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### Grapes & Hops



KANDU's Grapes & Hops proved to be a phenomenal success at this year's new location: The Armory. On February 12th, local Celebrity Pourers served samples of over 40 varieties of wine and beer, all competing for the coveted title of "People's Choice Pourer," an honor reserved for the guests' favorite Celebrity. Best Events prepared hors d'oeuvres that were not only delicious, but also paired well with the evening's featured beverages. Additionally, thank you to Colony Brands for the delectable dessert donation. Duane Worden provided the perfect entertainment with his crowd-pleasing renditions of soft rock hits and a multitude of live and silent auction items were available throughout the evening. The top Celebrity Pourers were awarded for their success in selling tickets, and obtaining donations and sponsorships.

#### **Congratulations to Our Winning Celebrities:**

1st Place –Barb Bortner and Kim Hesgard (Mercy Health System) *(pictured above, center)*

2nd Place – Jen White (Data Dimensions) and Mary Becher

3rd Place – Terri Moldenhauer, Mandy Tracy and Phil Whitehead (Blackhawk Bank)

People's Choice – Barb Bortner and Kim Hesgard (Mercy Health System)

A special thank you to our wine and beer experts: Alice Blue and Mark Miller from Badger Spirits. KANDU would also like to thank our volunteer Celebrity Pourers, sponsors and donors who made this wonderful event possible. [Click here for more photos from the evening.](#)



On Thursday, March 10th, Best Events presents the Spring Evening Bridal Expo at the Pontiac Convention Center. Brides, grooms and their loved ones are invited to visit with a wide array of local wedding vendors, providing the opportunity to plan the perfect event... All in one place! Guests can sample complimentary wine, beer and appetizers, as well as view the latest fashions and styles for the upcoming wedding season. Cash and prize giveaways will be available throughout the event. Doors will be open from 6:00pm to 9:00pm and admission is \$7 (cash only). For more information, visit [besteventscatering.com](http://besteventscatering.com) or follow the event on Facebook.



KANDU's two popular fish fry events return Friday, March 11th and Friday, March 25th from 5:00 to 7:30pm at the Best Events Banquet Hall. This all-you-can-eat buffet features Best Events' famous beer-battered cod, along with six additional entrée options including baked Alaskan whitefish, beef roast and stuffed pork loin. A delicious selection of seven sides and salads are also available, along with included beverages.

Desserts and cash bar will be on hand for purchase, along with opportunities to win fun raffle prizes. Dinner is \$12.95 for adults (ages 12 and up), \$7.95 for kids (3-11) and free for children under 4. Interested in becoming a \$100 Table Sponsor? Call (608) 755-4123 for more information on how to receive 4 dinners plus recognition throughout the evening. Click here to follow the event on Facebook and view the complete menu.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR VOLUNTEER OF THE  
MONTH**

## Grapes & Hops Celebrity Pourers



**Thank you for making this event a huge success!**

### Upcoming Events

#### **Spring Evening Bridal Show**

THURSDAY, MARCH 10  
6-9PM  
PONTIAC CONVENTION  
CENTER  
2809 N PONTIAC DR  
JANESVILLE, WI

Free wine, beer and  
appetizers! See beautiful  
gowns, tuxedos, vacation  
destinations, flowers, photos  
and much more!

#### **KANDU Fish Fry & More!**

FRIDAY, MARCH 11 &  
FRIDAY, MARCH 25  
5-7:30PM  
BEST EVENTS  
BANQUET HALL  
1741 ADEL ST  
JANESVILLE, WI

Enjoy Best Events' all-you-  
can-eat, beer battered fish fry  
with 6 additional entree  
selections, 4 sides, 3 salads  
and drinks.

#### **Tour of Italy**

THURSDAY, APRIL 21  
6PM  
PONTIAC CONVENTION  
CENTER  
2809 N PONTIAC DR  
JANESVILLE, WI

Experience the sights, sounds  
and delectable flavors of Italy,  
right here in Janesville!

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