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The big sellout



The Union Grove Performing Arts Department made history with its presentation of "Alice in Wonderland" last fall, in which all three performances sold out. While spring performances by the department historically sell out, last November was the first time in school history a fall play sold out. "Alice in Wonderland," directed by Rob Kroes, featured a cast and crew of more than 45 students, from freshmen to seniors. It combined live actors with original puppets that were hand-designed and created by assistant director Kim Sandberg and dressed by costume designer Ian Anderson.

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Beautifying the Village of Union Grove

Student athletes work together to bolster community pride

The Student Athlete Leadership Team, of Union Grove Union High School continue to make a difference and in the spring of 2023, students partnered with the GoFrankGo Foundation on a village beautification project intended to welcome visitors and bolster community pride.

About a dozen SALT members worked together to replace rotting timbers, plant bushes, and flowers, and add mulch to three of four entry signs into Union Grove.

The three entrances are east of Highway 11 and Lincolnwood Drive, south at Highway 45 and 18th Avenue, and west at Highway 11 and Industrial Park Drive.

While students came together, the work would not have been possible with supportive businesses, including Garden of Eder Nursery in Franksville along Bower Design and Construction from Union Grove.

Garden of Eder donated landscape design and the planting for the entrance sign project while Bower Design contributed timbers and construction guidance.

“We’re grateful to Jeremy (Eder) and his team at Eder, and Chris (Bower) and the Bower team, for their support of our community and of our kids,” said Chairperson Jason Callewaert, of the GoFrankGo Foundation.

“We’re even more thankful for

the members of SALT, who have enthusiastically embraced this opportunity to serve our community.”

SALT was formed in 2015 by Union Grove teacher Emily Paskiewicz, who along with fellow teacher Annie Sireno serve as volunteer advisors to the group.

SALT is comprised of student athletes, an average of two to four members from each Union Grove sports team. The Union Grove SALT group is the first of its kind in the U.S. and was selected to make a presentation the WIAA Board of Review.

According to Paskiewicz, the group is committed to teaching leadership, with the purpose of helping SALT members learn to make good choices, become positive role models, and encourage others in the school to follow their lead.

“Our mission for SALT is clearly defined,” she said. “We work to support all athletic teams, improve the overall school climate, encourage volunteerism among students, develop student leaders, and support game officials with appreciation gifts.”

Callewaert said the mission of SALT aligns perfectly with that of the GoFrankGo Foundation, setting up an ideal partnership.

“The GoFrankGo Foundation fully embraces and supports everything that SALT is doing for our student leaders,” Callewaert said. “As a foundation, we’ve committed doing all we can to help the impact of SALT here in Union Grove and elsewhere as more and more groups are formed.”

WELCOME TO Our Town

The Village of Union Grove and surrounding communities serve as the focal point of Racine County.

In addition to Union Grove, which presents many opportunities for residents and visitors, the villages of Yorkville and Raymond and the Town Dover are also areas worth exploring.

The Village of Union Grove, home of the Racine County Fairgrounds, consists of about 5,000 residents and hundreds of businesses.

While the Racine County Fairgrounds offers events beyond the annual County Fair, the area has many recreational opportunities, including Eagle Lake in Kansasville.

Other opportunities include Modine Benstead Observatory – which offers a glimpse into astronomy, while avid golfers can take up a friendly game at Ives Grove Golf Links.

While Union Grove and neighboring communities have seen growth – both residential and commercial – the area still touts a small-town atmosphere with families in mind.

Primarily located along the Highway 45 corridor, intersecting with Highway 11, area residents have easy access to larger communities.

While the Village of Union Grove brings in thousands of visitors, courtesy

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on the cover: Members of the Union Grove High School Dance Team perform during the 2023 Fourth of July parade in downtown Union Grove.

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above: Members of the 2023 Student Athlete Leadership Team gather near the Highway 11 and Industrial Park Drive welcome sign. From the left: Erin Hansche, Hannah Orcutt, Brielle Ryshkus, faculty advisor Annie Sireno, and Nathan Beutel.

CHAD HENSIK *Our Town*

Union Grove grad to reign over State Fair

Kelsey Henderson chosen as this year's ambassador

By **Jason Arndt**
EDITOR

Kelsey Henderson spent countless hours representing the Racine County Fair last year in her role as the 2023 Fairest of the Fair.

Henderson, 21, who earned the title last June at the county fairgrounds in Union Grove, channeled her passion for agriculture and the fair by welcoming visitors, highlighting exhibitors, and showcasing events.

Now, the reigning Fairest of the Fair will represent more than Racine County, with Henderson receiving the Wisconsin Fairest of the Fair crown in January at Chula Vista Resort in the Wisconsin Dells.

She was selected among 35 contestants and became just the second from Racine County to earn the crown. The first was in 2012 when Richelle Kastenson became the Wisconsin Fairest of the Fair.

Kastenson, who was on hand during the Wisconsin Fairest of Fairs convention, said she and other Racine County Fair Board members are beaming with pride at Henderson's achievement.

"She is a wonderful person inside and out, so we are very excited that she also gets to represent our county," Kastenson said. "Seeing Kelsey up on stage, she was really fun to listen to."

Kastenson recalled her own tenure as Wisconsin Fairest and believes Henderson is up to the challenge.

"Our fair board and our fairest committee on the county level are just so proud of Kelsey," Kastenson said. "She represented us so well, and she has just done a great job this year. We are so excited for what her future holds and how she is going to represent everyone. She is going to do a phenomenal job."

'Truly blessed'

Henderson, like other contestants, participated in many interviews in various settings – and interacted with other officials – before earning the state fairest title.

"I felt truly blessed to be selected, not only as Wisconsin Fairest of the Fair, but I was actually selected Miss Congeniality as well," Henderson said. "Miss Congeniality was voted on by all of my peers in the contest. That almost meant more to me to be recognized by all of them. They were truly an inspirational group."

Henderson succeeds Sharlene Swedlund from Green County and will spend a year traveling throughout the state, promoting the educational, agricultural, social and culture of fairs. Henderson will also promote commercial opportunities available at



above: Racine County Fairest of the Fair Kelsey Henderson, a Union Grove High School graduate, receives the Wisconsin Fairest of the Fair crown from predecessor Sharlene Swedlund in January at Chula Vista Resort in the Wisconsin Dells. **opposite:** Henderson is just the second representative from Racine County to earn the state Fairest of the Fair title.

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Wisconsin Fairs, according to Mid-West Farm Report.

She will also serve as an official ambassador for the 2024 Wisconsin State Fair, which will be presented by US Cellular Aug. 1-11 in West Allis.

Henderson will greet fairgoers and special guests, perform as master of ceremonies for events, participate in multiple contests and make multiple media appearances showcasing the Wisconsin State Fair, according to Mid-West Farm Report.

Like her predecessors, Henderson will travel to other county fairs all over the state in 2024.

"There is so much I am looking forward to. I am really excited about the Wisconsin State Fair," Henderson said. "I am super excited to see that in a different light because I was always an exhibitor at it."

During Henderson's tenure, she will learn

more about the state's fair industry, including the uniqueness of each county fair.

Henderson said she has always found enjoyment as an exhibitor at the Wisconsin State Fair. As a bonus of being Fairest, she will now be able to experience all 11 days of the event this year.

"I would go every day to the Wisconsin State Fair, so I am super excited to go every day," Henderson said.

Local upbringing

Henderson, who graduated from Union Grove High School in 2020, grew up around the Racine County Fair, exhibiting award-winning animals and being involved in Union Grove FFA and 4-H.

She is the daughter of Craig and Sue Henderson and has a younger sister, Madisyn.

Kastenson worked with Henderson most

of the year representing the Racine County Fair and recognized Henderson's passion.

"She grew up exhibiting at the fair, so she took the passion and shared it with the public and she was helping us with our social media on the fair Facebook page," Kastenson said.

Leading up to the Racine County Fair, Henderson used the Facebook page to interview exhibitors, who talked about their projects set for display at the annual fair.

"This past year, with our fair, she made these really cute videos and she really got to know different exhibitors," Kastenson said.

Since Henderson began as Racine County Fairest of the Fair, she has been impressed with the overwhelming support from the community, including members of the Racine County Fair Board as well as Fairest of the Fair committee members.

"Ever since I was crowned, I have felt nothing but love and support from my county and it truly means the world to me," Henderson said.

Henderson plans to graduate from Iowa State University in May with a degree in agricultural business and a minor in entrepreneurship as well as a marketing option.

When she completes her term as Wisconsin Fairest of the Fair, which will expire in January 2025, Henderson will join John Deere full-time as a Marketing and Customer Support Development Program representative.

She appreciates John Deere for being willing to allow her to serve as Wisconsin Fairest of the Fair until her term will end early next year.

"They were willing to work with me, which I appreciate," she said. "They understand the personal mission that I have."

More to learn

As state fairest, Henderson will gain new



Newly crowned state Fairest of the Fair Kelsey Henderson, who served as the 2023 Racine County Fairest, embraces her younger sister, Madisyn, at last year's county fair after Madisyn showed a reserve grand champion pig.

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knowledge about the fair industry, Kastenson said.

"She is going to learn a lot about the fairs in Wisconsin and the diversity of them," Kastenson said. "They are all so different and it is such an eye-opening experience seeing how diverse they are and how similar they are.

"It's really a once-in-a-lifetime experience," she added.

Kastenson recalled her own journey as 2012 Wisconsin Fairest of the Fair and expects to see Henderson embark on many expeditions.

"Back when I was fairest during the summer months, I was driving about three to four hours daily to get to different fairs," Kastenson said, adding that she likely attended more than 40 county fairs. "The biggest thing that I took away from it is the connections that I made."

Kastenson said she's confident Henderson will embrace her new role.

"I definitely think she is ready. There is no

doubt in my mind that she will do a wonderful job," Kastenson said.

Shari Black, CEO of Wisconsin State Fair Park, said the group looks forward to working with Henderson this year.

"We are excited to have Kelsey take on this important role as Fairest of the Fair," Black told *Mid-West Farm Report*. "Kelsey's education, experience, and participation in fairs will serve her well as she travels throughout Wisconsin, promoting the Wisconsin State Fair as well as fairs around the state."

Ellie Szczech, of Waukesha County, earned first runner-up, followed Amalia Draxler from St. Croix County, Dane County's Aubrey Schlimgen and Aleah Hunter from Trempeleau County.

Henderson said she enjoyed meeting with other contestants.

"I got to interact with 34 other amazing girls, and they were truly inspiring to me. It was really fun to get to know all of them," she said.

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of the Racine County Fair, the area also offers the Great Lakes Dragaway and serves as a home for many who served our country at the Southern Wisconsin Veterans Home.

Attractions aside, many local groups, including the Greater Union Grove Area Chamber of Commerce presents activities throughout the year, such as the traditional Fourth of July parade.

Other activities consist of the Main Street Car Show, farmers market and more.

The small-town atmosphere also features several schools, including Union

Grove High School, which has achieved some notable milestones in recent years. The village's many features and attractions warrants a visit or closer look around.

Come in and check out the area.

You may want to stick around and start a family or business here.

Union Grove truly has something for everyone in the family and is a community that continues to grow.

Be a part of the growth and welcome to Our Town.

— Jason Arndt
EDITOR WESTINE REPORT



Market time

The Union Grove Public Market will be moving to Sundays this year, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., June 9 through the end of September. The market will continue to be held in the parking lot at Piggly Wiggly, 4400 67th Dr., Union Grove. The market features a variety of vendors and crafters as well as local honey, canned specialty items, local artisans and food trucks. For more information, call 262-878-4606. Shown at last year's market are (clockwise from above): Stephanie Scher and Harrison Scher, 7, purchasing items from Sweet Good Hess; David Rocha, of Kona Ice, serving a customer; Lisa Chudada, of Union Grove, browsing through items available at the Tastefully Simple products booth.

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LaPointe on point as new Grove admin

Former Union Grove graduate begins duties as village administrator

By **Dave Fidlin**

CORRESPONDENT

Stepping into Union Grove's administrator position earlier this year, Connor LaPointe is in familiar territory.

LaPointe graduated a decade ago from Union Grove High School. Since then, he has notched a number of accomplishments in higher education and professionally.

He officially began his leadership duties Feb. 12 and shared his thoughts on the first day on the job during his administrator's report at a Village Board meeting that night.

"I'm looking forward to a long and productive working relationship," LaPointe said as he discussed his enthusiasm for joining the village's employ.

Prior to returning to his old stomping grounds, LaPointe most recently served as city administrator in Wells, Minn., which was

a role he first assumed in November 2021. In the preceding two years, he was the city administrator in Claremont, Minn.

Since graduating from UGHS in 2014, LaPointe has earned several degrees, including a technical diploma in business administration from Gateway Technical College in 2017. Two years later, he earned a bachelor's degree in urban and regional studies, and in 2022, a master's degree in urban planning – both from Minnesota State University-Mankato.

As he settles into his new role in Union Grove, LaPointe has several high-priority items on his plate, which he discussed in his brief report to the board.

LaPointe said he will be working with the board and other in-house staffers on the next steps of seeking out Spencer's replacement. The clerk's position will be an important one

in what will be a busy election year.

Plans also are in motion to work with the Racine County Clerk's office and use resources within that agency during the gap in staffing the village clerk position.

LaPointe in his report also said he is looking forward to meeting with department heads and gaining a deeper understanding of the various facets that feed into local municipal government.

Union Grove has been without a full-time dedicated village administrator for more than half a year.

Throughout his time in leadership in Minnesota, LaPointe held membership in a number of organizations, including the Minnesota City/County Management Association, Region Nine Development Commission and the Southeastern Minnesota League of Municipalities.

OUR GOVERNMENT & COMMUNITY

The Union Grove Village Board president governs with six trustees – all elected. These positions are considered part-time. The village administrator is a full-time position overseen by the Village Board.

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Back in time

The 31st annual Fall Harvest Days, presented by the S.E. Wisconsin Antique Power and Collectibles Society, returned to the Racine County Fairgrounds in Union Grove in September. The event featured antique tractors, food vendors, demonstrations, a flea market, and several other offerings. Clockwise from left: Steve Gunderson, of Antioch, Illinois, rides his tractor with his grandson, Henry Sanford; Aidan Muse, 11, of Twin Lakes, performs; Errol Gelhaar, of Franksville, saws a log.

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The Union Grove football team rewarded fellow students with a homecoming victory in late September 2023 as the Broncos edged Wilmot 34-26. The student section did its part in bringing energy to the game.

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OUR SCHOOLS

There are four Kindergarten through 8th grade elementary schools (Union Grove, Raymond, Kansasville and Yorkville) that feed into the Union Grove Union High School District.

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Celebrating our independence

The Greater Union Grove Area Chamber of Commerce and American Legion Bixby-Hansen Post 171, in partnership with numerous sponsors, presented Union Grove's July 4 parade last summer. The parade featured many participants, including (from the top): some classic vehicles, shown traveling the parade route down Durand Avenue; Union Grove Village President Steve Wicklund greeting parade watchers and handing out leis; Alayna Fliess and other members of the Union Grove High School cheer team performing on the street.

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State Fair smiles

from top: Racine County had four exhibitors and three ambassadors making appearances at the 2023 Wisconsin State Fair's Camp of Champions ceremony (from left) Tori Crisp, Amanda Miklaszewski, Clara Henderson, Racine County Fairest of the Fair and ambassador Kelsey Henderson, Katie Walkington, and ambassador Taylor and Parker Schaefer; Tori, of Union Grove, showcases her grand champion steer called Kaner at last year's Wisconsin State Fair; Tori and her father, Mike, are all smiles after learning she had the grand champion steer at the 2023 State Fair.

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Star-gazing at Modine-Benstead

Nonprofit group keeps astronomy tradition alive at observatory

By **Jason Arndt**

EDITOR

Brian Jensen has a fondness for photography and stargazing the night sky. When he puts both together, he is able to hone his hobby of astronomy, particularly at Modine-Benstead Observatory on the outskirts of Union Grove in Racine County.

“I enjoy the night sky and I enjoy photography, so the two fit well together here,” said Jensen.

He serves as president of the Racine Astronomical Society, a nonprofit group of volunteers tasked with maintaining the 3.5-acre complex.

“I can put my cameras on the telescopes,” he said.

Jensen, who joined the Astronomical Society about 46 years ago, said the observatory depends solely on donations and membership dues to keep the tradition alive on the site.

The observatory contains two large telescopes open for public use once a month from April through October.

The main building includes a 16-inch Newtonian-Cassegrain reflecting telescope designed and built by club members as well as local industries, according to the society’s website.

Additionally, the complex has a smaller domed building, which holds a 14-inch Celestron Schmitt Cassegrain reflecting



top: Brian Jensen, president of the Racine Astronomical Society, works on a telescope inside the main building of the Modine-Benstead Observatory. **above:** Astronomy photographs taken by members of the Astronomical Society adorn the walls inside the observatory.

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telescope.

Unlike some observatories, the Modine-Benstead facility offers visitors a chance to experience the telescopes themselves, instead of just photographic projections on a large screen.

“It is a place where you can actually look through a telescope,” Jensen explained. “We actually do look through the eye pieces.”

Some members, he explained, also join the open houses by bringing their personal telescopes for viewing on the main



building's observation deck.

Jensen estimates about 300 people attend the observatory's open houses on a monthly basis. However, he has seen attendance much higher, with as high as 600 coming to visit at one session this season.

2024 Open House events

The observatory, located at 112 63rd Dr., Union Grove, will hold numerous open house events in 2024.

Jensen said the observatory does not require registration for the open houses, and visitors able to come and go as they please.

Open houses are scheduled as follows:

- Saturday, May 18, 8:30 to 11 p.m. (Spring Astronomy Day)

- Friday, June 14, 8:30 to 11 p.m.
- Saturday, June 29, 1 to 4 p.m. (Solar Observing Day)

- Friday, July 12, 8:30 to 11 p.m.

- Friday, Aug. 16, 8:30 to 11 p.m.

- Friday, Sept. 13, 8 to 11 p.m.

- Saturday, Oct. 12, 7 to 10 p.m. (Fall Astronomy Day)

The night of an open house there will be a message on the observatory answering machine if the skies are cloudy.

Visitors are not assessed admission, or parking fees, but the Racine Astronomical Society encourages a small donation during visits for the purpose of routine maintenance.

"We are very low budget, we try to keep our costs at a minimum, so we can continue this without incurring so many expenses," Jensen said.

The Racine Astronomical Society recommends visitors dress warmly and remain patient.

According to its website, on occasion, the observatory could have dozens of visitors waiting in line to use a particular telescope.

"Your many questions are expected and welcomed, since part of our club mission is to educate and inspire each of you to participate in the world of amateur astronomy," the website states.

"Astronomical equipment you'll find at the RAS observatory will range from a few hundred to several thousand dollars in value," it states.

Jensen said open houses end in October because of weather conditions.

"For best viewing, the inside temperature (at the observatory) must equal the outside temperature, so if it is cold outside, it is going to be cold inside," Jensen explained. "Once it gets cold past October, the number of visitors goes down."

Jensen as well as the Racine Astronomical Society recommends visitors wear warm clothing for the best experience during the early fall open houses at the observatory.

Aspiring astronomers

The Racine Astronomical Society initially began as a meeting in 1956 among Racine area residents interested in the field before becoming incorporated as a non-profit organization four years later.

In 1961, two local business leaders, A.B. Modine, founder of Modine Manufacturing in Racine, and H.M. Benstead from Western Publishing Company spearheaded a fundraising campaign to build an observatory.

Modine and Benstead, the observatory's namesakes, purchased a 3.5-acre plot of land from a farmer with completion of the facility in 1963.

"At the time, it was a nice, dark site, and it is high up (in elevation)," Jensen said.

According to the Racine Astronomical Society, club members remained involved in the design and construction of both the observatory and the telescope, the website stated.

"Many other local businesses donated parts and materials needed for the construction," the website stated.

Once completed, the total out of pocket cost for the telescope was \$2,500, in 1960s dollars.

While the observatory welcomes visitors for open houses, Jensen said the facility has

additional opportunities for paying members, including exclusive nights on a routine basis.

"For members, we have members nights once a month from April through October, so there will just be members out here using their telescopes," Jensen said. "We occasionally offer private tours."

Jensen said the society has about 50 members.

On the lower level of the main building, some astronomy photos taken by members are on display.

Starting a hobby

For people looking to purchase a telescope for personal use, Jensen recommends buying directly from businesses specializing in the device, including Orion.

Orion Telescopes and Binoculars, a California-based company, has been in business since 1975 and offers outdoor optics products for sale directly to customers.

While the company has retail store in California, some products are available in select astronomical dealers in the United States, according to its website.

Jensen estimates people new to astronomy, or casual hobbyists, can purchase a telescope for as low as \$300.

"Typically you would buy from companies that area specialized in telescopes," Jensen said. "Orion, they are big and they have got a lot of low-end telescopes."

For more information about Modine-Benstead Observatory and the Racine Astronomical Society, visit www.rasastro.org or call 262-878-2774.

Modine-Benstead Observatory, 1123 63rd Dr., Union Grove has an outdoor observation deck on its main building that overlooks the smaller building on its 3.5-acre complex.

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OUR PARKS

The Village of Union Grove has numerous designated park areas within the village limits.

Leider Park, 8th Avenue and High Street, has bathroom facilities, a pavilion, a soccer field and playground equipment.

American Legion Memorial Park, 7th Avenue and Main Street, is the home of Union Grove's dog park and features a sledding hill in the winter.

Village Square, Main Street and 10th Avenue, which serves as the location of the Village Christmas Tree and the Union Grove Farmers Market.

Ryan Moe Michael Young Park, located off 67th Drive, has playground equipment and bathroom facilities, along with a football field.

School Yard Park, which is on the historic site of Union Grove Elementary School, 14th Avenue at New Street. It has a relatively new concession stand, bathroom facilities and several baseball diamonds as well as playground equipment.

Lauer Wildlife Preserve, which is located in the Fox Creek subdivision, is the home of Whitetail Lake.

OTHER PARKS IN THE VILLAGE:

- **Old Settlers County Park** (Highway 11)
- **12th and Vine Park**
- **18th Avenue Park**
- **Indian Trail Park** (New Street)
- **Martin's Pond**
- **Woods Park**
- **Bufton Park**

The following two rustic walking trails can also be found in the village:

- **Eagle Trail**, which connects Ryan Moe Michael Young Park and Lauer Wildlife Preserve
- **Woods Park Trail**, located off of Commerce Drive.

OTHER AREA PARKS

Lake Dover

Town of Dover Park Highway 11 (1/2-mile east of Highway J in Dover)

Samuel Skewes Memorial Park

15084 Spring St. Yorkville

Eagle Lake County Park/Minnetonka Drive Boat Ramp
Eagle, west of Dover

Richard Bong State Recreation Area
26313 Burlington Rd., Kansasville
(262) 878-5600



A historic moment

The Union Grove High School boys soccer team made history in November 2023 when the Broncos captured the first ever state championship for a boys team in school history; sophomore Niall Hagen pursues the ball for Union Grove in the title game; head coach Sean Jung shares a moment with his daughter, Makayla, 2, after the Broncos victory.

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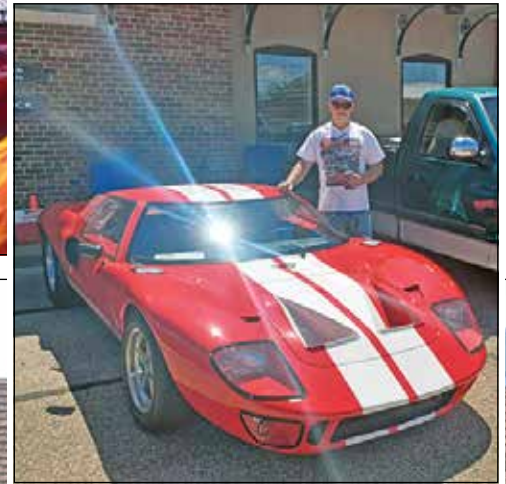




Cars for a cause

Vehicles lined the streets of downtown Union Grove last August during the annual car show, which featured hot rods, muscle cars, classic vehicles, motorcycles, food and refreshments and supported the Stars and Stripes Honor Flight program. Tim Paisley (inset), of Union Grove, showcases his 1965 Ford GT40; Sergio Malacara (left) and Dylan Hanson, both of Kenosha, discuss features of a 1955 Chevrolet Bel-Air; (bottom) visitors look at a vintage truck.

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