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BASEBALL SCHOOL DAY WITH TMJ4

A visual summary of the day. The record-setting crowd of 2,234 was the largest baseball crowd to ever witness a Division I baseball game in the state of Wisconsin and was sent home happy following an 18-15 win by the Panthers over visiting Northern Illinois.

LEADING WITH LAINEY

Lainey Higgins recently wrapped up her career with the Milwaukee women's soccer program by leading the Panthers to their fourth straight Horizon League regular-season title as well as another NCAA Tournament appearance. The Appleton, Wis., native enjoyed a stellar MKE career – one of just eight players in program history to appear in every team game of her career – topped by Horizon League Player of the Year honors as a senior.

THE "GOLDIN" ERA

Milwaukee women's tennis coach Mark Goldin emphasizes the "family" atmosphere of his program, bringing together a roster of student-athletes from all across the globe. That also applies to his coaching staff for the Panthers – joined by wife Maddy – herself a former Panther standout – as well as his father, Marty, a former collegiate tennis player at Wisconsin who also played professionally.

200 HITS WITH HAUSSER

Justin Hausser just put the final touches on a stellar four-year career with the Milwaukee baseball team, helping lead the Panthers to the Horizon League Tournament Championship game. Along the way, he became just the 10th player in program history to reach 200 career hits, wrapping up his time in the Black & Gold with 213 hits and a .310 career batting average. He sat down with the staff of the Roar Report for an in-depth Q&A on his time in Milwaukee.

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Natalie Block became just the third **All-American in Milwaukee**

women's track & field history as she earned second-team honors following a 12th place finish at the NCAA Division I Track & Field Championships on June 12.

Block competed in the 400m hurdles and set a new Milwaukee program record with a time of 56.92, eclipsing her previous mark of 56.95 set in the quarterfinals two days prior. This spring, she was the Horizon League Champion in both the 100m and 400m hurdles.



LIGHT UP THE HOPE

At this year's Golden Panther Awards on May 5, **Ben Lorenz** of men's swimming & diving and **Kayla Rollins** of women's soccer were recognized as this year's **Senior Student-Athlete Award winners**.

Lorenz and Rollins recalled their time as Panther student-athletes, while issuing words of wisdom to returning students for 2025-26 and beyond.





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Shaun Wegner led the Milwaukee baseball team to a 24-win season in 2025, including wins in three straight to open the 2025 Horizon League Baseball Championship to advance to the championship round for the first time since 2021.

Behind the league's top starting pitcher **Gavin Theis** and top reliever **Logan Snow**, the Panthers were showered with postseason honors led by the duo of right-handed pitchers, who also earned First-Team honors.

Infielders **Tyler Bickers** and **Gabe Roessler** joined Theis and Snow on the First Team, while **Justin Hausser** was selected as a second-team honoree. **Tate Schmidt** earned a spot on the Horizon League All-Freshman Team.

During the season, Hausser became the 10th player in program history to reach 200 career hits. The Panthers finished 2025 with 56 home runs as a team, the third-most in a single season led by a dozen off the bat of team leader **Charlie Marion**.

Recent Milwaukee draftee **AJ Blubaugh** made his Major League debut on April 30 for the Houston Astros, making the start against the Detroit Tigers. Snow became Milwaukee's latest professional signee, joining the Milwaukee Milkmen of the American Association following his spring with the Panthers.



Natalie Block became just the third All-American in women's track & field's Division I history as she finished 12th in the 400m hurdles at the 2025 NCAA Outdoor Championships in Eugene, Ore. in mid-June.

Block joins 2011 All-American Samia Taylor (triple jump) and 1996 All-American Angie Molter (10,000m run) and is the 16th Panther to earn All-American honors in Milwaukee track & field history.

Block's time of 56.92 at nationals was an improvement upon her time of 59.95 at the NCAA West Regionals in late May, where Milwaukee had sent a total of four qualifiers. **Divine Aniamaka** qualified in the triple jump, qualified in both the 100m and 200m dashes, with **Olivia VanZeeland** earning a spot at the regionals in the high jump.

As a team, Milwaukee finished second at the Horizon League Outdoor Track & Field Championships, finishing with 141 points on the men's side and 148 on the women's side. Reeves-Lile was named Men's Outstanding Performer in Running, while

Anna Szepieniec was named Outstanding Performer in Field Events. **Anthony Buford** was named the Men's Freshman of the Year in Field events as well.

At the Horizon League Championships, Milwaukee claimed crowns in multiple events including titles in the 100m and 400m hurdles for Block, the 100m and 200m dashes for Reeves-Lile, and the long jump and heptathlon for Szepieniec.



The Milwaukee women's tennis team wrapped up the season with an overall record of 8-17, hampered over the final month of the year by numerous injuries up and down the lineup.

The Panthers finished 1-5 in Horizon League play, earning the No. 6 seed in the Horizon League Tournament. They never gave in and battled to a strong finish - knocking off third-seeded Oakland in the Horizon League Championships before falling in the semifinals to eventual league champion Youngstown State. Head coach **Mark Goldin** also added a historic result, leading MKE to its first-ever win over Marquette with a 4-3 decision in February.

The academic awards continued to roll in for the program and Goldin coached **Nadiia Konieva** to Second-Team All-Horizon League accolades. Konieva stepped up to play No. 1 singles as well as continuing her role as a part of the No. 1 doubles squad. She led the Panthers in doubles victories with 16 and finished just one of the team lead in total victories with 25 after adding nine singles wins.

Nikola Nikolajeva put together a stellar first season with the Panthers, tying for the overall team lead in victories with 26. She finished with a 12-10 record in singles play as well as a 14-9 mark in doubles action, played mostly at No. 2 singles and the majority of the year at No. 1 doubles.

Emilia Durska tied for the team lead with 26 victories, recording 14 in singles and 12 in doubles play.

Konieva, Durska, and **Sara Simonova** were all recognized with spots on the 2025 College Sports Communicators Academic All-District squad, while Konieva and Simonova were honored as repeat members of the Horizon League Valeo All-Academic Team. In addition, the squad posted a cumulative grade-point average of 3.726 as a team, one of the highest program GPA's across the MKE Athletic Department.

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BASEBALL WEATHER DAY WITH TMJ4

On April 29, the Milwaukee baseball team hosted its first-ever 'School Day' game, the day was highlighted by a pre-game weather show by TMJ4 Chief Meteorologist, and UW-Milwaukee alum, Brian Niznansky and his team.





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LEADING WITH LAINNEY

Lainey Higgins enjoyed a very successful prep career on the soccer field at Appleton East High School, earning First-Team Fox Valley Association All-Conference honors after a senior campaign that saw her score 18 goals and add nine assists. The four-year varsity starter earned conference postseason honors each season, capped with an honorable mention Wisconsin Soccer Coaches Association All-State selection her final year.

Up next? Continuing to play in college ... so why become a Panther?

"I chose UWM for college because it was decently close to my hometown of Appleton, had a very competitive and successful women's soccer program, as well as would prepare me for a successful career," Higgins said. "The city of Milwaukee itself provided both a city and suburban lifestyle which I instantly knew I would enjoy."

Higgins knew what she was getting into, as the Panthers went a combined 58-6-7 (.867 winning percentage) the prior four seasons before her arrival and were coming off three consecutive appearances in the NCAA Tournament. She knew she needed to be ready for the next level.

"There was immense pressure coming into a highly competitive and successful program," Higgins said. "I did my best to go in with an open mind and work extremely hard to prove I could be a trustworthy freshman. Coming into this program, I picked up on my team's competitiveness and drive to be a feared opponent in the Horizon League."

The Panthers went a whopping 19-2-0 her first season, playing all the way into the second round of the NCAA Tournament. Higgins saw action in all 21 games off the bench, contributing six points on a goal and four assists.

"It wasn't hard to notice the winning culture this team had created, and I tried my best to follow and meet the standards that were set and continuously put in my best effort," Higgins said. "As a freshman, there was pressure to perform well enough to keep my team's momentum going and bring my best efforts to the field when I got the chance."

She debuted with 15 minutes in the season opener against Northern Illinois, adding her first collegiate point with an assist on the final goal of the 6-0 victory. Her first goal came in late September, finding the back of the net late during a shutout of Cleveland State.

"My first goal was against Cleveland State in a 7-0 win," she recalled. "Not the most special, unfortunately, but it was a fun game!"

The wins kept coming, rolling up a perfect 11-0-0 record in league play before posting a pair of shutouts to claim the Horizon League Tournament title. It didn't stop there as the Panthers knocked off No. 14 Xavier in the first round of the NCAA's. The season ended in a tough 2-0 loss at No. 2 Virginia in the second round, but the bar was set for Higgins as a Panther in year No. 1.

Then came change. Lots of it. A large class of seniors graduated. A new coach.

Suddenly, Higgins put herself in position to be a full-time starter as a sophomore. She started all 19 games, tallying

16 points including a team-high and Horizon League-leading 10 assists. The team went 12-4-3 overall that year and again played in the NCAA Tournament. But it was a game in mid-September that, after her career came to a close, was the one that stood out.

It was the Horizon League opener, on the road, and the team fell behind 1-0 and 2-1 before a goal Higgins assisted knotted it up at 2-2 in the 78th minute. But it wasn't meant to be, as the Raiders scored less than two minutes later to secure the 3-2 victory.

Fast-forward to the end of her career ... all told, Higgins played in 41 career Horizon League regular-season games in her four years. Her record? 34-1-6, an incredible .902 winning percentage. In hindsight, that game against WSU was the only contest her team lost in regular-season league play in her career – the lone blemish as she helped the Panthers earn four regular-season championships.

So, what stood out about that single contest?

"That singular regular season Horizon League loss reflects on the culture of our team," Higgins said. "That ONE loss I experienced within my four years still haunts me today, simply due to the standard that was set by both the players and coaches before me. To be honest, each player before me on this team made winning look 'easy' and I soon found out, during that very first league game of my sophomore season, that winning was not easy."

She was just barely a third of a way into a stellar career in which she would graduate leaving the program ranked 10th all-time with 62 points, tied for seventh





with 24 assists, and in eighth place with 171 career shot attempts. She also became just the eighth player to appear in every team game of her career, with her 81 consecutive games played the fifth-most in program history.

"That loss was one of the most valuable lessons I could have learned as a player, as it fueled me to outwork each opponent and push myself beyond my capabilities," Higgins said. "While I have gotten to enjoy and celebrate the amazing amount of Horizon League victories with my team over the past four years, I strongly believe that without experiencing that loss on September 15, 2022, the team's work ethic, togetherness, and resilience would not be at the level it is today."

She continued to grow and get better as a player each fall. Named First Team All-Horizon League as a sophomore, she upped the ante to United Soccer Coaches All-North Region Third Team honors and a repeat of First Team All-Horizon League status as a junior.

"I took advantage of every moment I was given, no matter how small," Higgins said. "I was grateful to have gotten to play in all 21 games as a freshman off the bench, and during that time I found myself observing the players above me – learning from them what makes this team so successful. I used that time of experience and observation to fuel my confidence in my future years which helped me grow as a player."

She finished among the Horizon League leaders in numerous categories as a junior: third in shots on goal (27), fifth in assists (6) and shots (48), sixth in points (18), and eighth in goals (6).

"My teammates and coaches also helped me grow as their belief, trust, and support in me as a player allowed me to instill confidence within myself which contributed largely to the way I played," she said.

Senior year in 2024 was next and Higgins wanted to cap her time as a Panther in the right way – and that she did. She was named the Horizon League Player of the Year and again First-Team All-League, finishing the season with 22 points on nine goals and four assists. She was also named to the United Soccer Coaches Second-Team All-Region after finishing second in the Horizon League in points (22) and points-per-game (1.05), as well as tied for second in goals scored.

Oh, and she helped guide the Panthers to another great season, going 9-0-1 in conference play and once again participating in the NCAA Tournament.

BEING NAMED HORIZON LEAGUE PLAYER OF THE YEAR REFLECTS ON HOW POWERFUL AND RESILIENT OF A PROGRAM I GOT TO BE A PART OF

Higgins said. "The senior season of soccer I experienced was largely due to the efforts and support of each teammate, staff, and support system of mine."

Being named player of the year is a big deal. Higgins became the ninth student-athlete in program history to pick up the impressive honor. So how did she find out?

"I found out I was named player of the year from my teammate **Abby Stoeck**, who had sent me the kindest congratulations text," she said. "I had no idea what she was talking about, but as I opened my Instagram, I was caught up quickly. The accolade means so much to me and was an amazing way to wrap up my career here at Milwaukee. The overall journey was not easy, there were good days and bad days, but it had meant so much to me that all the hard work and dedication from the program did not go unnoticed."

Success in anything in life does not come easy, but after four years that is the essential word one can use to describe Higgins and her collegiate career. In her four-year tenure, the team won four regular-season league titles, four league tournament titles, and made four NCAA Tournament appearances. What a run it was, that's for sure.

"Each achievement in the moment was a great feeling, and something I will always remember," Higgins said. "Looking back at them now, these successes show how dominant of a program UWM has due to the coaching staff and each individual player's hard work, determination, and commitment. When Kevin (Boyd) and Steve (Lucas) joined the staff [before her sophomore campaign], I remember making some long-term goals at the beginning of each season; winning the regular season, winning the conference tournament, and making it to the NCAA tournament all being one of those goals. With these goals in mind, we focused on each individual game – without looking too far ahead – but acknowledging that we had goals to meet."

And meet those goals they did. But now that it's time to graduate and move on and her time on campus is over, what stood out the most?

"There are so many amazing memories I have collected in my time as a Panther," Higgins said. "My favorites would be getting to lift the Horizon League trophy with my teammates to honor all of our hard work. I will also never forget the week-long road trips and hotel stays with the team."



Higgins got to enjoy the best parts of being a student-athlete while wearing the Black & Gold. In addition to her hard work on the field, her work in the classroom was top-notch as well, as she earned numerous academic awards, including being named the Horizon League 2024 Fall Scholar-Athlete of the Season. She was also a regular on the College Sports Communicators Academic All-District Team, the Horizon League All-Academic Team, and the Horizon League Academic Honor Roll.

"I think the most memorable matches will always be the Horizon League tournament games that we have hosted at Engelmann," she said. "The atmosphere, intensity, and outcomes of those games will always be in my mind forever."

She also had the opportunity to play in some amazing atmospheres and facilities, taking on numerous nationally-ranked opponents while playing in front of crowds of over 2,000 spectators over the course of her stellar career.

"Michigan State, Virginia, Arkansas, and Wake Forest's fields and environments were definitely the most memorable as well," she recalled.



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GOLDIN ERA

BY GARY D'AMATO

Coaches at all levels talk about creating a family atmosphere with their teams, a welcoming culture of inclusivity that helps create strong bonds and that elusive thing called chemistry.

The women's tennis program at Milwaukee is no different, especially given its international roster, with student-athletes hailing from Italy, Poland, Ukraine, Latvia, France, Japan, and the Czech Republic.

"I just love the diversity on the team, mixing together all the different cultures," said second-year head coach **Mark Goldin**. "With everyone being so far away from home, I really advertise the program as a second tennis family here in Milwaukee, and it holds true."

But there's another aspect of family in the tennis program because the entire coaching staff is, well, family.

Goldin's assistant coaches are his 72-year-old father, **Marty**, and his wife **Maddy** — herself a former star tennis player and head coach at Milwaukee.

Call it the "Goldin Era" of tennis at UWM.

Mark Goldin, who played tennis

collegiately at Green Bay, has the rare luxury of having two assistant coaches with a wealth of experience and knowledge.

Marty played four years at the University of Wisconsin, where he was the team captain, and then played professionally in Europe. He retired in 2020 from a career in property management and still gives tennis lessons part-time at two Milwaukee-area clubs.

"He brings great energy," Mark said. "The girls love having him around. He gets paid in shoes and clothing. And he gets to hit with the girls in practice here and there. He loves it. His passion is tennis. Getting to come to practice with his son and travel on the road is just a dream come true for him, and for me."

"Through his experience, especially the on-court coaching during the matches, being able to figure out strategy and how to win during the match is a huge asset for our program."

Maddy, a native of Hawai'i, went to high school at the John Newcombe Tennis Academy in New Braunfels, Texas. After one



year at the University of Montana, she transferred to Milwaukee and left three years later as one of the best players in program history. Her career winning percentage (singles and doubles) of .687 ranks No. 1 all-time and her 25 match victories in 2011-12 is tied for the best single-season mark. She also ranks No. 3 with 71 career singles victories and No. 4 with 69 doubles victories.

"My goal is to recruit girls who will beat all of Maddy's records," Mark said with a grin. "And I tell her that."

Maddy, who was the Panthers' head coach in 2014-15, now works part-time as a school-based child therapist in the Port Washington-Saukville school district. She is able to help out at practice two days a week.

"I think the girls really respect her because she's been in the situation that they're in now and had a ton of success," Mark said. "They can see she's still a very high-level player. For Maddy, too, she loves being around the girls, and the girls love being around her."

"For both of us, our college tennis experience was one of the best times of our lives, so to be able to be part of a team and a family and train and experience that again is awesome."

Marty and Maddy are at almost every home match and travel frequently with the team to road matches.

"Having six singles matches going on at one time, we're lucky that most of the time we can put out

three coaches," Mark said. "A lot of schools can't do that."

Mark was an assistant coach at Milwaukee from 2009 through 2012 before leaving to start the men's and women's tennis programs at Cardinal Stritch University.

In his first eight seasons, he guided the women's team to a 64-1 record in Chicagoland Collegiate Athletic Conference play and a ranking as high as No. 4 in the nation. His teams won eight CCAC titles and he was named the 2014 Wilson ITA Women's NAIA National Coach of the Year.

On the men's side, his teams went 61-4 in CCAC play and claimed seven conference titles. The Wolves were ranked No. 2 in the nation in back-to-back-seasons.

In his first season at Milwaukee, the Panthers went 9-12 overall. This past season, they were 8-17, but that record was skewed by injuries to freshman **Nikola Nikolajeva** of Latvia and junior **Laure Razet** of France.

"Laure and Nikola were playing (Nos.) 2 and 3 for me at the time, so it really hit us hard," Goldin said. "Both of them were out four to six weeks and pretty much missed the regular season of conference. They got maybe one or two matches in here and there, but they weren't even close to 100%."

The Panthers, seeded sixth in the Horizon League Tournament, upset third-seeded Oakland, 4-2, in the first round before losing to No. 2-seeded Youngstown State,

4-0, in the semifinals.

"I really, truly believe we had the talent this year, if we were 100%, to compete to win it," Goldin said. "I feel good about next year, that we'll be right in the mix of the top three to win it."

The Panthers graduated just one senior, **Giorgia Cavestro** of Vicenza, Italy, so the future is bright.

"The three freshmen (Nikolajeva, **Elisa Rubio** of France, and **Honoka Yamashita** of Japan) have really matured from the beginning of last year to the end," Goldin said. "The three girls who were juniors (Razet, **Nadiia Konieva** of Ukraine and **Sara Simonova** of Czech Republic) are now going to be seniors and are definitely ready to take over that leadership role that Giorgia gave us."

And waiting in the wings is Mark and Maddy's 7-year-old daughter, Maya.

"I'm so lucky to have my dad and my wife, but also my daughter looks up to these girls like they're her heroes," Goldin said. "She's a big tennis player, so she's doing everything she can to be like them."

"UW-Milwaukee athletics, the atmosphere to raise my daughter in and bring her to different sporting events, is awesome. Maybe someday she'll play for her dad and mom. That's the goal."



Gary D'Amato, a three-time National Sportscasters and Sportswriters Association sportswriter of the year in Wisconsin, joined the Milwaukee Panthers as a feature writer for the Roar Report in September 2018.





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After joining the Milwaukee baseball team as a walk-on his freshman year, **Justin Hausser** made an immediate impact with the Panthers and earned a spot on the Horizon League All-Freshman Team following the 2022 season.

He took the reins and became Milwaukee's everyday first baseman during his sophomore year and added 188 hits to add to his 25-hit freshman season, becoming just the 10th player in Milwaukee program history to reach 200 career hits.

Hausser became the first player to reach the 200-hit mark in nearly a decade, following all-time hit leader Luke Meeteer, who reached the mark early in the 2016 season. Meeteer, recently inducted into the Bud K. Haidet Athletics Hall of Fame, finished his career with 273 hits.

A Wisconsin native, Hausser concluded his Panther career with 213 hits and a .310 batting

average. He posted career-best marks in 2025 in several categories, including doubles (20), triples (2), home runs (6), RBIs (40), walks (22), and slugging percentage (.485), culminating in recognition as a Horizon All-League honoree.

Recently, the staff at The Roar Report caught up with Hausser to reflect on his baseball journey, his time at Milwaukee, and what it meant to reach the 200-hit plateau.

Roar Report: How did you get into baseball growing up, and at what point did you know that playing baseball at the collegiate level was a possibility?

Justin Hausser: Throughout elementary and middle school, I was definitely more of a basketball player, and I played baseball mainly because it's what my friends did. But when I was 12, I got my first taste of travel baseball and really fell in love with the game. That's when I started working hard at it. I

didn't seriously think about college baseball until my sophomore year of high school.

RR: What ultimately led to your decision to choose to play baseball at UW-Milwaukee?

JH: I choose UW-Milwaukee because I wanted to represent the state of Wisconsin at the Division I level. I also really loved the coaches and the relationship they built with me throughout the recruiting process.

RR: You made an immediate impact your freshman season and were named to the Horizon League All-Freshman Team, how impactful was that for your career long term?

JH: I think it was huge for the mental part of my game. It proved to me that I could succeed at this level, and that confidence propelled me throughout my career.



RR: Did your approach change at the plate at all during your career?

JH: Definitely. At the start of my senior season, I tried to play hero ball a little too much, and that led to very little success. I eventually flipped my mindset and went back to what I know best – just getting the barrel to the ball.

RR: After your junior season, you had 144 hits, did reaching 200 hits become a goal for you as a senior?

JH: It was the only personal goal I set for myself when I sat down with Coach Shaun Wegner before the season. We had a lot of team-based goals, but that was the one individual milestone that I focused on.

RR: You ultimately reached 200 hits, and had career highs in doubles, triples, home runs, walks, and RBIs. What was

working for you as a senior, and what did it mean to get to 200 career hits?

JH: I think my experience in the Horizon League really helped. I had a good sense of what pitchers were trying to do against me, and that played a big role in my success. Reaching 200 hits means the world to me. It's a reflection of all the hard work I've put into my career and into UW-Milwaukee baseball. Being the 10th player in program history to reach that milestone is something I'm really proud of.

RR: What would you say are some of your favorite memories with Milwaukee baseball?

JH: The energy we had throughout this season's entire conference tournament stands out. It didn't end the way we wanted it to, but the energy our coaches and players brought to every game was something special. It was fun to be a part of.

RR: What's next in your life and will baseball still be a part of it?

JH: My next goal in life is to find something in the baseball world or the fitness world. I'd love to use the experience I've gained to have a positive impact on young athletes coming up in the sport.

200-HIT CLUB

1. Luke Meeteer (2012-16) – 273
2. Jesse Hart (2005-08) – 267
3. Doug Dekoning (2008-11) – 260
4. Cole Kraft (2008-11) – 250
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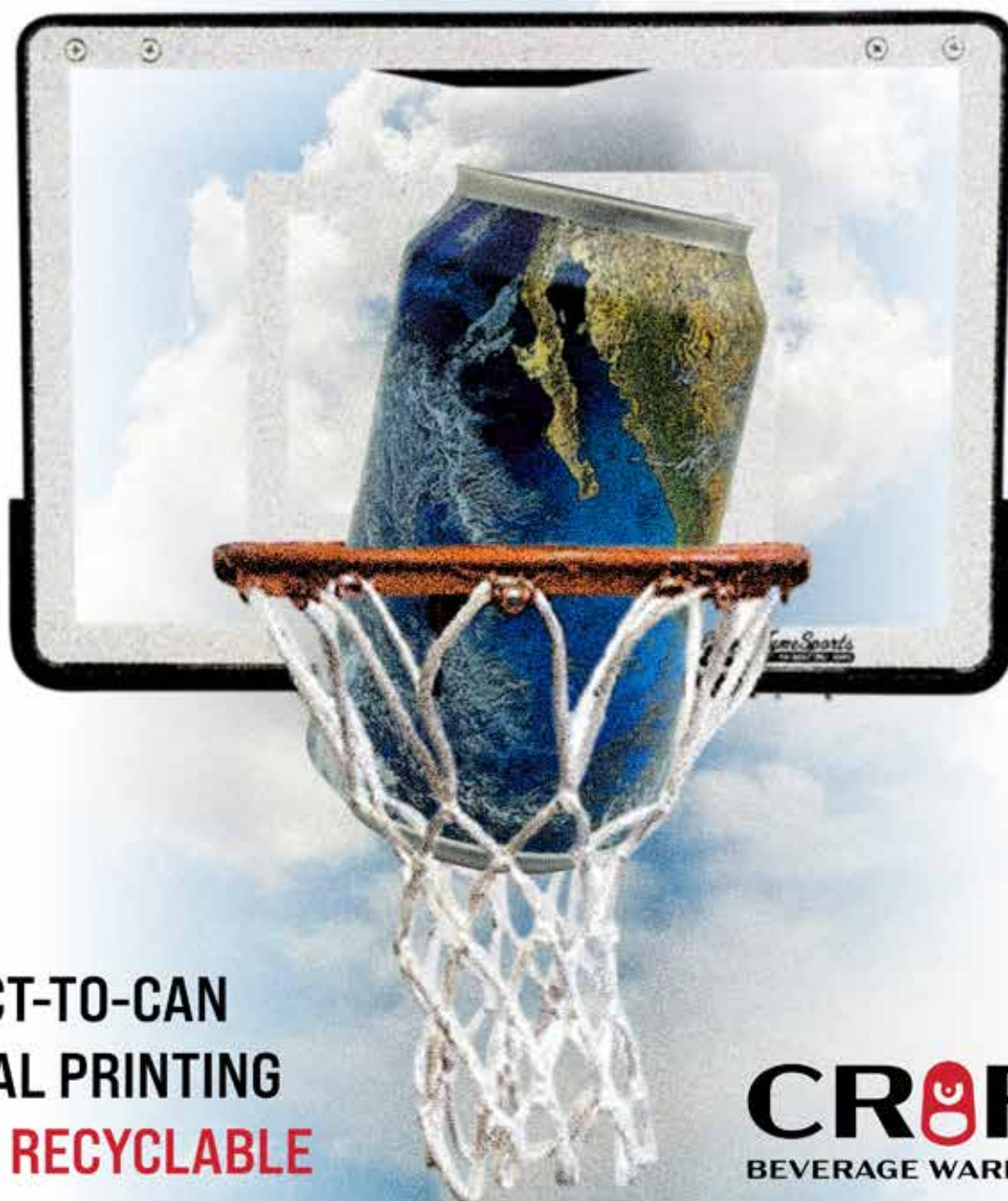
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Being a part of the Panther Excellence Fund is not only an investment in the athletic program and student-athletes of Milwaukee, it also provides many benefits for you. The Panther Excellence Fund is excited to announce the following benefits for donors who support the Panthers (beginning in the 2024-25 academic year). Benefits will be awarded according to athletics annual gifts and will be available to Panther Excellence Fund members the following sports/academic year.

For more information or to hear about opportunities to get involved with Milwaukee Athletics, please or contact Chris Roche (rochec@uwm.edu) or Zach Beaschler (beaschle@uwm.edu)

2024-25 PANTHER EXCELLENCE FUND BENEFITS

Membership is based on TOTAL ANNUAL GIVING to Athletics

MEMBERSHIP LEVEL	PANTHER PARTNER	BLACK	GOLD	STARTER	CAPTAIN	ALL-CONFERENCE	ALL-AMERICAN	MVP	CHAMPION	HALL OF FAME
Annual Gift Amount	\$100-\$249	\$250-\$499	\$500-\$999	\$1,000-\$1,499	\$1,500-\$2,499	\$2,500-\$4,999	\$5,000-\$7,499	\$7,500-\$9,999	\$10,000-\$24,999	\$25,000+
Monthly Gift Amount	\$8-\$21	\$21-\$42	\$42-\$84	\$84 - \$125	\$125 - \$208	\$208 - \$416	\$416 - \$625	\$625 - \$833	\$833 - \$2,083	\$2,083+
Provide critical financial support to MKE student-athletes	M	M	M	M	M	M	M	M	M	M
Quarterly Newsletter Access	M	M	M	M	M	M	M	M	M	M
Fall-Sports Pass (Except MBB/WBB)		M	M	M	M	M	M	M	M	M
Roar Report Recognition			M	M	M	M	M	M	M	M
Video Board Spotlight				M	M	M	M	M	M	M
Priority Ticket Access + Parking Pass					M	M	M	M	M	M
Premium Hospitality Access						M	M	M	M	M
Premium Gift Package							M	M	M	M
Closed Practice Experience								M	M	M
Exclusive Experience with AD/Coach									M	M
VIP Travel Experience										M

Panther Excellence Fund year runs from July 1 - June 30 each year
*Benefits will be available to members the following sports/academic year.

Membership level can include a combination of the Excellence Fund, Sports Specific, Per-Seat Premium, Capital Projects, and Scholarships

ALL-SPORTS PASS

Pass gives you access to all home sporting events in 2023-24 (except men's and women's basketball)

CLOSED PRACTICE EXPERIENCE

Invitation to a closed practice which includes interaction with players and coaches afterward

PREMIUM HOSPITALITY ACCESS

Gain entry into exclusive hospitality areas at different sports and events throughout the year

EXCLUSIVE EXPERIENCE WITH AD/COACH

A customized experience with either a coach or Director of Athletics (i.e. golf, dinner, private team outing, etc.)

PREMIUM GIFT PACKAGE

Receive a personalized, customized, one-of-a-kind Panther gift package

VIP TRAVEL EXPERIENCE

Join the team on a road trip and be involved in all aspects of team itinerary



EXAMPLES

Jon Smith makes a donation as part of his two men's basketball season tickets (\$790) and attends the MBB golf outing, it puts him at \$1,090



Carrie attends the WBB golf outing and gives \$250 to the excellence fund, her total giving would be \$450



Want to get a free parking pass for Men's Basketball games at Panther Arena? Or attend a closed practice? Feel free to reach out to our New Director of The Panther Fund - Zach Beaschler! Zach started with UWM over the summer and he is here to answer any questions you may have. Feel free to reach out to him or find him at the next Panther Men's Basketball game!



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