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## Julie's Off the Wall

Julie Muenster, of Julie's Off the Wall, recently took a 30-hour class at Lasting Impressions School of Decorative Painting in Green Bay. In this intense week of classes, Julie learned many high end faux finishes such as Venetian Plaster and Basic Marble.

"There is a lot more to faux finishing than just sponging and ragging," says Julie. "I'm looking forward to working with a variety of unique, creative techniques and products...and customers!" Julie's Off the Wall creates atmosphere in residential and commercial environments through paint, decorative finishes, wall art, and custom accessories.

Please contact Julie Muenster at Julie's Off the Wall, LLC at 715-923-5854, [julie@ez-net.com](mailto:julie@ez-net.com) or check out her webpage at [juliesoffthewall.com](http://juliesoffthewall.com).



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## Badger Park Band Shell Dedication

The Peshtigo Band Shell committee held a ribbon cutting and dedication of the newly constructed band shell located in Badger Park on July 30 at 6:00 pm. Peshtigo Mayor Thomas Strouf was presented with a key from the committee to symbolize their ownership of the band shell. Mayor Strouf did the ribbon cutting.

The committee included Mary Lock, Renee Kresl, and John Berth stated, "Members of our community, non-profit organizations, businesses, the Peshtigo Area Foundation, and friends of Peshtigo have all joined together to make this a reality. We hope this band shell will offer many opportunities to bring our community together to enjoy the park and the friendship of our partners, supporters and friends."

Contractors whose generosity and skills helped to complete the band shell include Enterprise Engineering Consultants, LTD, Sentinel Structures, Ryan Builders and Design, Inc., Road King Excavating, Shoe's Excavating, Ed's Concrete, Masonry and Pre-cast, Olson Electric, TBS Masonry, Northern Home Improvement, Custom Laser Art, LLC, and Nick's Painting.

Construction of the \$65,000 band shell began on April 24 and was completed in June. Supporting the band shell committee were the Peshtigo Chamber of Commerce, Peshtigo Woman's Club and Peshtigo Historical Day organizers.

A Bands at Badger concert followed the dedication with Music Jar performing from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. Two concerts remain scheduled for the summer series include on August 13 Check One Two sponsored by Peshtigo Lions Club & Wisconsin Public Service and on August 20 Rivertown sponsored by CenturyTel. Concessions will be sold by the Peshtigo Woman's Club.

### **Bergquist Promoted to Assistant Vice President**

Kathleen Bergquist has recently been promoted to Assistant Vice President and Human Resources Director at The Stephenson National Bank & Trust (SNB&T).

Joining SNB&T in 2005, Bergquist is responsible for compensation planning and administration, recruitment and selection, employee relations and development, compliance, benefit administration and policy administration. She collaborates with other departments throughout the bank and serves on several committees including Strategic Marketing, Pension, and Wellness.

A Menominee County native, Bergquist attended Barnes Business College in Denver, Colo. In addition, she has participated in the Human Resources Management School, as part of the University of Wisconsin, Graduate School of Banking Program.

The Stephenson National Bank & Trust is a 133-year old independent community bank with assets of \$236 million and Trust assets exceeding \$196 million. Offices are located in Marinette and Oconto, Wisconsin and Menominee, Michigan. For more information about The Stephenson National Bank & Trust visit [www.snb.com](http://www.snb.com).



### **SNB&T Celebrates Area Scholars**

The Stephenson National Bank & Trust recently awarded scholarships totaling over \$11,000 to local high school, college and university students. The first scholarship is given in memory of the Louis W. Staudenmaier who served as the bank's president from 1952 through 1980. The second was created by the bank's Chairman, Mary L. Staudenmaier. Both scholarships recognize the achievements of exceptional area students.

High school graduates who received bank scholarships for 2008 are: Matthew Berg, Menominee High School; Ashley Biehl, St. Thomas Aquinas Academy; Travis Carlson, St. Thomas Aquinas Academy; Trista Bayerl, Stephenson High School; Sabrina Vieth, Marinette High School; Katlin Schuelke, Peshtigo High School; Jacob Wickman, Oconto High School; Amanda Gretzinger, Wausaukee High School; Amber Suchon, Crivitz High School.

The scholarship recipients from Northeast Wisconsin Technical College are: Alan Luccarini, Crivitz and Sara Thoney, Marinette. Recipients from University of Wisconsin-Marquette are: Brandee Peterson, Wallace; Mathew Demeuse, Marinette; Ethan Linstad, Marinette.

The scholarship program is one of several bank activities that support youth and education. In recognition of their outstanding work in financial education, the bank earned awards for the past eight years from the Wisconsin Bankers Association.

The Stephenson National Bank & Trust's recent educational activities include: hosting a Reverse Mortgage Seminar in May, sponsoring "Newspapers in Education"; hosting bank tours for students; making classroom presentations such as "Teach Children to Save Day"; making presentations for "Get Smart About Credit Day", which teaches young adults about using credit wisely; participating in the Kiwanis "Kid Kare ID"; and sponsoring and participating in "Mini Business World".

*Pastor David Zahn of Zion Lutheran Church is planning a once in a lifetime 11 day tour to Alpine Europe. Please go to [www.peshtigochamber.com](http://www.peshtigochamber.com) and then 'Downloads' and open Alpine Europe Tour I and II for more information.*

### Farmers & Merchants Bank & Trust Promotions

The Board of Directors of the Farmers & Merchants Bank & Trust recently approved three promotions.

Dale Halfmann has been promoted to Assistant Vice President. Dale is a commercial loan officer at the downtown office.

Corinna Powers was named Branch Supervisor at the bank's Pine Tree Mall facility. Corinna will be responsible for customer service, staff supervision and teller duties.

Mary Argall has been promoted to Customer Service Officer at the Crivitz branch. She has been employed at Crivitz since the branch opened in August, 2005.

Bank President, Tom Maxwell said that these promotions recognize these individuals' outstanding efforts on behalf of the bank.

### Oberg Honored

Justin Oberg of the financial services firm Edward Jones recently won the exclusive Pacesetters Award for his outstanding performance the first three years of his career at Edward Jones.

"I am honored to receive this award, Oberg said. "I enjoy my work helping the people of Peshtigo and the surrounding areas plan for their financial futures, but it gives me an extra boost to receive special recognition for my work."

Oberg was honored at the meeting in Jersey City, NJ where he also met other Edward Jones financial advisors to share ideas. James D. Weddle, managing partner for Edward Jones, said the firm makes a special effort to acknowledge exceptional work and performance by its financial advisors.

The Edward Jones Pacesetter Award is a hand-drawn, hand-painted watercolor of the traditional Wall Street "Bull and Bear" made for each award recipient.

Oberg's office is located at 160 N. Ellis Avenue in Peshtigo.

### Advantage Office Solutions, Inc.

Eric Urben has been promoted to the position of Sales Manager at Advantage Office Solutions, Inc., a locally owned company that offers document management solutions."

Advantage Office Solutions, Inc. located in Green Bay, WI is a premier document management solutions provider. Our product offerings consist of but are not limited to; document management solutions, high speed network color, and black and white MFP's offering scanning, printing, faxing and copying options. Advantage Office Solutions Inc. is locally owned and operated guaranteeing quality and that often overlooked personal touch.

Advantage Office Solutions Inc. (AOS) has a consultative approach through operational expense consulting, workflow strategies, and document management solutions. Specializing in and focused on improving workflow, enhancing productivity and reduction of overall operating cost.

In addition to carrying the Sharp "Line of the Year" award winning products, AOS is committed to building mutually profitable relationships and continually creating environments for our customers continued growth and development through continued education implementation of advanced technology. AOS is also socially responsible and involved in the community.

"Responsibility to Customers, Employees and Community." Advantage Office Solutions, Inc. Core Values

- **Pride:** Preparation, practice, hustle, pride, initiative and drive—these are old-fashioned words, but they have built the world.
- **Passion:** If you love what you do, and you feel that it matters, then the passion will show. It all boils down to those who really care and those who don't.
- **Integrity:** To determine the degree to which individuals like and respect themselves, simply watch the way they treat others around them. Consideration, thoughtfulness, character and class—these are all distinguishing characteristics of people with integrity.
- **Excellence:** The difference between the bottom and the top, between success and failure, between mediocrity and excellence, is often small. So breathe in experience. Remain a life long learner. Fine-tune your skills and sweat the details. Constantly be on the lookout for the little difference that can make a big difference.

## Garcia Announces New Counselor at Concerned Associates

Gil Garcia, owner and president of Concerned Associates: Employee Assistance and Professional Counseling announces the addition of a new full-time psychotherapist, Ms. Joanne Black, MA, LLP (Limited Licensed Psychologist). Ms. Black is a Clinical Psychologist licensed in the State of Michigan and earned her Master of Arts Degree from the Michigan School of Professional Psychology in 1999. She received her Bachelor's of Arts Degree in Psychology in 1979 from Wayne State University.

The Michigan School of Professional Psychology is a private, independent school of professional psychology in Farmington Hills, Michigan. MiSPP guides individuals to become reflective scholar-practitioners who serve diverse populations as professional psychologists and psychotherapists. Formerly known as the Center for Humanistic Studies, with previous roots at The Merrill-Palmer Institute, the institution is a leader in clinical, experiential self-directed education, offering the learning community nearly four decades of commitment. An acclaimed roster of faculty members educates diverse and multicultural Masters and Doctoral students with a dedication to psychology.

Garcia states Ms. Black holds 17 years of experience as a clinical psychologist. She has developed and implemented programs in her local community, including substance-abuse awareness and relapse prevention. She has facilitated training and substance abuse recovery programs, parenting programs for Head Start and United Way and has led incest survivor group therapies. Previously living in the Lower Peninsula Michigan area, Ms. Black has relocated to the Upper Peninsula to experience and enjoy God's country away from city life. "I want to be by the woods and water." She states she has "great childhood memories of the Northwoods and is excited to live here."

Ms. Black has been practicing in Menominee since 2006, previously with Lakeshore Professional Counseling (which closed in May 10, 2008) and is looking forward to working for Gil Garcia and Concerned Associates at the Menominee and Stephenson, Michigan offices. Black states, "I have really enjoyed meeting students in the local schools and helping them talk about their problems. I have worked with teens, couples and family seventeen years ago. I began working for Gil Garcia as an employee assistance counselor as one of the Concerned Associates. Now we will be working together as a team. Garcia states, "I have been impressed with Joanie's work with our EAP clients since 2006 and have found her therapy work to be effective, direct, respectful, appreciated, well-liked and very caring. Her life experiences have made her a knowledgeable and astute professional. I am particularly pleased to know that she provides Cognitive Behavioral Therapy along with other approaches, which I find to be very efficient and effective counseling treatment. I am proud to have her working out of our offices. Obviously a female therapist on staff is a great complement to our work with families." Ms. Black provides individual, couple, family and group therapies. She helps people with substance abuse issues, anxiety, depression, mood disorders, relationship conflicts and looks forward to being a specialist in the area of marriage counseling. Concerned associates services are available at 906-864-2208 or toll free 866-903-6000. The website for Professional Counseling services is [www.GilGarciaTherapist.com](http://www.GilGarciaTherapist.com) and Employee Assistance Programs are found at [www.concernedassociates.com](http://www.concernedassociates.com). According to Garcia, he has served the Marinette, Oconto, Menominee, Delta and Dickinson county communities as a mental health professional since 1978. Concerned Associates has been providing employee assistance programs to many local industries and companies in the area since 1994. Concerned Associates recently initiated a new program to provide employee assistance counseling services to small business with employees of 50 or less. The new program is "EAP Consortium" and strives to provide people services for small business owners at an affordable price through purchasing memberships. More information about EAP Consortium is available at [www.EapConsortium.com](http://www.EapConsortium.com).

## Cromell Accepts Position

Peshtigo National Bank announced that Richard Cromell has accepted the position of vice president with the organization. He comes to PNB with 23 plus years of banking experience, with his most recent position as community bank president of Associated Bank in Coleman, Pound and Oconto Falls market area. Prior banking experience was with Peoples State Bank, a community bank in Munising, Michigan.

Cromell will continue to assist customers in the Coleman, Pound, Oconto Falls, Crivitz and Lena communities as well as the additional areas that are served by Peshtigo National Bank. He can be reached at 715-923-6148.

Keith Shallow, president of Peshtigo National Bank, stated, "We are extremely excited to have someone of Dick's experience and expertise join the PNB family. It is another opportunity to be able to do your banking with your friends and neighbors."

Peshtigo National Bank is a \$140 million, locally owned community bank with offices in Peshtigo, Coleman, Marinette, Oconto Falls, and Gillett.

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1,300	1,400	\$0.35
1,800	2,100	\$0.25
2,700	4,000	\$0.25



**US America Business**

Current Anytime Minutes	New Anytime Minutes	Additional Airtime Rate
1,800	1,800	\$0.35
2,100	2,500	\$0.25
3,100	5,000	\$0.25
4,200	6,500	\$0.25
3,700	6,000	\$0.25

If you have any questions, please dial 611 from your Cellcom wireless phone or call 1-800-236-0055 and a Cellcom customer service representative will be happy to assist you.

**Badger Credit Union Celebrates 75 Years**

Badger Credit Union, 870 Frontage Road in Peshtigo is celebrating 75 years of service and hosting a member appreciation day on Thursday, August 21. Hamburgers and brats will be served from 11 am to 3 pm Adult prizes include \$75 gas card, \$75 Menards gift card, and \$75 Walmart gift card. Children’s prizes include two \$25 Walmart gift cards and one \$25 Shopko gift card. Enter each time you visit them during the entire month of August. New members are welcome to join in on the fun!

Badger Credit Union is taking donations for the Peshtigo Food Pantry during the month of August so please bring in your non-perishable food items.

Loan specials are being offered during Badger Credit Union’s celebration. Give them a call at 715-582-4002 for more information.



### Pelnar and Dzurick Receive Bank Awards of Excellence

Louise Pelnar and Ken Dzurick have received two awards from The Stephenson National Bank & Trust (SNB&T). Created in 1988, the Award of Excellence is given to two employees semi-annually. Recipients are nominated by their co-workers for demonstrating excellence in customer service, reliability, responsiveness to customers' and bank employees' needs, superior job knowledge, professionalism, motivation and productivity.

The first award was given to Pelnar for consistently exceeding customers' expectations. Her responsibilities include listening to and recommending solutions to customer inquiries by phone or in person concerning checking and savings accounts, transfers, overdrafts and stop payments. In addition, she is responsible for ATM and Debit Card processing.

Pelnar joined SNB&T in 1986. Throughout her 22 years at the bank she has held several positions including proof operator, accounting clerk, bookkeeping supervisor, education coordinator and assistant cashier.

Her education includes business and banking courses at NWTC and certification from the American Institute of Banking. She is a past recipient of the bank's Award of Excellence, an award given semi-annually to employees who demonstrate superior job knowledge, professionalism, motivation, productivity and customer service. Her community service includes volunteering at the Jerry Parins Cruise for Cancer Event. She and her husband Lowell live in Wallace and have two adult children and four grandchildren.

The second award, given to Dzurick, recognizes that he is an integral part of the bank as a true "go to" person. He is responsible for building maintenance and repairs.

He joined SNB&T in 1983. Throughout his 25 years of service to the bank he has worked tirelessly to perform tasks to the highest standard. His readiness and commitment to the job earned him this award.

Dzurick resides in Marinette with his wife Ellen, they have three adult children and two grandchildren.

### Helpful Tips When Hiring a Contractor

The Wisconsin Department of Consumer Protection offers a list of helpful tips for consumers to follow when entering into an agreement with a contractor. You should make sure the contract contains the following:

- Name and address of the salesman and the company (not just a post office box number).
- A full description of the job. Don't rely on oral agreements.
- Detailed list of materials including the name, brand, size, models, performance capacity of the items and the quantity of materials to be used.
- Total price, plus finance charges.
- Starting and completion date.
- Statement explaining warranties on materials, labor or services and any exceptions or limitations.



For more information contact: Consumer Protection at 800-422-7128 or [www.datcp.state.wi.us](http://www.datcp.state.wi.us) or the Better Business Bureau at 800-273-1002.

***Peshtigo Historical Day is Saturday, September 20<sup>th</sup>.  
The parade is at 10 a.m. on the east side of Peshtigo  
with activities following at Badger Park.  
Fireworks at dusk!***

## Viau is Now a Registered Architect

Enterprise Engineering Consultants, Ltd. (EEC) is proud to announce that Randy Viau received his Registered Architect license on July 1 from the Wisconsin Department of Regulation and Licensing. He accomplished a very unique feat in passing all nine divisions of the Architectural Registration Exam on the first attempt. Randy's achievement follows eight years of internship at EEC and intense study in all phases of building design, including space planning, site planning, electrical, HVAC and plumbing design. Prior to joining EEC Randy spent 19 years as a contractor in all phases of building construction including masonry, concrete, steel erection and general wood frame construction. He also worked as a designer for a press-plate truss manufacturer. Randy's talents are a complement to the EEC staff of 17 engineers, architects, cad drafters and support personnel.

Enterprise Engineering Consultants, Ltd. is located at 710 French Street in Peshtigo. They can be reached at 715-582-4501 or visit their website at [www.eecltd.com](http://www.eecltd.com).

## VanWinkle Celebrates 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Allied Health Center, Peshtigo celebrated their 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary according to Carrie VanWinkle, D.C. The office is located at 880 Frontage Road, Suite H. The Peshtigo office is one of 53 Allied Health Centers in Wisconsin, Michigan, and Illinois.

VanWinkle said she focuses on "workplace-related injuries and worker wellness" and credited her interest in the field to Dr. Scott D. Bautch, president of the firm as well as president of the American Chiropractic Association Board of Occupational Health. As a graduate of Logan College of Chiropractic, Chesterfield, MO, Dr. VanWinkle is dedicated to providing excellent chiropractic care for her patients. She serves a wide range of patients and their families from infants to senior citizens, and especially enjoys talking to parents about the importance of chiropractic care in the lives of children as they grow and develop.

VanWinkle offers supplements, exercise balls, on site x-rays and various gentle chiropractic techniques for the treatment of all ages and sizes. Office hours are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 7:30 am to 6 pm, on Saturday from 8 am to noon, and Thursday by appointment. Insurance, including Medicare and Medicaid is accepted verified and processed by staff. For more information call 715-582-4098.

Her desire to become a chiropractor arose from severe headaches that plagued her throughout her high school days. Her chiropractor at the time informed her of the benefits of chiropractic care that go beyond back and neck pain. She admitted at the time she was skeptical about the claim, but soon found the benefits were indeed true. Her chiropractor at the time did not know she also suffered from reoccurring ear and sinus infections. She no longer suffers those conditions.

After high school, VanWinkle attended undergraduate school at Creighton University in Omaha, Nebraska. She spent a year training as a paramedic and working in an emergency room and earned a bachelor of science in emergency medical services and graduated in December 1998. For chiropractic college, she attended Logan College of Chiropractic in Chesterfield, MO. While there, she completed an internship at Barnes Jewish Hospital in an obstetric clinic working with expectant mothers. VanWinkle earned a bachelor of science in human biology in January 2001 and a Doctor of Chiropractic degree in August 2002.

Upon graduation from Logan, she entered a residence program under the guidance of Dr. Bautch, Wausau, and attended monthly seminars designed to keep doctors current with regard to clinical chiropractic technique procedures.

VanWinkle stated she felt Peshtigo to be a very welcoming community and she is glad to have the opportunity to touch many lives by caring for patients and being involved in community activities. VanWinkle is a director of the Peshtigo Woman's Club, and chair of the Senior Luncheon committee as well as working on the Bands at Badger committee. She is also 2<sup>nd</sup> vice president of the Peshtigo Chamber of Commerce and chair of the Chamber's Annual Award Banquet.

VanWinkle stated, "I appreciate all the area patients and physicians who have helped my practice to grow in each of the past five years. I am also fortunate to have a great chiropractic assistant, Susan Weatherwex, who adds so much to the personal service we provide here at the office."

She married Doug VanWinkle in January 2005 and the couple has a 2 year old daughter, Lauren.

*Mission Statement*

The purpose of the Peshtigo Chamber of Commerce is to advance the economic, recreational, industrial, professional, agricultural, cultural, educational and civic welfare of the Peshtigo community and vicinity.

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**Plan Cemetery Walk for Vets**

The Peshtigo American Legion Post 312, area veterans and friends are proposing a World War II Memorial project at the Riverside Cemetery in Peshtigo honoring all World War II veterans.

The Legion Post is selling 4"x8" bricks at \$100 and 18"x18" blocks at \$200 for the Veteran walkway. Donations will offset the cost of construction for the memorial.

Persons interested in making a donation may contact Allen R. Urbaniak at 715-582-0494 or send a donation to American Legion Post 312 at N3141 County RW, Peshtigo, WI 54157. Included with the donation should be the name of the person being honored, the rank, branch of service and the time served.

Future plans for the project call for a memorial for veterans of Korea, Vietnam and possibly Iraq.



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