10th year, Top Chef Elkhart Lake continues to raise funds in support of the of MCCD programming in Sheboygan County and surrounding areas.

According to event organizer Lynn Shovan, the proceeds of Top Chef are used to support programming locally for affected families.

"MCCD steps in where insurance coverage drops off," Shovan said. "Most of the people we help are working families who have insurance coverage to assist with programming, but they can't afford to provide the extra measures and programs that are available to help their children."

MCCD of Sheboygan County has supported affected children with aqua therapy, physical therapy, speech therapy and horseback riding.

MCCD has worked closely with REINS, a local organization providing equine assisted activities and therapies.

Top Chef proceeds have also supported the all-inclusive playgrounds, like the one installed at the Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah schools, and the Shaw family playground in Sheboygan. These specialized play-

grounds are constructed to provide accessibility for all children regardless of their disabilities.

"It's really amazing to see kids in wheelchairs competing and having fun on the playground equipment right along with their family and friends," Shovan said.

Shovan, who is a director for MCCD, has served as the chairperson for Top Chef Elkhart Lake throughout its 10 year history.

She also cited the involvement of Lynn Chisholm of the Paddock Club. "After winning the Top Chef competition a few years in a row, Lynn has altered her role and now helps run the event and helping others to compete. "Every year we auction off a dinner with Chef Lynn Chisholm preparing a meal, and it's still one of our most popular live auction items," Shovan said.

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# Sharing our Journeys



**By Carol Edler Baumann**  
with contributions from Richard Baumann

## Fill 'er up!

Last month my column was "Driving Hints." so I think it's appropriate this month to review what makes your car move—gasoline!

There was a time (long, long ago) when one simply rolled down the window (no automatic windows) and gave the instruction "fill 'er up" to the snappy young gas tank attendant and after he got that going he checked the oil and washed the windshield. Then he replaced the gas tank cover, took your money, brought you any change and maybe some green stamps to put in that booklet which netted you a couple of bucks when it was filled. Ha—those days are gone forever!

Now the only experience you might have with a gas station is watching the prices go up or down. It can be frustrating and even curtail a long trip/vacation you had planned on, but now have postponed due to the higher cost of gas.

Isn't it strange that the prices at almost all gas stations in a geographic area go up or down at the same time? Sounds like some sort of mutual conclusion to me.

Inevitably, the price always increases when my tank is empty. Even worse, the price seems to go down after I have just filled up my tank with a previous higher price.

Some grocery stores give "points" on some foods and they build up to reducing the gas price by a few cents. When I hear the clerk tell a customer in front of me at the checkout that they have "11 cents off a gallon" I wonder how did they get that and I never seem to accumulate enough "points." Ah ha, I noted that at some foods there is a label "you earn 1500 points" (by buying that item). However, it seems all these "bonus" foods are some that I would never purchase.

Then there's the hardware store that gives a four-cent off per gallon when one purchases something at the store. Ok, here I usually find something I really needed (like a bag of Australian Lico-rice).

Now that I think about it these "points" or "coupons" in effect are like the old S & H Green Stamps that I mentioned above.

Gas stations have other functions than just dispensing gas—remember the gas station ad that said, "As you travel ask us." We still do that when we're lost but usually the inside store attendant doesn't know how to give directions, much less even know the place we're talking about. But all is not lost—he just pulls out his phone, whips in the info we provide and in a jiffy he can tell us exactly how to go to our destination.

Oh, yeah, gas stations make a convenient restroom stop—the conditions vary greatly so it's always an interesting experience even when one wants to "rest." The sink water for washing hands always seems to be only cold—and the pull down paper toweling always seems to be empty.

And now, of course, we have the "convenience" store combo gas station. A quick cup of coffee, some ice cream for supper—they have all the last-minute odds and ends. But at the elevated prices this is not a place to grocery shop.

Thank goodness, even at my age I learned how to "pump" gas, and to insert my credit card in the right slot so I don't have to trek inside and pay my bill. I really liked it when there were attendants to do all these things—a fond, almost forgotten memory.

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2. Welcome Visitors with an Inviting Porch. Even if you have only a tiny stoop, make it say "welcome home" with a clean doormat, potted plants in bloom and -if you have room-one or two pieces of neat porch furniture. Keep your porch lights on in the evenings, in case potential buyers drive by.
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# From Elkhart Lake to the world

## A profile of FCPA Professor - known locally as Mike Koehler

Many people around Elkhart Lake know Mike Koehler and see him riding around the village on his bike, spending time with his family at the beach, or coaching various basketball teams or players.

What people may not know is that Professor Koehler is a leading expert on a high profile U.S. law impacting all companies doing business in the global marketplace and in between those bike rides, beach visits or basketball sessions he has conference calls with clients all over the world, analyzes legal issues in connection with high profile matters, or otherwise conveys information to a world-wide audience.

Known by many as the FCPA Professor, Koehler's company (FCPA Professor LLC) consults with businesses about the nuances of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act.

The Foreign Corrupt Practices Act is an aggressively enforced, high-priority federal law impacting all companies doing business in the global marketplace. While the FCPA is about "bribery," it all depends on what the "b" word actually means.

In the government's view, the "b" word means more than just suitcases full of cash, to foreign government officials, to obtain government contracts, but can also include corporate hospitality, making charitable donations, providing internships and job opportunities and other things of value provided to the broad category of individuals the government deems a "foreign official."

Given that all companies doing business abroad have points of contact with "foreign officials," the FCPA is a law that impacts companies, large and small, in a variety of industry sectors.

"At its core, FCPA Professor is a consulting company that conveys knowledge to the business and compliance community about the FCPA," Koehler said.

### Virtual presence

Conveying this information is done primarily through Professor Koehler's award-winning FCPA Professor website (www.fcpaprofessor) which has been described as the "Wall Street Journal concerning all things FCPA related." Regarding his website, Koehler says "on one level it is strange that I have been writing about the same general topic 5 days a week, 52 weeks a year for nearly ten years now, but it is a niched world and in this niched world people rely

on FCPA Professor content for making sense of the FCPA landscape."

The website, along with its associated podcast, have corporate sponsors and is read around the world by lawyers, business people, compliance professionals and others.

Another way in which Koehler conveys FCPA information is through his two-day FCPA Institute - a "back-to-school" experience for professionals that is held in cities across the country such as Miami, Houston, Washington, D.C., Seattle, Nashville and Phoenix.

"The FCPA Institute is my traveling classroom for professionals and I am very proud to have 'graduated' approximately 250 individuals from leading companies and firms. And now in 2019, it is even available online."

A portion of FCPA Professor LLC also includes traditional consulting services in which Koehler provides legal analysis in connection with litigated matters as well as advice to business organizations seeking to minimize FCPA exposure.

While working at a high level on matters of worldwide importance, Koehler is still able to conduct his business from his small town base in Elkhart Lake.

The FCPA Professor has officially joined the Elkhart Lake Chamber of Commerce as a new member this year.

### Personal background

Koehler has been achieving at a high level since his storied high school basketball career at Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah High School, where he finished his career as the third leading scorer in the history of Wisconsin high school basketball.

A fifth generation Elkhart Lake resident, he is a 1997 graduate of the University of South Dakota where Koehler played basketball on a full athletic scholarship.

He earned academic all-conference honors on the collegiate hard court and in the classroom.

Koehler is a 2000 graduate of the University of Wisconsin Law School.

For nine years, following his graduation from law school, he served as an attorney in private practice at Foley & Lardner representing corporate clients and traveling the world doing internal fraud investigations on behalf of clients.

Since 2009, he has taught as a law profes-



Mike Koehler, known as the FCPA Professor, conveys information to business on the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act.

sor first at Butler University and currently at Southern Illinois University where he is a tenured faculty member.

Koehler also teaches at the following law schools: Northwestern, Texas A&M and Fordham in New York City.

The Elkhart Lake-based FCPA Professor has been a featured source on the FCPA and related topics in various media including the Wall Street Journal, New

York Times, National Public Radio, and CNN.

Koehler relishes his ability to combine his roots with his professional ambitions. "To have the ability to do all of this from Elkhart Lake is really special for me and my family. I love this community and it is where we want to be. I like to say Elkhart Lake - it's where the elk heart is - as well as mine," he said.

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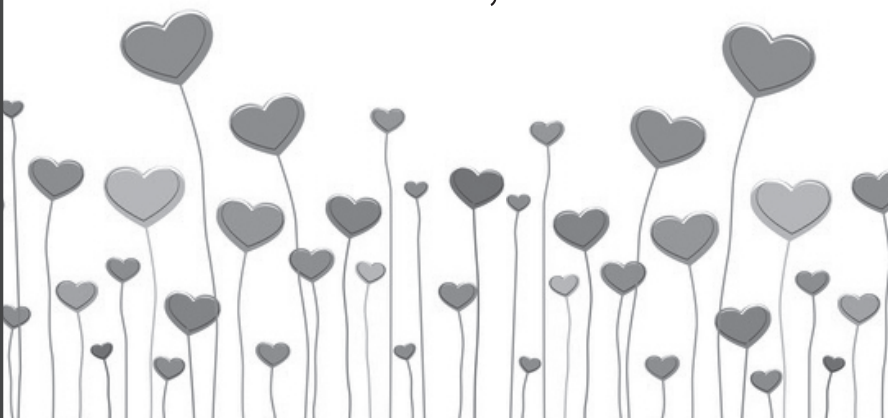

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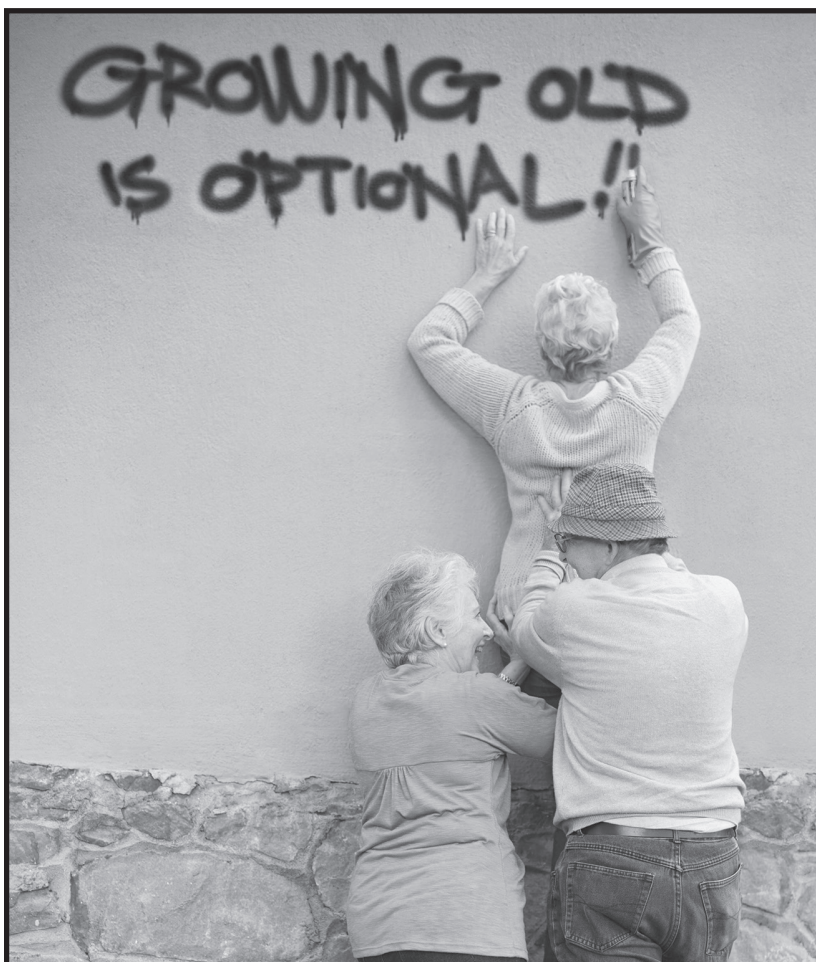
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# TRICOR aims to protect financial security

**By Mike Mathes**  
for the Depot Dispatch

For Dave Usadel, a commercial insurance specialist with TRICOR Insurance, the Elkhart Lake area feels like home.

When he and his family joined the TRICOR agencies in Plymouth and Sheboygan in 2016, and moved to Crystal Lake, they experienced a homecoming of sorts.

“I was born and was raised on the south side of Sheboygan. My grandfather had a dairy farm east of Jetzer Lake near Howards Grove. I also have family ties to Geserts. My wife and I got married 16 years ago at Victorian Village, which is now the Shore Club,” he said.

“We may have lived in the area for only a year now, but I have been connected to Eastern Wisconsin for most of my life,” Usadel noted.

As a new member of the Elkhart Lake Chamber of Commerce, TRICOR Insurance brings a complete line of insurance coverages. Although Usadel specializes in commercial product lines, others in his firm work with personal insurance products.

### Tailored to individual business

Usadel makes a point to tailor his coverage approach to individual needs. While his office is located at 433 East Mill Street in Plymouth, he is much more likely to be working with customers on site to figure out how to best serve those needs.

TRICOR Insurance is locally owned and family run, and has 29 offices across Wisconsin.

Their focus, as an independent agency, is to offer clients a wide choice of products and carriers to fit specific needs.

“We work with local, regional and national carriers and can find a tailored program for any client,” he said.

“TRICOR is one of the largest independently owned insurance agencies in Wisconsin,” he noted. “Recently they achieved a milestone being named one of best workplaces in the industry.”



TRICOR Insurance was named in 2017 and 2018 as one of The Best Places to Work in Insurance by Business Insurance Magazine.

This award recognizes employers for their outstanding performance in establishing workplaces where employees can thrive, enjoy their work and help their companies grow.

### Connected since 2002

Usadel has actually been connected with TRICOR Insurance since 2002, while handling claims for the agency, but on the carrier side. Later on, Usadel was promoted to District Sales Manager while at Wilson Mutual and moved to Madison in 2009 to be closer to the TRICOR offices in southwestern Wisconsin. He officially joined the TRICOR team in 2016 and worked out of the Madison office for a year before moving home.

Dave’s goal is to help educate his clients throughout every step of the process so they and their business are armed with the best possible information and market insights.

He assists customers in making informed decisions on insurance, safety and risk management decisions—helping them remain on a successful path.

### TRICOR Insurance Q&A

Here are a few key questions and answers to provide insights on TRICOR Insurance.

### What are the values TRICOR Insurance brings to the Elkhart area?

Our mission is to help people and businesses in our local area protect their financial security. We’re passionate about



Dave Usadel

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### How is TRICOR growing toward the future?

At TRICOR we’re innovating through the use of technology, and data analytics. But, the foundation TRICOR is built on is about building relationships with our clients, and the community. We know our clients as people in our community, we spend the time it takes to get to know them and their business and that relationship fuels better products, customer service, dedication, and TRICOR ensures their local employees are empowered to make local decisions, and having someone you trust local to your area making decisions, can really make all the difference in your financial security.

### What makes TRICOR different?

Our number one goal will always be to provide the best possible client experience. That means tailoring insurance and risk management programs to each unique need, as well as delivering best-in-class service. We live by a term it’s called Strong Roots. Local Values. Our growth not just in more populated communities but across rural and urban communities means we’re committed to giving you access to a business with strong roots and that strength gives you access to innovative products, and services. The “local values”, comes in to help keep decisions local. When the TRICOR employees that live in our community, and know our clients, and know our region are able to make local decisions that’s really the recipe for success we look for, for our clients.

For more information about TRICOR Insurance or its services, please visit the website at [www.tricorinsurance.com](http://www.tricorinsurance.com) Contact Dave Usadel at 920-893-8411, ext. 1720 or [dusadel@tricorinsurance.com](mailto:dusadel@tricorinsurance.com).

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### What is TRICOR’s history?

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# Inside the Bottle

by Jaclyn Stuart CS, DWS, FWS

## The dreaded wine headache

Sulfites get a bad rap. These naturally occurring compounds are found in nearly all wines, yet so many people think they are to blame for ailments ranging from headaches to hangovers. These compounds are necessary for preserving wine and without them, wine can spoil quickly. While a small population does suffer from sulfite allergies, things like orange juice and dried fruit have a far higher sulfite content than wine and must be avoided by them as well. If you suffer from the dreaded wine headache, but wash your raisin bran down with OJ, it is likely caused by something else entirely.

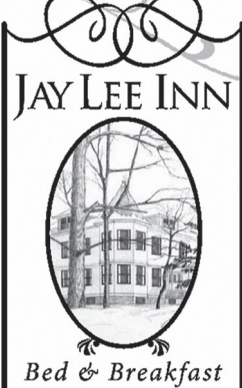
All wine sold in the United States is required to declare that wine "contains sulfites" on a label, whether it adds sulfites or not. Just like many food labels now proclaim items are "gluten free" or "contains nuts" these warnings are only important to those that have those allergies. I often hear people proclaim that they 'didn't get headaches while drinking wine in Europe because they don't add sulfites to wine.' They believe this to be the case because most European countries don't require that wineries state that the wine contains sulfites, like the U.S. does. However, if that exact same bottle in France were shipped to the U.S. to be sold, it would get a different label with our government warning before it hit the shelves. Now, you may be thinking 'but I didn't get a headache when I drank wine in Europe.' This is likely because you were walking, leisurely sipping, dining frequently, and experiencing travel euphoria; not because the wines were free of sulfites.

There are a few wineries that have specialized machines that remove nearly all of the naturally occurring sulfites, but their wines tend to have a very short shelf life and tend to taste flat. This is because sulfites act as a natural antioxidant that prevent the wine from going bad. While these wines are great for people that have legitimate sulfite allergies, they really aren't something most of us

"Inside the Bottle" will be a monthly column that dives into the world of wine, craft beer, spirits, and other beverages – fermented and beyond. Jaclyn Stuart, author of *The Complete Idiot's Guide to Wine & Food Pairing* and owner of Vintage Elkhart Lake, will author the column and answer questions she frequently encounters inside her shop, at our wonderful Elkhart Lake area restaurants, and on her travels. If you have a question that you would like to see answered in this column, you can submit it to [sommelier@vintageelkhartlake.com](mailto:sommelier@vintageelkhartlake.com).

need to suffer through. I do have some customers that seek out organic wines, which do not add sulfites, but they are not sulfite-free.

Wines that are made with organically grown grapes typically have less sulfites than other wines because they don't add sulfites post-fermentation. These wines still have naturally occurring sulfites, though, so if you are seeking out organic



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wine to reduce the likelihood of a wine headache, it may not be the answer. The answer instead lies in understanding the effects of alcohol and histamines.


We all know about the effects of alcohol. The more you consume, the more likely you are to wake up with a hangover. Unfortunately, there is no such thing as a hangover-free wine so long as it has alcohol. Alcohol causes the blood vessels in your brain to constrict and your body to dehydrate, which is what causes that horrible hangover sensation. Not the sulfites or other additives. The best way to avoid hangovers when drinking wine is to limit the volume consumed, stay hydrated, and make sure you aren't drinking on an empty stomach (stay tuned for future articles about wine and food pairing).

Like alcohol, histamine is a chemical that is naturally produced by yeast (and bacteria) during fermentation and can trigger allergic reactions. Red wine tends to have a higher concentration of histamines (as well as alcohol), so many experience a worse headache when consuming red. Like alcohol, histamines constrict your blood vessels and cause inflammation. If you don't want to give up your favorite Cabernet, you may want to chat with your doctor to see if there are options to help alleviate histamine's effects. Otherwise, moderation and hydration are key. So stop blaming sulfites. They are actually a good thing, especially for that bottle you are aging for a special occasion – like tomorrow. Cheers!

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Bangart brings more than 30 years of experience in financial services with her. She holds a Wisconsin Credit Insurance License, has completed a number of courses with the Wisconsin Bankers Association, and holds certificates in management and banking. Bangart is involved in the community through Mid-Shores Home Builders Association.

Bangart grew up in Chilton and graduated from Chilton High School. She currently lives in Hilbert with her family.

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# Top market in US

## Osthoff's Old World Christmas Market honored in Reader's Choice by USA Today's 10Best

The Osthoff Resort in Elkhart Lake, Wis. received an early Christmas present today and it couldn't be any sweeter or any more appropriate. The resort's Old World Christmas Market was voted the #1 holiday market in the U.S. in the latest Readers' Choice Awards from USA TODAY and 10Best. The award selection starts with a list of 20 nominees as determined by editors from USA TODAY, editors from 10Best.com, expert travel contributors, and other partner media sources. Then the contest was opened to readers for a voting period of four weeks. The Osthoff bested holiday markets in Philadelphia, Denver, New York City and Chicago among others to capture the top spot. For more on The Osthoff and to reserve a suite for Christmas or New Year's Eve, visit [www.Osthoff.com](http://www.Osthoff.com).

This year's holiday market was the resort's 21st, with vendors and visitors from all the world making it an annual tradition to attend the market, patterned after the Christkindlesmarkts in Germany. While other markets are open-air, shoppers to



The Osthoff's version immediately warm to the idea of being inside a heated tent the size of a football field. The tent is decked out with traditional wooden booths, fresh pine trees, garlands of twinkling white lights and an authentic German food court, much like you'd find in market squares in Europe.

The 10-day market, always held at the beginning of December and the 2019 mar-

ket set for Dec. 6-15, features the wares of more than 70 artisans from around the world, including Germany, Russia and Turkey, and local producers too. Two German artisans, a skilled wood carver who creates smokers and nutcrackers, and another, who brings his own spices from Nuremberg to make his secret recipe bratwurst for hungry shoppers, have never missed a market in all 21 years. This year's event drew 14,000 visitors.

The award was a special treat for The Osthoff's general manager, Lola Roeh, who conceived of the idea after having lived in Germany years ago. "My husband and I loved the German Christmas markets, the way they brought people together and put them in the spirit of the season, and I thought it would be wonderful to recreate that here in Wisconsin," said Roeh. She added, "The original Osthoff was opened in 1886 by German entrepreneur Otto Osthoff and his wife Paulina and I think they'd be pleased too!"

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# LTC earns honors as Bellwether finalist

Lakeshore Technical College has been selected from more than 1,000 entries as a top 10 Bellwether Award finalist. This annual award recognizes cutting-edge, trendsetting programs that other colleges around the nation could find worthy of replicating. It is considered one of the most elite awards given to community colleges.

Bellwether Awards are given annually in three categories to colleges with outstanding and innovative programs or practices. LTC is a finalist in the Workforce Development category. Its MicroMatch Upskilling program was nominated by Bay Area Workforce Development Board Executive Director Jim Golembeski.

"Recognition like this shows how we at LTC work to not only identify the needs of employers in our community, but the extensive efforts we put forth to explore new, innovative ways to meet those needs when traditional paths cannot work quickly enough," says LTC President Dr. Paul Carlsen. "This national recognition is an honor, and well deserved by our team who met a very difficult challenge with their forward-thinking approach."

The MicroMatch Upskilling program entry will continue going through an extensive review process that will culminate at the Community College Futures Assembly being held in February in San Antonio, Texas. At the assembly, the 10 finalists from each of the three categories will complete the review process by presenting their entries to a panel of judges from around the country. The judges will also give final reviews of all supporting documentation. Winners will be announced at the assembly.

Presenting "Just enough. Just In Time. Just Right: MicroMatch Upskilling" for LTC with Carlsen will be: Vice President of Instruction James Lemerond; Vice President of Outreach Julie Mirecki; Dean of Advanced Manufacturing, Agriculture, Automotive and Energy Sheila Schetter; and LTC District Board of Trustees Chair John Lukas.

The MicroMatch Upskilling program was developed to help fill the increasing need for electro-mechanical technicians. These technicians set up, operate and program robots that are being used at an increasing level by lakeshore area manufacturers who are expanding their use of robotics, automation and artificial intelligence in all aspects of their operations today. LTC partnered with local manufacturers to define the ideal electro-mechanical skill sets for a variety of positions. Aptitude tests were then deployed to existing employees to identify skills gaps. Based on the data and test results, LTC developed short-term training seminars designed to be used independently or stacked to fill the gaps of each individual employee.

Being a Bellwether finalist is just one of the many national recognitions LTC has received in the last 18 months: the Aspen Institute named LTC a top-150 two-year college (for the fourth consecutive time), Forbes ranked LTC the #17 trade school in the nation, WalletHub.com ranked LTC #9 in the nation for two-year college educational outcomes, Washington Monthly ranked LTC the #3 two-year college in the nation for adult learners, and the Ameri



**As one-half of the legendary mother/daughter duo The Judds, Wynonna was once dubbed by Rolling Stone as "the greatest female country singer since Patsy Cline." Hear her new sound which she describes as "vintage, yet modern" and a "return to the well" when Wynonna & The Big Noise perform at the Kohler Memorial Theater in Kohler on Saturday, March 9th at 8 p.m.**

## Wynonna & Big Noise to hit Kohler stage

As the Kohler Foundation celebrates 75 years of giving voice to the arts, we invite you to attend our final Distinguished Guest Series performance of the season, which will feature Wynonna Judd & her band The Big Noise on Saturday, March 9 at 8 p.m. at the Kohler Memorial Theater in Kohler, WI.

Respected by the millions of fans who are drawn to her music and undeniable talent, Wynonna's rich and commanding voice has sold over 30-million albums worldwide spanning her remarkable 34-year career. As one-half of the legendary mother/daughter duo The Judds Wynonna was once dubbed by Rolling Stone as "the greatest female country singer since Patsy Cline." This iconic performer has received over 60 industry awards, with countless charting singles, including 20 No. 1 hits such as Mama's He's Crazy, Why Not Me, and Grandpa, (Tell Me 'Bout The Good Ole Days).

See Wynonna and her country, Americana blues band The Big Noise, led by her husband/drummer/producer, Cactus Moser, live in concert in Kohler. Wynonna describes the new sound as "vintage yet modern" and a "return to the well." Join the celebration! Reserve your seats now.

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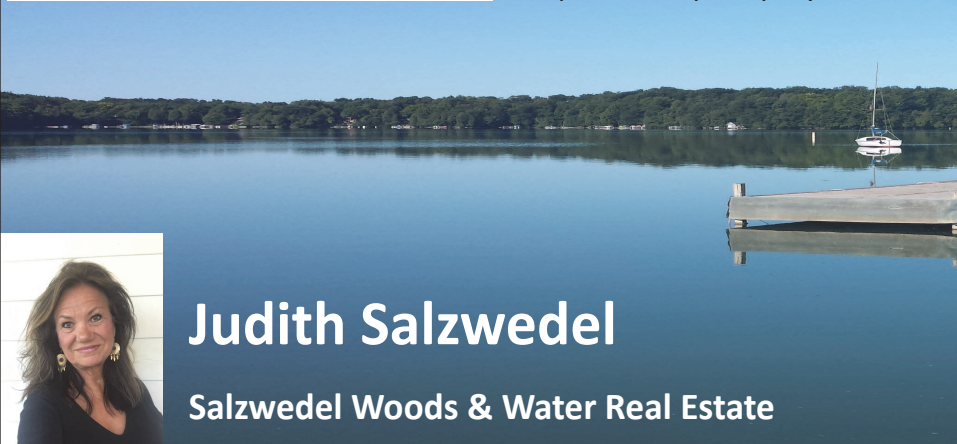
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The brat fry featuring Johnsonville brats, hamburgers, and chicken breasts along with homemade desserts.

Please come out and donated to help these children and adults cope with this disease. The Lions Club would like to thank the community and surrounding areas for their support. Looking forward to seeing you all there.

## What is Cerebral Palsy?

Here is an explanation of this terrible disease. Cerebral palsy is defined as “a group of permanent disorders of the development of movement and posture, causing activity limitation, that are attributed to non-progressive disturbances that occurred in the developing fetal or infant brain. While movement problems are the central feature of CP, difficulties with thinking, learning, feeling, communication and behavior often co-occur, with 28 percent having epilepsy, 58 percent having difficulties with communication, at least 42 percent having problems with their vision, and 23-56 percent having learning disabilities. Muscle contractions in people with cerebral palsy are commonly thought to arise from over activation.

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Joe Mathes photos



# Cat's Pajamas set for Feb. 8 at ELGHS

A New Generation of Vocalization: The Cat's Pajamas coming to Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah High School Friday, Feb. 8.

The Performance will be in the Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah High School Mauk Auditorium starting at 7 pm.

Ticket for the Cat's Pajamas may be purchases at the Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah High School Office (920) 876-3381. Students \$5; Adults \$12 advanced/\$18 at the door.

The Cat's Pajamas are five high-energy singers who create all the sounds of a band using only their voices. The group was formed in 2005 by Brian Skinner whose passion and drive for performing and music production is the heartbeat (and drum beat) of The Cat's Pajamas. The original members had previously worked together in college groups at The University of Wisconsin such as the Wisconsin Singers and a cappella groups the MadHatters and Redefined. The first time The Cat's PJs ever performed together was for the 2005 Oreo Cookie Jingle competition. They then recorded a demo and searched everywhere for gigs until their first big break when they were offered a six month stint on Celebrity Cruise Lines as the in house a cappella group. After their first contract, The Cat's Pajamas moved on to be hired as guest entertainers by Norwegian Cruise Lines. The Cats performed 40 weeks a year onboard NCL from 2007-2009, and quickly became their highest rated act. (Also being asked to sing as part of Oprah's Cruise of a Lifetime). The Cats also found themselves on America's Got Talent and The Next Great American Band. After three years of perpetual cruising and touring on land, in the fall of 2009, The Cat's Pajamas decided to move down to Branson, Missouri. Often named the "Live Music Show Capitol of the World", Branson is a vacation destination to over eight million visitors each year. Since the move they've been performing over 200 shows a year. In the fall of 2011 The Cat's Pajamas reached millions of new viewers when they per-

formed on NBC's hit show The Sing Off. The Cat's Pajamas then were hand picked by the amazing Andy Williams himself to continue his legacy at his Moon River Theatre in 2012 and 2013. In 2014, The Cat's Pajamas performed nightly at Music City Centre Theater on the Branson's strip and also headlined at Resorts Casino (a Mohegan Sun property) in Atlantic City, NJ. In 2015 and 2016, The Cat's Pajamas found themselves performing nightly in the Supper Club on board the beautiful Norwegian Escape and also onboard Holland America, Royal Caribbean, Oceania, and Disney Cruise lines. The summer of 2017 brought The Cat's Pajamas to The City of Virginia Beach's - Beach Street USA concert series, where they performed nightly. They were chosen to be a part of PBS' TV special "Doo Wop Generations" which aired nationwide in March of 2018. The Cat's Pajamas - vocal band were also selected to sing on Broadway as part of a cappella competition at the Al Hirschfeld Theatre after an evening performance of the hit musical "Kinky Boots" (at the time starring Wayne Brady, David Cook and Pentatonix' Kirstin Maldonado). Check out their promo at [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rrn\\_GKwQqL0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rrn_GKwQqL0)

Helping to inspire students through music for a lifetime of music appreciation

Since their inception, The Cat's Pajamas have always been involved in education and giving back to the school systems that made them successful. This was the inspiration for their "Music in Schools" fundraising tour. All five members work with kids by teaching breathing, singing techniques, confidence, vocal percussion, performance tips, and overall trying to keep them excited and involved with singing. Each year they perform at approximately 40 schools and have raised over \$120,000 to date for music-arts programs all over the country."

## Poinsettias brighten day for Meals recipients

Fresh Meals On Wheels of Sheboygan County meal recipients received the colorful gift of a beautiful poinsettia to celebrate the new year, thanks to a generous donor.


Despite the cold and snow, volunteers eagerly conquered the extra delivery stating that client's faces lit up when they received their poinsettias.

"One client hugged the volunteer saying it had been a rough Christmas for her and getting a poinsettia really touched her heart," said MOW Executive Director Allison Thompson. "A number of clients are alone at the holidays and knowing that someone is thinking about them and cares enough to give them a gift has a big impact."

If you would like to brighten someone's day by delivering meals, or if you know someone in need of meals, please contact Fresh Meals On Wheels at 451-7011 or [volunteers@freshmealsonwheels.org](mailto:volunteers@freshmealsonwheels.org).



**Fresh Meals On Wheels Horticulture and Produce Director Jane Nauschultz carries out a box of poinsettias.**



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Friends of the Sheboygan Marsh elected their 2019 board and officers on Jan. 10 and continue with work planning the exciting new multi-purpose/educational facility to be built at the Broughton Sheboygan Marsh Park. Row 1 left to right Keith Abler, Vice President; Lil Pipping, President; Marjean Pountain, Secretary; Ken Pipping, Treasurer. Row 2 left to right Dean Wendlandt, Sarah DeZwarte, Walter Vollrath III, Pam Mathes, Dave D'Angelico, Ann Buechel Haack, Gary Henschel, Aaron Brault.

## Friends of Marsh pick leaders for new year

The Friends of the Broughton Sheboygan Marsh held their annual meeting on Jan. 10 and elected the following officers for 2019 Lil Pipping, President; Keith Abler, Vice President; Marjean Pountain, Secretary; and Ken Pipping, Treasurer. Additional members of the board include Aaron Brault, Ann Buechel Haack, Sarah DeZwarte, David D'Angelico, Walter Vollrath III, Gary Henschel, Pam Mathes and Dean Wendlandt.

The mission statement of the Friends of the Marsh, formed in 2005, is "To promote the increased use and appreciation of the unique beauty of the Broughton Sheboygan County Broughton Marsh through education and recreation." Their first project was the construction of Wisconsin's tallest wooden observation tower, which recently celebrated its 10th year of allowing visitors to have a birds-eye view of the marsh and surrounding terrain.

Today the Friends are working to further enhance the park with the creation of a multi-purpose/educational center and meeting facility that will house Camp Y-Koda's environmental programs, field trips from schools throughout the area and other groups who appreciate conservation efforts and wildlife at the marsh. Hoping to commence construction this spring, the Friends appreciate the generosity of the donors who have contributed to date. Additional funds are still needed, and a variety of naming rights are available.

To become part of this legacy benefiting future generations please visit [www.friendsofthemarsh.com](http://www.friendsofthemarsh.com) or call 920-876-4312 for more information.

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## Aspira Spa earns top two rank in US

Aspira Spa, located inside the Osthoff Resort, a AAA Four Diamond property on the shores of Elkhart Lake in Wisconsin, was named the #2 spa in the country by spa and wellness travel website Spas of America in its annual ranking of the Top 100 Spas in America. For more on Aspira's treatment offerings and wellness classes, visit [www.AspiraSpa.com](http://www.AspiraSpa.com).

This latest award comes on the heels of Aspira being named the "Best Solo Get-away" by Organic Spa Magazine for 2018. The Osthoff Resort also received the AAA Four Diamond Rating for its 21st consecutive year and was recognized as one of the "Top Resorts in the Midwest" in the prestigious Readers' Choice Awards for 2018 from Condé Nast Traveler magazine.

"We've been very impressed by the consistent ranking of Aspira Spa with our audience for many years," said Spas of America president, Craig Oliver, noting the website lists more than 800 resort, hotel and health spas. "Whether you're traveling solo, as a couple or with a family, Aspira Spa offers comfortable accommodations, exciting dining options, a relaxing spa and a beautiful lakefront location."

"Our goal is to provide an exceptional spa experience to every guest and create a meaningful connection for years to come," said Shannan Roeh, Aspira's spa director. "To be named by Spas of America readers as the #2 spa in the country is an incredible honor."

To celebrate the award announcement,

Aspira is inviting spa enthusiasts and novices alike to experience the spa with a special "The Spa's Included" package, which includes one complimentary Aspira service (valued up to \$120) per night when you book an Osthoff Resort suite at regular rates. The offer is valid Sunday-Thursday through April 2019. To book and view Aspira's full menu of services, log on to [www.aspiraspa.com](http://www.aspiraspa.com) or call 844-566-4392. This package also includes unlimited use of spa facilities on the day of your spa service, including their signature Meditation Sanctuary, indoor and outdoor hydromassage whirlpools, warming fireplace area, sauna and Spa Café.

### About Aspira Spa

Aspira Spa and The Osthoff Resort are just an hour's drive north of Milwaukee, two hours from Madison and less than three hours from Chicago. Aspira's design embraces feng shui principles and features the elements of wood, fire, earth, metal and water. The heart and soul of the spa is the tranquil Meditation Sanctuary where water gently flows over a wall of sculpted stone into a hand-tooled copper vessel. Further defining the Aspira experience are SpaSuites with private baths, fireplaces and side-by-side massage tables; a Finnish sauna; a spa studio for tai chi, yoga and Pilates; and effervescent whirlpools inside and outside. There is also a full-service salon and a spa boutique stocked with Aspira's signature product line as well as spa apparel and artisan jewelry.

## Lakeland, LTC offer volunteer tax prep help

Lakeland University and Lakeshore Technical College are partnering again this year to help collect tax refunds for area residents who need it the most.

Students in the accounting program from each institution will provide free tax preparation and electronic filing for low income tax filers. This service is available through the IRS Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program (VITA), which is designed to help low-to-moderate income people file their tax returns. CliftonLarsonAllen is sponsoring the VITA program this year.

The service is available through Lakeland at the Sheboygan Salvation Army, 710 Pennsylvania Ave., and through LTC at LTC's Cleveland campus. Reservations are required for the tax service.

Sheboygan Salvation Army: Tax preparation will be open on Thursdays from 5-9 p.m. and Saturdays from 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. starting Feb. 2 and ending April 11. To reserve a spot at the Salvation Army, call 920-565-1000 ext. 2290. Phone calls are accepted between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday through Friday. Reservations will

be accepted beginning Jan. 28.

LTC's Cleveland campus: Tax prep is available on Tuesday nights from 5:45-8:30 p.m. starting Feb. 5 and ending April 2. To reserve a spot at LTC, call 920-693-1398. Phone calls for the LTC site are accepted starting on Jan. 21 between 12 p.m.-3 p.m. on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Last year, Lakeland and LTC students prepared and filed approximately 500 returns that helped local taxpayers collect more than \$1 million in refunds.

People interested in taking advantage of this free service must have income under \$54,000 a year. Applicants must bring a photo ID, Social Security cards for themselves, their spouse and dependents, W-2 forms, 1099 forms, rent certificate or 2018 property tax bill, a copy of their 2017 tax return.

Returns cannot be done for those taxpayers having income from outside Wisconsin sources, those having complex tax returns, those having rental income, those who are non-US residents and those who are married filing separately.



## LTC awards degrees to 180 in December

Lakeshore Technical College awarded degrees to over 180 students following its winter commencement ceremony December 15. This commencement marks the 89th graduation Lakeshore Technical College has held at its Cleveland campus since 1974. Over 30,000 people earned their LTC degrees during that time period.

Dr. Paul Carlsen, LTC President, welcomed the graduates and guests, and shared advice.

"Wherever you are, whatever your background, wherever you are from, all are welcome to learn here," Carlsen told the graduates. "And learning is something you have all done. You have learned inside the classroom, and you have learned outside the classroom as you have lived your lives. Celebrate what you have learned so far, but never cease in your pursuit of knowledge," he added.

Tryg Jacobson, owner of Jake's Café, Sheboygan, served as the keynote speaker. Drawing on his long career in advertis-

ing, he shared the importance of keeping promises and being trustworthy in all aspects of one's life.

"In many ways, we as people are the sum of the promises we make and keep during our lives," Jacobson shared. "What a joy it is when you can look back upon a person, or a relationship, and remember them as a trustworthy person. A person of integrity. Of value. And what an even greater joy it is when that person is you."

Darin Menk, Manitowoc, was the student speaker. Menk graduated from the Business Management program and spoke to his fellow graduates about how they all grew through education.

"So graduates, stand tall – not just today, but every day," Menk said. "You are ready to take whatever comes your way, turning it into the next high point of your career, and in your life."

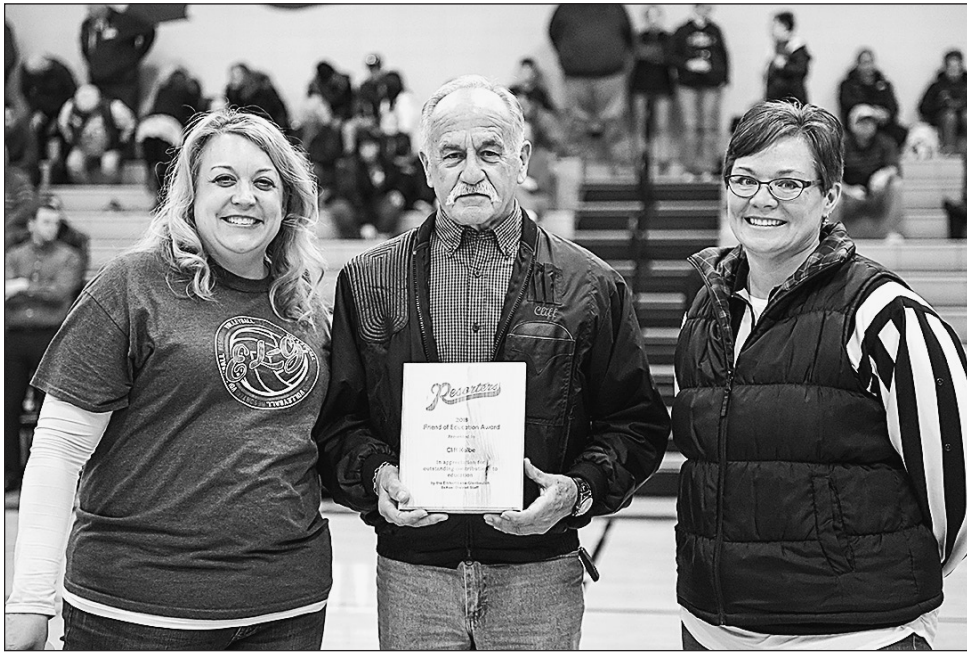
Spring term commencement is set for Saturday, May 18 and will mark LTC's 90th graduation at its Cleveland campus.



A pianist and singer shared one of her own compositions as part of the Schnee Days talent show held Friday night at the Shore Club of Elkhart Lake.

Mike Mathes photo





From left to right are Cliff Kolbe, the newly honored Friend of Education, flanked by Lisa McClurg and Amy Sitko

Les Tension Photos by Michael D. McGill

## Kolbe awarded with ELGA Friend of Education Award

The Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah Education Association recently awarded Cliff Kolbe its Friend of Education Award for 2018. This award has been given each year since 1987 to an individual, a couple, or a group that makes an outstanding contribution to students' education and/or extra-curricular activities.

Cliff was jointly nominated by JV Volleyball coaches Amy Sitko and Lisa McClurg.

As sport is a large part of our education process, getting student athletes to and from athletic events is very important. Cliff has driven the bus for every team at some point in his 10-year affiliation with

our school system. He always greets each athlete by name and always has some sort of treat on those late night return bus rides; Gatorade, cookies, even pizza on occasion. And his commitment doesn't end with driving the bus. He comes in to each game and cheers on the students instead of reading a book in the bus while he waits. He even attends most home games when he doesn't drive the bus.

Cliff takes time to talk to the students and their parents before and after an event. The Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah School District, the students, and the greater community are lucky to have such a generous and selfless supp



## Love Bowls fundraiser set for Sunday, Feb. 17

Meals On Wheels has a delicious way to fight February cabin fever: Love Bowls. The 19th annual soup extravaganza to benefit Meals On Wheels of Sheboygan County will be held 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 17 at Sheboygan South High School.

On tap will be a variety of tasty soups from dozens of local restaurants and organizations as well as an assortment of breads, cookies and beverages. The Squeezettes, a popular five-piece band from Milwaukee, will be sharing their quirky take on polka, waltz, pop and rock music from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The cost is \$25 per person for ages 2 and up, and includes a handmade Talavera

bowl or plate for each diner to take home. Tickets will be available at the door. Every dollar raised at Love Bowls stays in Sheboygan County and is used to help provide wellness checks and fresh-from-the-garden, medically-tailored meals for elderly, homebound or disabled area residents. Research has proven that wellness checks, combined with daily meal delivery, reduce isolation and depression, and 81 percent of Meals On Wheels of Sheboygan County clients say that the fresh, home-cooked meals improve their health.

For more information about the event or to recommend someone for meals, please call Meals On Wheels at 920-451-7011.

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# Elkhart Lake Village Report



The Village is in the process of removing upwards of eight ash trees in Village Square Park.

## Elkhart Lake Village Board Members

If you have concerns or questions call any of our Village Trustees

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**TRUSTEE:** Richard Baumann (22 Cedar Lane) — (920) 781-2030. Email: rbaumann@elkhartlakewi.gov

## Ballots set for spring election

There will be no election in Elkhart Lake in February. The ballot is set for the April 2, 2019, election. The following submitted papers to run for village offices.

- Village President (Vote for one)
- Richard Sadiq
- Board of Trustee: (Vote for Three)
- Geoffrey Bray (Inc.)
- Bobbie Stroessner
- Mike Wolf

### Noncandidacy Papers Turned In

Village President Alan Rudnick and Trustee Richard Baumann turned in non-candidacy papers and will be retiring from the Village Board.

Richard Baumann has served on the Village Board for seven years. Richard has served on the library board and the tourism board. My fellow board members and I would like to thank him for his service to the community.

I have served on the Village Board one year as a trustee and 10 years as Village President. During that time the Village Board accomplished many things. A few of the highlights are:

- Sargento Expansion
- Osthoff Resort Convention Center
- Wolf Motorsports and Villas
- Compassionate Care Veterinary Clinic
- Throttlestop Phases 1 and 2
- Switch Gear Brewery
- Vintage Wine Shop
- Lead Pipe Service Replacements
- Shred Day

Ordinance Review for website and to bring them compliant with State Statute.

On behalf of Richard and me, it has been a privilege to serve the residents of Elkhart Lake.

### Lead Pipe Replacement

The Village of Elkhart Lake and its homeowners have replaced their lead water service laterals. There is only one residential property that that has not participated in the lead service lateral replacement program. Thank you to all that have participated. The program was very successful for village residents.

### Winter Rules began Nov. 15

Winter parking regulations went into effect on November 15th. As a reminder, here is the ordinance.

#### PARKING REGULATIONS

All Night Parking Regulated.

6.04(2) (a) No parking of any motor vehicle shall be permitted on either side of any Village street or in the parking lot north of Square Street or the parking lot on North East Street between the hours of 2:00 o'clock A.M. and 6:00 o'clock A.M. commencing the fifteenth (15th) day of November and ending on the first (1st) day of April of every year.

(b) Any vehicle parked in violation of the provisions of this ordinance shall be removed from the streets and stored, and such removal and storage shall be at the expense of the owner of said vehicle.

Vehicles violating this ordinance will be ticketed.

### Snow Removal

Ordinance 10.03 Removing Snow from Sidewalks: residents must clean snow and ice from sidewalks within 14 hours of any snowfall in a 24-hour period.

Snow cannot be blown or plowed onto Village Streets. Residents must also shovel out any hydrants near their home.

### Snow Removal Warning

As in past years, you will not be notified that snow needs to be removed. If you have not shoveled in the prescribed time, the Village will shovel your walk and bill the property owner. Also, the entire width of the sidewalk must be shoveled. A path is not sufficient, and you will be in violation.

### Auto Pay Your Water Bill

The Village of Elkhart Lake accepts Automatic Clearing House (ACH) payments for your water/sewer bills. If you are interested in having your water/sewer bill automatically debited from your bank account, please contact the Village at 920-876-2122 or email clerk@elkhartlakewi.gov and we will work to set you up on the program.

### Village Park

The Village is in the process of removing upwards of eight ash trees in Village Square Park. It will soon have a whole new look. The trees are the victims of Emerald Ash Boer. This is a Village, county, state and national problem.

We are in the process of designing a plan for new park equipment and tree replacement. Stay tuned for upcoming announcements about the park.

### Email Notification List

The Village would like to keep you informed of news and changes that may occur on occasion. We would like your email address. These will be kept confidential. We will remind you of changes in the garbage collection schedule and any other things that come up periodically.

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## February mystery photo



**Congratulations to Jordan Henzer who won our Big Buck Contest. The Big Buck Contest was sponsored by the EL-GHS FBLA.**

## Can you identify the photo?

Take a look at February mystery photo above. Do you know anything about it? Where was the location? What was the approximate year? Do you know specific building in the photo?

If so, let us know!

To enter the February contest, send an email or letter with as many details as you can include to the Elkhart Lake Chamber. Either drop off at our office, or email [depotdispatch@elkhartlake.com](mailto:depotdispatch@elkhartlake.com).

The person with the best submission will receive a finely matted, quality enlarged print of the original, courtesy of Schamberger Gallery in Elkhart Lake.

Meanwhile, we have a winner for the January contest.

Sara Hawe of ElkhartCares identified the photo as the current Elkhart Inn/formerly Sals, suggesting the photo may have been from around 2000.

## January mystery photo





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**Community United Church of Christ**  
 AA Meeting 10 a.m.

**JANUARY 30**  
**Elkhart Lake Public Library**  
 Book Chat and Coffee Hour 10 a.m. Come and see our new books and enjoy the conversation.

**JANUARY 31**  
**Community United Church of Christ**  
 AA Meetings 7 p.m.

**Rumors**  
 Karaoke & Meat Raffle 7:30-11:30 p.m. N7454 Summit Rd., Plymouth.

**Stefanie H. Weill Center for the Performing Arts**  
 Manitowoc Minute's Charlie Berens: Oh My Gosh! 7:30 p.m. Admission.

**FEBRUARY 1**  
**Camp Y-Koda**  
 Winter Sleepover for ages 6-12. Explore the frozen shores of Lake Y-Koda, snowshoeing (ages 7+), building snow forts, sledding, playing winter games. Pre-registration is required.

**FEBRUARY 2**  
**Plymouth Arts Center**  
 1950's Sock Hop 7-10 p.m. Featuring the Il Cool Band, music for all ages. Admission.

**Camp Y-Koda**  
 Winter Sleepover for ages 6-12. Explore the frozen shores of Lake Y-Koda, snowshoeing (ages 7+), building snow forts, sledding, playing winter games. Pre-registration is required.

**Community United Church of Christ**  
 Spaghetti Dinner 5-6:30 p.m. Reservations are recommended, but not needed. Adults \$8, children 12 and under \$5.

**FEBRUARY 4**  
**Elkhart Lake Study Club**  
 Pam Hudson, Aurora Pharmacist 'Opioid Addiction.' Social at 11:30 a.m. Noon lunch at Civic Center.

**Elkhart Lake Board of Trustee**  
 Village of Elkhart Lake Board of Trustee meeting, Grashorn Civic Center 7 p.m.

**Elkhart Lake Lions Club**  
 Directors meeting 7 p.m. at Quit Qui Oc.

**FEBRUARY 5**  
**Community United Church of Christ**  
 AA Meeting 10 a.m.

**FEBRUARY 6**  
**Elkhart Lake Public Library**  
 Book Chat and Coffee Hour 10 a.m. Come and see our new books and enjoy the conversation.

**The Sewing Basket**  
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**FEBRUARY 7**  
**Community United Church of Christ**  
 AA Meetings 7 p.m.

**Elkhart Lake Public Library**  
 Story Time 10:30 a.m.

**FEBRUARY 8**  
**Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah School District**  
 EL-G Music Dept. presents CAT's Pajamas Vocal Band, featured on NBC's "The Sing Off" 7 p.m. Mauk Auditorium, admission.

**Elkhart Lake Public Library**  
 Book Club on the Move 1 p.m. "The Little Old Lady

Who Broke all the Rules" by Catharina Ingelman-Sundberg. Call for meeting place.

**Plymouth Arts Center**  
 Mardi Gras Mask Workshop 6-9 p.m. Create an original, wearable or decorative Mardi Gras Mask just in time for the PAC's Mardi Gras Party. Feel free to bring embellishments, such as beads, feathers, trim, jewels, sequins, glitter, etc. and a glue gun with glue sticks. Register by Feb. 1. Admission.

**FEBRUARY 9**  
**Sheboygan Symphony Orchestra**  
 Old World, New World 7:30 p.m. The third concert of the 100th Season: "Celebrating 100 Years: Meeting the Mission." Admission.

**Wade House Historical House**  
 Hearthside Dinner 11 a.m.- 3 p.m. Enjoy a delicious hearth-cooked meal, prepared with your own hands, in the historic Wade House stagecoach hotel. Limited seating; reservations required. Admission. 920-526-3271.

**Camp Y-Koda**  
 Father-Daughter Dance 6-8:30 p.m. Age 3 & older with adult. Johnsonville Lodge will have music, dancing, games, crafts, and a dessert station. Admission fee is per person.

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**Stefanie H. Weill Center for the Performing Arts**  
 Old World, New World 7:30 p.m. The third concert of the 100th Season: "Celebrating 100 Years: Meeting the Mission". Admission.

**FEBRUARY 12**  
**Community United Church of Christ**  
 AA Meeting 10 a.m.

**Camp Y-Koda**  
 Valentine's Day Party 4:30-8:30 p.m. Ages 4-12. Our Valentine's Day Party includes cupcake and cookie decorating, card making, a movie and more! Dinner will be provided. Please bring adequate clothing to spend time outdoors.

**FEBRUARY 13**  
**Elkhart Lake Public Library**  
 Book Chat and Coffee Hour 10 a.m. Come and see our new books and enjoy the conversation.

**FEBRUARY 14**  
**Community United Church of Christ**  
 AA Meetings 7 p.m.

**Elkhart Lake Public Library**  
 Toddler Time 10 a.m. Play date for preschoolers.

**Elkhart Lake Public Library**  
 Ukulele Group 10 a.m. Grashorn Civic Center. Lets learn some Christmas music!

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**Stefanie H. Weill Center for the Performing Arts**  
 Cajun Strangers 7 p.m. The Cajun Strangers are one of the Midwest's premier Cajun music dance bands. Admission.

**FEBRUARY 15**  
**Stefanie H. Weill Center for the Performing Arts**  
 EagleMania 7:30 p.m. The World's Greatest Eagles Tribute Band. EagleMania has dedicated

themselves to faithfully reproducing the music of The Eagles. Admission.

**FEBRUARY 16**  
**The Sewing Basket**  
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**Three Guys and A Grill at Marsh Lodge**  
 Pig-In-The-Ice Winter Festival 10:30 a.m. Fun features pig roast, ice fishing tournament, snowmobile races, ice cube hunts and more. Fireworks display 6 p.m.

**FEBRUARY 17**  
**Fresh Meals On Wheels of Sheboygan County**

Love Bowls 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at Sheboygan South High School. Music 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. An event to benefit Fresh Meals On Wheels of Sheboygan County.

**Stefanie H. Weill Center for the Performing Arts**  
 Teddy Bears and Tunes 3 p.m. Fun and magical describes this Valentine concert geared to children ages 3 to 3rd grade. Selected works tell musical stories. Teddy bears and blankets are welcome for the youngest audience members. Admission.

**FEBRUARY 18**  
**Elkhart Lake Board of Trustee**  
 Village of Elkhart Lake Board of Trustee meeting, Grashorn Civic Center 7 p.m.

**Elkhart Lake Lions Club**  
 All member meeting and spouses at Anchor Lanes 6 p.m. social hour. 7 p.m. meeting & dinner

**Camp Y-Koda**  
 Guided Snowshoe Hikes 9-11 a.m. Ages 4 & older and adults. We will provide the snowshoes and a guide. Fee is per person.

**FEBRUARY 19**  
**Elkhart Lake Chamber of Commerce**  
 Chamber board meeting 8:30 a.m. Grashorn Civic Center.

**Community United Church of Christ**  
 AA Meeting 10 a.m.

**FEBRUARY 20**  
**Elkhart Lake Public Library**  
 Readers Social: Not a Book Club 7pm. Call for meeting place.

**Elkhart Lake Public Library**  
 Book Chat and Coffee Hour 10 a.m. Come and see our new books and enjoy the conversation.

**FEBRUARY 21**  
**Quit Qui Oc Golf Club**  
 Rib Night 5-8 p.m.

**Community United Church of Christ**  
 AA Meetings 7 p.m.

**Elkhart Lake Public Library**  
 Story Time 10:30 a.m.

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**FEBRUARY 22**  
**Stefanie H. Weill Center for the Performing Arts**  
 Project Pink - Tribute to Pink Floyd 7:30 p.m. Featuring the album Dark Side of the Moon and Pink Floyd's Greatest Hits. Admission.

**FEBRUARY 23**  
**Stefanie H. Weill Center for the Performing Arts**

Project Pink - Tribute to Pink Floyd 7:30 p.m. Featuring the album Dark Side of the Moon and Pink Floyd's Greatest Hits. Admission.

**FEBRUARY 26**  
**Community United Church of Christ**  
 AA Meeting 10 a.m.

**FEBRUARY 27**  
**Elkhart Lake Public Library**  
 Book Chat and Coffee Hour 10 a.m. Come and see our new books and enjoy the conversation.

**FEBRUARY 28**  
**Community United Church of Christ**  
 AA Meetings 7 p.m.

**Elkhart Lake Public Library**  
 Toddler Time 10 a.m. Play date for preschoolers.

**Fork & Daggar Ale Haus**  
 The Reserves Wine Dinner 6 p.m. Limited seating available.

**MARCH 1**  
**Plymouth Arts Center**  
 Mardi Gras at the PAC. The FIVE FOOT TWO Jazz Band from Port Washington will headline the Mardi Gras celebration, 7-10 p.m.

**MARCH 2**  
**Stefanie H. Weill Center for the Performing Arts**  
 The Garms Family 7 p.m. Eight voices, over 15 instruments, one purpose. Admission.

**MARCH 3**  
**MCCD Midwest Council for Children with Disabilities**  
 10th Annual Elkhart Lake Top Chef 3-7 p.m. The Grand Libelle Ballroom, Osthoff Resort. Join the Midwest Council for Children with Disabilities TOP CHEF competition. Get together with your friends and neighbors for an exciting afternoon of sampling outstanding gourmet foods. All proceeds benefit Midwest Council for Children with Disabilities. Admission. See mccdcares.com for more information.

**Elkhart Lake Lions Club**  
 34th Annual Cerebral Palsy fund raiser at Anchor Lanes 10 a.m.-4 p.m. There will be a silent auction and brat fry.

## DEPOT DISPATCH DEADLINES MARCH 2019 issue

February 12 - Ad space reservations.  
 February 18 - Contributing writer stories/ad design changes due.  
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 February 26 - Issue on newsstands.

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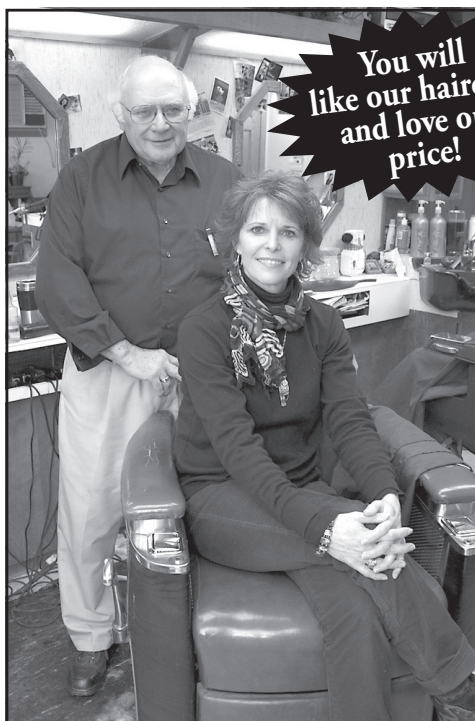
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# ELKHART LAKE Public Library News

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## Library Hours

Monday thru Thursday 10 - 7  
Friday 10 - 5  
Saturday 10 - 2

Exciting things are happening at the library! Painting, carpeting, and construction will take place beginning in February. Due to our renovation project please check our website ([www.elkhartlakepubliclibrary.org](http://www.elkhartlakepubliclibrary.org)) for up-to-date information about our hours and scheduled events. We may be closed, or our hours may change during February and March.

## New Books for Adult Readers

### ADULT FICTION

Au Pair, Emma Rous  
Delicate Touch, Stuart Woods  
Dreamers, Karen Thompson Walker  
Duke I Once Knew, Olivia Drake  
Far Field, Madhuri Vijay  
In the House of Lies, Ian Rankin  
Late in the Day, Tessa Hadley  
Light Over London, Julia Kelly  
New Iberia Blues, James Lee Burke  
No Sunscreen for the Dead, Tim Dorsey  
Paragon Hotel, Lyndsay Faye  
Talk to Me, John Kenney  
Unmarriageable, Soniah Kamal  
Untouchable, Jayne Ann Krentz  
We Hope for Better Things, Erin Bartels  
Weight of a Piano, Chris Cander  
Versus for the Dead, Preston & Child

Clean Plate: Eat, Reset, Heal, Gwyneth Paltrow  
Cuba Libre: Che, Fidel, and the Improbable Revolution That Changed the World, Tony Perrottet  
Fault Lines: A History of the United States Since 1974, Kevin Kruse  
Field of Blood: Violence in Congress and the Road to Civil War, Joanne B. Freeman  
Future of Capitalism: Facing the New Anxieties, Paul Collier  
Hollywood's Eve: Eve Babitz and the Secret History of L.A., Lili Anolik  
In His Own Words: Inspirational Reflections on the Life and Wisdom of Billy Graham, Jerry Jenkins  
Inheritance: A Memoir of Genealogy, Paternity, and Love, Dani Shapiro  
It Was All a Dream: A New Generation... the Broken Promise to Black America, Reniqua Allen  
Martha Manual: How to Do (Almost) Everything, Martha Stewart

### ADULT NON-FICTION

Alcohol Experiment: A 30-Day Alcohol-Free Challenge, Annie Grace

### LP FICTION

Someone to Trust, Mary Balogh

## Audio -- DVD -- CD ROM -- Music

### DVDS

Bookshop  
Night School

### AUDIO BOOKS

Delicate Touch, Stuart Woods  
Once Upon a River, Diane

### Setterfield

## New Books for Youth Readers

### (YA) YOUNG ADULT

Echo North, Joanna Ruth Meyer  
Gilded Wolves, Roshani Chokshi  
Inventing Victoria, Tonya Bolden  
Sky for Us Alone, Kristin Russell  
Skyward, Brandon Sanderson  
Two Can Keep a Secret, Karen McManus  
Wicked King, Holly Black

### (+) PICTURE BOOKS

Blue, Laura Vaccaro Seeger  
Cars and Trucks Book, Todd Parr  
Hello Hello, Brendan Wenzel  
Imagine, Raul Colon  
My Heart, Corinna Luyken  
Pete the Cat: Three Bite Rule, James Dean  
Pete the Cat's 12 Groovy Days of Christmas, Kimberly Dean  
Quiet, Tomie DePaola  
Sea Bear: A Journey for Survival, Lindsay Moore  
Thank you, Omu! Oge Mora  
They Say Blue, Jillian Tamaki

### (E) EASY READER

Biscuit Loves the Park, Alyssa Capucilli  
Pete the Kitty and the Case of the Hiccups, James Dean

### (J) JUVENILE FICTION

Crush, Svetlana Chmakova (graphic novel)  
Dog Man 6: Brawl of the Wild (graphic novel)  
Hidden Witch, Molly Knox Ostertag  
Max and the Midknights, Lincoln Pierce (graphic novel)

### (J) JUVENILE NON-FICTION

Nothing Stopped Sophie: The Story of Unshakeable Mathematician Sophie Germain, Cheryl Bardoe  
Where is Antarctica? Sarah Fabiny  
Where is Hollywood? Dina Anastasio

### (BB) BOARD BOOKS

Who Loves Boo, Salina Yoon

## Events at the Library

### STORY TIME

Thursday, February 7 & 21 • 10:30 a.m.

### BOOK CLUB ON THE MOVE

Friday, February 8 • 1 p.m. "The Little Old Lady Who Broke all the Rules" by Catharina Ingelman-Sundberg. Call for meeting place.

### UKULELE GROUP

Thursday, February 14 • 10 a.m.  
Grashorn Civic Center. Lets learn some music.

### TODDLER TIME

Thursdays, February 14 & 28 • 10 a.m. Play date for preschoolers.

### READERS' SOCIAL: NOT A BOOK CLUB

Wednesday, February 20 • 7 p.m. Call for meeting place.

### BOOK CHAT AND COFFEE HOUR

Every Wednesday morning at 10 a.m. Come and see our new books and enjoy the conversation

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# Kertscher appointed to RA leadership post

Road America has promoted Michael Kertscher to President and General Manager. Kertscher will replace current President and General Manager, George Bruggenthies, who will transition into a senior consulting position for Elkhart Lake's Road America, Inc.

"I am honored and humbled to accept this new role and build upon the momentum this exceptional group of people have established," Kertscher said. "Road America is a revered facility and through George's leadership it has grown and evolved into the premiere road course in North America. Our staff has tremendous passion for enhancing the fan experience and we will continue fueling that passion while showcasing incredible events and experiences at America's National Park of Speed."

Kertscher, who joined Road America in 2007, began as Programs Manager overseeing the development of its group adventure programs, plus many successful motorcycle and driving school programs. Kertscher was promoted to Director of Business Development in 2014 and Vice President of Business Development in 2017, where he took on added responsibility by overseeing track rentals and hospitality functions while driving partnership development to support Road America's core event management initiatives. Kertscher moved into a Senior Vice President role in 2018 overseeing all operations of the facility under the guidance and direction of Bruggenthies as part of the overall transition process.

"Mike has worked tirelessly to become one of the top professionals in our industry," Bruggenthies said, "His contributions extend well beyond directing our programs and business development units. His vision, perspective and work ethic have allowed him to earn a senior leadership position as part of an overall leadership team that has us well positioned for the future."

Bruggenthies has accepted a new position as Senior Consultant, taking a leadership role in sponsorship relations and facility development at Elkhart Lake's Road America Inc. Bruggenthies has been with Elkhart Lake's Road America Inc., for more than 20 years both as a leader and vintage competitor. Under his stewardship the track has seen massive infrastructure improvements, with many new buildings, features, and track and safety improve-



**Michael Kertscher**  
President, GM Road America

ments. The track's profits are consistently reinvested, and every year fans can see many visible major improvements. As such, the track continues to prosper as America's National Park of Speed.

Road America season passes and 2019 event tickets are now available. Reservations are also being accepted for Road America's new on site cabins allowing fans to stay and play at America's National Park of Speed. To purchase season passes, tickets, reserve cabins or learn more about upcoming events at Road America, please visit Road America online at [www.roadamerica.com](http://www.roadamerica.com) or call 800-365-RACE (7223).

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