

Forward and farewell



The coronavirus waylaid a lot of plans for 2020 across the board—schools, businesses, events, and personal lives. For City Pages, the plans when Multi Media Channels purchased this newspaper included its founding publisher/editor (me) staying on for a year, through Jan. 31, 2021. Then the pandemic struck along with the economic fallout that has hit nearly every sector of society. Even the best laid plans had to change. Media got hit especially hard, and especially alt weeklies that are built so heavily around arts & entertainment and events. So to help City Pages ride out this storm financially, I'm stepping away earlier than planned.

But I'm stepping into a beautiful summer, so this change works out OK for me, personally. I launched City Pages in 1993 when I was 25 years old, and after 27 years with barely any vacation time, I hope to take a few months off before moving on to a new adventure, whatever that might be.

Brian Kowalski now will guide the content of City Pages as its editor. Brian first worked for City Pages as a reporter and copyeditor in 2008-2009, then did a 5-year stint with Gannett before returning to City Pages in 2014. As a graduate of DC Everest high school and UW-Stevens Point, he knows the area inside and out, but also has a worldly view from his time studying and working abroad in Japan, and other travels. He already has been a pillar of City Pages, and this expanded role fits just right. **CP**

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