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Matthew Clark tells Claire Gray about his plans for building a leprechaun trap, one of the activities offered Saturday at the Children's Museum of Rock County's Museum on Wheels event at Uptown Janesville. Gray is president of the children's museum's board of directors. The organization announced last week its capital campaign to build a brick-and-mortar museum site at 100 W. Milwaukee St. in Janesville.

Building enthusiasm

Parents, organizers ready for children's museum upgrade

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JANESVILLE - Chad Hopkins brought his three young boys to Uptown Janesville on Saturday for a round of mini

Like many families who attended Saturday's Museum on Wheels event at the indoor mall on Milton Avenue, put on by the group planning to open a children's museum downtown, Hopkins said they're excited about the prospect of a permanent local place for families to play.

Held Saturday in conjunction with the indoor winter farmers market at Uptown Janesville, the event was a place where families could pick up supplies to make leprechaun traps at home, squeeze in a little putt-putt golf and learn about plans for the children's museum.

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For 22nd year, Forward Janesville to honor those having positive impact

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JANESVILLE - Forward Janesville will honor organizations and individuals at its

annual awards luncheon next month that it says have made a positive community impact in the past year.

The awards luncheon, in its 22 year, is Wednesday, April 5, at the Celtic House at Glen Erin Golf Course, 1417 W. Airport Road, in Janesville, beginning at 11 a.m.

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development organization that aims to "ensure the continued health and prosperity of business and industry in Janesville

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UW-Whitewater's women's and men's basketball teams both advance in Division III tournaments. PAGE 24

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The Rock County Sheriff's Office said a man died in a fiery two-car crash in the town of Clinton on Sunday morning.

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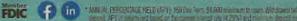
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and Rock County," according to its website, forwardjanesville.com.

This year, there are nine award categories, including two community improvement awards.

Organizations and individuals being honored this year:

- Liz Menz, Ambassador of the Year.
- Hagen CPA, Business of the Year (50 or fewer employees).
- KANDU Industries, Business of the Year (50 or more employees).
- GIFTS Men's Shelter, Community

Improvement Award.

- Humane Society of Southern Wisconsin, Community Improvement Award.
- PremierBank, Diversity Award.
- Kristin Fillhouer, UW-Whitewater at Rock County, Educator of the Year.
- Sean Knott, Baird, Emerging Leader Award.
- Gracie Karpes, Girls Scouts of Wisconsin-Badgerland; Entrepreneur of the Year.
- Jeff Hazekamp, Lifetime Achievement Award.

Businesses that sponsor the awards, to be acknowledged at the luncheon, include BMO Harris Bank; Mercyhealth; ABC Supply; First National Bank and Trust; Nowlan Law, LLP; Johnson Financial Group; Minuteman Press; Boomerang Home Rentals/ KRS Investments; JP Cullen.

To registration and for other information visit

Forward Janesville's website:www.forwardjanesville.com.

Additional parking for the luncheon will be available at Revv Aviation, 4606 S Atlantis Drive, with a shuttle running before and after the event.





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