Sheboygan can be a center for the arts
By Patti Sherman-Cisler
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Cities all over the country are enjoying a reinvigoration of their city centers as energetic places where people live, work, and play. There are many recent examples of successful downtown revitalization efforts that utilized the arts as the driver for a turnaround, including Canton, Ohio, Dubuque, Iowa, and Portland, Maine.

Our neighbor to the south, Milwaukee, has had a rebirth of its downtown, with its beautiful natural resources and its visual and performing arts scene. This has driven the abundance of arts and culture venues. These attributes have served as catalysts to drive people to move downtown, which in turn led to housing developments, and an infusion of large companies and small start-ups in the downtown area.

The City of Sheboygan has the capacity for a successful transformation as well. There are numerous treasuries in this city that are valuable for the community and tourists alike. The city is home to the lakefront, South Pier, fine dining establishments, parks, Maywood Environmental Center, Bookworm Garden, the Guild Commons, the Mead Public Library, and the John Michael Kohler Arts Center to name some.

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Sheboygan Falls company
Some employees will be rehired; city loan repaid
By Janet Weyandt
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Eclipse Manufacturing in Sheboygan abruptly closed Monday after being bought out by HTT World Stamping, a metal stamping business in Sheboygan Falls.

All 31 employees of Eclipse, a struggling metal stamping company, were let go as of the announcement of the acquisition, but some will be brought back by the new owners.

David Sachse, chairman of the HTT board of directors, said the hope is that Eclipse employees will apply for new positions at HTT.

“We’ve interviewed all the administrative people and the majority of them are coming with us,” Sachse said Monday afternoon. “We won’t need as many direct labor people as they had in the past. I don’t know for sure how many people want to stay on the wall. They’re going to keep a large capacity for a successful transformation.”

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Acuity’s record-breaking flagpole was dedicated Monday during a patriotic ceremony that included Gov. Scott Walker, Milwaukee singer Danny Gokey, U.S. military dignitaries and even skydivers, took place on the Acuity grounds under picture-perfect skies.

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Acuity could not have pulled off a more fantastic dedication of its record-breaking flagpole if the event had been produced by Betsy Ross herself. The patriotic ceremony, which included comments from Gov. Scott Walker, the presence of many local military dignitaries and even skydivers, took place on the Acuity grounds under picture-perfect skies. Constructions of the 400-foot tall flagpole

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Democrats seek federal benefits for gay couples
By M.L. Johnson
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Same-sex couples in Sheboygan County who request a refund for their marriage license fee will be denied, Sheboygan County Clerk Jon Dolson said Monday afternoon.

Sheboygan County Clerk Jon Dolson said 10 same-sex couples have paid the $85 application fee since June 6, when a federal judge declared Wisconsin’s ban on gay marriage unconstitutional.

On Friday, U.S. District Judge Barbara Crabb put a stop to additional ceremonies later Friday because the state is appealing her decision. That threw the 555 same-sex couples statewide that had married somewhat.

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