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BEHIND-THE-SCENES PROGRAM LEAD

What do you enjoy about this role?

What I love about my roles with Coastal is they are both opportunities to showcase and grow the passion for Sheboygan County. On the leadership team, it is great to think big picture and create strategies to develop Sheboygan and its young professionals. The Behind0the-Scenes series gives the community a front-row seat to some really awesome places around the community!

Why did you wish to be a part of Coastal YPN?

One of my personal passion projects is to get young professionals/millennials to come and STAY in Sheboygan. Sheboygan is a community with so much opportunity to discover. Being part of Coastal and its committees is a great platform to show young professionals/millennials how great the community is.

Where do you work and what makes your role awesome?

I work for Kallista, a company owned by Kohler Co. What makes my roles awesome is that we get to play with a lot of really cool designs and materials - think crystal, marble, gold - the list goes on. In addition, I get to work with architects and designers from all over the world to develop products that will make the bathroom space so much more than a bathroom.

What do you love most about your city?

I love that Sheboygan is home to a lot of great companies. Did you know that foam cheeseheads are made by a company in Sheboygan? Johnsonville, Sargento Foods Inc., Kohler Co., Bemis Manufacturing Company - the list goes on and on. I could go across the world and still see products made in Sheboygan. It's like you get a sense of home everywhere you go.

What local restaurant is at the top of your list?

Parker John's BBQ & Pizza! I love me some great smoked southern BBQ!

What is your biggest hope for your city?

My biggest hope for the city is that we can retain and grow our young professional/ millennial community. This city is a great place to start your career, start a family, and find community in any organization you get involved with.

How long have you lived in your city & what brought you here?

I grew up in Sheboygan, moved away for college, and somehow found my way back to this city. Everyone thinks Sheboygan is boring/going nowhere. I find that to be completely untrue. Sheboygan has a great standard of living, an hour away from the major cities of Milwaukee and Green Bay, the lake, growing restaurant scene, and just an all-around city that is embracing the opportunity it has. I can't wait to see what Sheboygan has in store over the next five years.