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## 'Newsies' EXPLODES with song and dance live on stage



The choreography is stunning for "Newsies" the 2021 musical by the creative talents of the students and staff of the B-WHS Theatre Department. Submitted photo

Submitted by Mrs. Chandra Lamb, Baldwin-Woodville High School (B-WHS) November 4-7, 2021, is the B-WHS Theatre Department production of Disney's "Newsies," the Tony Award-winning Broadway phenomenon. The show is based

on the historical newsboy strike of 1899 that shook the ivory towers of William Randolph Hearst and Joseph Pulitzer. It leaps onto the stage with soul stirring music, amazing heart, and stunning choreography. If you haven't gotten your tickets yet, make your plans now!

It tells how a band of underdogs took on the most powerful names in New York in a fight for what's right. The poor and orphaned teenagers, selling newspapers for one penny per paper, are pushed to the limit when newspaper moguls Hearst and Pulitzer try to take away more of their meager profits. Jack Kelly becomes the leader who rallies the Newsies from across the city to take a stand and strike against the most powerful publishers in the country. Their cause becomes even bigger than any of the Newsies imagined when they realize they're fighting for all the children working in unfair and unsafe conditions across the nation.

"Newsies" was the winner of the 2012 Tony Awards for Best Score and Best Choreography. The stage

adaptation played on Broadway from 2012-2014 with a national tour 2014-2016. The Broadway run was only expected to play 101 performances, but audiences never abated so the show ended up running a total of 1,005 performances. Since 2011, "Newsies" has played 1,711 performances between Broadway and the North American tour to more than 2.5 million audience members. It received 23 major theatrical nominations, including eight Tony Award nominations. A movie was made of the Broadway production that included many of the original cast members. The film was released in February 2017 for a limited three-day run-in theaters across the country.

THE ACTUAL NEWSBOY STRIKE OF 1899 - The newsboys' strike in the summer of 1899 lasted two-weeks and resulted in a considerable decline in circulation of the two most powerful papers in the country. The strike drew rallies of more than 5,000 as the young newsboys called on the public to boycott newspapers

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Fall sunrise. Photo by Cari Cornelius

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### St. Croix Electric Cooperative now certified as a Family Friendly Workplace

Submitted by Neil Kline, Chief Evangelist

Family Friendly Workplaces WOODVILLE, WI - Family Friendly Workplaces announced on Saturday, October 23, 2021, that St. Croix Electric Cooperative (SCEC) has been certified as a Family Friendly Workplace. The certification signals to prospective and current Team Members that SCEC is committed to supporting them and their families.

"We are proud to support our team members and their families," said Brian Zelenak, President/CEO of SCEC. "As a local cooperative and utility, we live in the communities we serve, and our success is dependent on the vibrancy of those communities. That vibrancy includes supporting our team members and signaling the importance of supporting families to other businesses."

As part of the certification process, Family Friendly Workplaces conducts a thorough review of the



Brian Zelenak (left), President/CEO of SCEC, and Mark Tyler (right), Lead Volunteer of FFW, present a conduit check funded by SCEC to Agnes Ring (center), Executive Director of FRCSVC. Submitted photo

employer's human resources policies and practices, awarding points for policies and practices which support families. SCEC can use the Family Friendly Workplaces logo

and certification in their marketing and recruitment efforts. "We are very pleased to certify SCEC as a Family Friendly

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### Wisconsin launches 'Buckle Up Phone Down' campaign to save lives

Submitted by WisDOT Office of Public Affairs

MADISON, WI -- Wisconsin officials are challenging the community to put safety first, help prevent crashes, and save lives on state roads and highways.

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation's (WisDOT) new "Buckle Up Phone Down" campaign asks everyone to show support for two simple measures: use a seat belt every time you get in the car and stay off your phone while driving.

"The safety of everyone in Wisconsin is our top priority," Lt. Gov. Mandela Barnes said. "Distracted driving and not wearing your seat belt can be deadly. But these devastating incidents can be prevented. Everyone can do two simple things that may save their lives: Buckle Up Phone Down."

Cell phone use is one of the biggest distractions while driving. Distracted driving was a factor in almost 9,000 crashes in the state last



year, including 31 deaths.

WisDOT reports 11% of drivers in Wisconsin did not buckle up in 2020. Unbuckled drivers and passengers made up 44% of all fatalities last year.

"Our officers see tragedies like these on the roads every day," Wisconsin State Patrol Superintendent Tony Burrell said. "Many of us are so used to being in

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### Local woodland owner attends WI Coverts Project Workshop - Part II

By Paul J. Seeling Sun-Argus/Woodville Leader/Gateway News

SPRING VALLEY, WI - Last week in the papers we began reporting about local woodland owner Dave Sowatzke attending the 2021 Wisconsin Coverts Project Workshop that was facilitated by UW Madison Division of Extension. The Extension

Division were sponsors along with the UW Madison Dept. of Forest and Wildlife Ecology, The Ruffed Grouse Society/American Woodcock Society, Wisconsin Sustainable Forestry Initiative Implementation Committee, The Anne and Jason Spaeth Family and the Braun Woodlands.

The definition of Covert is a 14th

century English word describing a dense thicket that provides shelter for wildlife.

The Coverts Workshop consisted of three days of indoor sessions and outdoor experience for landowners who want to enhance their woodlands for wildlife. There were 15 presentations and two field trips over the four days of the Coverts Project

Workshop.

Here are the presentations on Friday morning, August 13: "Principles of Wildlife Management," "Management Strategies for Ruffed Grouse," "Wolf Management in Wisconsin," "How to Conduct a Successful Timber Sale," "Private Lands and Forest Certification," "Forest Songbird Management."

And "Invasive Plant species Management."

After lunch on Friday the attendees went on a Field Trip to Martin & Sons Sugarbush.

On Saturday the agenda for the day included presentations on "Small Mammal ID," "Wildlife Inventory and Monitoring Workshop." The afternoon agenda was "Herpetile

Management."

As you can see these topics would be of great interest to the woodland landowner. Jamie Nack, Extension Senior Wildlife Outreach Specialist, a Certified Wildlife Biologist @ who organized and managed the Wisconsin Coverts Project Workshop shared these statistics about the par-

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Working in rehearsal on "Newsies" choreography. Get your tickets now for this fantastic musical. Submitted photo

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The World and The Journal. Shortly after the strike began, the public showed their support and stopped buying the offending papers.

Newspapers at that time were sold in bundles of 100 at a cost of 50-cents to the newsboys who would hawk them throughout the city. When the publishers raised the price to 60-cents and refused to buy back unsold papers, it was a massive hardship on the group of poor orphans that largely comprised the child labor force of newsboys. In the end, Hearst and Pulitzer, though not lowering prices, did agree to buy back unsold papers as a compromise. The newsies' strike spawned similar actions in other parts of the country as well. The strikes would eventually lead to the introduction of urban child-welfare practices.

The cast of 38 students have been hard at work rehearsing since late August to bring the show to life. Familiar songs such as "Seize the Day," "Carrying The Banner" and "The World Will Know" along with recognizable characters such as Jack Kelly (Caleb Heimer), Crutchie (Issie Brooks) and Katherine Plummer (Abigail Rumpel) will make your evening one to remember.

Performances of "Newsies" will take place November 4-6 at 7:00 p.m. and November 7 at 2:00 p.m. in the B-WHS Performing Arts Center (1000 13th Avenue, Baldwin). Tickets, \$10 for adults and \$5 for students, can be purchased online at [shorturl.at/qvCJ4](http://shorturl.at/qvCJ4), by visiting the link on the High School webpage <https://www.bwsd.k12.wi.us/schools/high/>, by calling Chandra Lamb at 715-698-2456 ex. 3119, or at the door beginning 1 hour prior to each performance. Get your tickets now for a great evening of song, dance and entertainment! You won't be disappointed!

Editor's Note: If you have not had the pleasure of attending one of the phenomenal B-WHS Theatre Department productions you have missed some great local student theater performances that in my opinion are on par with professional theater. In the case of their musicals, they are great. Don't miss this one!

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Workplace" said Neil Kline, Chief Evangelist for Family Friendly Workplaces. "As SCEC continues to serve communities in the St. Croix Valley, this designation is a strong signal to potential and current team members, as well as other businesses, of the value that SCEC places on strong families."

As part of their commitment to supporting Family Friendly nonprofits, SCEC donated \$300 to Family Resource Center St. Croix Valley (FRCSCV) through the Family Friendly Workplaces nonprofit conduit. Based in Baldwin, the FRCSCV is a non-profit organization that offers no-cost parent education and family support to families with children prenatal-kindergarten entry in Pierce, Polk, and St. Croix Counties.

"SCEC has a history of involvement with and support for the Family Resource Center's efforts to build strong families through parent education, training and programming, and we are glad to be able to show our support once again while being recognized for this honor," Zelenak said.

St. Croix Electric Cooperative is a distribution cooperative serving the west central Wisconsin county of St. Croix and parts of the neighboring counties of Pierce, Dunn and Polk. Since being founded in 1937, SCEC has grown to distribute electricity to more than 11,200 member accounts over 1,800+ miles of line and employs 30 people who work, live, and raise their families in the communities served by the co-op. Website: <https://www.scecn.net/>

Family Friendly Workplaces works to expand and accelerate awareness of, and build a sustainable funding model to support, Family Friendly Workplaces and Family Friendly practices by certifying businesses, advocating for the adoption of Family-Friendly practices, and increasing resources for Family-supporting organizations. Website: [www.familyfriendlyworkplaces.org](http://www.familyfriendlyworkplaces.org). Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/familyfriendlyworkplaces>.

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takes the pledge demonstrates their commitment to the health and well-being of their communities and all the people of our state."

People of all ages in Wisconsin can commit to saving lives by taking the pledge at [wisconsin.gov/BUPD](http://wisconsin.gov/BUPD). Participants are encouraged to share a thumbs up/thumbs down photo on social media using the hashtag #BuckleUpPhoneDown then challenge friends, family, and coworkers to do the same.

The Buckle Up Phone Down initiative originated in Missouri in 2017. In the first two years, seat belt use in that state increased by 6.3% after more than 10,000 businesses and individuals accepted the challenge. Now, the initiative is underway in six other states, including Wisconsin, with 12 more considering campaigns.

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Participants and additional data about them.

There were 24 landowners (representing 20 properties) that participated in the 2021 Wisconsin Coverts

Average = 25 years.

This is the breakdown of primary interest and/or management objective for property: Wildlife habitat improvement - of 24, (100%), Recreational enjoyment - of 17 (71%), Forest management/improvement/health - of 14 (58%), Income from timber/timber production - of 6 (25%), Invasive species management - of 4 (17%), Biodiversity - of 4 (17%), Building/maintaining trails - of 3 (13%), Education - of 3 (13%), Maple syrup production - of 3 (13%), Riparian preservation/improvement - 2 (8%), Deer management - of 1 (4%), Legacy/preservation of the land/future generations - of 1 (4%), Tree disease management - of 1 (4%) and lastly Food forest - of 1 (4%).

Also in the statistics was this data: Properties with a written wildlife or forest management plan: 14 of 20 properties (70%). Cooperators allowing hunting on their property: 18 of 20 properties (90%).

Participants were asked who they consulted with for woodland management advice and this is the

2 (10%) and Others\* - of 3 (15%).

\*Others listed: Golden Sands RC&D, Glacial Lakes Conservancy, National Deer Association, and other landowners.

Lastly Nack surveyed the 24 participants about their knowledge of forest and wildlife management prior to the workshop: "I have no knowledge of forest & natural resource management" - of 0 (0%), "I'm aware of some options for managing my woodlands" - of 5 (21%), I understand some management concepts and can explain them to others" - of 8 (33%), "I have enough skills to implement some management activities on my land" - 11 (46%), "I know as much about forest and wildlife management as most foresters or wildlife biologists" - of 0 (0%).

That baseline of data provided a strong starting point for the Wisconsin Coverts Project Workshop to inform the participants with some excellent learning materials and tools for management of their woodland properties.

Next week in these papers for

a vehicle that we feel safe and forget about the terrible destruction that can occur from just a moment's inattention, but we must do better."



2021 Coverts Project attendees toured the Martin and Sons Maple Syrup sugarbush operation on the Martin property and were able to make and bottle maple syrup to take home. A number of current and retired DNR forestry and wildlife professionals were present to discuss programs such as the Managed Forest Law (MFL) and the Deer Management Assistance Program (DMAP) available to private landowners. Submitted photo

Wisconsin businesses, organizations, schools, communities, and individuals are invited to take the Buckle Up Phone Down pledge.

"We need everyone to join us," WisDOT Secretary Craig Thompson said. "The collective effort of each individual and organization will bring change and create safer roads in Wisconsin. Every person who

Project Workshop. This is a summary gleaned from their applications.

Acres owned or responsible for: total - 3,327 acres; average - 166 acres; median - 149 acres; range - 15 to 440 acres. Landowner's state of residence: 20 Wisconsin, 1 Minnesota, 1 Illinois. Years lived in WI/MN/IL: Average = 55 years. Years lived in present community:

breakdown out of 20 responses: DNR Bureau of Forestry - of 15 (75%), Private Consulting Forester - of 11 (55%), Natural Resources Conservation Service - of 5 (25%), DNR Wildlife Biologist - of 4 (20%), Farm Service Agency - of 3 (15%), Industrial Forester - of 3 (15%), None - of 3 (15%), State Cooperative Extension System - of

"Local woodland owner attends WI Coverts Project Workshop - Part III" the report will be on information covered specifically and the contacts available for the woodland property owner to pursue.

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