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2018 shipping season launches at Port of Green Bay

Annual First Ship Contest winner announced

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(Green Bay, WI) – The Michigan Great Lakes arrived at the [Port of Green Bay](#) at 4:26 p.m. on March 26, kicking off the official start to the 2018 shipping season. Ice breaking occurred in the weeks prior to clear a channel for the ship to arrive. The arrival of the first ship also marks the end to the Annual First Ship Contest put on by the Port of Green Bay and hosted by the [Greater Green Bay Convention and Visitors Bureau](#).



Overall Dimensions	
Length	414'
Width	60'
Draft	20'

“The first ship of 2017 arrived on March 21, so this 2018 season started just five days later,” said Dean Haen, Port Director. “With the 2017 season ending on January 22 this year, there was a shorter break than usual. Ice breaking kept the Port open longer in order to bring in shipments of petroleum products and salt. As always, an early start to the season is a good sign of demand for product from manufacturers.”

Over the past couple of months, the Port of Green Bay has been accepting guesses for the first ship’s arrival through its annual First Ship Contest. The person who comes closest to the date and time of the first ship’s arrival wins a prize package from the Port of Green Bay. This year’s winner is Michael Vojtush of Utica, Michigan who guessed an arrival time of March 26 at 3:24 p.m.

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As the winner, Michael will receive a prize package that includes a \$20 gift card to [Titledown Brewery Company](#) as well as a limited-edition [Brown County's 200th Anniversary](#) Opoly Game. The Port of Green Bay represents “Boardwalk,” the most expensive property featured on the board game.

“There were 135 guesses in total, so it’s great to see the community getting involved with the Port and interested in shipping,” Haen said. “Our goal is to show the community the importance of the ships that come through the Port of Green Bay and the significance of shipping on local jobs and products as well as the economy.”

The public is encouraged to view the ships from the Fox River Trail, the Green Bay Metropolitan Boat Launch or from the Port’s webcam on its website. Port security requirements do not allow public access on any port property. You can also find more information about the Port of Green Bay and expected ship arrivals at www.portofgreenbay.com.

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The Port of Green Bay has 14 active terminal operators involved in shipping commodities:

- ACE Marine, LLC
- The C. Reiss Coal Company
- Construction Resources Management
- Flint Hills Resources
- Fox River Terminals, LLC.
- Georgia-Pacific Corporation
- Graymont
- GLC Minerals, LLC
- KK Integrated Logistics, Inc.
- Lafarge North America
- RGL
- Sanimax
- St. Marys Cement Company
- US Venture

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