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Dear readers,

A few weeks ago, I was walking past the Riviera Beach in Lake Geneva when I overheard one woman say to her friend, "This town is pretty much the perfect place!" Her enthusiasm reminded me what a gift it is to live and work in a place where many people can only spend a few days of their precious vacation time each year. Those of us who are lucky enough to call it home know that the Geneva Lake area has so much to offer in all seasons, especially as we transition to my own favorite season here: autumn.

Another group that's grateful to spend time in, on and around Geneva Lake? Lake dogs! With this autumn issue comes our 10th annual portfolio of lake-loving pups. Since its debut 10 years ago, Lake Dogs has become our most-loved feature, and inclusion in the portfolio has become a highly sought-after bragging right for local dog owners. This year, we received over 70 entries, and we completely revamped our submission process to make the final cohort selection as fair and transparent as possible. As always, it was extremely hard to choose this year's class of Lake Dogs, and we can't wait to share all the canine cuteness with you. (Look for the submission period to open again next spring.)

For even more pet content, check out our pet-friendly guide to the Geneva Lake area in our Out & About section (page 115). There, you'll also find more info on fun fall activities, including a popular local corn maze (page 119) and kitschy roadside statues (page 120). For foodies, we've got a roundup of local meat markets (page 97) and a profile of Laura McGough, a caterer and personal chef who was kind enough to share a few recipes for delicious sides to go with your autumn grilling entrees (page 102). And for history buffs, learn the story of a distinctive, pink midcentury-modern house on Geneva Lake (page 69) and then dive into five decades of cultural exchange between Japan and Walworth County that began with the opening of the Kikkoman soy sauce plant (page 50).

As the leaves begin to change color and the golden autumn light settles over the lake, let's all take a moment to remember: this really is pretty much the perfect place.

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DREAM HOUSE

Barbie isn't the only one who loves pink — I fell hard for this classic midcentury gem (page 69) and its generational backstory (baked goods play an important role).



COZY DETAILS

I can't wait to add this dreamy, coffee-scented candle and these elegant antlers to my deck decor for fall (page 76).

RUFF LIFE

Whenever I need a mood lift, I just look at our latest group of Lake Dogs (page 38), including adorable Parker, the mini goldendoodle!



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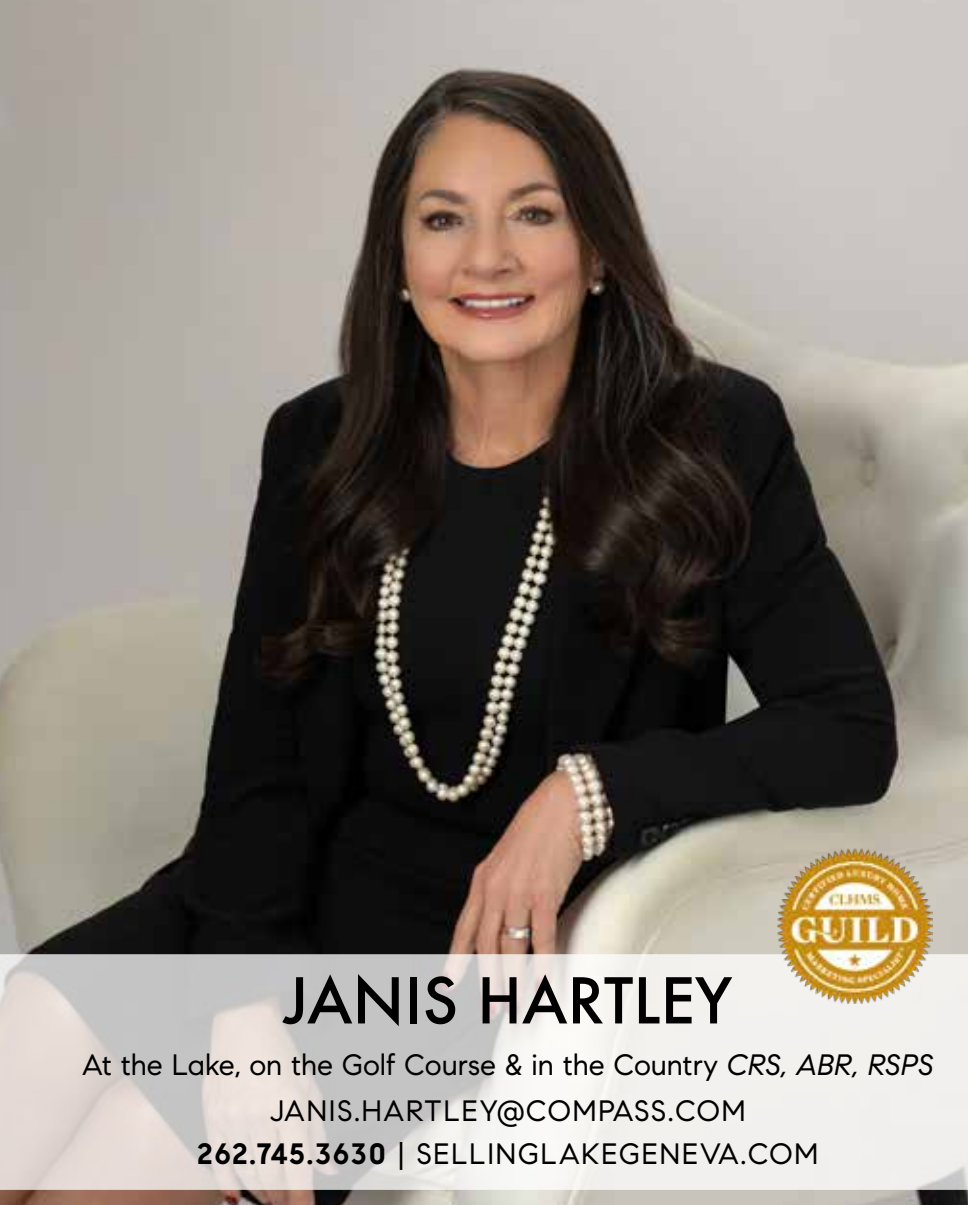
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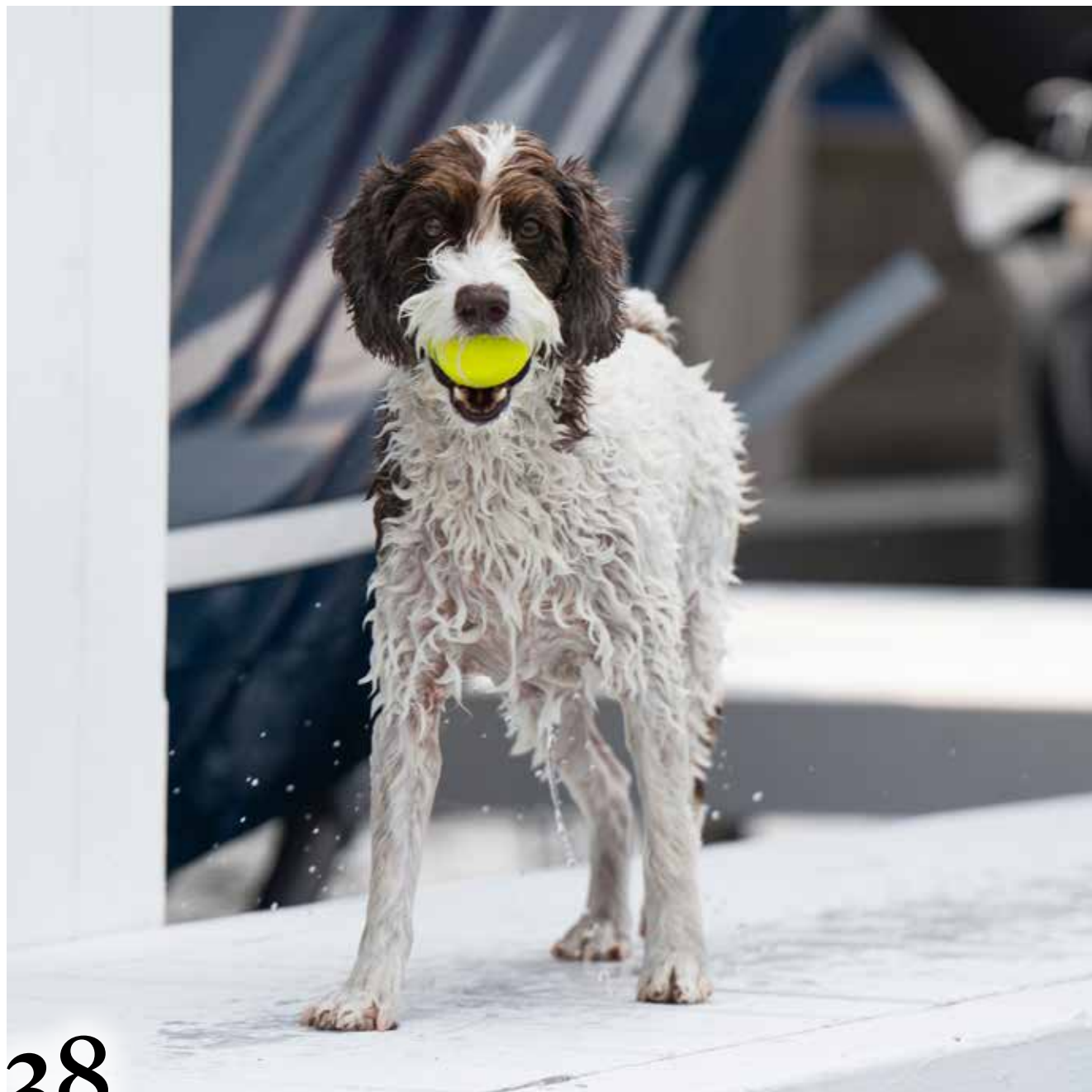
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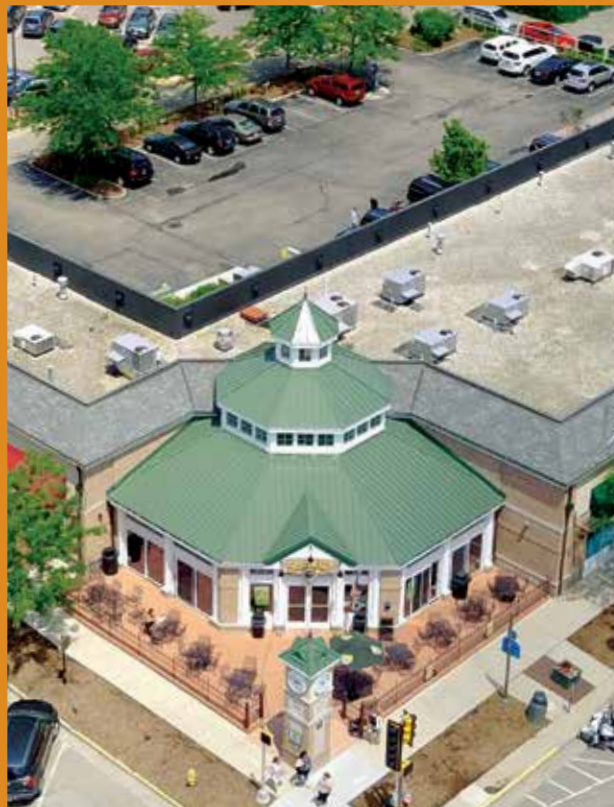
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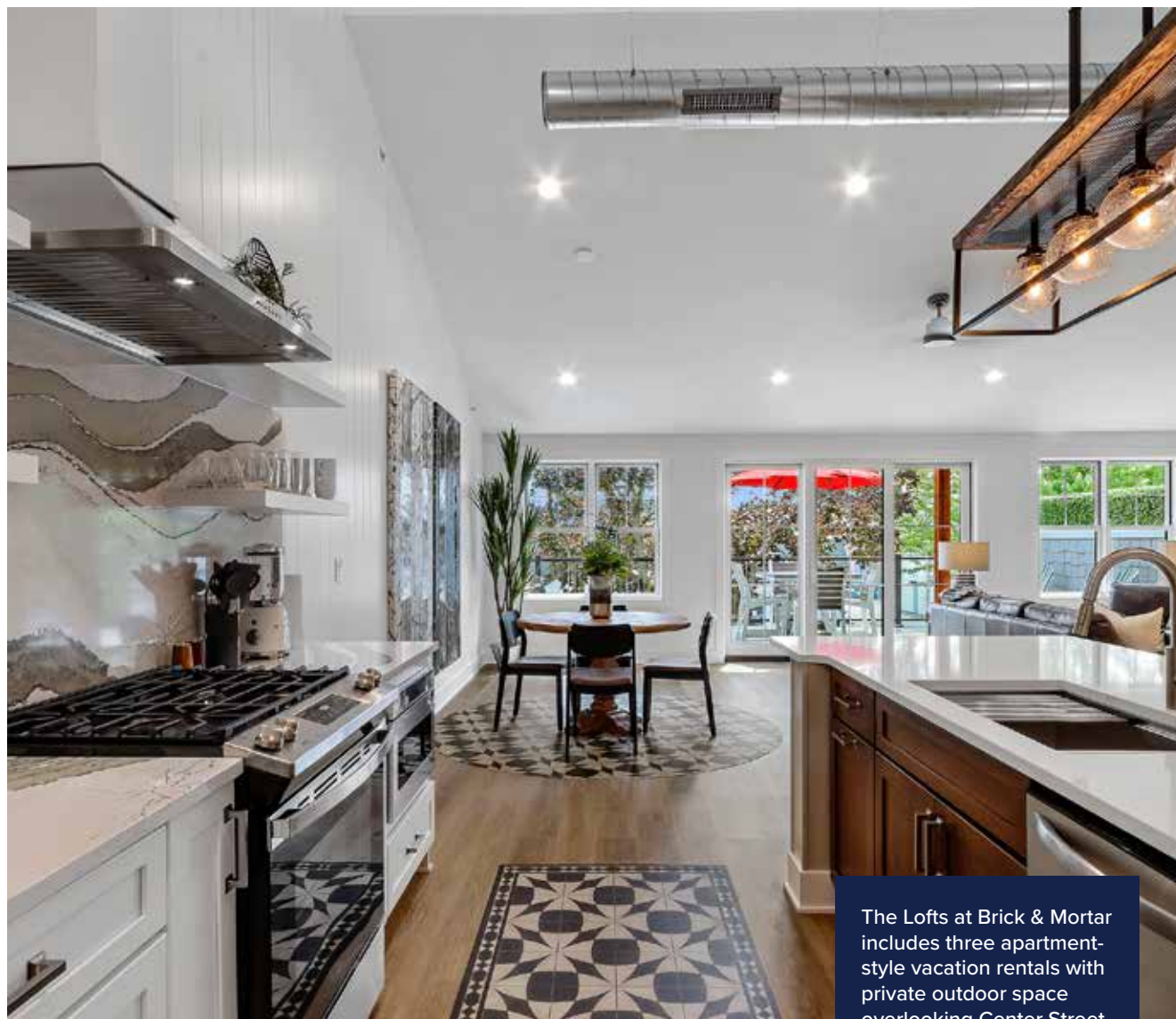
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The Lofts at Brick & Mortar includes three apartment-style vacation rentals with private outdoor space overlooking Center Street.

Loft Living

Brick & Mortar opens luxurious vacation rentals above new outdoor store

BY ANNE MORRISSY

Kathy and Thomas George, owners of popular Lake Geneva home stores Brick & Mortar (The House) and Brick & Mortar Home and Outdoor, recently completed construction of a new building next to their location at 222 Center St. The first floor of the building hosts expanded space for their store's outdoor furniture showroom. The second floor contains The Lofts of Brick & Mortar, three fully appointed, luxury vacation rentals. The building was designed by architect Marit Gamberg. "We landed on doing The Lofts of Brick & Mortar as a reflection of our design process and furniture curations as Airbnbs," Kathy explains.

These 2-bedroom, 1-bathroom vacation rentals — named City Loft, Lake Loft and California Loft — feature modern appliances and elegant finishes throughout. They were decorated by Amber Cook, lead designer at Brick & Mortar, to evoke a distinctive look in each space. Each unit offers private outdoor space on a balcony overlooking Center Street, as well as dedicated parking behind the building.

“All our spaces are fully furnished ... from our stores, and everything is available to order if something catches your eye while staying with us,” Kathy explains. “Just one of the things that sets us apart from other rentals in the area.”

The Lofts at Brick & Mortar rentals are managed by Geneva Lakes Vacations and are bookable online at genevalakesvacations.com, Airbnb and VRBO. Autumn pricing starts around

\$1,299 for a 2-night minimum stay with fees included.

Blooming Where Planted

Gardening leader Roy Diblik receives national recognition

Last May, the prestigious national gardening organization Garden Club of America held its annual meeting in Columbus, Ohio. There, they awarded Walworth County resident Roy Diblik the organization’s medal of honor, in recognition of his “outstanding service to horticulture.” Diblik was nominated for the award by the members of the Lake Geneva Garden Club.

Diblik is the co-owner of Burlington’s Northwind Perennial Farm, where he has spent the past three decades establishing himself as a leader in the New Perennial Movement.

That movement in garden design places emphasis on the planting of North American native plants, hardy perennials and complementary grasses grouped tightly to prevent weed infiltration. Planting yards and gardens in this way reduces the need for watering, attracts pollinators and ensures beautiful blooms, attractive foliage and colorful ground cover throughout the growing season.

In 2004, Diblik collaborated with famed garden designer Piet Oudolf to help design the Lurie Garden, a 2 1/2-acre garden in Chicago’s Millennium Park. He has also worked with former Wisconsin First Lady Tonnette Walker to plan the gardens around the Wisconsin Executive Mansion, and completed high-profile projects planting the grounds around Milwaukee’s Mitchell Domes and the Migratory Bird Garden at the Shedd Aquarium in Chicago, in addition to his many local projects.



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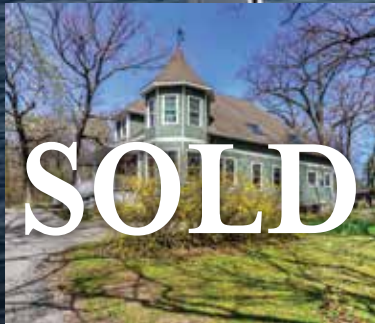
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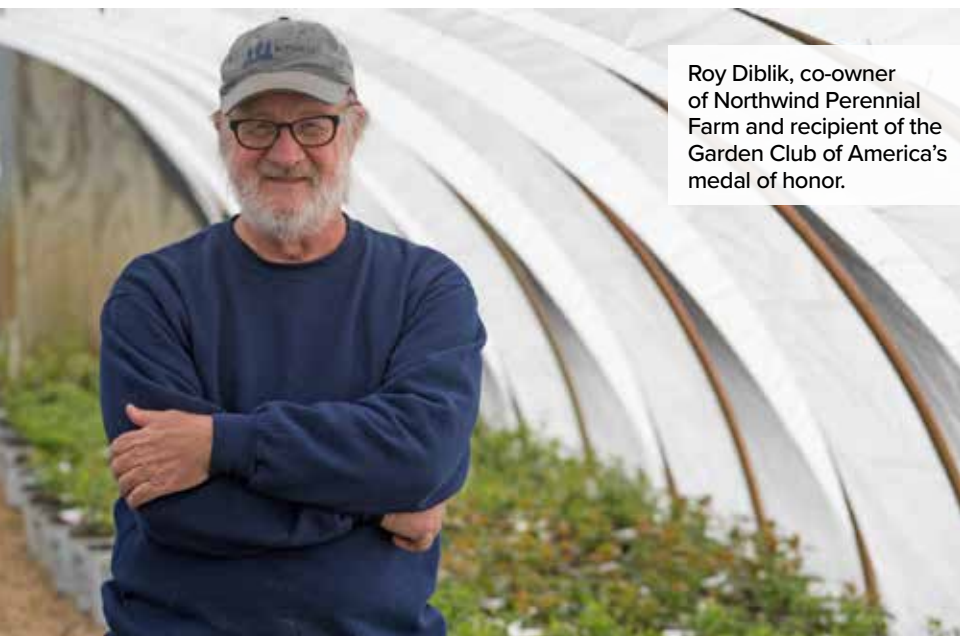
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Roy Diblik, co-owner of Northwind Perennial Farm and recipient of the Garden Club of America's medal of honor.

Diblik is the author of one book, "The Know Maintenance Perennial Garden." He is also a frequent speaker at national and local events, including those sponsored by the local garden clubs and the Geneva Lake Conservancy.

Full of Stars

Yerkes Observatory welcomes former United States Poet Laureate to the Riviera

In July, Yerkes Observatory welcomed former United States Poet Laureate Tracy K. Smith to the Riviera Ballroom as part of its Summer Speaker Series. Smith read selections from her books "Life on Mars," "Ordinary Light: A Memoir" and others.

Smith was raised in California, where her father, an engineer, worked on the Hubble Space Telescope. (Her book, "Life on Mars," honors her father's work in astronomy.) Since 2006, she has served on the faculty of Princeton University. From 2017 to 2019, she served as the United States Poet Laureate, the official poet of the United States.

At the event at the Riviera, Smith was introduced by Yerkes Executive Director Dennis Kois and went on to

read several of her poems, including one of her most famous poems, "My God, It's Full of Stars." She then engaged in a discussion about poetry and astronomy with Yerkes Director of Programs Walt Chadick, a poet himself. "This was one of the most extraordinary honors I've had in my professional career," he said.

The United States Poet Laureate is appointed by the Librarian of Congress to serve a two-year term. During this term, the U.S. Poet Laureate travels around the country making appearances and giving readings. "Tracy K. Smith is a universal and American treasure," Chadick enthused. "It was a great gift to our area that she visited Yerkes, participated in our rebirth and reimagining, and graced Lake Geneva with a public reading and talk."

An Inspired Sesquicentennial


Conference Point Camp celebrates 150 years

On Aug. 26, Williams Bay's Conference Point Camp will hold an open house to celebrate its 150th anniversary. The 21-acre camp was originally founded by the Rev. Joseph Collie,

a Congregational minister from Delavan. In 1873, Collie established a collection of tents on property he acquired on the western point of Williams Bay, to serve as a "summer resort of clergymen and others seeking health in a forgetfulness of the weariness of everyday life." He named it Camp Collie. A few years later, the camp served as the site of a series of religious retreats, the success of which led Collie to make the camp available to religious groups throughout Wisconsin and Illinois, who reserved the camp for one-week sessions.

By 1914, the practice of renting the camp to outside religious groups had continued and the camp's named changed to Conference Point Camp. Some of the groups that came to Conference Point over the years included churches, religious training schools and missionary organizations. In 1965, the camp hosted a conference of approximately 200 civil rights leaders from Chicago and Alabama; Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. helped to organize the conference and served as a headlining speaker.

In 2010, Lake Geneva Ministries assumed management of Conference Point Camp. (The faith-based organization also operates the Lake Geneva Youth Camp on historic camp property in Lake Geneva.) Since that time, the group has made significant updates to the camp, including the construction of new buildings, the renovation of existing buildings and the demolition of at least one historic home that was absorbed by the camp in the 20th century. Updates have also included restoration of the camp's 300-foot-long section of the Shore Path.

To commemorate the camp's anniversary milestone, the open house celebration will include a walking tour of the property, history walls, recreational experiences, a commemoration ceremony and fireworks. Open house attendees must register for the event at lgyc.org; no walk-ins will be allowed. 



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Working His MAGIC

Lake Geneva's own master illusionist, Tristan Crist, shares a backstage glimpse of his career path

BY AMANDA N. WEGNER



Most people know Lake Geneva as a destination for its luxurious resorts, lovely beaches, natural beauty and, of course, the lake. But it's also becoming known for its magic. The man behind that magic is master illusionist Tristan Crist, the owner and namesake of Lake Geneva's Tristan Crist Magic Theatre. This Wisconsin native has put the city on the map for magic and larger-than-life illusions, performing multiple shows per week, all of which rival those found in Las Vegas.

"When you come to the Tristan Crist Magic Theatre, you are going to experience magic up close and personal like you never have before," says Crist. "What I love is making grown adults have that child-like sense of wonder again when they see something that they can't explain."

SPARKING A PASSION

Sometimes a perfect storm of events can turn a spark into a passion. A native of Milwaukee, as a young child, Crist recalls his grandfather showing him a card trick, and then seeing a local magician perform at a festival. After that, his parents took him to the library, where he checked out every book on magic he could find. Crist says he started by reading everything from the history of magic to simple card tricks.

In support of this growing passion, Crist's grandfather bought him a magic set. Crist says he worked hard to perfect the tricks. Once he had a handful of tricks up his sleeve, at age 13, he performed his first paying magic show gig for a Girl Scout troop. With that, he was hooked.

"I made \$50 and realized I could do this as a job!" says Crist. "I spent my younger days performing for birthday parties, scouting events and VFW Christmas parties. Over time, I slowly moved up to performing in theaters."

With this vision for his future, Crist recognized he needed to broaden his abilities, and develop his performance and showmanship skills. In his youth, he took classes at Milwaukee Ballet and participated in theatrical productions, which brought experience in what it's like to perform in front of larger audiences.

To deepen his technical skill set, which is critical to executing a well-designed show and masterful illusions, Crist attended UW-Stevens Point, where he completed his bachelor's degree in theater technology and design. He paid for school with money earned from performing at birthday parties.

Crist notes that most professional magicians have a similar story. "You start small and slowly work your way up. There is no real-life Hogwarts, so it is mostly a self-taught profession," he says. "There are many amazing, skilled magicians who are hobbyists and enjoy magic. Those people are necessary for the survival of the art. To have success as a full-time, professional magician and to actually make a living doing magic, you definitely have to find your niche and discover what your strengths are."



TRICKS OF THE TRADE

Impress your friends with the floating cup trick

The floating cup trick is one of Crist's favorite tricks to teach. Here are instructions for amazing your friends at your next social gathering:

- Take a Styrofoam coffee cup (make sure to drink everything in it first) and poke a hole in the back with your thumb.
- Hold the cup with two hands and place your thumb in the hole, then slowly release all your other fingers.
- Your thumb poked through the hole in the back supports the cup, and from the front, it will look like it is floating in midair!
- Be careful to ensure your audience is directly in front of you, as the side angles can give away the trick.



For those interested in trying their hand at more complex magic and illusions, Crist recommends starting like he did — with your local library. “You can certainly find things on the internet or YouTube these days, but I think there is some value to looking at illustrations in a book, and slowly figuring out a card trick without the help of video,” he says. “It helps develop your spin on it rather than just copying someone else’s routine.”

MAKING MOVES

Crist spent his early 20s touring the Midwest with a show, adding assistants to his act in order to perform bigger tricks. In 2005, he was hired to perform at Circus World Museum in Baraboo, and spent 10 years there developing the show.

Then, in 2015, Crist opened the first Tristan Crist Magic Theatre, renting space in downtown Lake Geneva. “I was looking for a tourist town that didn’t have a lot of evening entertainment options,” says Crist of his decision to put down roots in Lake Geneva. “The proximity to Chicago was a huge plus as well. We looked at several other locations in Wisconsin, Illinois and Minnesota, but Lake Geneva always stood out as the perfect place.”

The original theater opened in December 2015 and was small, with just 50 seats. By 2017, it was clear that the show was so successful that he would need to expand, so he started looking at available buildings. “It was always my dream to own my own theatre, and it was the logical time to start making that happen,” says Crist.

However, Crist quickly discovered there wasn’t anything on the market that was large enough to accommodate what he wanted to achieve with the show. Another challenge was finding an existing building with a parking lot. After talking to his contractor, it became clear that a new building would cost about the same as buying and renovating something that already existed. At that point, he says, it “made sense to go all in on something new.”

Crist bought two acres of land across the street from the Lake Geneva Walmart in May of 2018. Construction began that summer, and the 175-seat Tristan Crist Magic Theatre opened in June, 2019.

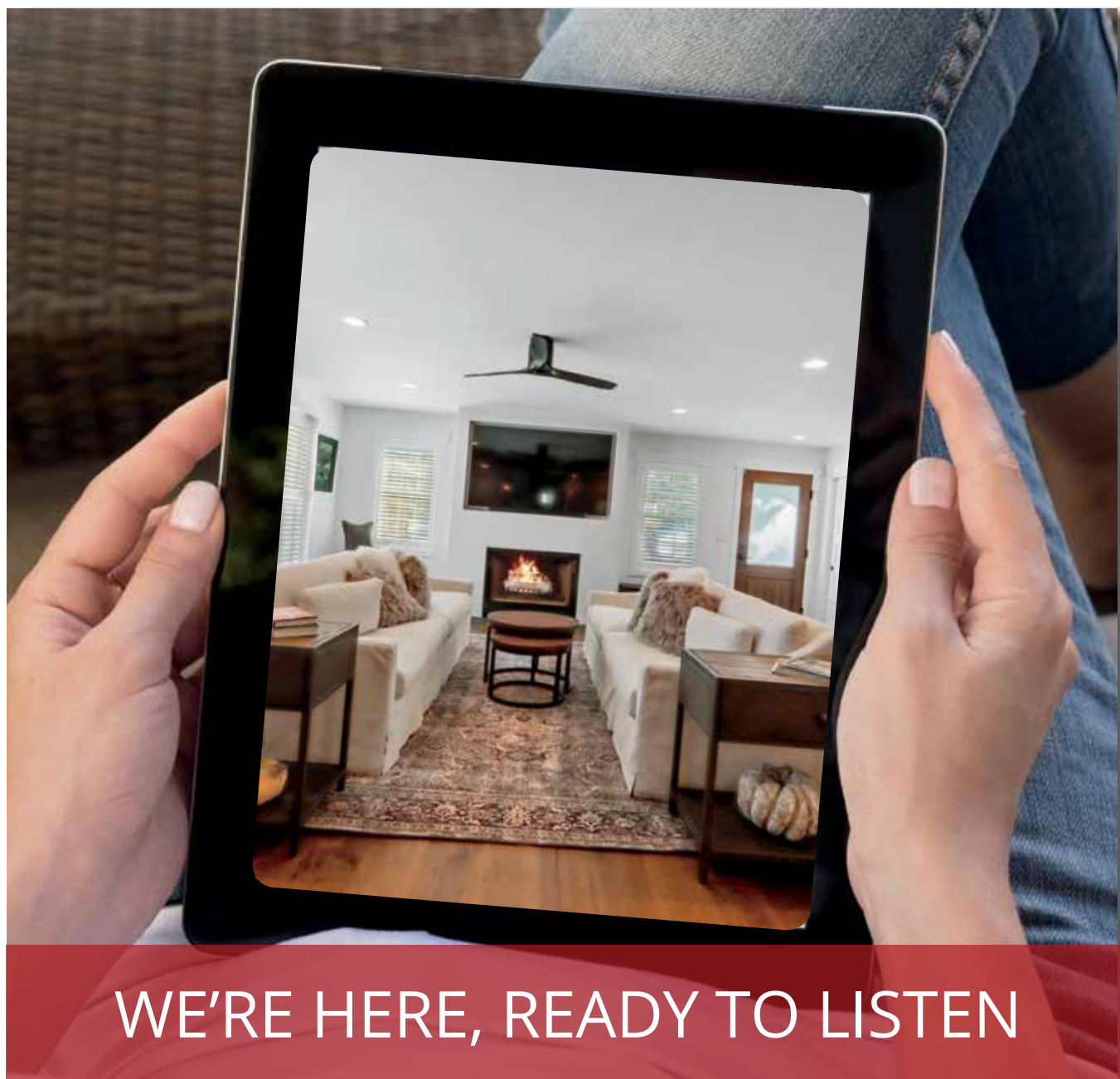
“There are very few magicians who own their own theater,” Crist explains. “In fact, I’ve been told I’m the only magician who has actually built a theater from the ground up to house my show. The others who are doing it either bought existing venues or modified an existing building.”

Crist says there are benefits to building your own space. “Because the Tristan Crist Magic Theatre was brand-new construction, we were able to design it in a way that allows for the magic to be performed in a very intimate, up-close manner,” he says. “We perform very large illusions, and you will see things up close in a way you won’t be able to see anywhere else.”

Crist worked with the architect to ensure that there wouldn’t be a bad seat in the house, providing audience members with an unmatched experience. Highlights of the 90-minute show include dividing a lady in half, making a helicopter appear on stage, showgirls appearing out of thin air and a motorcycle vanishing.

BUILDING ON SUCCESS

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“Thing to Do” on the travel website TripAdvisor for eight years running, and Crist was named the Master Illusionist of the Year in 2021 by the International Magicians Society. Still, he isn’t resting on his success.

When asked what magic trick or illusion is his favorite, Crist emphatically says, “The next one!”

“I am always working on something new for the show, so that is where my focus is. Once it gets in the show, I am searching for the next new thing to start working on. A few top favorites over the years are [a trick involving] making a helicopter appear and a Harley-Davidson motorcycle vanish.” Crist and his crew are constantly working on new routines for the show, and most new illusions, he says, take between six months to a year to develop.



“It starts with an idea. From there, I go to one of a handful of professional illusion builders who are located in Las Vegas or California. They will build the apparatus and then ship it to us in Lake Geneva. We rehearse the prop, figure out solutions to any challenges that pop up, choreograph the routine, design the lighting and music, and eventually get it in the show.”

When it comes to particularly complicated illusions, some things, he adds, take even longer. For instance, Crist and his crew are currently working on a brand-new routine that has never been done in the world of magic before. “It took our builder 18 months to complete the apparatus [for the illusion],” he explains, and adds that they are just starting the rehearsal process with the hope of adding the new illusion to the show in 2024.

“The number-one compliment we get is that people enjoy the show not just because of the amazing tricks but because they genuinely connect with me and enjoy my personality,” says Crist. “Even though I’ve performed the show hundreds of times, I try to make it new and fresh for every audience.”

Crist says that people often ask if the show is appropriate for kids; the magic, he says, is designed to fool adults, but children enjoy the visual aspect of it as well. “We design the show to have routines and music that will appeal to all ages. There are segments that young kids will enjoy, as well as parts that will appeal to teenagers and young adults. A large part of our audience is adults on date night, and we certainly have plenty of grandparents bringing grandchildren.” In that way, Crist’s show serves as a fitting tribute to the man who first inspired his lifelong passion for magic and his career as an illusionist: his grandfather. 🐸

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Lake Dogs

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Ten years ago, we published our first photo portfolio of lake-loving pups and called that feature “Lake Dogs.” As an office full of dog lovers, we were excited about the concept, but we had no idea just how much it would resonate with our readers. The response was overwhelming, and our “Lake Dogs” portfolio has now become a beloved annual tradition and one of our most popular features, both in print and online.

This year, we received more than 70 entries during the official, six-week submission period, and held our first-ever People’s Choice poll on our website. (For the winner, turn to page 40.) Here’s to a full decade of sharing lake life with man’s best friend!

Josie

1-year-old Yellow Lab/Rottweiler

Family: The Marquis Family | **Personality Traits:** Energy equivalent to a sunny summer solstice day.
Favorite Lake Activities: Swimming for balls, trying to chase ducks. | **Pet Peeve:** Balls under the couch.
Naughtiest Deed: Chewing pillows and sassy talking back.



Max

Hofbrau von Pupperson
Williams (MHvPW)

7½-year-old Miniature Pinscher Mix

Family

Frost, Heather & Storrs Williams

Personality Traits

Lively, loving and full-on FOMO (fear of missing out).

Favorite Lake Activities

Definitely hiking the lake path! Kishwaukee has some great, smelly things too.

Pet Peeve

Being left behind. (Again, FOMO!)

Naughtiest Deed

Truly preferring never to be on a leash.



Scout

9-year-old Maltese/Shih Tzu

Family: Tricia Forbeck | **Personality Traits:** Rambunctious, cute and full of life. | **Favorite Lake Activities:** Swimming.

Pet Peeves: Being left home alone. | **Naughtiest Deed:** Waking her human up at 3 a.m. every morning!

Burton

2½-year-old Golden Retriever

Family

Kassandra Romani & Ben Less

Personality Traits

Social butterfly.

Favorite Lake Activities

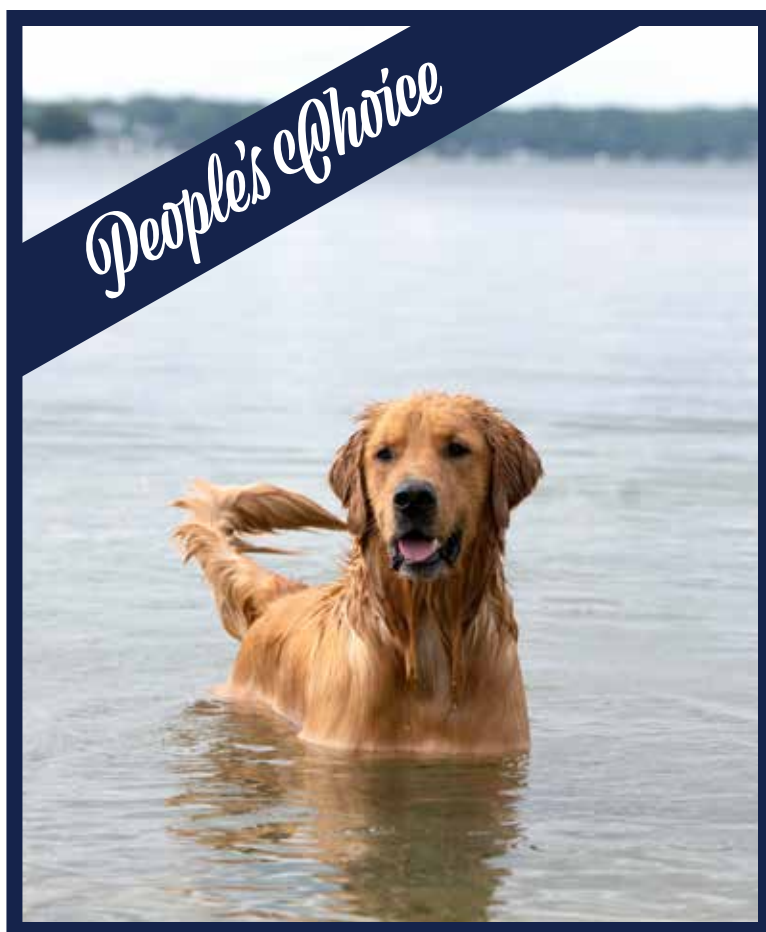
By far, swimming.

Pet Peeve

When he doesn't get his own McDonald's ice cream cone.

Naughtiest Deed

Stealing socks.



Dak & Zeke

4-year-old & 5-year-old French Bulldogs

Family: The Williams Family | **Personality Traits:** Dak: "annoying little brother," energetic adventurer; Zeke: Laid back, relaxed, likes to sleep in. | **Favorite Lake Activities:** Dak: Loves going in the lake but can't swim; Zeke: Finding a comfortable, sunny spot on the deck. | **Pet Peeve:** Dak: Dinner must be on time, OR ELSE!; Zeke: Failure to provide sufficient amounts of attention.

Naughtiest Deed: Snacking on leaves and rabbit droppings; Zeke: Can be stubborn.

Bubba, Grace & Tillie

11-year-old, 5-year-old & 5-year-old
Papillon/Pekingese Mixes

Family

Patty & Mark Aschliman

Personality Traits

Bubba: lap dog, Grace: yippy guard dog,
Tillie: hunter.

Favorite Lake Activities

Chasing squirrels, boat rides.

Pet Peeve

Baths.

Naughtiest Deed

Digging holes.



Parker

7-year-old Mini Golden Doodle

Family

Jim & Nancy Cooney Family

Personality Traits

Energetic and loving.

Favorite Lake Activities

Wave runner rides and jumping in the lake!

Pet Peeve

Not being included in everything we do.

Naughtiest Deed

Persistently sits hoping for a nibble of
your dinner.



Molly

*7½-year-old English Springer
Spaniel/Miniature Poodle Mix*

Family

Sheri & Mark Groover

Personality Traits

Wigglebutt, alpha dog, food-motivated,
happy, playful

Favorite Lake Activities

Fetching her ball off the dock.

Pet Peeve

Missing a treat from the mail carrier.

Naughtiest Deed

Rolling on any dead fish she can
find ... a nasty smell!

Gus

1½-year-old Newfoundland/Great Pyrenees Mix

Family

Lee & Kerri Melchiorre

Personality Traits

Lazy.

Favorite Lake Activities

Digging in the sand.

Pet Peeve

He wants to play with his older sister, but she
does not like him.

Naughtiest Deed

Shaking his head after he drinks and getting
water and slobber all over!





Moose

3-year-old Schnauzer/Shit Zhu Rescue

Family

Kim & Anthony Jarvis

Personality Traits

Feisty, snuggly, super loving and entertaining.

Favorite Lake Activities

Guarding the pier and paddleboarding.

Pet Peeve

Having to wait even a millisecond to walk when he has his leash on. It's "Go time" then.

Naughtiest Deed

Mutilating squishy toys and stealing stuffed animals.



Teddy

10-year-old Lhatese

Family: The Dude Family | **Personality Traits:** Always a greeter, very playful and protective. | **Favorite Lake Activities:** Boating on Geneva Lake with the wind blowing on his face. | **Pet Peeve:** People who don't share their food, and when his family leaves him home alone. | **Naughtiest Deed:** Barking at the lake path walkers when they pass by Teddy's yard.

Franny & Hazel

7-year-old & 2-year-old Sheepadoodles

Family

Terrence, Erica, Lily & Jack Mullins

Personality Traits

Frannie: friendly and chill; Hazel: loving and somewhat nutty.

Favorite Lake Activities

Boat rides, swimming, following the kids to Norman B. Barr Camp for ice cream and going to the Coffee Mill for blueberry muffins.

Pet Peeve

Frannie: Dogs walking the path that want to play;
Hazel: Dogs walking the path that don't want to play!

Naughtiest Deed

Running off the pier and following kids walking down the lake path to Norman B. Barr for treats!



Brando, Dock & Rigby

5-month-old, 5-year-old & 6-month-old English Labradors

Family: Todd & Jen Birkholz | **Personality Traits:** Dock: super chill and relaxed; Rigby: active, curious and loving; Brando: just happy to be part of the team, constantly tilting his head like he's totally confused. | **Favorite Lake Activities:** Dock: pawing at the water but not going in, and short shore walks; Rigby and Brando: running and tackling each other into the water at the boat launch and in the pool. | **Pet Peeve:** Dock: Not getting any rice at dinner; Rigby: his Chihuahua sibling Sprinkles; Brando: his sister can swim, but he hasn't figured it out yet. | **Naughtiest Deed:** Dock: Likes to sleep and help himself to comfortable family beds that don't belong to him!; Rigby: Learned to jump on the counter and pulled 4 pounds of chicken to the floor! Brando: Likes to ruin summer flip-flops.

Maggie

(Cover Dog)

4-year-old English Labrador Retriever

Family

The Voris Family

Personality Traits

Hungry, loving, bossy and protective.

Favorite Lake Activities

Swimming and going for boat rides!

Pet Peeve

Being told, "Maggie, no!"

Naughtiest Deed

Maggie thinks anything that has fallen to the floor is hers for the taking and eating (scraps, AirPods, paper towels, shoes, etc.).



Niklaus & Elijah

2-year-old & 3-year-old Siberian Huskies

Family

Keaghan, Dakota & Wolf, the Alwardt Family

Personality Traits

Energetic.

Favorite Lake Activities

Swimming!

Pet Peeve

Nothing annoys these boys.

Naughtiest Deed

Taking their owners for walks and pulling.



Penny

5-year-old Maltipoo

Family

Kassie McOmber

Personality Traits

Sweet and sassy.

Favorite Lake Activities

Walking by the lake and taking in the sights, sounds and smells!

Pet Peeve

Loud noises and the doorbell ringing.

Naughtiest Deed

She hides her bones around the house and then no one can find them.

Frankie

4-year-old Basset Hound

Family

The Digate Family

Personality Traits

Loves people, playful, very vocal and exceedingly stubborn.

Favorite Lake Activities

Lounging on the pier and watching the passersby.

Pet Peeve

Being left alone, and not getting the human food.

Naughtiest Deed

Fiercely going after all the human food in sight.





Benji

5-year-old Bernese Mountain Dog

Family

Natalie & Garrett Schultz

Personality Traits

Everyone's best friend! He is beyond goofy, extremely lovable, playful at all times and thinks he is a lap dog! He will always be glued to your side.

Favorite Lake Activities

Loves sitting in the shallow end drinking every ounce of water he can get and terrorizing the nearest squirrel.

Pet Peeve

Not being taken everywhere with his family.

Naughtiest Deed

Going on neighborhood walks by himself — aka, running away!


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Benjamin Denis Gates

1½-year-old English Labrador Retriever

Family: Allie & Eric Patzelt | **Personality Traits:** Unhurried. | **Favorite Lake Activities:** Retrieving his water Frisbee, and stretching into downward dog on the dock, in front of his onlooking audience. | **Pet Peeve:** When the house guests don't wake up early enough to play because of a late night at Chuck's. | **Naughtiest Deed:** Sneaking off to take a quick dip in the lake without mom and dad knowing. 

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FRIENDSHIPS IN WALWORTH COUNTY

BY ANNE MORRISSY



In March of 2018, longtime Williams Bay resident Jerre Burrough embarked on a once-in-a-lifetime adventure. For the past 35 years, she and her husband, Dave, had owned Burrough's Floor and Wall Coverings, and their busy schedule had never allowed much time for international travel. But now, as she approached retirement, Jerre had a trip she wanted to take: she wanted to visit Japan. The idea had begun germinating many years ago, after a Japanese family had moved into a house behind the Burroughs' house on Cherry Street in 1979. Hiroshi and Narumi Ikezawa had relocated to the area two years earlier to join a group of about 15 Japanese families, all of whom signed up for five-year contracts in Walworth County to help establish and run the first Kikkoman Foods Inc. plant outside of Japan.

After the Ikezawas moved in, the two neighbors, Jerre and Narumi, found they had a lot in common, and quickly formed a friendship. Both had daughters that were born just a few months earlier, so they spent a lot of time together in their adjoining backyards, or walking together to the beach to spend the day by the water with their children. Narumi would invite Jerre over for lunch, introducing her to Japanese customs and food. As their girls got older, they would play together, and soon became fast friends, too.

Then in 1982, when her husband's five-year contract was up, Narumi and her family returned to Japan. But Jerre and Narumi stayed in touch throughout the years, sending letters about once a month, sharing the news of their lives across a span of 6,200 miles and 14 time zones. Finally, in 2018, Jerre boarded a plane to see her friend's homeland, which she had heard so much about. Decades after they first met as neighbors in Williams Bay, Narumi was waiting at Tokyo's Narita International Airport to meet her. This year, in a fitting parallel to this long friendship, Kikkoman is celebrating 50 years in Walworth County.



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RESPECT FOR TRADITION

In the early 1970s, Kikkoman's decision to open a plant in Walworth was just the latest development in the company's very long history. The story of Kikkoman began in a very different time and place: Noda, Japan, in the 17th century. Today, Noda is a picturesque suburb about 20 miles northwest of Tokyo. But in the 1600s, Noda was a rural farming community in Japan's Honshu Province, and its location between the Edo and Tone rivers was transforming the area into an important river port. The village was also located on the Kanto plain, where the growing conditions proved ideal to grow soybeans and wheat, two of just four ingredients necessary to produce soy sauce. (Salt and clean water are the other two.)

In the late 1600s, capitalizing on this location, eight Noda families — the Mogi, Takanashi and Horikiri families among them — began brewing soy sauce and selling their product throughout Japan. More than two centuries later, in 1917, these families began selling and marketing their products under a single name, Kikkoman, and began exporting their product to the United States. Kikkoman soy sauce quickly became a fixture in the U.S., thanks in part to the popular new Chinese-food restaurants that were popping up around the country.

However, it was the U.S. occupation of Japan following World War II that expanded the American demand for soy sauce even further, as American servicemen and women, as well as journalists, educators and volunteers, developed a taste for Japanese cuisine and inspired a rise in its popularity stateside. In 1957, Kikkoman opened an office in San Francisco to oversee marketing and distribution of its soy sauce in the United States. Following this increased global demand, in 1964, the Noda-based company officially changed its name to Kikkoman Corporation.

CONSTANT INNOVATION: AMERICAN EXPANSION

By the early 1970s, international



Ikezawa and her daughter, Junko, visit a third-grade classroom in Williams Bay in 1981.



Burrough (third from left), with Ikezawa (center, front) and her family in Japan in 2018.



Burrough (middle) in traditional Japanese dress at a historic Edo village with Ikezawa and her granddaughter, Sakuna, in 2018.



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The Kikkoman plant in Walworth, as it appears today, after a \$100 million expansion that began in 2003.

demand for Kikkoman soy sauce was so steady that the company's leaders decided to take a leap of faith: they would borrow money to build the first Kikkoman plant outside of Japan, and become one of the first Japanese corporations to establish a major production facility in the United States. Inside the company, a committee was tasked with investigating possible locations for the American plant, working with an American business consulting firm. Current honorary CEO and Chairman of the Board Yuzaburo Mogi was a member of that committee. He says they started with a list of more than 200 locations, before narrowing their choices to about 60 sites across Wisconsin and Illinois.

Ultimately, Mogi says the committee selected Walworth for its plentiful agricultural supply of the four soy

sauce ingredients, and its central location, which made shipping fast and efficient. But he says the most important factor in choosing Walworth was the people of Walworth County: on visits to the area, the committee perceived the local workforce to be committed and hard-working, and welcoming to the idea of living and working alongside Japanese employees. "We chose Walworth because of the circumstances and atmosphere," Mogi explains. "At that time, this area was a farming area, and I understood that people in Wisconsin, especially in this area, they are hard-working people, so we could expect high productivity. Also, people around here are very friendly — they welcomed us. And they had a great interest in developing the economy, from agriculture to industry."

Once Walworth was selected as the

"... people around here are very friendly — they welcomed us."

**— Yuzaburo Mogi,
Honorary CEO, Kikkoman**

site of the new plant, the company began partnering with local and regional farmers to ensure a plentiful supply of soybeans and wheat. They also began hiring and training American employees in the Japanese art of making soy sauce. Kikkoman employs a traditional Japanese



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brewing process called honjoso, to make a naturally and sustainably brewed soy sauce. This was the first time Americans would be involved in the process. The 147,000-square-foot plant opened in Walworth in 1973, with 15 Japanese employees and about 35 American employees. The era of Kikkoman's American operations had begun.

HARMONY AND EFFICIENCY

To this day, one of Kikkoman's core corporate values is to give back to the communities in which the company operates. The plant's grand opening in June, 1973, included a Shinto blessing of the new building and a community-wide celebration; the company published an open invitation for community members to attend. Thousands of local residents took part in the opening-day festivities, which also included traditional Japanese folk dancing, singing and Taiko drumming, as well as tours of the factory.

To further contribute to the community, almost as soon as the plant opened, current honorary CEO Mogi (then the company's vice president) attended the Governor's Conference on Business Development, and began a long-standing collaboration between the Midwest Governors' Association and the Japanese business community that continues to this day. The company also introduced a spirit of cultural exchange through the five local high schools, offering scholarships for two students each summer to live with a family in Japan for eight weeks while studying the language and culture. The program, which began in 1978, continues to send Walworth County students to Japan today.

More recently, Kikkoman began working with representatives from the University of Wisconsin to study and develop sustainable agricultural practices and freshwater conservation efforts. In June, Mogi announced Kikkoman's gift of two large grants to UW institutions: a \$2 million grant to the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee to support

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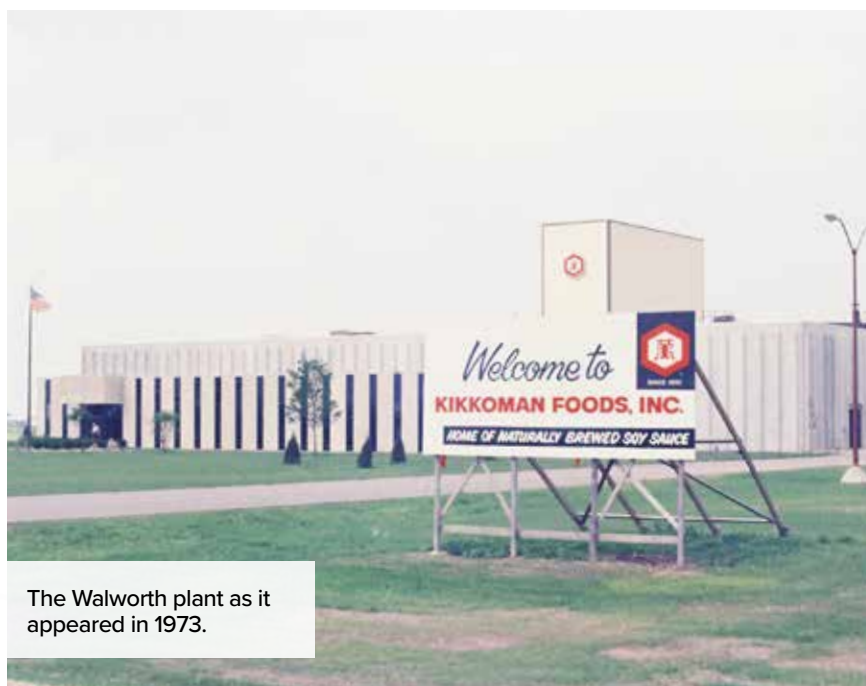
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A Kikkoman ad in the local newspapers in 1973 inviting residents to attend the plant's opening.



The Walworth plant as it appeared in 1973.



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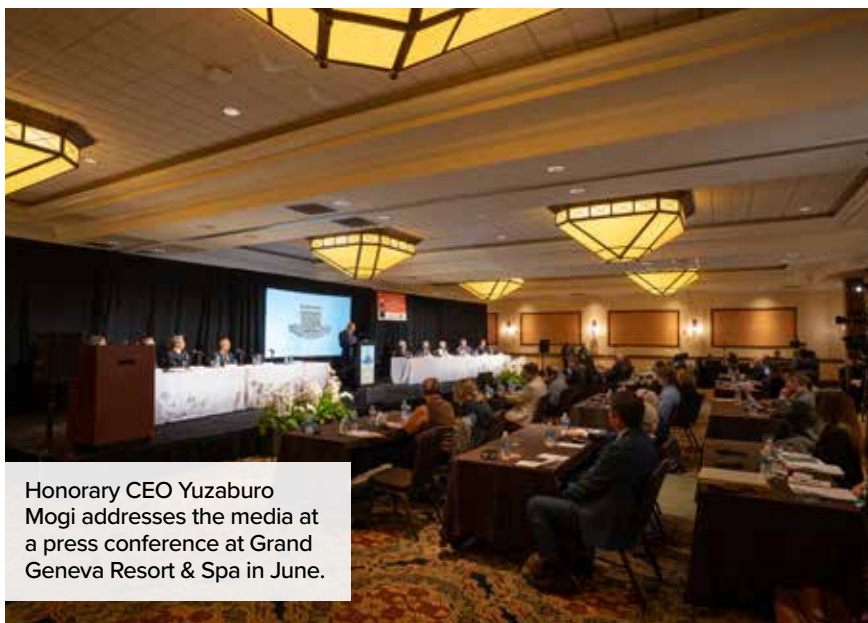
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Inside the plant, soy sauce is fermented in large drums. Frequently during the process, the product is tested for quality. Finished soy sauce is bottled in the iconic teardrop bottle. Inspectors ensure the bottled soy sauce meets Kikkoman's high standards of presentation.





Honorary CEO Yuzaburo Mogi addresses the media at a press conference at Grand Geneva Resort & Spa in June.

the construction of the School of Freshwater Sciences' research vessel Maggi Sue and a \$3 million grant to the University of Wisconsin-Madison's College of Agricultural & Life Sciences. "Kikkoman's arrival here launched a partnership with Wisconsin that has been long and

fruitful," says Dr. Jennifer Mnookin, chancellor of UW-Madison.

CONTINUING LEGACY

Today, following a \$100 million expansion that began in 2003, the Kikkoman plant in Walworth operates seven days a week and

employs over 200 people, most of them local employees working alongside a handful of Japanese employees. It is the largest naturally brewed soy sauce production facility in the world. And while soy sauce is still the main product brewed at the Walworth plant, globally the company produces 40 liquid and powder products, including teriyaki sauce, hoisin sauce and sweet-and-sour sauce, among many others. In 1998, Kikkoman added a second U.S. production facility in California, and today, the company operates a total of 11 plants around the world in North America, Europe, South America and Asia. Since first opening 50 years ago, the Walworth plant's production has grown 30-fold. "For the past 50 years, our Walworth plant has been the model for Kikkoman's worldwide expansion," Mogi says.

The opening of the Kikkoman plant in Walworth in 1973 began a period of friendship and cultural exchange between Japan and Walworth County

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that continues to this day. In June, a delegation of more than 700 Japanese businesspeople and journalists arrived at Grand Geneva Resort & Spa to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Kikkoman Walworth and attend an economic summit examining shared business opportunities between Wisconsin, the greater United States and Japan. The summit was attended by Wisconsin Gov. Tony Evers, Mogi, and many state and local business leaders. At the event, Evers congratulated Mogi on his company's anniversary at the Walworth plant, and declared June 9, 2023, to be "Kikkoman Day" in Wisconsin.

For Narumi Ikezawa and Jerre Burroughs, the effects of Kikkoman's decision to open the Walworth plant in 1973 are much more personal and have reverberated across a lifetime. "We've been wonderful friends for so many years now," Burroughs says, adding that she never guessed when they first met that she would one day be lucky enough to visit Japan.

Ikezawa similarly treasures the many deep and lasting friendships she made in Walworth County. "When Kikkoman asked us to return to Japan, I was very sad," she remembers. "From young to the elderly, I was surrounded with friends. We were blessed to spend [a] wonderful time

[in the U.S.] thanks to the people. Jerre and her family are so close [to ours] that I do not know how I can put it into words. She has been a symbol of friendship and love between me and [the] people in Williams Bay ... [we have] so [many] friends there that were wonderful to us." 🍷



Wisconsin Gov. Tony Evers presents a proclamation to Honorary CEO Mogi recognizing June 9, 2023, as "Kikkoman Day" in Wisconsin.

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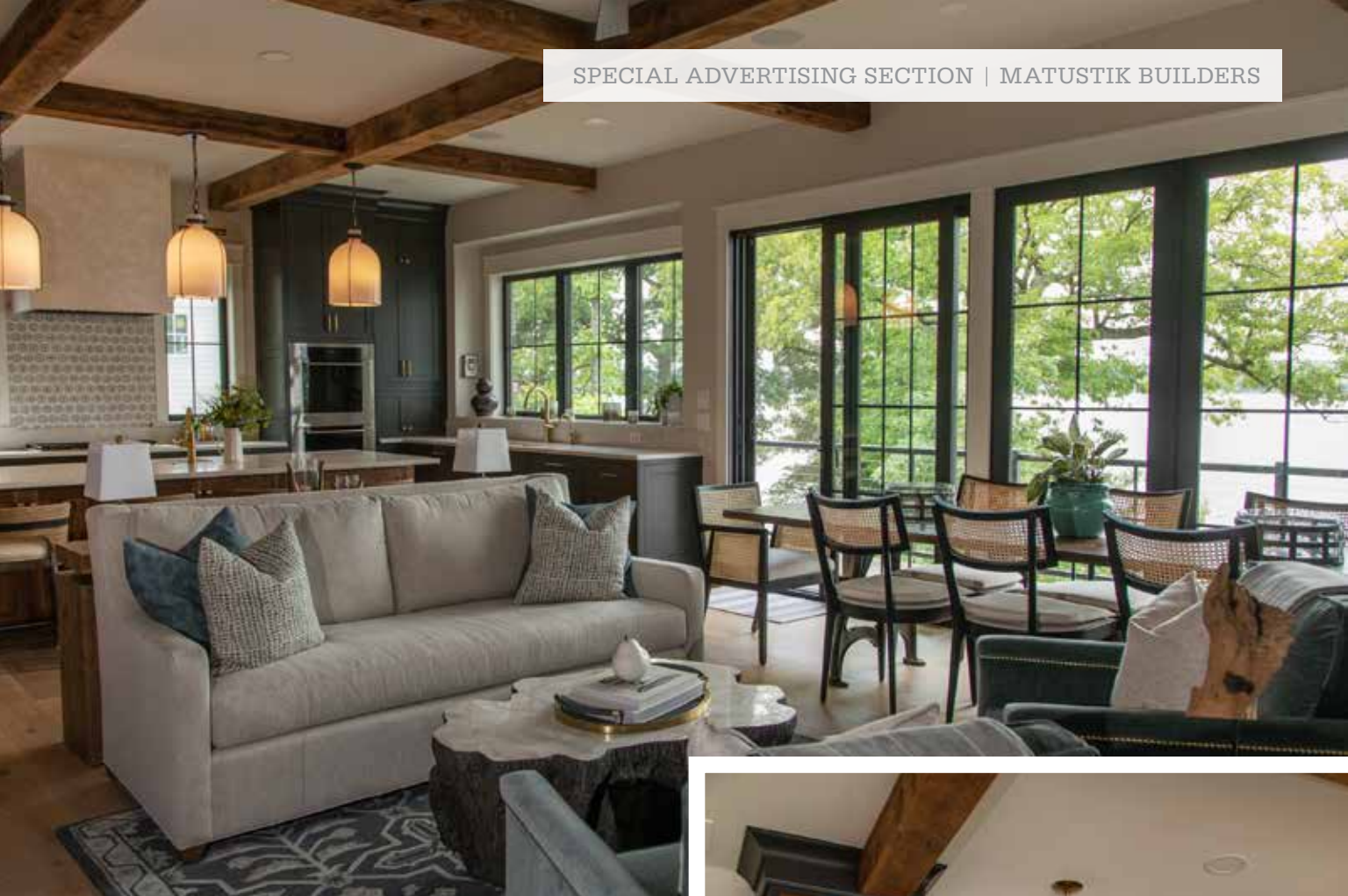
Matustik Builders helped one couple achieve the mountain-inspired lake home of their dreams

Homeowners Ray and Therese Carlson split their time between the western suburbs of Chicago and Geneva Lake, and in 2021, deep into the pandemic, they decided to pursue their vision for a new lake home. They turned to Lake Geneva's Matustik Builders. Established in 2011, Matustik Builders quickly emerged as a local building leader, thanks to owner John Matustik's extensive experience in the homebuilding industry spanning three decades.

As co-owner Kathy Matustik explains, John's passion and expertise in construction were deeply rooted in



his childhood, where he eagerly assisted his father in renovating rental properties. "As a teen, John explored his love for building by actively engaging in various home projects," she explains. "He continued his passion for building in college, obtaining a degree in urban planning and design." From there, John honed his construction skills by working with other builders before ultimately striking out on his own, sensing an opportunity to provide a superior homebuilding experience to his own clients. That's when Matustik Builders started to make a name for itself among discriminating homeowners.



Knowing this, the Carlsons approached Matustik Builders to build their new, 4,000-square-foot lake home. They knew they wanted to build something in a contemporary style, one that is more commonly found in mountain resorts. The final architectural design they settled on achieves the mountain look they wanted and boasts five bedrooms and 4½ baths, with breathtaking lake views. To optimize entertaining, the kitchen seamlessly blends into the dining and living room, creating a perfect great-room space for hosting family and friends. An additional support kitchen adjacent to the main kitchen adds convenience and versatility for entertaining purposes, and ensures that the home's unique design effortlessly caters to gatherings for groups both large and small.

The Carlsons were equally thoughtful about the home's exterior appearance and living areas. The height of the home allowed the Carlsons to make use of all the available space on a relatively petite, 50-foot-wide lot. A spiral staircase provides convenient access to the breathtaking panoramic views from all three levels of the house. "The exterior features that make the home shine include the arbor over the garage as well as the walnut wood accents on the front of the house" says Therese. "We also love the windows on the lake side, as the colors of the water reflect onto the house. Additionally, the outdoor patio off the lower level is perfect for entertaining, boat watching and relaxing."

The Carlsons describe how Matustik Builders expertly





managed multiple challenges related to the pandemic, including supply-chain delays and difficulty finding workers, while still delivering the home in record time. The project took just six months, start to finish, while continuing to focus on top-quality workmanship and attention to detail.

“John attributes his remarkable success in achieving this feat to the incredible team he has assembled, as well as his adept organizational skills and rigorous scheduling,” Kathy says. “Their collective efforts culminate in the creation of remarkable homes that exemplify Matustik Builders’ unwavering commitment to craftsmanship, client satisfaction and the realization of homeowners’ dreams.”

The interior of the Carlsons’ home is full of these artisan details, including a dark wood coffered ceiling in the great room and brick herringbone tile inlay in the entryway. Kathy Matustik says this attention to detail and quality craftsmanship is part of what sets Matustik Builders apart. “[John and the team] take immense pride in their



impeccable craftsmanship, attention to detail and unparalleled dedication to nurturing client relationships,” she says. In addition, Matustik Builders prides itself on working with their clients to efficiently build homes in a remarkably short time frame. This seamless execution allows homeowners to relish every moment of “a summer at the lake.”

“Collaborating with the Carlsons to transform their dreams to reality brought so much joy and satisfaction to our team,” Kathy explains. “The process was truly a delight, as the line between work and enjoyment seamlessly blurred. Matustik Builders thrives on bringing clients’ ideas to fruition, ensuring that every step of the journey is thoroughly enjoyed by everyone involved.” 🌿

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In the Pink

The story of three generations of family that have called this midcentury icon home

BY LAUREN EVE
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At Pier 194, on the shores of the Cedar Point Park subdivision, sits a circa-1961, midcentury modern house painted a distinctive shade of pink that has remained nearly untouched by the passing of time. Purchased by the Dorner family shortly after it was constructed, “The Pink House,” as it is affectionately named, is still owned by that family today. Their multi-generational ownership tells a story, more than a century in the making, of summers spent in Williams Bay.

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The Pink House has been a beloved fixture in the Dorner family for more than six decades. “I remember spending the whole summer up here [at the lake] from Memorial Day to Labor Day,” recalls Terry Dorner, a second-generation owner of The Pink House. “Lake Geneva was the greatest playground a kid could ask for. I find myself inviting people in [to the house] just to tell the story.”

Here’s the story Terry tells: The Dorners purchased The Pink House in 1961, but the family had begun summering in Williams Bay long before that. The Dorners trace their roots back to Anton Dorner, Terry’s grandfather, who arrived in America in the early 1900s as a first-generation German immigrant. A trained baker, Anton Dorner came to Chicago and took a job at the local Heinemann’s Bakery, working diligently for founder William Heinemann. Eventually, Anton Dorner would purchase the bakery from Heinemann in 1935. Every summer beginning in the 1920s, Anton and his wife and children boarded a train from the busy streets of Chicago to the serene village of Williams Bay for a relaxing summer vacation, renting cottages or staying in one of Williams Bay’s small, family-run boarding houses. (The Belmont Hotel was a family favorite.)



This tradition continued for more than three decades. Then, during the summer of 1961, Anton’s son, Herb Dorner, went on a walk along the Shore Path one morning and noticed a pink house under construction in Cedar Point Park. He decided to make an offer to buy the house from the builder, though Terry says the offer was initially rejected. However, the builder must have had a change of heart. Before the summer ended, he contacted Herb Dorner, and asked if he was still interested in purchasing the house. Without hesitation, Herb Dorner bought The Pink House, forever etching the property into their family history.

Over the years, the Chicago bakery continued to keep the Dorner family very busy. The original store

purchased by Anton Dorner in 1935 eventually became the largest family-owned bakery in the Chicagoland area, expanding its reach from stand-alone bakery stores to independent grocers, and even partnering with the renowned Dominick’s Finer Foods grocery chain to sell its goods. The bakery was deeply rooted in Chicago tradition, and attracted locals and celebrities who couldn’t resist their delectable treats. “Film director Alfred Hitchcock would patronize the Heinemann’s Bakery at the La Salle Street train station during the filming of ‘North by Northwest’ in 1959,” says Terry. “And in 1998, our bakery had the privilege of providing basketball legend Michael Jordan with a spectacular cake to celebrate his 35th birthday.”

Today, The Pink House keeps the family returning to Williams Bay summer after summer. Since purchasing the home 62 years ago, the Dorners have remained committed to preserving the home’s original character and midcentury-modern charm, while seamlessly blending in new updates. The five-bedroom, two-bath house still features many original architectural and design elements. In the living room, a vaulted ceiling with exposed beams creates a sense of space and openness, an effect which is enhanced by an open, floating staircase and a freestanding, wood-burning fireplace. A first-floor den features a stunning monkey pod wood accent wall. From the living room and dining area, a wall of sliding-glass doors leads to the outdoor deck, providing unmatched views of Geneva Lake from the point.



In the kitchen, the mosaic tile backsplash featuring a sailing theme was designed and installed in the 1960s by Terry's mother, Vi Dorner, who celebrated her 100th birthday in January. Both Vi and Herb Dorner were talented amateur artists, and their art liberally decorates each room. Terry says these personal touches serve as a reminder that The Pink House has been a labor of love over many decades, one that continues today. Extending the creativity, Terry and his sister Melinda recently crafted a unique, handmade side table in the living room by repurposing parts of the original kitchen counter, which included a 1961 recessed blender. Repurposed in the side table, the blender still works, and provides refreshing summer beverages for friends and family.

In addition to the original art in the house, over the years, the Dorner family has filled The Pink House with



treasured family heirlooms, including a 106-year-old Kimball player piano, vintage family photo albums from the 1920s and 1930s, and a large wall of framed mementos from the 1960s to today, including a vintage map, Geneva Lake Sailing School diplomas and family photos.

Today, the Dorner family is on its

third generation in the Pink House, and they continue to hold a deep appreciation for the Lake Geneva area. In September of 2022, Terry's son, Casey Dorner, and his fiancée Erin Duffy chose Williams Bay's Pier 290 for their wedding reception, nearly a century after his great-grandfather, Anton, first started bringing his family to the lake. "We plan to carry on the

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family tradition and make memories for generations to come [at The Pink House],” Casey says.


For neighbors and frequent visitors to the area, The Pink House has become a recognizable piece of the history of Geneva Lake. “The original pink exterior color of the house has become quite iconic for the neighborhood over the years, and will remain untouched,” says Terry. After 62 years, the home continues to serve as a bastion of leisurely summers and carefree days, much as it did when it was first built decades ago. “With each passing year, and the arrival of new generations, The Pink House provides a place where time seems to slow down,” Terry explains. “There is such a generational vibe around Cedar Point. You run into people whose grandparents have been coming [to the lake] for generations.”


For the Dorner Family, The Pink House

still holds a timeless connection to the century-old family tradition of summers spent in Williams Bay. With a firm commitment to keeping the house in the family and passing it down through generations, the future of The Pink House promises new memories waiting to be created

on Geneva Lake. “The Pink House makes it easy for us to get the family together,” says Terry. “It feels good to continue that legacy and tradition. We have created so many family memories together over the years — it has become a symbol of unity and brings joy for everyone.”








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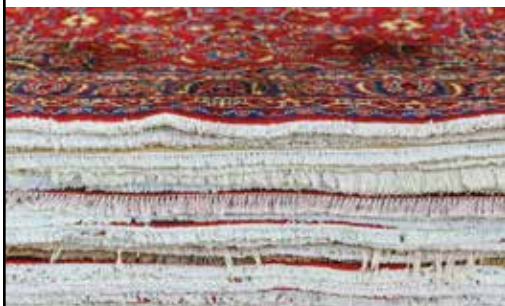


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A quick and easy guide to boat winterization and storage from local experts

BY LAUREN EVE

If you're a boat owner, autumn can be an incredible time on the lake, with cooler temps, fewer crowds and beautiful scenery to enjoy. But as the temps get colder and winter approaches, it is crucial to start preparing your boat for the off-season. By winterizing your boat now, you will ensure it remains in excellent condition, ready to hit the water again when spring arrives.

We've asked the experts what steps they recommend for winterizing your boat to provide an easy transition from one boating season to the next. Below, employees from Jerry's Majestic Marine in Fontana and Gage Marine in Williams Bay give their quick and easy checklists to help you prepare your boat for winter.

1. Ensure that your boat is completely dry by taking out all wet items, such as towels and life jackets.
2. Make sure there is no water in your bilge, so the bilge pump doesn't freeze during the winter.
3. Clean any surface dirt from your boat by wiping down all cushions, covered areas, fiberglass and dashboard areas.
4. Clean the exterior of your boat using soap and water to wash off any debris.
5. Remove all marine growth from the bottom of your boat.
6. Cover or trim your propeller cavity so that it won't fill with water or snow.
7. If your boat has a built-in refrigerator, remove all food and drink, and prop open the fridge door for good air circulation.
8. If your boat has a cabin with air conditioning, add hydrogen peroxide to the air conditioner condensation pan to prevent algae overgrowth.
9. If your boat has a head (bathroom), pump and flush your waste system thoroughly before adding antifreeze.
10. Inspect your boat for any necessary repairs during the off-season.

As always, if you are not comfortable winterizing your boat yourself, it is best to call a professional for assistance. Marine professionals will have the expertise and knowledge, as well as the required materials, equipment and expert staff to take care of all types of boats. Whether you choose the DIY route or hire a marine professional, good boat winterization practices will ensure that you won't miss a beat when boating season rolls around again. 

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How one family
channeled classic
southern gentility
in their Lauderdale
Lakes retreat

BY JESSICA ELSE
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Gary and Shara Storandt have owned a home on the Lauderdale Lakes for the past 30 years, so when they decided to build a new lake house just four houses down the street from their previous house, they wanted their home to reflect their longevity in the area. With a vision of creating a “new, old lake house” for themselves as well as their children and grandchildren, they finished construction on the 5,000-square-foot home on Mill Lake in May of 2022.

As with their previous lake house, the family plans to spend summers at the new, Mill Lake house. The Storandts also have a home outside of Chicago and spend some of their time in Florida. But in the summertime, the lake house is the center of the family’s activity. “Last weekend we had 17 people for dinner,” Shara said during a recent interview. “The family definitely takes advantage of it [the lake house].”

“In the morning, it’s spectacular because all of the windows face east and you get to see the whole lake out in front of you.”

— Shara Storandt

Four rocking chairs sit on a wide, open front porch that runs along the front of the white home, a nod to the origins of the home’s classic, southern design. When the Storandts were looking for design ideas for their new lake home, they found a strong vision and a set of architectural plans in Southern Living magazine.

Long before having a home here, Shara would visit the lakes after being introduced to them by her aunt and uncle. Back when she first started coming to the lakes, the homes were smaller and designed in a different style than the larger, more modern homes currently being built.

“They’re beautiful homes, but we simply wanted our house to look like it had been built years ago,” Shara says.

To build this dream home, the Storandts worked with Lake Geneva home builder Tom Ajamian, who they had worked with before on additions to their previous lake



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house. Ajamian introduced the couple to architect Joe Wilburn, who is also headquartered in Lake Geneva, and together they made subtle changes to the floor plans from the magazine. Then, the project started. “It was just fun coming up all the time and seeing the progress they made, Shara says. “And it turned out great.”

The new Storandt lake house has six bedrooms, three full bathrooms and two half bathrooms, and sits on half an acre with 65 feet of lake frontage. Compared to the genteel design of the main floor, the lower-level design is more modern and was added after they’d settled on plans for the home. “It wasn’t intended to be a big place, but we found out we could add an English basement, so we did,” Shara said. “It’s a good thing, too, because now we have more bedrooms, all with windows above grade.”

On the main floor, the home has the classic southern charm that Gary and Shara had wanted all along. “We kind of flip-flopped [the architectural design], but we tried to stick to those [Southern Living] plans,” Shara said. “We had the concept all along and kept with the old-style design.”

Inside, a beautifully tiled fireplace complements floor-to-ceiling doors and windows in an open living, dining and kitchen space that offers sweeping views of the lake. The Storandts opted for warm, classic décor and finishes, alongside contemporary appliances and modern amenities, plus a few modern architectural touches. But the focus remained on making the house look like it had been there for a long time. Even the landscaping leading from the lake up to the house was planned to evoke lakeshore nostalgia.

The Storandts explain that, while designing the house was a faster-than-average process, building the house took over a year due to pandemic-related supply and shipping delays, as well as difficulty finding workers. “It was just Tom and two or three others building the house because they had a hard time finding help [during



the pandemic] so they could meet their deadlines,” Shara said. “But he was great with bringing in all the subcontractors.”

Once the home was completed, Shara set to decorating and furnishing the entire space, starting from scratch because the couple sold all their furniture with their previous lake

(Top) A gas fireplace in the living room keeps the house cozy during colder weather. (Above) A striking painting over the bed in the primary suite lends personality to the space, while plantation shutters continue the southern design theme that runs throughout the home.



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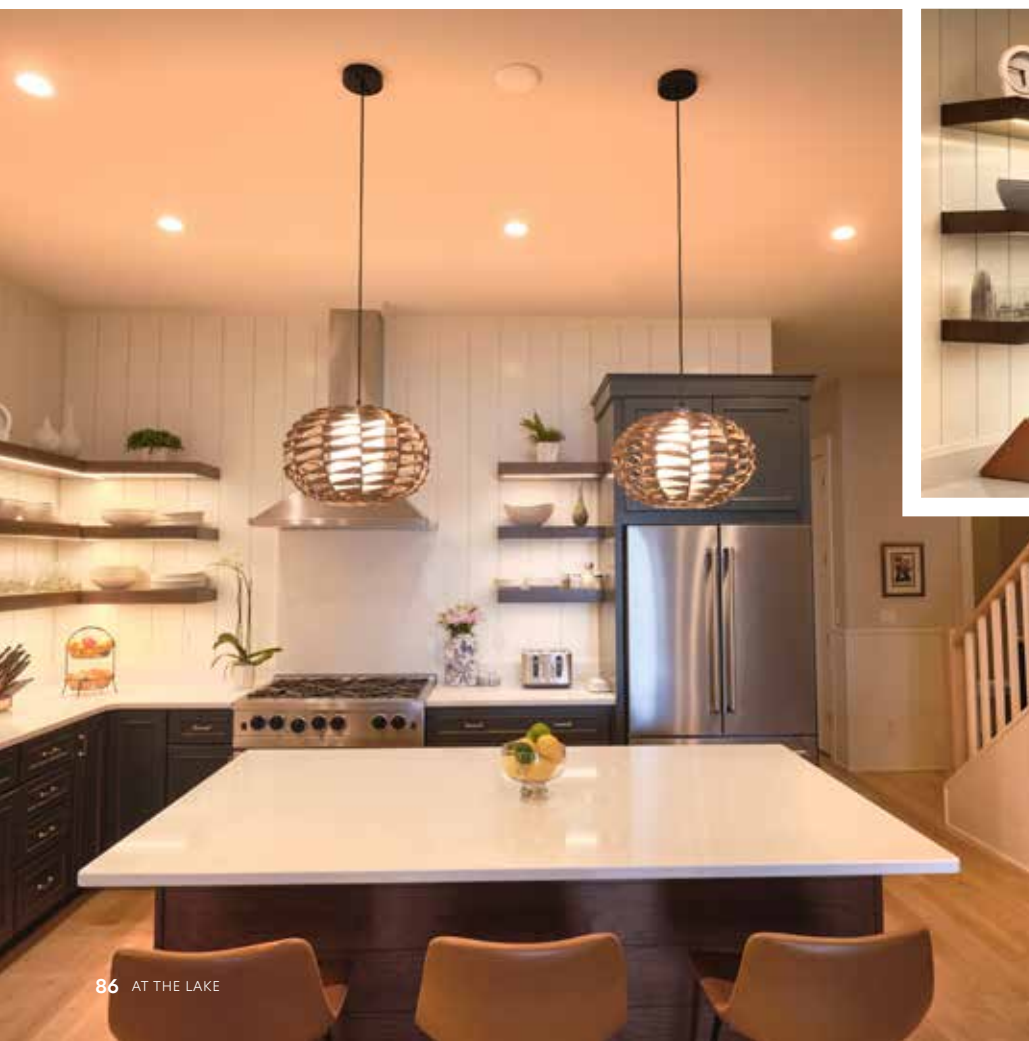


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(Top) The Storandts say the home's screened porch is a highlight, providing a cool and breezy space to enjoy views of Mill Lake. (Left) The large kitchen island is perfect for preparing meals for the many friends and family members who visit. Bentwood pendant lights and leather-covered stools lend a modern touch to the traditional kitchen design. (Above) In the kitchen, floating shelves with built-in lighting provide storage and display space.



Exposed wooden beams on the ceiling of the living and dining areas add warmth to the space, while a showstopping chandelier provides a warm glow.

house. They left everything in the old house for the new homeowners. So, in addition to poring over paint samples, flooring options and cabinet colors, the Storandts also spent months deciding on couches and tables, bedding and curtains, area rugs and other furniture and décor, and waiting for delivery on many of those items as well.

Shara says that decorating the entire home took a lot of effort, and while it was fun to envision the final result and to choose décor, ultimately she found the process exhausting. “It’s fun to think about what your kitchen is going to look like and things like that, but you also have to pick out 25 light fixtures,” she said. “We were shopping continuously for everything.”

But now, in their second summer in the home, Shara feels she’s found enough décor that reflects a minimalistic, southern-style aesthetic to be able to take a break from decorating while still feeling satisfied with the home. “I don’t know what I call my style — maybe it’s cozy minimalist,” she says.

The primary bedroom is one of her favorite spaces, decorated with an emphasis on functionality, but with a lot of personality from a large piece of art over the bed. On the lake side of the home, the main living space benefits from all the natural light spilling in from every angle

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throughout the day, creating a warm, uplifting feel in the whole space. “In the morning, it’s spectacular because all of the windows face east and you get to see the whole lake out in front of you,” Shara says.

But the best feature of the house, according to Shara (and the consensus of her family and friends), is the screened porch on the north side of the house. The space has a view of the lake and allows for the feeling of being outside without the annoyance of bugs or risk of sunburn. “No matter the weather, we get a breeze that goes through, and it [the porch] seems to be everybody’s favorite,” Shara says. “And the view of the lake is different even though we just moved a few houses down.”

The Storandts are extremely pleased with the end result of building their new lake home. From water sports and sunbathing to family dinners and summer holiday celebrations, they’ve used the space



Natural wood rocking chairs on the screened porch complement white rocking chairs on the open porch, all of which allow for comfortable viewing of the home’s spectacular lake views.

to relax, bond as a family and enjoy life. “People just show up,” Shara says, describing how her 18-year-old granddaughter turned up at the house recently just because she was

bored and looking for something to do for the evening. “It’s fun to have family pop in all the time,” she says. “You just have to have a big table to seat everyone.” 🍷



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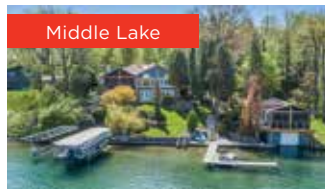
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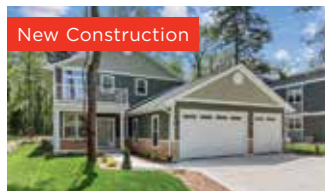
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A family of bird-watchers enjoys the purple martin houses tended by the Lake Geneva Avian Committee in Library Park.

For the Birds

Lake Geneva Avian Committee promotes local birding through protection and education

BY SHELBY DEERING

Thanks to the hospitable lake environment, sprawling prairies and towering, old-growth trees, birds of all kinds flock to the Lake Geneva region. Downy woodpeckers, sandhill cranes, goldfinches, cardinals and Great Blue herons are just some of the beautiful birds that call this area home. But not everyone realizes that all of the area's birds — both resident and migratory — have a local, municipal committee on their side, encouraging sound environmental



"Bird condos" maintained by the Avian Committee promote nesting for local birds.

preservation of bird habitats and promoting bird appreciation in the community.

Formed in 2011 with six citizen appointees and one alderperson, the Lake Geneva Avian Committee promotes the protection of area birds and sponsors a variety of activities for the public, offering community fun and education related to birding. Since its formation more than a decade ago, the committee has successfully achieved its goal to have Lake Geneva named an official "Bird City Wisconsin."

Amid the 96 recognized Bird Cities in the state, Lake Geneva is one of 32 that have achieved "High Flyer" status, meaning that the city has gone above and beyond when it comes to bird habitat conservation and public education. The city of Lake Geneva is in good company with fellow "High Flyer" Bird City Williams Bay.

To be named a Bird City, the Wisconsin town has to meet six requirements, including habitat protection and monitoring, removal of threats to birds and outreach with the public. These are things that the Lake Geneva Avian Committee does in spades. As Lake Geneva Avian

Committee member Carol Zimmermann explains, the committee sponsors several annual projects and events to promote local birding.

One such project is a partnership with Alliant Energy. Using a grant from that company, the committee has been able to purchase and loan out bird-watching kits from the Lake Geneva Public Library. "The vivid green shoulder-strap bags have a pair of binoculars, bird identification resources and information on birding hot spots around Lake Geneva," Zimmermann shares, adding that with the popularity of

the program, the committee hopes to inspire new birdwatchers and to make this "gentle sport" accessible to everyone, regardless of their income.

Another project sponsored by the Avian Committee is a multi-disciplinary curriculum through the Lake Geneva Schools. Called "Learning to Soar," the semester-long program introduces fifth-grade students to basic facts about birds and migration, culminating in a research-based experience that students share with the public during an event

intended to inspire local residents to understand and enjoy birds.

For the past three years, this research-based experience has taken the form of a student-created "Storybook Trail" at the Four Seasons Nature Preserve on Highway H in Lake Geneva. Zimmermann says that this project is designed to promote bird watching for children and families and has served as the capstone for the curriculum. "The students are asked to complete the trail using a process called project-based learning," Zimmermann says. "Students meet with 'clients' to understand the project requirements. In our case, the clients are the members of the Avian Committee. The mission that we give the students is that they create a trail experience that inspires younger, first-grade level readers to learn about migratory birds."

The project also involves the fifth-grade students writing and illustrating an original story about a bird who migrates to the preserve. Zimmermann explains that the pages of the book the students create correspond to nine specific locations along the trails in the nature preserve. The pages are then posted at each location on the trail, along with an "amazing bird fact" and an activity that a child can complete



Local elementary school students explore the Storybook Trail in the Four Season Nature Preserve.

on site, creating the interactive “Storybook Trail.”

In the past three years, the original stories have focused on a family of tree swallows and the migration journeys of bluebirds and purple martins, which are plentiful in the Lake Geneva area. In fact, there are dozens of purple martin houses that can be spotted along the Geneva Lake Shore Path, carefully tended by Lake Geneva Avian Committee members.

Zimmermann says that each of the purple martin “condos” has multiple nest boxes for these cavity-dwelling birds to occupy when they migrate to Lake Geneva from South America in the spring. Volunteers check on the birds multiple times per week to inspect nest boxes for eggs and,

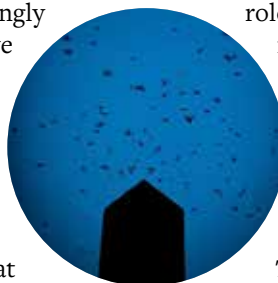


later, check on the welfare of the nestlings. As a result of these efforts, the local migratory colony continues to thrive.

Another busy spot for feathered friends? The Geneva Lake Museum’s decommissioned chimney, which has become a communal roost for visiting chimney swifts. As the hollow trees preferred by these swifts are increasingly cut down, the birds have adapted to chimneys as a suitable habitat to build their nests. In early autumn, thousands of swifts roost in the museum’s chimney, coming out at dusk to eat as many insects as they can. As they emerge from their chimney nest, these flocks of birds form a

vortex that Zimmermann says is truly hypnotic to observe. The natural show has become an annual tradition at the museum: “Swift Night Out.” The free program sponsored by the Avian Committee has become a big draw in recent years — over 250 people have attended past events.

Zimmermann says that there are plenty of reasons to care about the birds of Lake Geneva: the sheer joy of hearing their songs and calls; spotting their vivid colors and patterns; their role in the ecosystem as natural bug control; and the fact that the act of bird-watching can provide us with an opportunity to get outdoors and enjoy our natural world.



This year’s Swift Night Out will take place on Thursday, Sept. 7. For more information, visit the Geneva Lake Museum website. 🦉

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Q&A

The Reading Room



New youth services
librarian creates imaginative
opportunities for families

BY SHELBY DEERING

Last spring, Wendy Finley was promoted to the role of Youth Services Librarian at the Lake Geneva Public Library. With the completion of the recent \$1.3-million-dollar renovations at the library, Finley says she's excited to make use of the refreshed spaces to bring literacy and community-building opportunities to young learners in new and fun ways. We asked her a few questions about her role at the library and her plans for the new school year.

ATL: What are things you do every day as the Youth Services Librarian?

WF: I communicate with teachers to schedule visits from local schools. During the school year, I usually have one or two class visits a day. I also talk to families and community members in the library to understand how I can better serve them. Then, I plan and offer programming. Programming is

where I get to interact with our youth and see their imagination, creativity and problem-solving at work. That is what I love most.

ATL: What do you have planned at the library over the next school year?

WF: I will continue with the programming that consistently draws large attendance, such as storytime, STEM night, Chess Club and Sensory Playtime. I plan to highlight our exuberant community and talented youth, working with groups such as The Combining Cultures Dance Club, The Dynamic Dolphins Choir and Arts Clubs at Badger. My goal is to shine a light on the wealth of resources we have right here in Lake Geneva and the surrounding areas.

ATL: Why is it important that kids start experiencing a love for reading at a young age?

WF: I want children to develop a love of the library as a place of learning as early as possible. When children come to storytime, they learn that the library is a warm place where we tell stories, we play with toys that spark our imagination and where we learn new things like how to finger knit. Those are the building blocks for a well-developed sense of belonging, curiosity and knowledge. The library becomes a place to go to be part of the community.

ATL: How does the Lake Geneva Public Library make life better for area kids?

WF: The library is a place where all kids and families are welcome. Everyone can come to our programs and take advantage of our offerings and services free of charge. It never ceases to amaze me how many kids and adults light up when I say that everything at the library is free. Even at such a young age, the school-age children that come for visits have a hard time believing that they don't have to pay anything for a library card. They have access to the Internet, top-notch musicians, performers, educators, art, STEM activities, books and one of the best views you could ask for anytime they want. 🐾



At The LIBRARY

Looking for some good autumn reads with a local tie-in? Lake Geneva Public Library Community Engagement Librarian Ellen Ward-Packard shares a few suggestions.

FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT'S WISCONSIN: HOW AMERICA'S MOST FAMOUS ARCHITECT FOUND INSPIRATION IN HIS HOME STATE

BY KRISTINE HANSEN



This beautiful guidebook (written by an At The Lake contributor!) gives short histories of Frank Lloyd Wright designs built in Wisconsin, including several

in the Lake Geneva and Delavan areas. Full-color photos illustrate the progression of Wright's style from earlier Prairie-style and four-square designs to the later Usonian period. Enjoyable reading for Wright aficionados and casual readers alike.

AMERICAN GODS

BY NEIL GAIMAN



Continue your tour of Wisconsin's architectural landmarks with Neil Gaiman's Americana mythology epic. This fantasy novel will take

you on a fantastical road trip to Lakeside, Madison and The House on the Rock in Spring Green, as well as many other quirky and unusual American landmarks.

WEIRD WISCONSIN

BY LINDA S. GODFREY AND RICHARD D. HENDRICKS



Touching on people, places and phenomena, this anthology chronicles both interesting historical happenings in the state

(including Delavan's circus history), and local legends like the Beast of Bray Road. (Godfrey, the late, local author, was the expert on this subject.) A great starting point for a weird and wonderful tour of our state.




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Local butchers and meat markets are ready to meet all your autumn grilling needs

BY SARAH KOEHLER
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As the days start getting shorter and the temperatures start falling, autumn is actually the perfect time for outdoor grilling. Why not have some friends over to watch the big game while cooking up the best burgers, brats and steaks the Lake Geneva area has to offer? Several top-quality, local butchers and meat markets are ready to meet and exceed your autumn grilling needs.



but then they love it and can't imagine getting anything else."

For fall, Vorpapel says bringing together pork and apples is the perfect classic combination: "Pulled pork shoulder with an apple-cider-and-onion barbecue sauce is a yummy twist on traditional pulled pork, or pork tenderloin and apple kabobs on the grill are delicious and a good way to use some extra apples. And, of course, pork chops and apple sauce is a classic!"

Lake Geneva Country Meats' website also features recipes and game day ideas. Try the bacon-wrapped chicken tenders, or opt for "Green and Gold" brats: fresh cheddar and pepper bratwurst topped with Wisconsin cheddar cheese, caramelized onions, sauteed jalapeño peppers, chopped green onions and bacon!

Another option for fresh cuts of meat, personalized service and a wide selection is **Johnstown Meat Company** in Walworth (114 Madison St.) or Janesville (10249 E. County Road A). Owned and operated by "Frank the Butcher," Johnstown is known for their high-quality products, many of which are boxed into packs for economical pricing and convenience. Frank is most proud of the store's "old-world ways:" "We do things here the way it was done 100 years ago — everything by hand," he says.



Today, while many folks still use a classic Weber, grill options have also gotten a lot fancier, including "cooking systems" such as the Big Green Egg or other kamado-style cookers, plus smokers, flat-top griddles and more. The days of waiting 20 or 30 minutes for charcoal to heat up are gone, as many homes now have their grills tied directly into their home gas-line, allowing for year-round grilling. Whichever type of grill you choose, start with a great cut of meat, and then cook it to your likeness. For those new to the grill game, your local butcher can help you with advice for every kind of meat on every kind of grill.

Lake Geneva Country Meats (5907 State Road 50 East) offers a large array of hard-to-find cuts, as well as both fresh and frozen butcher cuts. Vice president Nick Vorpapel says the most popular item at the store is the fresh cherry bratwurst. "Every year we keep selling more and more of these," he says. "It sounds a little weird, but this isn't a super sweet sausage or packed with cherry. I think that people try it for the first time as a novelty or because they see so many other people ordering it,



He's also not afraid to experiment with new flavors — and he encourages customers to do the same! Recently, a new, smaller grinder was added to the equipment line at the Walworth location, allowing for smaller batches of product to be created. The Janesville location has larger equipment, and processes larger batches — literally thousands of pounds of meat each week.

Frank says the bacon-cheddar smashburgers and Johnstown's hand-



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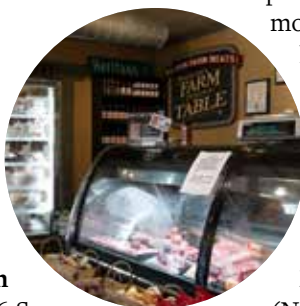


The Lake Geneva Country Meats website (lakegenovacountrymeats.com) has dozens of recipes, links to food resources and tips for learning about different flavor profiles — including a “Flavor School” section that will take you from A-Z, Adobo to Za’Atar.

sliced bacon are customer favorites, but with this new equipment, he’s looking forward to trying things like brisket burgers, rib eye burgers and even short-rib burgers. He suggests these richer, heartier burgers for fall. You can also check out Frank’s videos on Facebook for more cooking tips, serving suggestions and store announcements.

Perhaps you’re looking for something that can be brought to your door instead? In that case, check out **Alden Hills Organic Farms**. Located in Walworth and managed by Emily and Levi Powers, the farm specializes in certified-organic meats, including grass-fed beef, pastured poultry and pork, and fresh eggs. Alden Hills operates on a pickup- and delivery-based model — no physical store exists. Place your order online for pickup seven days a week, or opt for Alden Hills’ delivery routes throughout the Lake Geneva area. Emily says Alden Hills’ best-selling item is their pastured, certified-organic bacon, and they often have a hard time keeping it in stock. But don’t worry — they’ll always have more in the works.

If you’re looking for top-quality classic meats or feeling a bit more adventurous and would like to try something new, head to **Wilson Farm Meats** in Elkhorn (406 S. Wisconsin St.). Scott Wilson, a fifth-generation farmer, opened Wilson Farm Meats in 2004. In 2018, it became a USDA-inspected facility, which has allowed Wilson’s to sell their locally grown meats to elite restaurants throughout Wisconsin



and Illinois, in addition to offering a full selection of fresh and frozen meats direct to consumers in their Elkhorn store. Wilson’s features classic beef and pork cut to order, and also offers more exotic seasonal meats like goose, pheasant, bison, venison, whole ducks and rabbits, Cornish hens, turkey and seafood.

Also carrying on a family tradition is **Sorg’s Quality Meats and Sausages** in Darien (N4290 U.S. Hwy. 14). Now in its second and third generations of ownership, Sorg’s specializes in custom butchering and meat processing, offering everything from chicken, steak and lamb chops to bison. Their wide selection of bratwursts (50 and counting) has won awards, and their



on-site store also features plenty of complementary foods to serve with their meats, including local cheeses, homemade meat and fruit pies, vegetables, pickled products, sauces and seasonings, jams and jellies, as well as a variety of meat snack sticks, jerky and landjaeger.

No matter where you shop, the consensus from all of the local butchers is the same: don't be afraid to venture a bit out of your comfort zone. For fall, try a new main-course meat, and pair it with something that reflects the colors of the season. Sample a seasonable grilled butternut squash, or lightly oiled and seasoned zucchini slices, and serve your meats with a fresh-from-the-oven slice of cornbread.

Or, for a simpler option, you can still grill up burgers, but opt for more "autumn flavors," such as a chicken-apple sausage, or a rosemary-and-sage turkey burger. Serve with traditional stuffing, cranberry sauce and grilled (or roasted) baby red garlic potatoes. Once you begin experimenting with the area's locally raised meats, you'll find that grilling hours last much longer than the daylight.

Grilling Outside the Box

Frank of Johnstown Meat Company says that "yes," you *can* grill a roast! Try a beef roast — either rump or chuck roasts work best — and grill them "low and slow" to get the same even cooking and tenderness you would get from the oven.

Aim to keep the grill at about 400 degrees; a 2-3 pound roast should take about 1 hour to reach a medium-rare temp (145 degrees internally).

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Gourmet Ambitions

Personal chef Laura McGough of FLOCK shares her story, and a few recipes

BY SARAH KOEHLER | PHOTOS BY HOLLY LEITNER

When Lake Geneva resident Laura McGough was growing up, her father, a senior executive at Motorola, would often spend his leisure time cooking and trying to perfect the recipes from gourmet cooking magazines. From him, McGough inherited her passion for the gourmet.

“My father always challenged himself to make the food on the covers,” McGough says. “He was very talented. As I started to experiment more and more with cooking and sharing the food with friends, my love of the experience just continued to grow. At one point, I was finally ready to give up corporate life [in the insurance industry] and pursue my dreams.”

Though she had no formal restaurant experience and had never been to culinary school, McGough found that, much like her father, her relaxation and leisure time away from her corporate work was most gratifying when she was cooking and entertaining. For many years, friends and family had flocked to McGough’s home in Chicago for the food and atmosphere, so when she left her corporate job, she created a new career for herself as a personal chef and caterer. Remembering her frequent visits from friends and family, she named her new business FLOCK.

While many chefs might dream of venturing to famous food cities like New York or even Paris, McGough

had no desire to chase the city lights. She and her family had been coming to Lake Geneva for decades, and she knew it would be a perfect location for her new business venture.

“We entertained large groups frequently,” she says. “All of our friends wanted me to open a restaurant and they offered to be investors; however, I enjoy a more quaint, high-quality experience.”

When the original caretaker’s home to the 1890 lakefront mansion Stone Manor came up for sale in Lake Geneva, McGough and her husband learned that it had a kitchen which was already zoned for commercial use, and they bought it the same day it went on the market. Two years later, the couple further expanded the commercial kitchen, and Laura’s dream became a reality.

“We chose Lake Geneva because it is still close to the city, but it allowed me to pursue my dreams in a

gorgeous community,” she explains. “Every time I wake up, I still feel like I am on vacation.”

As the chef-owner of FLOCK, McGough works as a personal chef and caterer, planning, cooking and serving gourmet meals for groups of 25 or fewer guests, prepared in her own commercial kitchen and delivered to events around the area. McGough also offers personal chef services, where she works with the client to plan the menu, then completes the meal planning and shopping, coming to clients’ homes to serve an intimate, personalized dinner. Depending on the clients’ needs, she can also prepare meals that can be stored in the refrigerator or freezer.

As we enter the fall grilling season, we asked McGough to share a few recipes for delicious sides to serve with your favorite grilled meats.



PICO DE GALLO

Serves: 6 as an appetizer

- 1 lb. tomatoes, diced
- ½ onion, chopped
- 1 jalapeño pepper (seeded if you want to lighten the heat), diced
- ½ cup cilantro, chopped
- Juice from 1 lime
- Pinch of salt
- Pinch of freshly ground black pepper

1. Mix the diced tomatoes, onion, jalapeño and cilantro in a medium bowl.
2. Add the lime juice and season with salt and pepper.
3. Refrigerate until ready to use.



BLEU CHEESE-STUFFED MUSHROOMS

Serves: 12 as an appetizer

- 12 Cremini mushrooms
- Compound herb butter (cultured butter at room temperature combined with fresh herbs in a food processor)
- Bleu cheese, crumbled

1. Preheat oven to 375 degrees.
2. Melt herb butter in a pan on medium heat.
3. Brush the mushrooms off with a

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damp paper towel and remove the stems.

4. Sauté the mushrooms in the herb butter until browned, turning once.
5. Remove the mushrooms from the pan and arrange in an oven-safe baking dish.
6. Stuff the mushrooms with high-quality bleu cheese and bake in the oven for approximately 15 minutes at until the cheese melts.
7. Serve immediately.



SMOKY EGGPLANT DIP

Serves: 6 as an appetizer

- 3 medium eggplants
 - 1 cup plain Greek yogurt
 - 6 tbsps. olive oil
 - Zest and juice of 1 lemon
 - Pinch of salt
 - ½ tsp. za'atar spice (more for garnish)
1. Prick the eggplants all over with a fork so that they can release steam.
 2. Place eggplants over a medium- or low-heat grill and cook for 30-60 minutes, turning occasionally, until the skin is completely charred on the outside and the vegetable collapses.
 3. Remove from the heat and set aside to cool until able to handle.
 4. Scoop out the flesh of the eggplant and add it to a food processor with the yogurt, olive oil, lemon zest and juice, salt and za'atar. Puree until smooth.
 5. Drizzle with high-quality, extra virgin olive oil and sprinkle with sumac and some za'atar.
 6. Serve with grilled pita bread. 🍷

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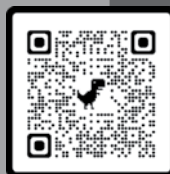
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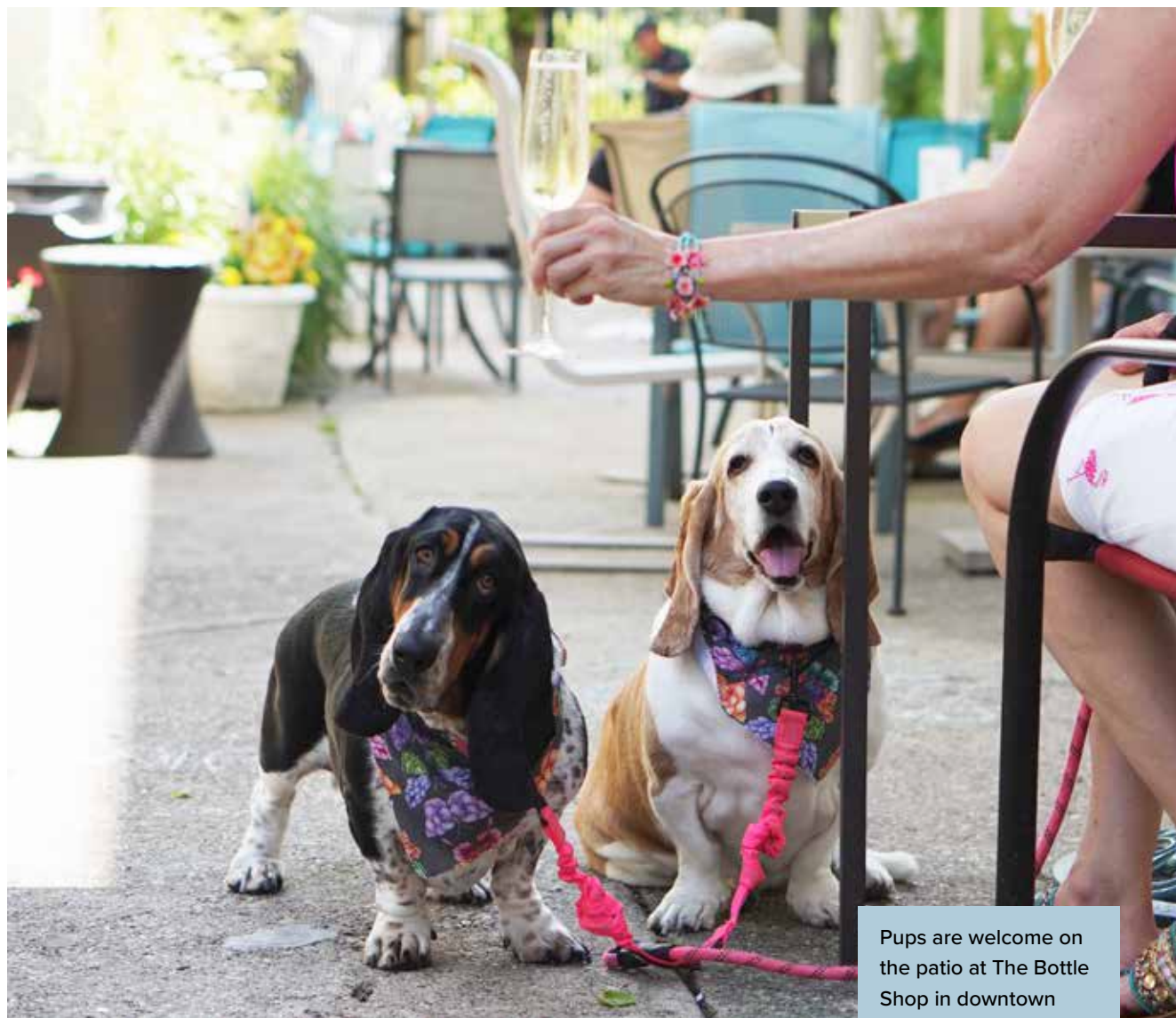
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Pups are welcome on the patio at The Bottle Shop in downtown Lake Geneva.

Dog Day Afternoon

The ultimate pet-friendly guide to visiting the Geneva Lake area

BY NAT WEXLER

While the hot, dog days of summer may be behind us, there is still fun to be had in the Lake Geneva area in the cooler temps of autumn. It can also be a great time to travel with your canine companions. One recent study by vacation insurance company Allianz Travel found that more people are traveling with pets than ever before: 41% of travelers between the ages of 18 and 34, and 36% of travelers between the ages of 35 and 54 plan to travel with their pets this year. The Lake

out & about *pet-friendly activities*

Geneva area is a perfect getaway for those looking to spend some quality time with man's best friend, so we decided to put together our own guide to dog-friendly lodging, activities, restaurants, stores and veterinary medicine facilities in the area that will help you plan a "paw-some" visit.

PLACES TO STAY

- **The Ridge** (Lake Geneva). This 146-room hotel located steps from the shores of Lake Como offers amenities for humans and canines alike. For humans, there's a fitness center, indoor and outdoor swimming pools, bar trivia, live music on the weekend and multiple dining venues. Canine companions are welcome at the resort as long as you register them before arriving. A flat fee of \$75 per dog will be added to the reservation. The Ridge offers guests traveling with their pet a Dog Guidelines pamphlet, which outlines designated dog-walking areas on the resort property.
- **Maxwell Mansion** (Lake Geneva). A historic-mansion-turned-boutique-hotel located in downtown Lake Geneva and within walking distance of Geneva Lake, Maxwell Mansion features a pool, multiple bars (including a speakeasy) and live music. There are several room types available, some of which allow dogs under 50 pounds. The \$55-per-night pet fee (which is waived in the case of an ADA-identified service dog)



includes a special gift and other goodies for your dog, to make their stay as comfortable as possible.

- **The Downtowner** (Lake Geneva). This large vacation home is located in the heart of downtown Lake Geneva. With 9 bedrooms and 7½ baths, the house can accommodate up to 20 people. There is even a full, state-of-the-art kitchen. The eclectic interior is decorated using flea market finds, industrial design and other creative elements. Guests can have one dog under 50 pounds staying with them, but their pet must be cleared before arrival.
- **Big Foot Beach State Park** (Lake Geneva). For those looking for a more rustic outing with their pooch, Big Foot Beach State Park offers 100

campsites on its property just outside of downtown Lake Geneva. Enjoy hiking trails, picnic areas, a fishing lagoon, a playground and a small beach. Campsites include fire rings and picnic tables; there's also a shower building, toilets, and a dump station on the property. Visitors need a vehicle admission sticker to enter the park; campsite reservations can be made online. Pets are permitted in most areas of the park if they are always on a leash that is less than 8 feet long. Big Foot Beach State Park has a designated pet picnic area; this is the only picnic area where pets are allowed.

- **Lollipups Pet Resort** (Delavan). If you want to bring your four-legged friend on vacation but need to board them for a portion of your stay, arrange for a stay at Lollipups Pet Resort just north of Williams Bay. The aesthetically pleasing facility offers a playroom, exercise yards and grooming. Dogs can be dropped off for the day or can stay overnight.

ACTIVITIES

- **Hike the Shore Path.** One of the most popular tourist activities in the area, the Geneva Lake Shore Path is a roughly 22-mile walking path that encircles Geneva Lake. You can hike





- **Hiking at Lake Geneva Ziplines and Adventures** (Lake Geneva). Lake Geneva Ziplines and Adventures offers a variety of adventure activities, from a ropes course and zipline to biking and hiking trails. Dogs can accompany their humans on the hiking trails if they stay on a leash and are picked up after.

water fountains, benches and pet waste stations.

- **Outdoor Fall Festival Fun.** Fall in the Lake Geneva area means there are several Oktoberfests, craft festivals and farmers markets to enjoy. Many of these outdoor events welcome your four-legged friends. Make sure to check the event's website for guidelines regarding pets.



the path in portions or in full; hiking the whole path takes approximately 8-10 hours to complete. (Pick up *At The Lake's* new *Geneva Lake Shore Path Guide* for maps, tips and points of interest along the route.) Dogs are welcome on the path but must always stay on a leash and be picked up after. Remember that while the path itself is open to the public, the land on either side of the path is private property. Exercise caution and respect for homeowners.

- **Play time at the White River Dog Park** (Lake Geneva). There are several local dog parks in the area, including options in Williams Bay, Linn Township and Delavan. In Lake Geneva, the White River Dog Park is a fully fenced-in dog park just two blocks from the heart of downtown. Here, your dog can let loose and run to their heart's content. The park is located across from the Lake Geneva Skatepark and behind Eastview Elementary School. In addition to the recreation space, the park offers

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There are a handful of spots around the lake with dog-friendly swim areas, including the area outside the swim buoys at Big Foot Beach, the area near the kayak storage on the west end of Lake Geneva's Library Park and the area in front of the footbridge west of Williams Bay's Edgewater Park. Kayaking and paddleboarding (and even wake surfing!) are popular activities to share with your furry friends as well.

offers live music, an outdoor beer garden, multiple craft beers and "guest taps" from other breweries. Dogs are welcome to hang out with their humans on the outdoor patio (only service animals are allowed inside the brewery).

And of course, if there is a restaurant you want to try but it doesn't allow pets, you can always get takeout and head back to your accommodations or find a pet-friendly picnic area.

BARS, BEER GARDENS AND RESTAURANTS

Many restaurants in the Lake Geneva area allow dogs on leashes to dine outside with their humans. Since fall weather in the Midwest can be very unpredictable, it's best to call the restaurant before coming in to ensure the outdoor seating area is open. Here are a couple of spots to enjoy.

- **The Bottle Shop** (Lake Geneva). The Bottle Shop is a wine bar and retail shop located in downtown Lake Geneva that offers an impressive selection of wines, beers, sodas, spirits and snacks. Dogs are welcome at the shop and can join their humans by snacking on treats and sipping on water the shop provides.
- **Topsy Turvy Brewery** (Lake Geneva). Topsy Turvy Brewery


ODDS & ENDS

Forget something? If you need to pick up a few more supplies for Fido, there are a handful of pet-specialty stores in the area that you can visit for toys, dog food and other miscellaneous odds and ends.

- The Pet Gourmet (Walworth)
- Paws For Treats (Lake Geneva)
- The Bark Market (Delavan)

VETERINARIANS

In the case of an emergency, there are several veterinary facilities in the area that offer high-quality care for your dog, though be aware that the closest 24-hour emergency vets are in Waukesha, Kenosha or Crystal Lake, Illinois, all about a 45-minute drive away. For local vets during regular business hours, try:

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CLOCKWISE FROM TOP: HOLLY LEITNER, COURTESY OF JO SOLVERSON, HOLLY LEITNER



A-MAZE-ING FALL FUN

A look behind the scenes at the Pearce's Farm Stand corn maze

BY NAT WEXLER

As summer turns into fall, some of the corn that has spent all summer growing gets to express its creative side: as a pixel in the picture known as a corn maze. One of the area's most prominent and artful corn mazes can be found at Pearce's Farm Stand, located in Walworth. Pearce's Farm Stand has been a staple in the area for generations, selling fruits, vegetables, baked goods, popcorn and jams, among other treats. But Pearce's doesn't just sell their locally beloved, homegrown corn; they also use it as the building blocks for their popular corn maze.

Bob Pearce Jr. came up with the idea for a corn maze roughly a decade ago when the family was looking for an extra attraction to add to the farm. Before that, they had added a haunted house in the fall that featured a haunted hayride going through a smaller corn maze. The haunted hayride was eventually moved to a wooded area, and the current iteration of the corn maze was born.

Before the maze can take shape, corn is planted in the spring on a mathematical grid system. Once the design is mapped out, an outside company is hired to indicate which plants need to be removed in order to bring the design to life, like a sculptor working with the medium of growing corn. Past designs have included a corn portrait of the founders of Pearce's Farm Stand, a nod to the Alice in Dairyland competition and a Culver's-themed maze, among others. Pearce says that this year, the maze will feature Ford cars.

The timing of the maze being open is unique to each growing season, but usually happens at the end of August or the beginning of September and runs until Halloween. For the corn maze's exact dates and pricing, along with more information about fall festivals at Pearce's, visit their website or check their Facebook page. 🍁

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Roadside Kitsch

Find the perfect photo op this fall with these fun local statues

BY NAT WEXLER



As you're driving through Walworth County to admire the foliage and architecture this autumn, you might spot (or seek out) some fun, kitschy roadside attractions along the way. Here are a few of our favorites.

FONTANA C. FROG, FONTANA

Fontana C. Frog is Fontana's unofficial mascot. The massive 14-foot frog has welcomed visitors to Fontana for over 55 years, when it was built as part of a miniature golf course. Today, the frog is lovingly maintained by the owners of Nick's Upholstery and Lake Home Living next door, where you can purchase souvenirs commemorating your visit.



CIRCUS COLONY STATUES, DELAVAN

Delavan has a fascinating circus history dating back to 1847 when it began serving as the winter haven for

the Mabie Brothers' circus. Eventually, 26 different circus companies would call the area home, earning it the nickname "Circus Capital of the World." This history is commemorated with a downtown mural and three massive circus statues in Tower Park: a clown, a giraffe and Romeo the Elephant, remembered today for his murderous rampages that killed five of his handlers.



WALWORTH COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS ANIMAL STATUES, ELKHORN

The Walworth County Fair dates to 1849 and remains the largest county fair in the state in terms of participation and attendance. With over 1,500 registered exhibitors, the Walworth County Fair exceeds even the Wisconsin State Fair in terms of livestock and agriculture exhibits. To commemorate this

achievement, the sign at the entrance to the Fairgrounds is surrounded by statues of cute farm animals, providing a kitschy photo op to road trippers.

ANDY GUMP STATUE, LAKE GENEVA

Andy Gump was a wildly popular character in "The Gumps," an early 20th-century comic strip drawn by Sidney Smith, a cartoonist. Smith spent his summers in Lake Geneva, owning two different houses on the lake from 1922 to 1935. As a gift to commemorate the national success of Smith's comic strip, his editors at the Tribune sent a statue of Andy Gump to Smith's Lake Geneva property. The figure was relocated to Lake Geneva's Flat Iron Park after Smith died in a car accident in 1935, and it has since become a Lake Geneva icon. The current statue is a replica; the original was destroyed by vandalism in the 1960s. 🐸



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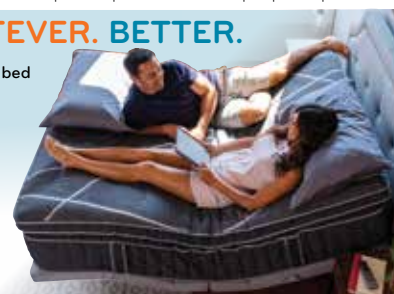
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Farm-fresh produce and handcrafted gifts and crafts. Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. through Oct. 1. 3252 County Road H, Lake Geneva. (262) 215-6139 or genevaoutdoormarket.com.

GENOA CITY FARMERS MARKET:

Fridays, 3-7 p.m. through Oct. 20. Veterans Park, 700 Fellows Rd., Genoa City; (262) 279-6472.

LAKE GENEVA FARMERS' MARKET:

Local farmers and vendors offer produce, flowers and goods. Thursdays, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. through Oct. 27. Horticultural Hall; (262) 745-9341 or horticulturalhall.com.

WHITEWATER CITY MARKET:

Tuesdays, 4-7 p.m. through Oct. 27. Historic Train Depot, Whitewater; downtownwhitewater.com.



Ride a vintage train at the Elegant Farmer's Autumn Harvest Festival in Mukwonago.

The midway at the Walworth County Fair in Elkhorn features rides, games and food stands.



WILLIAMS BAY FARMERS' MARKET:

Fridays, 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. through Sept. 9. Edgewater Park; (262) 475-6333.

WOODSTOCK FARMERS' MARKET:

A producers-only market, everything available for sale is grown or produced directly by the vendor. Tuesdays, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.; and Saturdays, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. through Oct. 22. Historic Woodstock Square, Woodstock, Ill.; woodstockfarmersmarket.org.

AUG. 25-27

MAXWELL STREET DAYS

Sales, food and crafts in downtown Lake Geneva. Visit streetsoflakegeneva.com for more info.

AUG. 30-SEPT. 4

WALWORTH COUNTY FAIR

One of the largest county fairs in Wisconsin. Live music, demolition derby, carnival midway and livestock exhibits. Walworth County Fairgrounds, Elkhorn; (262) 723-3288 or walworthcountyfair.com.

SEPT. 3

LABOR DAY WEEKEND PIG ROAST

Featuring live music and a cash bar. 4:30-7 p.m.; Lake Lawn Resort, 2400 E. Geneva St., Delavan. Visit lakelawnresort.com for more info.

SEPT. 8

GUIDED NATURE HIKE

Join members of the Geneva Lake Conservancy for a guided nature hike. 9 a.m., Wallace E. Zabler Nature Preserve, Burlington; genevalakeconservancy.com.

SEPT. 8-10

DARIEN CORNFEST

A community-wide celebration of the super starch featuring fireworks, a parade and live music throughout downtown Darien. Visit dariencornfest.us.

SEPT. 9

27TH ANNUAL FAT TIRE RIDE OF LAKE GENEVA

This 21.5-mile bike ride over paved roads around Geneva Lake and Lake Como supports local charities. The route begins at Champs Sports Bar & Grill or The Ridge and ends with a pig roast for all participants. To register, visit fattireride.com.

SEPT. 9-10

PIONEER CEMETERY WALKING TOUR

A walking tour of Lake Geneva's historic Pioneer Cemetery. Tours run every 15 minutes from 1-3:15 p.m. 1116 Dodge St., Lake Geneva; for tickets, call (262) 248-1888 or visit blackpointestate.wisconsinhistory.org.

SEPT. 9-OCT. 22

AUTUMN HARVEST FESTIVAL AT THE ELEGANT FARMER

Saturdays and Sundays only, enjoy hayrides, pony rides or a trip on the East Troy Railroad while sampling fall treats. Elegant Farmer, 1545 W. Main St., Mukwonago; visit elegantfarmer.com.

SEPT. 10

MALT HOUSE SIP 'N SIT CONCERT SERIES

Enjoy live music performed in an intimate venue. Malt House Theater, Burlington; (262) 763-9873 or thehaylofters.com.



Shaun Johnson & the Big Band Experience perform Sept. 16 at Big Foot High School in Walworth.

SEPT. 11

LADIES' DAY LUNCHEON

Geneva Lakes Women's Association's annual luncheon featuring a silent auction and raffle, followed by "purse-onality" Deb DiSandro. Geneva National, 1221 Geneva National Ave., Lake Geneva; for tickets, visit glwa.net.

SEPT. 13, 28

BECOME A BREWER WORKSHOP

Become a brewer for a day in this immersive experience. 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Old World Wisconsin, Eagle. For tickets, visit oldworldwisconsin.wisconsinhistory.org.

SEPT. 16

DELANVAN SCARECROW FEST

Scarecrow building, pumpkin decorating, food and live music from the Gebel Girls. Throughout downtown Delavan. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more info, visit visitdelavan.com.

SEPT. 16

FONTANA TRIATHLON ON GENEVA LAKE

Event will consist of the sprint, sprint relay, Olympic and Olympic relay races. Fontana Beach, Fontana; for information, visit fontanatriathlon.com.

SEPT. 16

SHAUN JOHNSON & THE BIG BAND EXPERIENCE

Enjoy a performance by an award-winning crooner singing vocal jazz and swing with a contemporary punch. 7 p.m. Big Foot Auditorium, Walworth. For tickets, visit bigfootfinearts.org or call (262) 275-2117.

SEPT. 16

WALK TO END ALZHEIMER'S

Raising awareness and funds to enhance Alzheimer's care and support. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m., ceremony at 9:40 a.m., walk begins at 10 a.m. Library Park, Lake Geneva; (414) 775-7583 or act.alz.org.

SEPT. 17

DISCOVER WHITEWATER 5K AND HALF MARATHON

Highlighting downtown Whitewater, the course begins at Whitewater High School and continues through the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater campus and Fairhaven's Prairie Village, among other locations. To register, visit runwhitewater.com.

SEPT. 17

GENEVA LAKE MUSEUM SEVENTH ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

Hawk's View Golf Club, Lake Geneva. Charity golf outing, luncheon and silent auction benefiting the local museum. (262) 248-6060 or genevalakemuseum.org.

SEPT. 17

PEARCE'S FARM STAND CUSTOMER APPRECIATION DAY AND SWEET CORN FEST

Featuring fall treats and activities. 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., W5740 N. Walworth Rd., Walworth.

SEPT. 23

AN EVENING WITH AGATHA CHRISTIE

Local historian Chris Brookes brings the best-selling author of all time, Agatha Christie, back to life for an intimate evening of mystery and conversation. 6-7:30 p.m. Black Point Estate & Gardens, W4270 Southland Rd., Lake Geneva; call (262) 248-1888 for tickets.

SEPT. 23

PEARCE'S FARM STAND FALL CAR & TRACTOR SHOW

Featuring classic cars and farm equipment, plus live music from the Gebel Girls. 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., W5740 N. Walworth Rd., Walworth.

SEPT. 24

ELKHORN ANTIQUE FLEA MARKET

Over 500 dealers both inside and outside.

Free parking, \$5 admission. Opens at 7 a.m. Walworth County Fairgrounds, 411 E. Court St., Elkhorn; walworthcountyfair.com.

SEPT. 23-24

ANTIQUE AND CLASSIC BOAT SHOW

Showcasing antique and classic wooden boats on display. Free admission and parking. Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Abbey Marina, 269 Fontana Blvd., Fontana; lgboatshow.com.

OCT. 6, 13, 20

SPIRITUALISM IN THE VICTORIAN ERA

Get a behind-the-scenes tour of Black Point Estate, enjoy a tasty cordial and hear stories of paranormal proclivity and the history of Victorian spiritualism at this 2-hour event. 7-8:30 p.m. Black Point Estate and Gardens, Lake Geneva; for tickets, call (262) 248-1888 or visit blackpointestate.wisconsinhistory.org.

OCT. 6-8

FAMILY FALL FESTIVAL AT LAKE LAWN RESORT

Enjoy pumpkin painting, wagon rides, food and activities for the whole family. Lake Lawn Resort, 2400 E. Geneva St., Delavan. Visit lakelawnresort.com for more info.



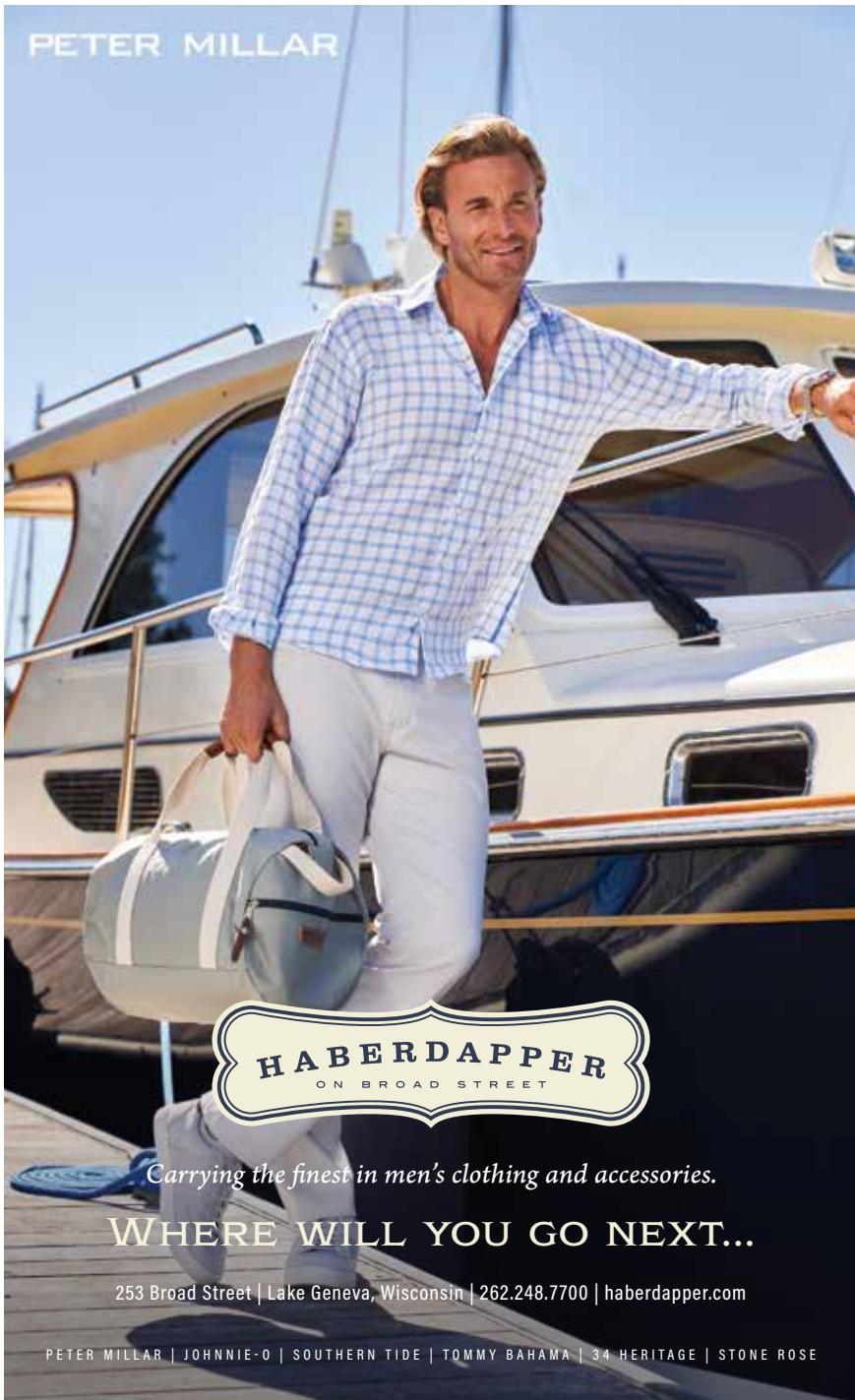
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OCT. 6-8

LAKE GENEVA OKTOBERFEST

Family fall festival includes music, food, craft booths, restaurant and shopping specials, wagon hayrides, pony rides and more. Flat Iron Park, Lake Geneva; streetsoflakegeneva.com/events for more info.

OCT. 7

ELKHORN HOLIDAY CRAFT BASH

Indoor and outdoor spaces will feature a wide variety of vendors, plus food and beverage options. Walworth County Fairgrounds, 411 E. Court St., Elkhorn; walworthcountyfair.com.

OCT. 7

ROAD RALLY AND PICNIC WITH THE GENEVA LAKE CONSERVANCY

Fourth annual fundraiser biking event touring protected areas. Visit genevalakeconservancy.com.

OCT. 7-8

PEARCE'S FARM STAND PUMPKIN FEST

Featuring live music, a corn maze, hay bale jumping, plus pumpkin activities and fall treats. 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., W5740 N. Walworth Rd., Walworth.

OCT. 7, 14

OAK HILL CEMETERY WALKING TOUR

A 90-minute walking tour of Lake Geneva's historic Oak Hill Cemetery. 5-6:30 p.m. 1101 Cemetery Rd., Lake Geneva; for tickets, call (262) 248-1888 or visit blackpointestate.wisconsinhistory.org.

OCT. 7, 14, 21

SORDID AND SCANDALOUS HISTORIC WALKING TOUR

A 90-minute walking tour of Lake Geneva's historic downtown and Maple Park neighborhood focusing on mysteries and scandals. 11 a.m., meet at the Riviera building, Lake Geneva; for tickets, call (262) 248-1888 or visit blackpointestate.wisconsinhistory.org.

OCT. 19-29

"CLUE"

The beloved board game becomes a whodunnit performed by the Haylofters. Malt House Theater, Burlington; (262) 763-9873 or thehaylofters.com.

OCT. 20-29

"REEFER MADNESS, THE MUSICAL"

Enjoy the campy stage adaptation of the cult classic movie, performed by the Lakeland Players. Walworth County Performing Arts Center, Elkhorn. For tickets, call (262) 728-5578 or visit lakeland-players.org.

OCT. 21

DOWNTOWN DELAVAN BREW WALK

Sip, stroll, and shop your way through downtown Delavan while tasting beers. Halloween costumes highly encouraged. 3:30-7:30 p.m.; for tickets, visit delavanwi.org.

OCT. 21

ELKHORN OKTOBERFEST

Walk around the downtown square to see more than 100 crafters and vendors, plus a classic car show, beer/wine tasting and a 2M-5K Run. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., throughout Elkhorn. Visit elkhornchamber.com.

OCT. 21

TOWN OF DELAVAN OKTOBERFEST

Celebrate the harvest season with German food, music and family fun. Noon to 6 p.m., Waters Edge, 1220 South Shore Dr., Delavan; visit townofdelavan.com.

OCT. 29

WISCONSIN BEER RUN

A 5K run, walk and jog for all ages. After the race, head over to the Old World Wisconsin Brewhouse for a free beer, food and a final look at this new addition before it closes for the season. 3-6 p.m., Old World Wisconsin, Eagle. To register, visit runsignup.com/wiscobeerrun.

NOV. 4-11

HISTORIC APPRENTICE WORKSHOP

Learn blacksmithing, wool spinning and historic cooking/baking at these hands-on workshops with trained historic interpreters. Old World Wisconsin, Eagle. For tickets, visit oldworldwisconsin.wisconsinhistory.org.

NOV. 11

THE LOONEY LUTHERANS

Enjoy a performance of wacky, family friendly music and fun. 7 p.m. Big Foot Auditorium, Walworth. For tickets, visit bigfootfinearts.org or call (262) 275-2117.

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NOV. 24 – DEC. 31


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Embark on a magical Christmas cruise to Santa's North Pole Hideaway. Along your lake tour, enjoy the twinkling lights and displays along the shoreline of Geneva Lake. Cruises run every evening with the exception of Dec. 24 and Dec. 25. Lake Geneva Cruise Line, Gage Marine Winter Harbor, Williams Bay; (262) 248-6206 or santacruiselakegeneva.com.

NOV. 26-27, DEC. 3-4, 10-11, 17-18

CHRISTMAS TRAIN

Enjoy a trip aboard a vintage trolley or train from the East Troy Depot to the Elegant Farmer, where kids can visit Santa and take a photo. Evening trains include cookies and hot cocoa, as well as beer and wine options for adults. Trips leave from the East Troy Railroad. Day trips and evening trips available. Online advanced reservations required; visit easttroyrr.org.

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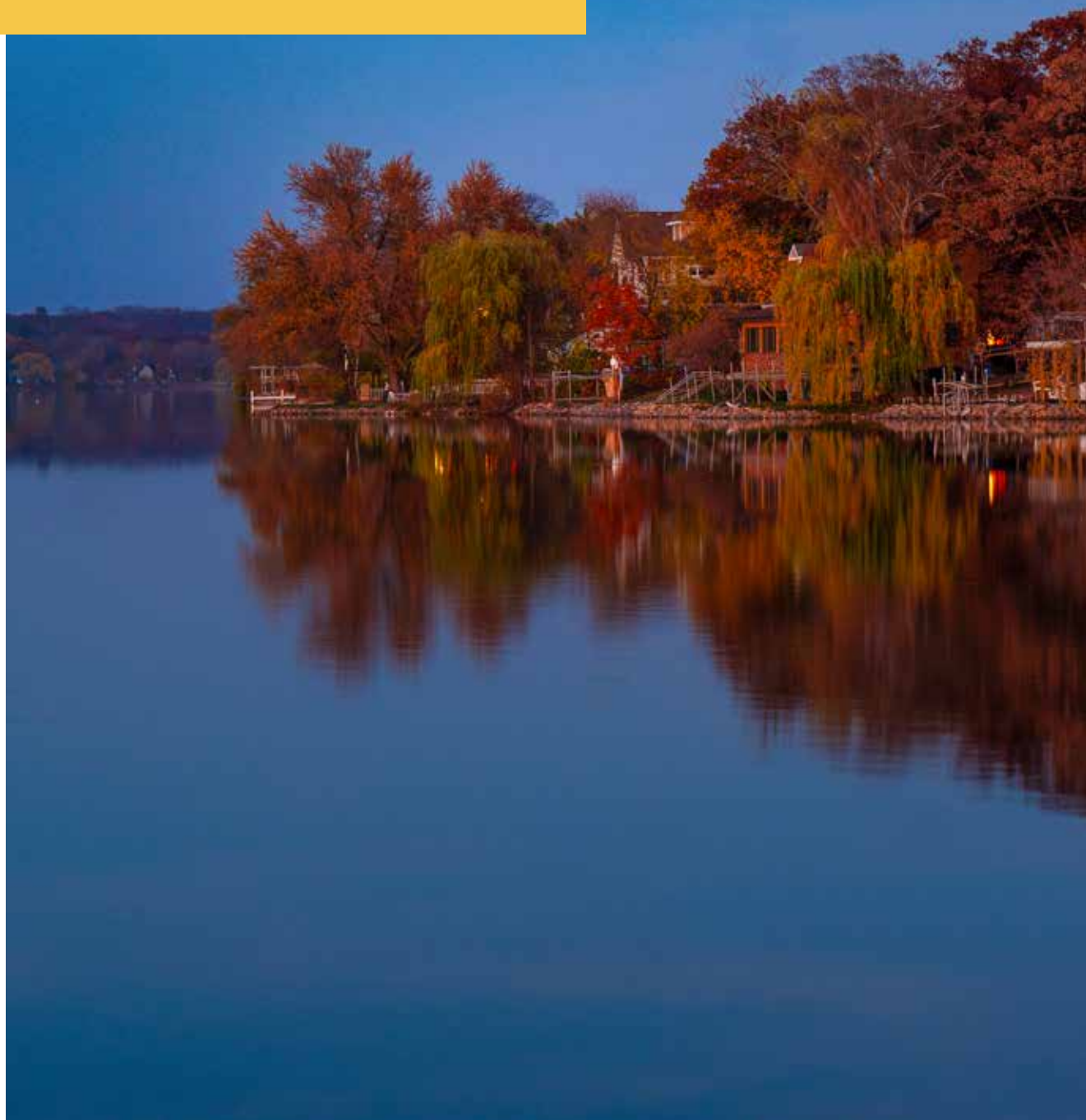


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