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Gail Ostermann Receives 2022 GCF Civic Award



Gail Ostermann moved to Cedarburg in the mid '80s to take a position with a public relations firm. Little did she know then how the community would embrace her and how she would embrace it back.

Ostermann was the recipient of the 19th annual Civic Award given by the Greater Cedarburg Foundation during a ceremony and reception honoring her on April 27 at the Cedarburg Cultural Center.

Born and raised in Kohler, WI, Ostermann received her journalism degree from UW-Eau Claire in 1977. She was the state editor of the Janesville Gazette for five

years before making her move to Cedarburg. "My claim to fame is that I once interviewed Barbara Bush before she was First Lady and I also interviewed Gary Burghoff, who played Radar O'Reilly on "M*A*S*H," Ostermann said.

After moving here, she immediately fell in love with Cedarburg. "I marvel at how the city's leaders have preserved its history. They had amazing foresight," Ostermann said.

In 1986, Ostermann joined the staff of the local newspaper, the Ozaukee County News Graphic, as its advertising director. Being trained as a journalist, she was wary of a career in advertising but quickly found that she had a knack for it. "As a salesperson, I built relationships with lots of local businesspeople," she said. "I was active in the Chamber of Commerce to make connections and to network."

It was through those connections that Ostermann got involved in community service. She discovered that many local non-profits needed people on their

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GCF Installs New President



At our annual meeting on June 14, we welcomed Joe Rintelman as the new president of the Greater Cedarburg Foundation. Rintelman replaces Mark Langholz, who remains on the board as past president.

"The success of GCF demonstrates the deep affection that people hold for our community," says Rintelman. "Cedarburg's distinctiveness is built on the vision, dedication and generosity of our predecessors. This heritage informs us as we strive to ensure GCF remains a vibrant organization. It's a privilege to gather together individuals, businesses and families who wish to enhance the quality of life in Cedarburg. I'm grateful for the trust placed in the GCF board to be financial custodians in achieving great things for Cedarburg."

Joe is a fifth-generation Cedarburg resident and proud CHS alumnus. He earned a Bachelor of Science and Master of Science in Technology and Engineering Education from UW-Stout. Currently he leads Noble Stores LLC, which owns and operates nine Dairy Queen Treat stores in Illinois. Joe previously served as a Town of Cedarburg Supervisor and as a community volunteer and leader in many capacities. Joe's wife, Dr. Jennifer Stevens, owns a dental practice in Cedarburg. Joe and Jen are life-long Cedarburg residents and currently reside in the Town of Cedarburg with their family. ■

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The Greater Cedarburg FOUNDATION Community Gala Event

Join us for...
"A Stroll Down Center Street"

- Stroll or take a trolley ride to visit the Interurban Depot and Cedarburg Public Library
- Festivities begin at Cedarburg Cultural Center at 6:00 pm with dinner at 7:30 pm
- Complimentary beer, wine & appetizers at both locations
- Silent & Live auction items

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Six Organizations Receive Grants from Greater Cedarburg Foundation

The Greater Cedarburg Foundation awarded \$120,000 to six area non-profit organizations as part of its annual grant cycle process.

“We are grateful to the donors whose generosity has made these grants possible,” said Joe Rintelman, GCF President. “Thanks to their support, we were able to award significant grants to six worthy organizations that are making an impact in our community.”

Organizations receiving grants for the 2022 annual GCF grant cycle review include:

- **Cedarburg Art Museum** to repair the roof fascia and exterior of the historic building, a valuable asset in Cedarburg’s downtown
- **Cedarburg Cultural Center** to upgrade facilities at the Kuhefuss House Museum, allowing additional programming on-site
- **Cedarburg Friends of Park and Recreation** to achieve the fundraising goal for the extensive renovation of the All Children’s Playground in Cedarburg
- **Family Promise of Ozaukee County** to furnish one room in the emergency shelter for individuals and families at risk for homelessness
- **Ozaukee Family Services** to help expand programs and services to the community through its relocation into a larger facility in the Town of Cedarburg
- **Riveredge Nature Center** to support the “Growing Adventures for the Future: The Campaign for Riveredge” capital campaign

“Cedarburg is filled with people who are committed to making our community a special place to live and we are pleased to support these organizations that are helping Cedarburg and its residents to flourish,” said Mark Langholz, GCF Past President.

Since its inception, the Greater Cedarburg Foundation has awarded more than \$1.6 million in grants to deserving projects and nonprofit organizations in the community. ■



(L-R) Joe Rintelman, Greater Cedarburg Foundation; Peg Edquist, Cedarburg Cultural Center; Barb Janssen, Family Promise of Ozaukee County; Tonya Bartoletti, Cedarburg Friends of Parks and Recreation; Lisa Holtebeck, Ozaukee Family Services; Pam Helf, Cedarburg Art Museum; Minal Hahm, Cedarburg Friends of Parks and Recreation; Libby Larsen, Riveredge Nature Center

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GRANT SPOTLIGHTS ...

Helping Ozaukee Family Services Renovate Space in New Building



Since 1974, Ozaukee Family Services (OFS) has helped thousands of individuals and families succeed with a variety of resources and comprehensive

programming including parent education and support; affordable counseling for children, teens, adults and seniors who are uninsured or underinsured; education focusing on child abuse prevention, eating disorders, internet safety and anti-bullying; and services to help local seniors remain living independently in their homes.

Ozaukee Family Services is now located on Columbia Road in the Town of Cedarburg. Its new home allows OFS to expand programs, reduce costs and better meet the growing needs of the community. The Greater Cedarburg Foundation awarded Ozaukee Family Services a grant to renovate this new, larger space to create a safe, welcoming and trauma-sensitive environment for the many people it serves.

According to Executive Director Lisa Holtebeck, “OFS is grateful to have had the support of the Greater Cedarburg Foundation for some time, but we are humbled by this generous gift that will help us renovate. The demand for our services, particularly our mental health programming, has greatly increased over the past few years, and our new building provides us the opportunity to grow and help even more people in Ozaukee County. This grant will help us cover the cost of renovations and repairs without taking money away from our programs.” ■



Ozaukee Family Services is hosting an open house on Sept. 15th and the community is invited to check out the new space!

Helping All Children's Playground Meet Fundraising Goal



Children of all ages and abilities are eagerly awaiting the installation of the new All Children's Playground at Centennial Park in Cedarburg this summer, thanks to the fundraising efforts of Cedarburg Friends of Parks and Recreation. The Greater Cedarburg Foundation awarded a grant to help Cedarburg Friends of Parks and Recreation cross the finish line in its ambitious \$400K fundraising goal. The new playground will feature a play area that allows all children – including those with mobility issues, sensory impairments or cognitive/developmental delays – and their families to enjoy a variety of safe and fun recreational activities together.

Cedarburg Friends of Parks and Recreation was founded by Cedarburg residents to support the betterment of recreational offerings in Cedarburg. Their special events throughout the year (including Conquer the Burg and the Scary Bloody Mary Walk) help raise funds for parks and recreation projects within Cedarburg.



As Danny Friess, Director of Cedarburg Parks, Recreation and Forestry Director, said, "The old playground was 30 years old, so a new one is much needed! It will be a welcome addition to Centennial Park. We are grateful to the community and the Greater Cedarburg Foundation for embracing this project and helping us achieve our fundraising goal so quickly. We look forward to having children and their families enjoy the new playground soon!" ■

Repairing the Cedarburg Art Museum's Exterior



Cedarburg hosts a vibrant art scene including its own art museum that celebrates local and Wisconsin-wide art. Through original exhibitions and programs, the Cedarburg Art Museum collects, exhibits and preserves the artwork of Cedarburg and surrounding

areas. The museum just published and released a ground-breaking new book: *A Creative Place: The History of Wisconsin Art*. Five years in the making, this is the first book to encompass the 13,000-year history of art in Wisconsin.

A grant from the Greater Cedarburg Foundation will help repair the roof fascia and exterior of Cedarburg Art Museum. The museum is located in a building of historic significance in

our community, dating back to 1898 — about a decade after the incorporation of Cedarburg. The roof repair will both preserve the structure of the historic building and protect the treasured artwork within its walls.

"We are very grateful for the support of the community and for the partnership between the Greater Cedarburg Foundation and the Cedarburg Art Museum. GCF's dedication to preserving CAM's cultural heritage and our mission is truly appreciated," said Pam Helf, President of the Board of Directors at the Cedarburg Art Museum. ■

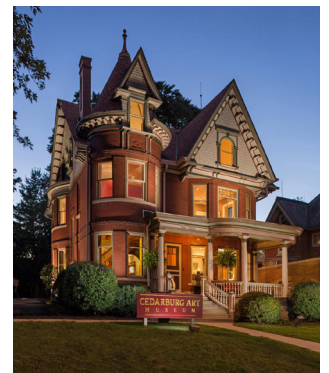


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GCF Civic Award (from pg. 1)

boards with skills in writing, marketing and public relations. So Ostermann volunteered to become that person with the Cedarburg-Grafton Rotary, Cedarburg Chamber of Commerce, the Cedarburg Education Foundation, the Cedarburg Cultural Center, the Greater Cedarburg Foundation, the Cedarburg PAC Visiting Artists Series

and the Cedarburg Tourism, Promotion & Development Committee. She has also served on some boards and committees in neighboring communities such as Mequon's Gathering on the Green and Grafton's Holiday Events.

Ostermann retired in 2015 as publisher of M Magazine, a lifestyle magazine for metro

Milwaukee published by the Conley Media Group, which also owns the News Graphic. She resides with her significant other of 25 years, Bob Uhren, in a 130-year-old farmhouse in the town of Cedarburg that she calls a "labor of love." And she still remains active in local causes, especially with the Cedarburg-Grafton Rotary. ■



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Special thanks to outgoing GCF Board members Mary Jane Baumgartner, Patricia Thome and Jennifer Ziegler whose service is much valued and appreciated!

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Legacy Society Members

Listed below are members of the Legacy Society – a group of individuals sharing a commitment to support and sustain the many programs and projects that enhance the greater Cedarburg area. If you want to join this club, please print out and complete the Legacy Society membership form found at www.cedarburgfoundation.com and mail to: Greater Cedarburg Foundation, P.O. Box 711, Cedarburg WI 53012. For more info on becoming a Legacy Society member, leave a message with the Greater Cedarburg Foundation at 262-377-7338.

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