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February 2025



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...

Thank you to our Future 5 sponsor, Grande Cheese, for an incredible night celebrating our 2024 Future 5 recipients! The contributions these five individuals have made to their companies and community highlights the impact young professionals can have when they are encouraged and supported. It was a great evening to be a part of!

The **YP of the Year award nominations** opened up recently. This award will be given to an individual who is actively engaged in the YPF program. They must be an active member of YPF, age 21 and older. To nominate an individual you believe exemplifies the

goals of the YPF program, please visit the [Envision Greater Fond du Lac website](#). The winner will be recognized at the Envision Annual Meeting on April 10, 2025.

Don't forget to stop out for the [Midweek Meetup](#) on February 12 at Wendt's! I'll see you there.

~ Jackie Runge

Thank you, Jackie!

This month, we'd like to say thank you to YPF's Chair, Jackie Runge! Jackie served as Chair in 2024 and will continue to hold this role in 2025. Jackie is also active on YPF's Future 5 and Amazing Race Fond du Lac planning committees. Thanks for everything you do for YPF, Jackie!

Learn more about Jackie through her [YP of the Month feature](#) for May 2024.

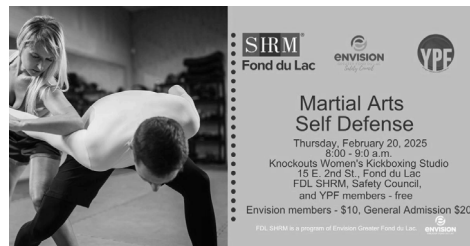


Welcome!

We want to give a big shout out to our three new Advisory council members, Steve, Maggie, and Quinn. Welcome, and we very much look forward to working with you.



Join your fellow Young Professionals for networking and socializing at Wendt's on the Lake in Van Dyne, on Wednesday, February 12! [The Midweek Meet-Up](#) is your chance to catch up with old friends or make new ones so you can continue to build meaningful personal and professional relationships that can be difficult to forge at larger events.



Everyone should know some basics of self-defense. Take advantage of this **FREE workshop** on February 20, 2025, from 8:00 - 9:00 a.m.

Members of YPF can attend this free through a partnership with the FDL SHRM and Safety Council. Take advantage of this great event (pre-registration is required)!

Embark on an unforgettable adventure!

Envision Greater Fond du Lac is hosting a travel program, **Treasurers of Ireland**, in November. Discover Ireland's vibrant culture, stunning landscapes, and warm hospitality. This dynamic trip includes exploring Ireland's bustling streets and historic sites, marveling at the Cliffs of Moher, and immersing yourself in the rich history of Galway, and so much more!

Join us for an **information session** (February 12, 25; March 13, 17) on this tremendous trip.

Don't miss out—join us for an epic journey through the Emerald Isle! 🌍 🍀



WHY WE LOVE



YOUNG PROFESSIONALS OF FOND DU LAC

My favorite part of YPF is that all the members are so welcoming. YPF allows me to practice professional conversation skills in a more casual environment, so when I need to have difficult conversations it's not as intimidating.

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

- **Coffee Connection at SSM Health Eye Care - Waupun** - SEE where this event can take you! February Coffee Connection on Wednesday, February 5 from 7:30 - 8:30 a.m.
- **AI for Content Creation** - Discover how AI can simplify and enhance your content creation process at this workshop on Thursday, February 6 from 9:00 - 10:30 a.m. at the Waupun Community Center.

- **Meet the Media** - Ever wonder how to get your information in front of our local media representatives? Wonder no more! Register for Meet the Media and find out. This will take place Monday, February 17 from 8:00 - 9:30 a.m.
- **Business Connection at Marian University** - Study up for the February Business Connection at Marian University on Tuesday, February 18 from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.
- **Envision University - Event Planning Essentials – Building a Memorable Experience** - This workshop will provide basics and fundamentals to create a great guest experience on Monday, February 24 from 12:00 - 1:00 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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