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# FOX CITIES WEEK

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*Your connection to employers, economic development & quality of life in the Fox Cities region*

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## Business After Hours are back!



In case you haven't heard .... Business After Hours are back! Our March event at Best Western Premier Bridgewood Resort Hotel was a huge success, with nearly 100 guests in attendance to enjoy networking, awesome food, and a wonderful ambiance. View the photo album [here](#). We hope to see you at our April 28th Business After Hours at Berkshire Hathaway.

**Register for April Business After Hours**

## What we are reading ...

**Mortgage rates are surging faster than expected, prompting economists to lower their home sales forecasts**

**U.S. Supreme Court rejects Evers' legislative maps; accepts congressional boundaries**

The average rate on the popular 30-year fixed mortgage hit 4.72% on Tuesday, moving 26 basis points higher since just Friday, according to Mortgage News Daily. As a result of the recent spike in rates, economists are now lowering their home sales forecasts for this year. Most estimates at the end of last year had the average 30-year mortgage rate hitting 4.5% by the close of 2022, but the war in Ukraine, rising oil prices and inflation have all lit a fire under interest rates. At this time in 2021, rates were about 3.45%. [Read More>>](#)

The U.S. Supreme Court on Wednesday rejected Wisconsin's 10-year legislative maps drawn by Gov. Tony Evers and sent the matter back to the state's high court, which had adopted the Democratic governor's amended proposal. The rejection of Evers' Assembly and Senate district maps by the nation's highest court puts the issue back in the hands of the Wisconsin Supreme Court and will further delay the state's redistricting process, which state election officials say needs to be resolved in order to prepare for the August primary and November election. [Read more>>](#)

*There's still time to get tickets!*

## Top 3 reasons to attend Celebrate Fox Cities Annual Dinner

1. Be inspired by our keynote speaker, [Dan Nevins!](#)
2. Celebrate the success of our [Fox Cities leaders!](#)
3. Be among the first to experience [a new, exciting event!](#)

*Thank you to Presenting Sponsors Boldt and Johnson Financial Group and Keynote Sponsor ThedaCare*



Purchase tickets for Celebrate Fox Cities

## Chamber Member & Community News

### New North seeking photos of new projects / developments for Summit video

The New North Summit is June 9<sup>th</sup> at Lambeau Field, and to demonstrate and highlight the work our communities do, they again are developing a short video to reflect local projects. These can be new developments or project expansions. If you

### UA 400 Pipe Trades and Mechanical Contractors Association (MCA) hosted Women in the Pipe Trades Open House

UA 400 Pipe Trades and the Mechanical Contractors Association (MCA) hosted its Women in the Pipe Trades Open House on Tuesday, March 8, 2022, at the UA 400

### WI student business plan contest accepting submissions

The Wisconsin YES! Contest is open and ready for students submissions. Deadline to enter the 2022 Wisconsin Yes! contest is Wednesday, April 13 at 5:00 p.m.

This free, statewide youth business plan contest is modeled after the successful

have something to highlight, send 2-3 photos to [Barb Lamue](#), along with a brief description. [View last year's video: 2021 New North Local Partner Business Development](#)

training center in Kaukauna to recognize International Women's Day. The event featured a one-hour panel discussion with four women working in the industry followed by a brief question and answer session. [Read more>>](#)

Governor's Business Plan Contest. It is open for online entries from Wisconsin middle- and high-school students through 5 p.m. April 13, 2021. [Learn more>>](#)

[Read all Chamber member news here>>](#)



A promotional banner for WHBY Weekdays. At the top left is the WHBY logo with a microphone icon and the text "103.3 FM 1130 AM 106.3 FM REAL. LOCAL. RADIO". To the right of the logo is the word "WEEKDAYS" in large white letters. Below this are six vertical panels, each featuring a portrait of a host and a logo: "a.m. FOX VALLEY" with a man's portrait; "Krause & Co." with a man's portrait; "FOCUS FOX VALLEY" with a woman's portrait; "THE RAMSEY SHOW" with a man's portrait; "THE KEN COLEMAN SHOW" with a man's portrait; and "ACTION 2 NEWS AT FIVE" with the abc 2 logo. At the bottom of the banner, it says "LISTEN LIVE AT WHBY.COM".

## Chamber and member updates featured on WFRV Local 5 Live segments

Did you know that the Fox Cities Chamber has a recurring segment on WFRV's Local 5 Live?

On the second and fourth Thursday of each month we are able to sit down with Lisa Malek and Millaine Wells, and share our stories with them.

Just this morning we were thrilled to go on air with Jeff Amstutz, president of A2Z, to talk about the Innovation award his



### [Excellence in Education Awards](#)

April 5, 2022

5 - 8:30 PM

Red Lion Hotel Paper Valley, Appleton

### [Celebrate Fox Cities Annual Dinner](#)

April 7, 2022

6-9 PM

Red Lion Hotel Paper Valley, Appleton

### [Economic Outlook Lunch](#)

April 19, 2022

11:30 AM - 1:30 PM

Red Lion Hotel Paper Valley, Appleton

company is receiving at the upcoming  
Celebrate awards dinner.



Additionally, two weeks ago the featured guest was Harp Gallery Antique & Vintage Furniture; who told their story of how they are preserving history.



### [Pulse CEO Breakfast](#)

April 26, 2022  
7:30 - 9:30 AM  
The Fox Club, Appleton

### [Business After Hours at Berkshire Hathaway](#)

April 28, 2022  
5:00 - 7:00 PM  
W6180 Aerotech Dr., Appleton

### [Business After Hours at Avaii Wealth Management](#)

May 12, 2022  
5:00 - 7:00 PM  
2101 N. Casaloma Dr., Appleton

### [Bazaar After Dark: New London](#)

June 3, 2022  
5:00 PM - 10:00 PM  
W North Water St.  
*Vendor applications:*  
<https://form.jotform.com/212796751239162>

### [Chamber Golf Outing at North Shore Golf Club](#)

July 18, 2022  
10:00 AM - 6:00 PM  
N8421 N Shore Road, Menasha

[See all upcoming Chamber Events>>](#)

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## 2022 Future Fox Cities Career Expo a huge success

While the 2022 Future Fox Cities Career Expo is in the books, the positive feedback has been overwhelming! Thanks so much to the schools, businesses and volunteers who helped make this event a reality. In case you missed it, check out this recap video.



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## Fox Cities Jobs

- [Bookkeeper-Office Administrative Coordinator / Neenah Animal Shelter](#)
- [See all job postings >>](#)

Did you know that posting your open positions on our web site is a perk of being a Chamber member? [To learn more and post a job, click HERE.](#)

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