

De Pere native Joe Hannon has strong family ties

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De Pere native Joe Hannon is the marketing director for Recoveron Restoration Services in Green Bay. / Dawn Ver Haagh/The De Pere Journal

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His friends and family know the man who was born Clifford Joseph Hannon by a much shorter name.

"Everybody since birth has called me Joe," Hannon said.

And, being known as Joe diminishes confusion, since he is surrounded by two other Cliffs — his father and his son. Born and raised on De Pere's east side, Hannon married one of his classmates, Barbara.

"We have been married for 34 years, and we have been together since we were 15 years old," Joe said. Barbara is employed at Broadway Chevrolet.

The couple has three children — Heather Hannon, Sarah Hannon and Cliff Hannon.

Heather is a 29-year-old nurse at Rennes Health & Rehab Center in De Pere.

"She is also in the Army," Joe said.

Heather has an 8-year-old daughter, Kaylee.

Middle child Sarah Hannon, 27, is in the home-health field and a program manager at Innovative Services. Sarah has a 2-year-old son, Casen.

Only son Cliff Hannon, 22, is a graduate of University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point and lives in Denver, working at the Denver Performing Arts Center.

"He loves it out in Denver, and he works at the second-largest theater in the United States📍," Joe said.

Although his children are young adults, Hannon knows the importance and comfort of family time.

"I love spending time with my wife, my children and my grandchildren," Hannon said.

With most of his children in the area coupled with his love for visiting Denver, Hannon has the opportunity to see them frequently.

Hannon also enjoys the simple pleasures in life at home.

"We are enjoying where we are at now in our lives and our life around our home and our yard," Hannon said.

Hannon also can be found strumming or plucking on his mandolin as a member of the local bluegrass band Bent Grass.

"I was involved in music in the late (19)70s and early '80s and got out of it to raise a family," Hannon said.

In 2002, he had the opportunity to get back in touch with his musical side and has been part of Bent Grass the last five years.

When Hannon isn't at home, with his family or on stage, one can find him hunting, fishing and snowmobiling, some of his other favorite hobbies.

During the workday, Hannon is the marketing director for Recoveron Restoration Services in Green Bay📍.

"I have been with the company for about three years," Hannon said. "We do home restorations from fire and water damage and help restore them back to what they were before."

As the marketing director, Hannon is responsible for selling Recoveron's services to insurance companies and people who need their services.

"I also go out and do presentations about the company," Hannon said.

Q&A

If you had to give up movies or music, which would you choose? "Movies."

What is your favorite sport to watch? "Football — the (Green Bay) Packers."

Where is your favorite place to travel? "Right now, it is Denver."

Who is your favorite superhero? "Batman."

Do you still read the newspaper? "Yes, I read it every day."

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