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# Port of Green Bay shipping season off to an early start

Winner of the First Ship Contest announced

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(Green Bay, WI) - The first ship of the season has arrived in the Port of Green Bay officially kicking off the 2024 shipping season. On Sunday, March 10 at 10:38 a.m., the Margaret with Tug Albert arrived with a delivery of petroleum products to U.S. Venture.

Margaret Overall Dimensions	
Length	392'
Beam	74'
Depth	27'
Capacity	6,220 tons



"It's an early start this shipping season. In fact, this is the earliest Port opening in my 25 years here," said Dean Haen, Port Director. "With it officially underway, we're looking forward to another great year for Great Lakes commerce! The big ships entering the Port of Green Bay provide economic stability for our region, along with plenty of enjoyment for ship watchers in the area!"

The arrival signals the close of the annual First Ship Contest hosted by the Port of Green Bay and Discover Green Bay. Mary Teddy of Suamico, Wisconsin won this year's contest with a guess of March 10 at 2:24 p.m. Mary has won a one-night stay and complimentary gift basket from St. Brendan's Inn; a Port of Green Bay swag bag; a 2024 Great Lakes Calendar by Chuck Zentmeyer; and a 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Brown County Monopoly Game.

"We congratulate Mary on winning this year's contest," Haen added. "And we'd like to give a shout out to all of the ship watchers in the area! Ship watchers share some great photos and video of the big ships on social media, and they're an engaged group." Anyone interested in ship watching is encouraged to view the ships from the Fox River Trail, the Green Bay Metro Boat Launch or other areas along the Lower Fox River. Port security requirements do not allow public access on any port property. Learn more about pending ship arrivals at <a href="https://www.portofgreenbay.com/ship-arrivals">https://www.portofgreenbay.com/ship-arrivals</a> and on the <a href="https://www.portofgreenbay.com/ship-arrivals">Port of Green Bay</a> Facebook page.

About the Port of Green Bay: The Port of Green Bay exists to enhance the prosperity of the people of Northeast Wisconsin by providing facilities and infrastructure able to effectively and efficiently move commodities and goods across the nation. As the western-most port of Lake Michigan, the Port of Green Bay offers a direct route for shipping from the Midwest to the rest of the world. The Port of Green Bay has 14 active terminal operators located along three miles of the Fox River involved in shipping commodities: Ace Marine, C. Reiss Coal Company, Construction Resources Management, Flint Hills Resources, Fox River Terminals, Georgia-Pacific, Graymont, GLC Minerals, KK Integrated Logistics, Lafarge Northern America, RGL, Sanimax, St. Mary's Cement and U.S. Venture.

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