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To engage and empower current and future leaders in the greater Fond du Lac area through professional development; networking/mentorship; and community engagement opportunities.

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...and now, a message from our chair...

The Future 5 nominees are currently being scored by the anonymous panel of judges! There are 24 nominees representing 18 companies in the Fond du Lac area, a great indicator of the talent in our community. I'm thrilled to celebrate the impact these individuals have had in their respective careers and volunteer time. Join us at our Holiday Party on December 9 to hear who our Future 5 recipients for 2024 are at Hotel Retlaw. Space is limited, so sign up today! The Future 5 event celebrating the five winners will take place in January at South Hills Golf & Country Club. Have a great holiday season, see you soon!

~ Jackie Runge

Congratulations to Teri Passow on being recognized as the December Young Professional of the Month!

Teri is the Director of Career & Professional Development at Marian University. To both the students she counsels and other young professionals, Teri encourages them to embrace

opportunities to try new things and step out of your comfort zone—you grow the most when you challenge yourself. Her kids are her inspiration and motivation.

Learn more about Teri [here](#).



We want to hear from YOU!

The Programming & Events Committee will soon begin work on the 2025 Professional Development Series. We'd really like your feedback on what YOU want to see in that series. We kindly ask you take this [short survey](#) to give us some feedback. TIA!



Thank you to all who attended Breakfast with Champions! Extra special thanks to Society Insurance for sponsoring the event, Carbliss for being the keynote speaker, and all the Champions who took the time to participate.



Get your party pants on...it is time to celebrate!

Join your fellow young professionals to ring in the holiday season at the annual [YPF Holiday Party](#) on Monday, December 9th at the beautiful Hotel Retlaw. This year's celebration will be especially exciting as we will announce the winners of the Future 5 Award LIVE at the event! Bring a guest and your friends to celebrate the season and cheer on our Future 5 recipients and nominees in the Lake Terrace Room in Hotel Retlaw from 6:00-8:00 p.m. with delicious appetizers being served while you network and wait for the big announcement. Early Registration is strongly encouraged as space is limited. Get your [tickets](#) now!



Join us for an evening of recognition and celebration of the [2024 Future 5 Award](#) recipients and nominees on Thursday, January 16. The Young Professionals of Fond du Lac (YPF) established the Future 5 Award in 2013 as a way to support and recognize upcoming leaders in the community. This award is presented to five area young professionals ages 21-40 who are presently growing and excelling in their respective

fields and will continue to positively influence the growth, prosperity, and quality of life in Fond du Lac County well into the future. Learn more and purchase tickets [here](#).



Thank you to everyone who attended and supported Focus Forward: Navigating the Next Chapter. This event helps build the next generation of leaders!



Need a last-minute gift idea? Consider the [Agri-Business Council Gift Box Fundraiser](#) or [Envision gift certificates](#)!

Upcoming events that might interest you (pre-registration required):

- [Coffee Connection](#) - The December Coffee Connection will take place on Wednesday, December 4 at the Waupun Historical Society starting at 7:30 a.m.
- [Envision University - Yes, and: Lessons from Improv Comedy for Leading in the Workplace](#) - Are you interested in uping your game when it comes to leading in your organization? Improv is the answer! Join us on December 9 at noon to gain some new skills!
- [Business Connection](#) - The December Business Connection will take place on Tuesday, December 10 at FVSBank (Fond du Lac), starting at 4:00 p.m.

All new members are encouraged to attend any of below meetings. Be sure to email info@envisiongreaterfdl.com to confirm meeting date, time, or location hasn't been adjusted or cancelled for the month.

Marketing – Meets the first Thursday of each month at 4:00 p.m. at Envision Greater Fond du Lac

Membership Engagement – Meets the first Thursday of each month at 5:15 p.m. at Envision Greater Fond du Lac

Programming and Events (P & E) – Meets the last Wednesday of each month at 4:00 p.m. at Envision Greater Fond du Lac

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