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New Directors Elected to United Way Blackhawk Region Board

Scott Fischer, Derek Hahn and Mike O'Brien elected to UWBR Board of Directors

JANESVILLE – United Way Blackhawk Region welcomes three newly elected directors to its volunteer board. The board is responsible for setting policy for the local United Way, reviewing and approving the annual budget and audit, and determining grant investments for 62 health and human services programs at 28 nonprofit agencies in Rock County, Wis. and northern Winnebago County, Ill.

Scott Fischer has worked at Baker Tilly since January of 1999 and moved to the community later that year. Fischer received his Bachelor's Degree in accounting from University of Wisconsin- Whitewater and a Master of Taxation degree from Florida Atlantic University. Fischer has contributed to the United Way Blackhawk Region as a member of the Campaign Cabinet for over 10 years, and has served as the Campaign Cabinet Chair for the last two years. Annually, he is an active participant in United Way's Day of Caring and also assists in organizing and running the United Way campaign at the Baker Tilly office in Janesville.

Derek Hahn joined BMO Wealth Management in 2011 and holds the title of Vice President – Investments. Hahn received his Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, majoring in both Economics and International Studies, with an emphasis on Global Economies. For eight years, he served in the Wisconsin Army National Guard embarking on multiple deployments in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and is the commander for Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 10430 (Clinton, WI). He has been on the Board of Directors of other Rock County organizations including past chair of the Greater Beloit Chamber of Commerce, Beloit Janesville Symphony and Beloit Regional Hospice.

Mike O'Brien has been a member of the Bliss Communications team since 1988 and is currently the Vice President/General Manager of radio stations WCLO and WVJL in Janesville. O'Brien is a former co-chair of the United Way North Rock County campaign in 2008 and has previously served on the United Way Blackhawk Region Board of Directors. Outside of his professional obligations, O'Brien assists with marriage enrichment and marriage preparation programs at St. John Vianney in Janesville.

“We are pleased to welcome Derek Hahn and Scott Fischer, as well as see the return of Mike O’Brien to United Way Blackhawk Region Board of Directors,” said Board Chairman Jon Schlemmer. “In addition to their professional accomplishments, they each bring enthusiasm for our mission and unique perspectives to United Way. We look forward to their leadership and engagement in the year ahead.”

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About United Way Blackhawk Region

United Way Blackhawk Region mobilizes the caring power of communities to create lasting positive changes in people’s lives by addressing the underlying causes of the most significant local issues. United Way provides financial and human resources to 62 human services programs at 28 nonprofit agencies in the Blackhawk Region to help children and youth succeed, improve access to health care, promote self-sufficiency and strengthen families. More information about United Way Blackhawk Region is available at LiveUnitedBR.org.