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Out of the storm: The worst of circumstances brings out the best in neighbors, friends, strangers



Area residents spent days working together to clean up debris left in the wake of strong storms that ripped through June 15.



Neighbors banded together to clean up after the storm.



A confirmed EF-1 tornado destroyed structures throughout Seymour.



Damaged power line poles on Lenwood Avenue in Howard.

BY HEATHER GRAVES EDITOR

NORTHEAST WISCONSIN - More than a week af-

ter severe storms pounded the Greater Green Bay area, with wind bursts of more than 70 miles per hour, residents are still picking up

the pieces. However, in the midst of the devastation - streets lined with downed trees and power lines leaving

thousands without power - neighbors wasted no time getting to work, stepping up to help each other. Sometimes the aid came

in the form of an unexpected pizza delivery or the offer of refrigerator or freezer space. Other times, it was a

community charging station, a chainsaw or a cool, safe place to stay.

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Napalese Lounge and Grille set to celebrate 40th anniversary

BY JANELLE FISHER INTERN

GREEN BAY - Napalese Lounge and Grille, the state's second-longest-running LGBTQ+ bar, is preparing to celebrate its 40th anniversary.

While the anniversary is exciting, Event Coordinator Justis Tenpenny said the past 40 years have not gone by without obstacles.

Napalese was established in 1982, at 515 S. Broadway. Running into a handful of

issues in terms of its location over the past four decades, the establishment found its new home at 1351 Cedar St. on Green Bay's near east side, but Tenpenny said it didn't come without challenges.

"When Napalese relocated, it was targeted by individuals who would throw fireworks, trash and other items into the front door of the bar," he said.

Tenpenny said it eventually got to a point where the front door was rendered unusable.



Napalese has provided a safe environment for the LGBTQ+ community for four decades.

"The front door was eventually sealed due to the harassment, and patrons began entering through the side parking lot entrance," he said.

That was until last summer, when Tenpenny said the door was reopened in conjunction with Napalese's Weekend of Pride.

"On August 21, 2021, the front door was reopened after 20-plus years by Green

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Green Bay committee shoots down marijuana referendum, discusses City Hall's pride flag

BY HEATHER GRAVES EDITOR

GREEN BAY - Green Bay's Protection and Policy Committee spent a good chunk of its Monday, June 20, meeting discussing the potential of putting an advisory marijuana referendum on the November ballot.

The request came from District 7 Alderperson Randy Scannell - one he said he made after the county only addressed a portion of the issue.

"The county ended up just putting forth a referendum on medical marijuana," he said. "We were hoping at the time that they would have done both... I couldn't understand why the county voted that down. I mean, even if you didn't like



The American flag and the pride flag fly in front of Green Bay City Hall.

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marijuana, this isn't binding you to anything, and if people come up strongly

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