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Picton Castle announced for Nicolet Bank Tall Ships®

Tickets on sale Friday, March 15 for excursions and festival admission

Green Bay (March 1, 2019) – The Barque *Picton Castle* will join the fleet of ships at Nicolet Bank Tall Ships® July 26-28. The *Picton Castle*, sponsored by North Star Mohican Casino Resort, is a three-masted tall ship based in Lunenburg, Nova Scotia, Canada and is best known for its adventurous sail training voyages around the world. It is a fully certified and registered Cook Islands tall ship whose mission is deep ocean sail training and long-distance education voyages.

Picton Castle is perhaps best known for her world circumnavigations. She has visited the Great Lakes twice, sailed numerous times on tours of the East Coast of the Americas, completed a Caribbean Voyage and in 2008 sailed to Europe, Africa and the Caribbean on a voyage of the Atlantic.

PMI Entertainment Group and Nicolet National Bank are again collaborating to produce a major Tall Ships® festival in Wisconsin. The event will start with Parade of Sail and festival in **Green Bay July 26-28**, followed by a sail through **Sturgeon Bay July 29** and sail past **Algoma on July 30**.

The Green Bay event will have nine historic vessels and the World's Largest Rubber Duck presented by Miron Construction! The festival will feature a wide variety of food and beverage vendors, Maritime Marketplace, Dunkin' Donuts children's area, live musical entertainment on the Tundraland Entertainment Stage, Kress Foundation Education Stage, fireworks Friday night and North Coast Marine Ship Yard.

The 2016 festival created an estimated economic impact of \$4.4M in Brown County.

A portion of the festival proceeds will be donated to **Green Bay Sail & Paddle**, an organization that connects the Greater Green Bay community with the largest fresh water tributary in the world through sailing and paddle sports.

Tickets for general festival admission, all events and excursions will go on sale Friday, March 15 at tallshipswisconsin.com.

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