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400th career victory!

Brookfield Central boys basketball coach Dan Wandrey poses for a photo with players and students after his 400th career win on Jan. 27.

Central defeated Menomonee Falls 63-44.

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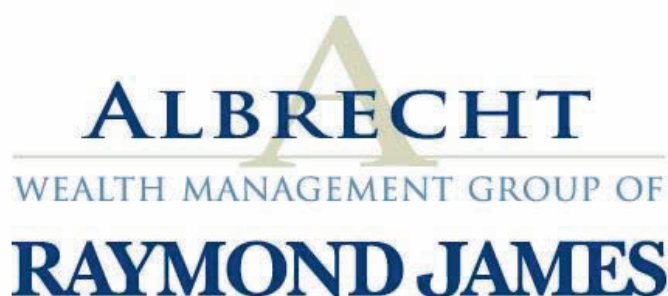


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Ashley's focus is to motivate Carolyn to dress herself, shower, exercise, and keep her strong so she is safe and independent in her home.

Carolyn is an avid sports fan and talented artist. She loves her year round Christmas Tree which Ashley decorates monthly to give Carolyn the joy she deserves.

IT TAKES A TEAM

Yvette gave up living in her own home to be with mom at night. She says, "The time caregivers spend with mom provides me with the needed respite to continue caring for her myself. Comfort Keepers service is as much needed for mom as it is for me."



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Brookfield resident Kent Stache in preparation for a blood draw on Jan. 26 at the Sheraton Milwaukee Brookfield hotel. Stache is a regular donor with the American Red Cross.



American Red Cross phlebotomist Kyla Brown tends to a donor during the blood drive on Jan. 26 at the Sheraton Milwaukee Brookfield Hotel.


Giving blood

BROOKFIELD — The American Red Cross held a blood drive Jan. 26 at the Sheraton Milwaukee Brookfield Hotel in Brookfield. The Red Cross has four donor trucks at various locations daily in the Waukesha area. Information on where to give blood and make appointments can be found at <http://www.redcross.org> or the mobile app Blood Donor American Red Cross.

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A Red Cross cot ready for the next donor at the blood drive on Jan. 26 at the Sheraton Milwaukee Brookfield Hotel.



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Good Friend Inc. launches Online Academy

BROOKFIELD — Good Friend Inc. announced the launch of two new online courses promoting autism awareness and inclusion in schools as part of their Online Academy. The classes include We All Fit, tailored to grades K-5, and Choosing to be a Good Friend, designed for middle school students. The classes were officially released on Jan. 15. The online courses are the start of new initiatives that the organization has planned in 2023 to further expand their reach, according to a statement.

We All Fit is a 20-minute, award-winning peer education documentary available in English and Spanish. The film was created to help non-majority elementary students better understand and relate to their peers who are on the autism spectrum, according to a statement. It includes developmentally-specific film discussion guides, the interactive Kahoot! Game, activity printouts and more.

The Choosing to Be a Good Friend online course, also available in English and soon to be available in Spanish, is a film in which students who are on the autism spectrum discuss their perspectives as middle schoolers, according to a statement, and the same type of resources that are included with We All Fit. Teachers and other service providers can register for the online courses through the Good Friend Inc. website at <http://bit.ly/3Jr9h1F>.



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Vintage radios speak again

In the early 20th century Westinghouse initially treated commercial radio as an experiment in a new market. While sitting in living rooms, both urban and rural families eagerly gathered to listen to broadcasts. One of the ads to sell radios repeatedly stated, “You will want to have this!”

Numerous manufacturers started supplying the market with table-model radio selections. There were dials, push buttons, low pricing and a wide range of color choices. It did not even matter to listeners that static often interrupted the signal.

Some of the first tabletop radios sold for \$12.88. When new models came along, with built-in antennas, they were extravagantly expensive at \$39.95. The good news was the pricey versions could be purchased on a \$5-per-month payment plan.

Recently, old examples have inspired a new generation of interest. Many of these vintage radios have no sound but they do have great history and continue to shout with style!

Keep in mind, the original service manual will increase the market value of the

unit. Also, original knobs are very important — they often disappear and are sold as replacement parts.

Information on each radio shown:

- 1.) RCA Victor, “Golden Throat Megaphone.” Bakelite radio with side, flat-dials. Value: \$225
- 2.) Olympic model, bakelite radio circa 1947. Value: \$125
- 3.) GE clock radio, CIRCA 1950. Value: \$85
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Cultivating a new generation of artists

By Maile Rudebusch
Special to The Freeman

MILWAUKEE — Waukesha County students are featured in an exhibition at the Milwaukee Art Museum.

Until March 19, the Milwaukee Art Museum will put the art of students across Wisconsin on display as part of the 2023 Scholastic Art Awards: Wisconsin Exhibition. The national competition brings together a collection of visual works of art from students across the country. Once the artwork is judged in their respective states, the top winners go on to the National Competition in New York.

This year, several Waukesha County schools were honored with awards.

Students from Arrowhead Union High School North Camp, Brookfield Academy-Upper School, Brookfield Central High School, Brookfield East High School, Lake Country Classical Academy, Menomonee Falls High School, Menomonee Falls North Middle School, Mukwonago High School, Muskego High School, New Berlin Eisenhower Middle High School, Oconomowoc High School, Pewaukee High School, St. Jerome School, University Lake School, Waukesha South High School, and Waukesha West High School are featured.

“It’s a national competition... There’s not a set theme each year, there’s a criterion that was given to students. It is open to students ages 13 and above who are in grade 7 or 12, so middle and high schoolers. Their work was submitted across 16 media categories,” said Amy Kirschke, Barbara Brown Lee Senior Director of Learning & Engagement, Milwaukee Art Museum.

“It’s pretty much my favorite thing that we do at the Milwaukee Art Museum, it’s my 20th year, and it’s still one of the best things that we do in my opinion.”

There is no submission limit for each school. As many students can send in submissions if they would like to be considered. This year the Milwaukee Art Museum received 2,687. Out of those submissions 789 were recipients of one of the three award levels.

“There is the Honorable

Mention, where you get a Certificate of Achievement, but the work is not exhibited in the exhibition. Silver Key is the next highest, and that is State recognition, and it is displayed in the exhibition,” said Kirschke.

“Gold Key is the highest that a student can receive. [The artwork] is not only exhibited at the Museum in the state exhibition, but it also goes on to New York to compete in the National Competition.”

The judging process has evolved over the years. It began with the actual works of art being sent in by the students. The pieces of art that received one of the three awards were kept at the museum, while the ones that did not place were sent back to the respected students, a process that Kirschke said was painful for the museum staff.

“Now it’s judged by the photography of the work. We provide the students and the educators with the guidelines. The educators are also very important in this competition. They are often the ones who submit the students’ work and help the students with their submissions,” said Kirschke.

“There are guidelines as to how to photograph their work well. With three-dimensional objects, there are multiple images, because that is all the judges have to go on. They add descriptions of materials used and dimensions and artists’ statements, and they can round out that information from the photograph.”

The judges are only presented with the aspects that are important in critiquing the art. There is no mention of the school or the artist. There are two age categories of judging, 7th through 9th grade and then 10th through 12th-grade students.

Judging for the 2023 Scholastic Art and Writing Awards is now over.

“The artwork is in the building. We open on Feb. 4. The judging took place on the 6th and the 7th of January online, we had 30 art professionals as jurors and they broke down into panels of three. They vote in or out, starting with the Honorable Mention, narrowing it down to who gets the Silver Key, and then narrowing it down further as to who gets the Gold



Ellie Plamann, New Management, 2023. Gold Key for Digital Art, Grade 11. Brookfield Academy- Upper School, Elaine Buckley, instructor.

Key,” said Kirschke.

“The judges don’t know anything about the work. They vote on originality, technical skills, and the emergence of a personal voice. From their final selections, the teachers and students were notified that they had won their awards. Then by the start of that next week, they started to drop their artwork off at the museum.”

It takes the curators a couple of weeks to unpack and place everything. They have to make sure none of the artwork is damaged and all the selected pieces are present.

“When Scholastic National was founded the founders were looking at schools and looking at all the honors and opportunities around sports and that there was so much less for creative writing and art. They founded these awards and the art award. The reason why we host [the awards] at the Milwaukee Art Museum is that they really do celebrate the next generation of artists,” said Kirschke.

“A lot of famous winners, like Andy Warhol, started as Scholastic winners when he was a teenager in high school. It has a very long history of nurturing and encouraging art in young people.”

Access to the 2023 Scholastic Art Awards: Wisconsin



William Morgan, Day Break, 2023. Gold Key for Sculpture, Grade 12. Brookfield Academy- Upper School, Elaine Buckley, instructor.

Exhibition is free to the public. A general admission charge is required to enter most Museum galleries and exhibition spaces.



Rachel Forman, City Heights, 2023. Gold Key for Photography, Grade 10. Pewaukee High School, Jeanne Bjork, instructor.



Submitted photos
Liya Adams, Family Reunion, 2023. Gold Key for Expanded Projects, Grade 12. New Berlin Eisenhower Middle High School, Jacqueline Hendrickson, instructor.

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