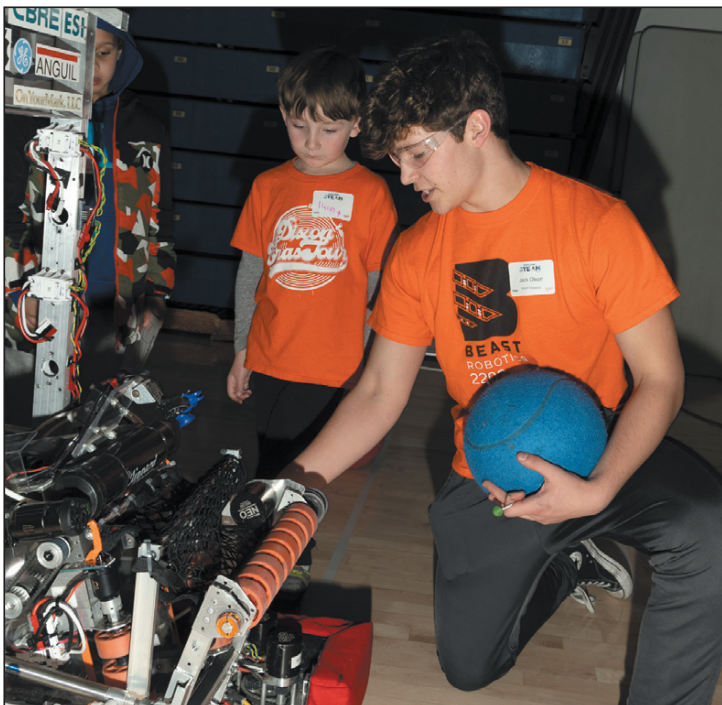


Elmbrook’s STEAM event raises \$30,000 for Robotics and Automation space



Lucas Payne learns about robotics and automation from BEAST Robotics team member Jack Olson. BEAST Robotics is a competitive robotics group from Brookfield East and Brookfield Central high schools.

BROOKFIELD — The Elmbrook Education Foundation raised over \$30,000 at the second annual Explore STEAM event on Feb. 28. The money raised will go toward the EEF’s \$100,000 commitment to a Robotics and Automation space at Brookfield East High School.

Over 900 people — students, educators, parents, sponsors and volunteers — attended the educational event, going between stations and engaging in science, technology, engineering, arts and math activities.

“The Elmbrook Education Foundation is once again blown away with the success of the Explore STEAM event on Feb. 28! This is thanks for all of the wonderful Elmbrook families that attended and all of our sponsors that support Elmbrook Schools,” said Elizabeth Simpson, chair of Explore STEAM. “This event achieved our goals and exceeded our expectations of connecting with families through the exploration of STEAM activities. We can’t wait to see you all next year!”



Courtesy of the Elmbrook Education Foundation
Students Aubrey Kohlmeier and Abby Simpson have fun at one of the many interactive STEAM stations at the Explore STEAM event.

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Brookfield artist Jeff Sadowski commemorates the 100th anniversary of the Wisconsin State Fair cream puff with his drawing, which was selected to be this year's State Fair poster.

Brookfield artist's cream puff art wins State Fair competition

WEST ALLIS — Art celebrating the iconic cream puff has been selected for the 2024 Wisconsin State Fair's poster. Brookfield artist Jeff Sadowski commemorates the 100th anniversary of the Wisconsin State Fair cream puff with his drawing.

Sadowski's image depicts fairgoers making their way through the grand Wisconsin State Fair entrance carrying the fair's signature cream puffs.

A panel of three judges selected Sadowski as the 2024 Grand Champion Fairtastic Artist.

Sadowski grew up in Racine and has been known for his artwork since his early childhood. He spent a portion of his career living and working in California but chose to re-establish his artistry back in Wisconsin, according to a news release. Some of his more recent accomplishments include a Retail Fixture Pop Up Show in Racine and showcasing multiple pieces in the BRG Gallery in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Sadowski works on his fine art and commercial work from his home studio in Brookfield, where he lives with his wife, son, and dog.

The two other 2024 Fairtastic competition finalists include Lauren Marvell of South Milwaukee and Lynete Redner of Delevan.

Commemorative posters and other items featuring Sadowski's artwork will be available for purchase at the 2024 Wisconsin State Fair. Proceeds of the Fairtastic Poster Competition support the Wisconsin State Fair Park Foundation, an independent 501c3 dedicated to preserving the Fair Park.

Bricks & Minifigs business opening in Brookfield

BROOKFIELD — Whether you're a Lego fanatic or a person who doesn't know a brick from a bionicle, the Bricks & Minifigs store opening in Brookfield will have something for you.

The store at 16700 W. Bluemound Road will sell new, used and bulk Lego bricks and sets. The store, according to its Facebook page, will open April 6. The little Lego figures, known as minifigs, are for sale individually, as well as constructed Lego sets.

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Brookfield Fire Department promotes five



Left to right, Chief David Mason swears Lieutenant Matthew Caine and Lieutenant Lyn Mikolajczak into their new positions.

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Deputy Chief Jeremy Wachtl and Deputy Chief Kory Sukow are sworn into their new roles.



Newly promoted Assistant Chief Chris Cass speaks to the attendees of the Brookfield Fire Department promotional ceremony.

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