

### YOUR DREAM. OUR PROMISE.

## **Future Centers**

#### Career Exploration



The Future Centers welcomed two medical professionals in October to share their experiences with students interested in a career in the healthcare field. This is part of our Career Connections program, designed to help students start thinking early about career choices and giving them the opportunity to listen to a speaker in that field or participate in a job shadow. When a job shadow is not possible due to confidentiality issues and other reasons, we invite speakers to the Future Center to speak to students.

Karen Torud, Nursing and Professional Recruiter at Gundersen Health System, spoke with students about a career in nursing and also what to expect if they were considering travel nursing.

### Celebrate

# La Crosse Promise Receives First "Jerilyn Dinsmoor Award"



La Crosse Neighborhood Associations welcomed residents to the Family Social - Fall in Love with Your Neighborhood, at Copeland Park on October 13th. At the event, the first ever "Jerilyn Dinsmoor Award" was presented to La Crosse Promise in recognition of exceptional contributions to neighborhood revitalization.

La Crosse Promise Board President Margaret Dihlmann-Malzer (right) accepted the award from Jacob Sciammas, president of La Crosse Neighborhoods Incorporated.



Jerilyn Dinsmoor, executive director of La Crosse Promise from 2013-2016 passed away unexpectedly in 2016. Jerilyn's legacy lives on as the Promise neighborhoods experience tremendous regrowth, thanks to her strong leadership in our early days of the neighborhood program.



Robin Manke, Ultrasound, Nuclear Medicine, MRI and Mammography Supervisor with Mayo Clinic Health System, talked with a student who was interested in sonography.

# **Campus Visit**



#### **University of Wisconsin Madison**

On October 15, we traveled to the University of Wisconsin-Madison for a campus tour. Fifty students from Logan, Central, Luther and 7 Rivers high schols got a glimpse of campus life and listened to former classmates, now UW-M students, on a student panel, as they discussed the pressures, the fun and the "reality" of college and living on campus.

### News

# La Crosse Promise Grants First Scholarship For Renovation Project

La Crosse Promise is pleased to announce that the first family to renovate their home as part of the Neighborhood Revitalization Program, has completed their project and is now eligible for \$50,000 in scholarship funding for college.



New kitchen

Mike and Nancy Caucutt participated in the program to earn scholarships for two of their children, who will receive \$25,000 each when they graduate from high school and enroll in college. The Caucutts were pioneers of the program which launched in 2015. The majority of the renovation included an addition to their Queen Anne-style historic home in the Washburn Neighborhood as well as a new, updated kitchen and new deck. Prior to the launch

of the Promise program, they were seriously considering a move outside of La Crosse. Inspired by the scholarship and their love of the neighborhood, they chose to stay, said Nancy.



**During renovation** 



#### St. Olaf College

Twelve students from Logan and Central attended the campus visit at St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minnesota on October 29. Students were in awe of the beautiful campus and enjoyed a presentation, tour, and an amazing lunch.

## Student Success





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The Caucutt Family thought about moving from the neighborhood but the Promise Scholarship and dreams of a new addition and kitchen inspired them to stay.

"Up until this point in the program, we had many families and individuals participate in our new construction program, either by building a new home where a once condemned structure stood, or buying a spec home built by a local contractor," said La Crosse Promise Executive Director Brian Liesinger. "While we are happy that the replacement home project is thriving, we are glad that the Caucutts chose the renovation program. We thank Mike and Nancy for this commitment and encourage other homeowners in our Promise neighborhoods to consider the renovation process, which will earn them a Promise scholarship."

In order to qualify for a Promise scholarship for the renovation program, homeowners can invest \$30,000 - \$49,999 to qualify for a \$25,000 scholarship or \$60,000 or more for a \$50,000 scholarship. Other guidelines apply and can be found at lacrossepromise.org.

# **Promise Eligible Homes for Sale**

Before the end of the 2018 building season, consider purchasing a La Crosse Promise Scholarship Home and secure a scholarship for yourself or your family. We are proud of the impact La Crosse Promise is having on the neighborhood and the benefits to the entire community. View all of the eligible properties below.

The following properties are eligible for a La Crosse Promise Scholarship of up to \$50,000 per household.

<u>Policies and Requirements</u>



Fall in Love With Your Neighborhood Family Picnic hosted by La Crosse Neighborhood Associations.

Our first Promise renovation family Mike and Nancy Caucutt visited with us on October 13 at the event.



#### Cameron Park Farmer's Market -October 26

We enjoyed our farmer's market events this season. We met some wonderful people and the kids loved our beach balls! Thanks to

everyone who stopped by.



922 Adams



807-811 6th Street

#### **New construction**

- 1218 S. 6th Avenue
- 915 5th Avenue
- 1106 11th Street
- 921 Farnam Street
- 807-811 6th Street Twindos
- 821 6th Street
- 922 Adams

# Potential renovation homes for sale (you may also renovate a home that you already own):

- 1126 7th Street
- 1108 7th Street

Interested in buying, building or renovating and becoming our next Promise family? Contact us at info@lacrossepromise.org or call 608.792.1137.

## **Current Properties**

# Join Us!

Any amount helps build greater resources for the community, strengthening schools and neighborhoods.





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