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Winter farming

Olden Organics co-owner Dick Vinz works in one of his four passively solar heated greenhouses that produce a continuous crop of arugula, spinach, and Asian and mixed greens for farmers markets in Oshkosh and Milwaukee. One greenhouse is above a buried 2,500-gallon insulated water tank. Vinz said cold weather can add to the quality and flavor of the greens. "So long as the soil is above freezing the plants are productive and send extra sugars to the leaves during the day," he said. Olden Organics is east of Ripon and grows and sells a variety of other produce.

Road work fee method promoted

City moves from vehicle fee to finance street projects

By Tom Ekvall
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

The city's Long Range Finance Committee is recommending a transportation utility fee for property owners instead of a vehicle registration fee to finance street and sidewalk improvements.

The committee voted 6-0 at its Jan. 9 meeting to recommend the fee to the Common Council. Members concluded this approach, which was implemented in Neenah this year, would be a more equitable means to replace special assessments for road reconstruction.

The new fee would be based along the lines of the city's stormwater utility fee using the impervious surface standard, with a residential rate of less than $4 per month added to the monthly bill, according to City Manager Mark Rohloff. The billing unit would be called a development area unit (DAU), similar to the Equivalent Runoff Unit (ERU) used for stormwater fees, with a maximum of 100 DAUs.

The committee and council had previously been exploring whether the city should charge a "wheel tax" that would pay for street improvements, eliminating the economic impact to owners of single-family and two-family dwellings for the special assessment. That plan would still require owners of multiple family dwellings, businesses and industries to pay the street improvement special assess-

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Child safety cases bound by state rules

By Miles Maguire
SPECIAL TO THE HERALD

Reports are mandated by law in cases of "child death, serious injury or egregious incident" that may be tied to maltreatment. But a review of these records for Winnebago County shows just how tricky it can be to evaluate instances of suspected child abuse.

Sometimes the appearance of child abuse can be deceiving, the reports show, while in other cases a fatal tragedy has occurred after repeated warnings and assessments.

Last April an 8-month-old Hispanic male was found dead at his home, which he shared with his mother, father and 2-year-old brother. A criminal investigation was opened and the Winnebago County Department of Human Services determined initially that the 2-year-old was at risk and needed to be placed under a "protective plan," according to state records.

But the medical examiner found "no signs of maltreatment or trauma to the in-

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Shutdown impact makes steady crawl

Local hardships not apparent but will add up over time

By Dan Roherty
OSHKOSH HERALD

The ongoing partial shutdown of the federal government continues to place the most visible hardship on federal workers who are no longer getting their paychecks. Local businesses and individuals are less directly affected but inevitably will feel the financial heat in different ways if the impasse continues.

The state's flow of federal funds during a shutdown varies by agency and program. Automated payment systems stay operational to ensure grant payments and funding are not interrupted.

Across-the-board cuts to health care programs, namely Medicare, would be the next direct financial burden for residents that kick in when costs exceed total revenue raised during the period of legislation approved by Congress. White House officials have said they won't order up that first scheduled round of cuts in some benefit programs later this month if the shutdown lingers.

Many programs are exempt from funding freezes, including Medicaid, Social Se-

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Federal Funds Information for States provides details on specific programs at www.ffis.org/shutdown_guidance.

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City airs new guidelines for room tax fees

By Tom Ekvall
Herald contributor

Property owners looking to offer their homes as a vacation rental will need to obtain a permit from the city and collect a 10 percent room tax fee under proposed ordinances guided by state statutory requirements.

The Common Council held a public hearing Jan. 8 on the proposals that include a state sales tax for each day a person stays at a home on a rental basis regardless of the duration. Previously only hotels and motels collected room and sales tax fees.

Planning Services officials said the changes redefine a vacation rental as a short-term rental if made available for a period of 11 to 28 consecutive days.

For room taxes, every property owner renting out a home will be required to obtain a room tax permit at no cost from the city to remit room tax revenues on a monthly basis. The room tax proceeds are used to support tourism in the city.

The 10 percent tax would include 2 percent for long-term debt obligations associated with the Oshkosh Convention Center, 2 percent toward operations and maintenance of the Convention Center and other costs to support city tourism, and 6 percent paid to the Oshkosh Convention and Visitors Bureau. Failure to obtain a room tax permit or remit fees would bring financial penalties.

The Short-Term Rental Ordinance will require those renting rooms or homes for more than 10 days annually to obtain a permit from the city's Community Development Department. They will need a Winnebago County Tourist Rooming House License or a Winnebago County Bed and Breakfast License through its Health Department, a seller's permit from the state Department of Revenue, a room tax permit and an inspection compliance for public health and safety by the county's Health Department.

One public speaker asked whether the time period could be extended on the minimum number of days, noting that some vendors at EAA's AirVenture reside longer than 10 days.

The city is attempting to work with home rental service Airbnb to consolidate reporting and remittance of room taxes using that application.

Airbnb paid more than $2.5 million in occupancy tax revenue in the first year of its tax agreement with the state that ended July 1.

In other action, the council delayed discussion of a proposal by council member Tom Pech Jr. that the city participate in a public/private partnership to help provide free bus fares for students in the Oshkosh Area School District.

Pech had proposed a resolution that the city pledge up to $12,500 in matching support toward making public transportation available, based on $1 contributed for every $2 raised from private funds, not including any government grant supports.

He was absent when the measure was first considered due to a conflict and took issue upon arriving when the council failed to reconsider its action to hold off on the resolution. The council plans to meet with members of the Board of Education in the near future to discuss the issue, with members stating they wanted to wait until after that meeting.

Pech said that he was attempting to get the city on board with supporting the free transportation concept.

"Someone has to take a leadership role," he said, adding that nothing has come out of joint meetings so far with the school board.

The motion to bring back the item failed with Pech, Mayor Steve Cummings and Debra Allison-Aasby voting to reconsider and council members Matt Mugerauer, Lori Palmeri, Jake Krause and Steve Herman voting against the motion.

The council approved a 3.63 percent pay increase to City Manager Mark Rohloff that would raise his 2019 salary to $154,000, based on his yearly performance evaluation. Rohloff's current salary is $148,600.

Community news briefs

Workforce agency to aid laid-off K-C employees

The Fox Valley Workforce Development Board will be offering assistance to 74 employees being laid off with the impending closure of Kimberly-Clark Corp.'s Neenah Nonwovens Facility.

The state Department of Workforce Development said positions will begin to be eliminated March 15-29 with a final closure expected by May 31.

The Workforce Development Board will lead the response effort for these employees, which will include providing resources to re-train and re-employ the workers laid off in Winnebago County, as well as the counties of Calumet, Fond du Lac, Green Lake, Waupaca and Waushara.

The board is working with local K-C leadership to schedule an employee outreach session

Shopko adds regional stores to its closures list

The Shopko retail store chain is expected to seek bankruptcy protection this week and has begun liquidation sales on stores throughout northeast Wisconsin and the Midwest.

The company had announced 39 store closings in 19 states late last year and added six more Wisconsin shutdowns to the list last week that included locations in east Appleton and Menasha.

Pharmaceutical drug supplier McKesson Corp. reported it had supplied Shopko with $67 million in drugs since Nov. 11 but has not been paid since early December. A Brown County judge denied McKesson's request for a restraining order to keep Shopko from selling the medications.

Oshkosh store manager Eric Rathsack referred any questions about the status of the 1300 S. Koeller St. location and the optical store at 1810 Jackson St. to the corporate office.

Shopko announced the sale of 42 of its 227 pharmacy locations across the country in a deal with Kroger that included the Koeller Street location.

Prostitution, trafficking case being investigated

An investigation into human trafficking and prostitution-related activity on the city's north side was reported by the Oshkosh Police Department's Vice and Narcotics Unit and detectives from the Criminal Investigative Division.

Police said an investigator acting in an undercover capacity made arrangements Jan. 7 with a female to exchange cash for sexual contact. She was taken into custody on prostitution charges.

Investigators and detectives also made contact with a 25-year-old man who drove the female and was taken into custody on charges of solicitation, pandering, drug possession with intent to deliver and possession of marijuana.

Police are trying to determine if any force or coercion was involved.

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Algoma planners back development plans

By Tom Ekvall
Herald contributor

The Town of Algoma Planning Commission unanimously recommended approval Jan. 9 of a revised preliminary plat for the Lakevista Estates residential development on the present Jones Family Farm that would lower the number of residential dwellings originally proposed while providing the necessary stormwater management.

The Town Board will consider the matter this Wednesday and submit recommendations to Winnebago County, which must approve the project.

Developers had requested to the board some changes to the design and to bring back the matter before the Planning Commission for review of a final preliminary plat. One change would be reducing the total number of residential lots to 86 with a maximum of 103 residential living units. The difference in lots is based on reducing the number by three lots for duplexes/twin-homes to 17 lots/34 proposed duplex units along the proposed Caden Court. No multifamily units are proposed in keeping with "low density" requirements.

The units along Caden Court as proposed (28 lots) are smaller in width than the traditional residential standard set forth in the town code yet designed to offer a lower-cost, lower-maintenance neighborhood through higher density, single-family lots and consolidated greenspace.

Commission member Mark Thompson said he does not agree with the smaller lot size but voted in favor of the preliminary plat. "I am not a small-lot guy," he said.

Chairperson Pat Clark said the proposed development should offer new types of housing and was well thought out for the community.

Neighborhood residents had objected in the past to the number of duplex units in the development, as well as concerns about stormwater management and traffic on Leonard Point Road. Several residents appeared at the meeting arguing that the design still did not meet town standards for new developments.

Town Administrator Benjamin Krumenauer supported the proposed changes, adding that certain conditions would have to be met by the time a final plat would be submitted for approval. He said the town has two-family lots and condo associations within the community and that the proposed density meets requirements. A formal developer agreement with the town will need to be signed by the developer before submission of the final plat that will deal with phasing procedures, appropriate design standards, final stormwater management plan and any additional information to ensure successful completion of the project.

The development will have two proposed stormwater detention and treatment basins to collect and contain water during a flood event and provide a slow controlled discharge of water to existing facilities. Krumenauer said a maintenance agreement will need to be completed between the town and Lakevista Estates to ensure the basins are properly maintained, probably through a homeowners association. The developer has also added a trail amenity easement.

Krumenauer said that while Leonard Point Road may be a "mess," the town has the road on its five-year capital improvements plan for "some substantial treatment," adding that funds will be needed to support improvements.

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Boys & Girls Club names North senior its top youth

The Boys & Girls Club of Oshkosh has named Myrya Mueller as its 2019 Youth of the Year.

A local committee interviews high school students who are judged on their service to the club, community and family, academic success and life goals, and poise and public speaking ability, among other qualities.

Mueller was awarded a $10,000 scholarship from the club's Charles F. Hyde Jr. Youth of the Year Scholarship Endowment. She will go to Madison in March to compete against more than 10 other members for the title of Wisconsin State Youth of the Year. The winner receives a $5,000 scholarship from BGCA and Disney and a $1,500 scholarship from the Boys & Girls Clubs Wisconsin Area Council.

Mueller is a senior at Oshkosh North High School and plans to pursue higher education at Fox Valley Technical College to prepare for a career in nursing.

"I could never figure out what I wanted to do for my future career but the staff went out of their way and helped me find a career and it turned out to be nursing," she said. "I am so happy that I could count on the staff to help me and give me encouragement."

She has been a club member for more than 11 years. For one of her Keystone projects she took a leadership role in helping coordinate a special evening that fostered communication between teens and the Oshkosh Police Department that included a dinner, panel discussion and an obstacle course with teens and officers. This past summer Mueller also worked as a volunteer distributing food at a Feed America food drive.

Submitted photo

Myrya Mueller is Youth of the Year for the Boys & Girls Club of Oshkosh.

"The Boys & Girls Club is one of the biggest things in my life that helped change my family around. Without my club I would not be where I am in life right now," Mueller said. "When I look into my future I can't wait to experience it."

Memory Care offers caregiver respite services

Memory Care Respite Partners, a collaboration of community churches and nonprofits providing free respite care for caregivers to people experiencing memory loss, Alzheimer's or dementia, is offering that service on Tuesdays in Oshkosh.

Organizers provide professional caregivers and volunteers; organize arts, crafts and music; and offer snacks and refreshments so family caregivers can have two hours off to recharge. Caregivers can leave or stay and enjoy the program and social time.

The Oshkosh program is offered the third and fourth Tuesdays of the month from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. at Our Savior's Lutheran Church at 1860 Wisconsin St. The program is a collaboration among Winnebago ADRC, Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Valley VNA Senior Care and Oshkosh Seniors Center. Contact 920-235-4850.

The Neenah program is offered on the first and second Monday of each month from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church.

Webster Stanley Middle School gets funding for heart monitors

Webster Stanley Middle School was recently awarded a $2,000 grant from the Linda and Tim Dempsey Fund of the Oshkosh Area Community Foundation to support purchase of heart rate monitors for its physical education program.

The grant money will help to fit each physical education student with an IHT Spirit Heart Rate Monitor they can wear in class.

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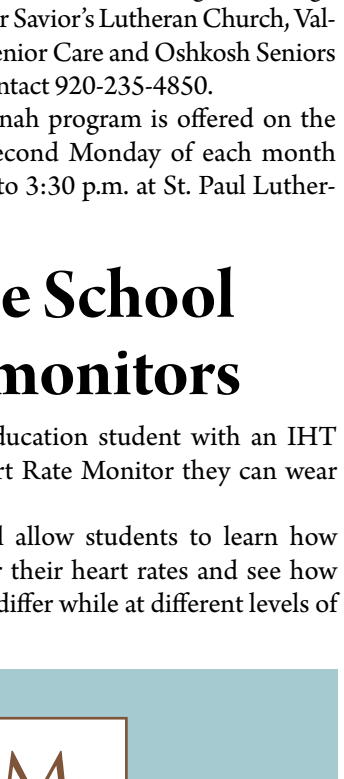

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King's life represents a portrait of leadership

By Tracey Robertson
Fit Oshkosh executive director

I am proud to have a picture in my office of the late Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. that everyone should see.

As the director of a social justice nonprofit, I find myself studying the photo of the beloved civil rights leader on my hardest days — on the days when I am certain I should quit fighting for justice.

I examine the image most often during those times when I am certain that the inequitable systems I am trying to change are too big. During those moments, this particular picture reminds me that true leadership is not easy.

Everyone has seen typical images of the leader with "the dream," the triumphant speaker who has been to the "mountaintop." We have seen snapshots of the deep thinker, the "doctor." We have seen clips of him speaking to large crowds in rapture of his ideals.

The picture in my office reflects a different King.

It is a tight closeup of Dr. King. He looks deep in thought and is wearing a smart suit. I am immediately drawn to his eyes.

In this thousand-yard stare, his eyes appear pained, vulnerable, weary, contemplative, pensive and unsure. His right arm cradles his face. It's obviously not a posed position. Seemingly, if not for his hand Dr. King's head and body would collapse under the weight of everything he had been appointed to shift.

Once, my friend and mentor Dr. Norlisha Crawford —at the time the only black, tenured professor at UW-Oshkosh — found me studying the same picture at her home and said, "I tell my students that this picture is what real leadership looks like. It's not beautiful. It's not poised. True leadership is ugly. It's hard. It's scary."

I often imagine that when this image of him was taken, the great doctor was asking himself questions like: What have I sacrificed? Is it worth it? And the bigger question: Can real change happen?

As we honor Dr. King's legacy 51 years after his assassination (Monday is Martin Luther King Jr. Day) it seems that the answer about change is a resounding Yes! He died believing it was possible.

Dr. King was a man of action. To revere him, we must turn symbolism into practical action that benefits the people who need help. Together, we can create the Beloved Community that he so often talked about.

Reminding ourselves that the road to meaningful leadership is difficult helps us to remain engaged when this leading this charge gets heavy.

If you are ever in doubt, swing by my office. I will gladly show you the picture of the man who changed a nation because he had a dream.

Humane Society marks record-breaking year

The Oshkosh Area Humane Society has reported a record year of saving lives, having topped a 97 percent rate of animals adopted, transferred to another organization or returned to their owner last year.

"This is the highest we've ever had, and it's the highest of any published numbers from open-admission shelters in Wisconsin that we've seen," said executive director Joni Geiger.

Open admission describes shelters that do not turn away animals in their contracted service area for any reason, including age, breed, health or behavior.

"It's been a community effort to get where we are today," Geiger said in her report. "Staff, volunteers, foster homes, area veterinarians and their staff, partner rescue organizations — it's really a combination of the efforts of so many."

The society serves an average of 2,200 animals every year, the majority of them from the local area. Geiger said there's a lot to look forward to in the coming year.

"We're planning to add a staff veterinarian as soon as possible," she said. "It will improve the efficiency of animal care and will eventually enable us to provide more community programs for pet owners. Sheltering is always evolving and changing and we're excited to see what the future brings."

The society is having a dog adoption event from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Saturday. All dogs who arrived before Jan. 1 will have only a $10 adoption fee.

Muza Metal marks 90 years with updated technology

Sheet metal fabricator Muza Metal Products of Oshkosh celebrated 90 years in business in 2018 and with that has added panel bender technology to its arsenal of forming solution equipment.

The company said the Prima Power Smart 2220 brings more offline programming capabilities, reduced set-up times and ergonomic solutions for operators. The new machine will also help alleviate the pressure of high-skilled labor availability by boosting production levels to three times that of a standard press brake.

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Westhaven parking decision put off

By Tom Ekvall
Herald contributor

Members of the Sustainability Advisory Board decided at its January meeting to lay over until next month a decision on a petition by Westhaven Drive residents to add parking on the east side of the street, now being used as a bicycle lane.

Committee members said they wanted more time to consider the proposal as to their recommendation to the Common Council. The Traffic Review Advisory Board has recommended a modification to add on-street parking as well as the bicycle path while the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee recommended against the petition, leaving the street already as designated.

More than a dozen residents along Westhaven Drive were at the meeting to encourage on-street parking. Those speaking said it is difficult for visitors to park nearby and that many of the residents are senior citizens in the condominiums.

The street is designated as a major north-south corridor for bicyclists to get around the west side of the city. However, those appearing said motorists are consistently exceeding the posted speed limits, making the street dangerous for bicyclists, and felt more law enforcement action was needed.

Photo by Tom Ekvall

Emily Dieringer, a community health strategist with the Winnebago County Health Department, speaks before the Sustainability Advisory Board in opposition to adding on-street parking for Westhaven Drive.

Brian Kienert, an avid cyclist and former president of the Oshkosh Cycling Club, and Emily Dieringer, a community health strategist with the Winnebago County Health Department, argued against making any changes, saying the bike lanes are an appropriate way for people to get around the city. They noted that adding on-street parking would require the city to narrow the bike lanes.

Back in the Day

Oshkosh history by the Winnebago County Historical & Archaeological Society

Jan. 11, 1968

Hayek leads Oshkosh to 133-100 victory: The Oshkosh Titan Men's basketball team put up big numbers in their win over the Whitewater Warhawks. Leading the way for Oshkosh with 33 points was Titan Junior Ron Hayek, who received help on the hardboards from a supporting cast including Mike Malone, Bruce "Moose" Miller, John Lallensack, Tom Witasek, Bill Schwartz and recently added to the varsity team, Kenny VerGowe. Titan highlights included 49 field goals (team and conference record), 79 rebounds (team record), and the 133 total points scored was also a team and conference record. The Titans would go on to compile a season record of 23-6 and advance to the NAIA Tournament where they would finish third in the nation.

Source: Oshkosh Advance Titan, Jan. 11, 1968

Child protection

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fant," state records show. The criminal case was closed and the county "determined the infant's 2-year-old brother to be safe, and he remained with his parents."

Five months later a 1-year-old African-American male was taken to the hospital with multiple injuries and later died. Since the fatality, the county has removed the infant's two siblings, a 2-year-old brother and a 5-year-old sister, and placed them "in a nonrelative foster home." But concerns about the family date back to May 2014, when the first of 13 child abuse reports were received, state records show.

More than half of those reports were "screened out," meaning that the county determined the allegations did not meet statutory requirements for child abuse or neglect. Other cases went forward for further assessment but were later dropped, in one instance because the family declined help.

In July an allegation of sexual abuse by a baby sitter of the 5-year-old was made, but the case was closed after the county "was not able to locate the family."

State records show that a friend of the mother has been charged with felony child neglect that resulted in death, a description that matches a current case involving a 29-year-old Oshkosh man.

Annette Beattie, a supervisor in the county's human services agency, said she could not comment on specific cases. But she said decisions about whether to pursue child abuse allegations are constrained by law and regulation and by the facts at hand.

"Based on the information that we are presented with, we need to make a decision following our state standards," she said.

Statewide child abuse cases took off in 2011, rising by 11 percent over the next three years to about 43,000 in 2014. Gina Paige, director of communications for the Wisconsin Department of Children and Families, attributed the increase to "the rise in the use of opioids and meth in the state."

Since then the number of reports has stabilized, for reasons that are not completely clear, Paige said.

Beattie said she did not have statistics immediately at hand to indicate how Winnebago County measures up against regional trends.

Until the spate of three child deaths in Oshkosh late last year, Winnebago County was on track to record five "egregious" cases of suspected abuse involving young people for 2018 — the same number reported in each of the previous two years.

Who to call

Residents are urged to report cases of suspected child abuse or neglect to the Winnebago County Department of Human Services at 920-236-4615.

Only two of the recent deaths have resulted in criminal charges so far, and the third case may not be classified as a matter of abuse once an investigation is completed, county officials said.

From 2016 to 2017 the county appeared to be making some progress, as the reports of abuse per 1,000 children declined from 38.8 to 30.3 during that time, according to state data. Compared with neighboring jurisdictions, Winnebago County is in the middle of the pack on this measure.

In 2017 Green Lake, Waupaca and Outagamie counties had lower rates, 27.8, 26.6 and 26.5, respectively. By contrast Fond du Lac and Waushara counties had higher rates, 41.2 and 47.5, respectively. Calumet County had a much lower rate, 12.8.

While the number of allegations has leveled off, many more children are being taken out of their homes for their safety, which is causing a strain on child welfare services.

According to state figures, the "out-of-home" caseload rose to 8,038 in June 2018 from 6,255 in December 2012. "The increase has been especially sharp in non-Milwaukee counties where the out-of-home care caseload grew from 3,977 in December 2012 to 5,514 in June 2018, for an increase of 41 percent," the children and families department said in its latest annual report, released in December.

"Due to the sharp rise in caseload, workload on child welfare workers has increased significantly," the department said. Under the Walker administration the agency prepared a budget request asking for a $5 million increase to meet this need.

This is much lower than the $30 million that the Wisconsin Counties Association has said is needed.

"We are under a new administration and Governor Evers is still working on his budget," Paige said.

Whatever the right amount is, "we do need additional funding," Beattie said.

Miles Maguire is editor of the Oshkosh Examiner news blog.

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Empire or Red Delicious Apples $1.99

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Organic Whole White Mushrooms $2.99

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Full Circle Organic Soymilk $2.49

15-oz. Jar - Original
Hellmann's Organic Mayonnaise $4.49

21-oz.
Crisco Organic Coconut Oil $4.49

15.5-oz. - Pinto, Garbanzo, Black, or Dark Red Kidney
Full Circle Organic Beans 99¢

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Warm Meadows Bouquet $13.99

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Kretschmar
Bavarian Ham $4.99 lb.
Kretschmar Ham Off The Bone..... $5.99 lb.

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Mild Ch or Swiss $

Cheesy Baked Potato or Red Potato & Herb Salad $3.69 lb.

Seafood Delight Salad $4.99 lb.

Breaded - All White Meat
Chicken Nuggets $3.99 lb.

Nino's
Mini Cheese Ravioli $4.99 lb.
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$2.99

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$2.99

6-oz. - BelGioioso
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$1.99

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$5.99 WITH CARD

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8-Inch
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Doritos Tortilla Chips

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$2.99

12-Quart or 10-Count Package
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$1.99

6 to 8-Count Package
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9.3 to 12.1-oz. Package
Bear Creek Soup Mix

$2.99

5-oz. Can or 2.5-oz. Pouch
Chicken of the Sea Chunk White Albacore or Premium Light Tuna Pouch

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16-oz. Loaf or 8-Pack
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128-oz. Bottle
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10-oz. Bottles

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Food Club Instant Rice

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Food Club Pork & Beans

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28-oz. Can
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Campbell's On-the-Go or Microwave Soup Bowls

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4-Count Package
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$1.29 WITH CARD

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5/$1 WITH CARD

Summer School program sees dip in enrollment

The Oshkosh Area School District's summer school program saw 3,981 course enrollments with 2,345 students attending at least one class, a slight decrease in enrollment compared with 2017.

Julie Conrad, OASD director of curriculum and assessment; and Doris Bailey, 4K-8 summer school principal, led a Board of Education workshop Jan. 9 on the program's results from last year and plans for 2019.

They reported that English Speakers of Other Languages and newcomer courses continue to have increased enrollment. At the high school level, a significant portion of enrollment is focused on credit recovery, providing an opportunity for students to get back on track for graduation. Additionally, students take advantage of enrichment and extracurricular activities.

Summer school programs were moved last year from Carl Traeger elementary and middle schools to Perry Tipler Middle School and Shapiro STEM Academy.

Efforts to increase staff for summer school and develop new courses were called successful, which included a new pay scale for teachers. Additional improvements planned include seeking a high school summer school principal, relocating programs back to Carl Traeger schools, and continuing to seek additional science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) courses.

Staffing is driven by enrollment and will be finalized in April based on actual student numbers. Registration information will be distributed to families on the Infinite Campus the week of Feb. 18. Online registration will be March 4-22

Hintz resumes Assembly minority post

State Rep. Gordon Hintz was sworn in last Monday for the 2019-20 legislative session of the Assembly. The Oshkosh Democrat has been serving the 54th Assembly District since 2007 and was re-elected Democratic leader as new Gov. Tony Evers and Lt. Gov. Mandela Barnes were sworn into office.

"It is an honor to serve the residents of the 54th Assembly District. As someone who has always called Oshkosh home, I take the responsibility of representing our community very seriously and am eager to get to work in Madison," Hintz said in a statement.

"The hard-working people of 54th Assembly District elected me to strengthen our public schools, improve access to quality health care, and fix our roads and bridges. I believe these goals are achievable when we come together to find solutions that work for everyone in our state."

Hintz also made committee assignments for Assembly Democrats.

Community events

Wednesday, Jan. 16

Wisconsin Herd vs. Erie Bayhawks, 11:30 a.m., Menominee Nation Arena

Friday, Jan. 18

WHBA Home and Outdoor Living Show, 3 p.m., Sunnyview Expo Center

Wisconsin Herd vs. Lakeland Magic, 7 p.m., Menominee Nation Arena

Comedy Improv Show, 9 p.m., Backlot Comedy House, 424 N. Main St.

Marine Corps League Bingo, 5:30 p.m., Marine Corps League, 4715 Sherman Road

Saturday, Jan. 19

Oshkosh Farmers Market, 8 a.m., Menominee Nation Arena

Toward Harmony with Nature, 8 a.m., Oshkosh Convention Center

WHBA Home and Outdoor Living Show, 10 a.m., Sunnyview Expo Center

Cupcakes with the Ice Queen and Princess, 10 a.m., Tamara's the Cake Guru, 2271 Westowne Ave.

Bootleggers Ball, 8 p.m., Algoma Club, 103 Algoma Blvd.

Comedy Improv Show, 9 p.m., Backlot Comedy House, 424 N. Main St.

Sunday, Jan. 20

WHBA Home and Outdoor Living Show, 9 a.m., Sunnyview Expo Center

Wednesday, Jan. 23

Wisconsin Herd vs. Windy City Bulls, 7 p.m., Menominee Nation Arena

Friday, Jan. 25

Marine Corps League Bingo, 5:30 p.m., Marine Corps League, 4715 Sherman Road

Pure Fighting Championships 12, 7 p.m., Menominee Nation Arena

Comedy Improv Show, 9 p.m., Backlot Comedy House, 424 N. Main St.

Lindsay Beaver and the Hot Damns, 8 p.m., O'Marro's Public House, 2211 Oregon St.

Saturday, Jan. 26

Indoor Rummage Sale and Craft Fair, 9 a.m., Sunnyview Expo Center

Ice Hawks Fight Cancer, 2:30 p.m., Oshkosh Community YMCA, 3303 W. 20th Ave.

An Evening with Dawes, 8 p.m., The Howard, 405 Washington Ave.

Comedy Improv Show, 9 p.m., Backlot Comedy House, 424 N. Main St.

Shutdown

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curity, veterans programs, federal retiree benefits and jobless pay. Others are interwoven with state-managed programs that don't all share the same funding mechanisms.

States are using federal funds already appropriated from 2018 for their education, health services and other programs through Sept. 30. Other programs such as the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and Special Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) allow states to carry over only a percentage of funds that would run out during an extended shutdown.

The Agriculture Department announced last week that the agency will fund SNAP food stamp benefits through February by issuing benefits earlier than usual.

The Winnebago County Health Department is communicating to its clients and vendors that WIC programming is still functioning normally.

Doug Nguyen, regional communications director for the Social Security Administration, said they received full appropriation for fiscal year 2019 services and that offices will remain fully operational and Social Security benefits paid on time.

Other financial challenges brought on as a result of President Trump's determination to fund a border wall with Mexico relate to consumer confidence and the expectations of organizations that provide assistance to those in need.

Food banks such as Feeding America Eastern Wisconsin are looking to boost their inventories as more people will need help if there is an extended shutdown, including some federal employees. Feeding America's regional president Patti Habeck told Gannett Wisconsin and posted on social media that her group is making the effort as food donations normally decline after the holidays.

Housing sales and other major purchases and investment decisions take their cues from current financial conditions and reliability of public institutions, with potential slowdowns in those purchases if they have any connection to the uncertainty of government agencies involved in the transactions.

Local travelers may have concerns over security at airports as Transportation Security Administration employees are no longer receiving paychecks. There has been an increase in TSA agents calling in sick in response to the pay freeze and furloughs among their 51,700 employees.

Wittman Regional Airport does not have TSA personnel staffed there. Airport manager Jim Schell said from what he has learned the delays or interruptions on a national scale have been minimal to this point.

One specific example of business uncertainty involves the nation's breweries unable to get permission for interstate sales of new beer offerings because the labels need approval by the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, part of the now-closed Treasury Department. And anyone looking to start a microbrewery will have to wait for permit approval through the same channels.

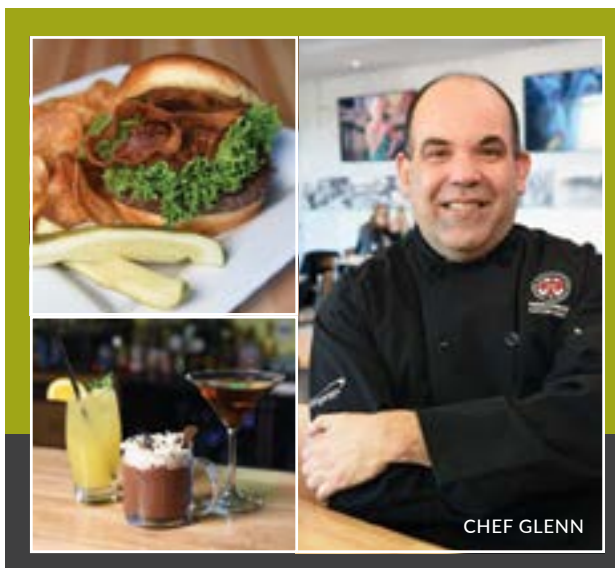
The Brewers Association trade group is telling its member breweries to expect longer wait times for those services even after the government reopens due to an expected backlog of label and other requests.

Ian Wenger, co-founder of Fifth Ward Brewing Co., said the holdup won't have a direct impact on their operations or other brewers here with a smaller geographic footprint unless they pursue interstate sales.

He also said the use of some beer ingredients they would consider for nontraditional styles require federal approval and would face similar delays under current circumstances.

"It's just kind of an overall burden on the whole industry," Wenger said.

Wenger said there's no one to call if they have any questions regarding tax payments. "So we're not getting the services that we're paying for, which is kind of unfortunate," he said.



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West junior emerges as top scoring threat

Guard Karter Thomas develops inside and outside for Wildcats

By Tim Froberg
Herald contributor

One word comes to mind when evaluating the skills and scoring ability of Karter Thomas: Wow.

The Oshkosh West junior is off to a sensational start for the Wildcats' boys' basketball team.

The 6-foot wing guard has built on a strong sophomore season and emerged as an elite scorer. Eleven games into the season he was ranked ninth in the state with a scoring average of 27 points per game and opponents are scrambling to find ways to contain him.

Thomas is a brutal matchup. He can torch teams from downtown with his deep shooting range and has the explosiveness to blow past defenders and get to the rim with his superb penetration skills. Thomas is averaging four 3-pointers per game and shooting a solid 55 percent from the floor.

'He has extremely good shooting range and he's very strong physically," said West coach Mike Johnson. "He's able to use that strength and get into the lane and make things happen."

Thomas' sublime scoring skills are no secret. He was averaging 40 ppg three games into the season, opening with 37 and 38 points in wins over Madison West and Neenah and following up with a 45-point explosion in a victory over Fond du Lac. Those superlative numbers quickly caught the attention of opponents who are routinely putting their best defender on him. Thomas has retaliated by trying to get his teammates more involved in the scoring.

"I'm seeing a lot more face-guarding and it seems like everyone is watching me," said Thomas. "But if I can get more people involved, there's going to be less focus on me and that's what I've been trying to do.

Photo by Emil Vajgrt

Karter Thomas, shown Friday night against Fond du Lac, leads the West Wildcats in scoring.

As a team, we're a lot harder to defend and it's easier to win games when everyone is involved as opposed to me scoring a certain number of points. It makes the game more fun."

Johnson added: "Everyone knows what he can do. At this point, he's got to take it possession by possession because there are no surprises any more. The thing he's getting better at is countering what the defense does. In some of these games where he's not scoring as much, if he can set more screens, or look for kick-outs or dump-off when defenses collapse on him, that really helps us because he's creating for others. It's a lot easier for him if he knows he doesn't have to do it all."

Thomas has elevated his game from last season when he averaged 16.6 points and was a second-team all-Fox Valley Association selection. He's a dedicated gym rat who has a hard time walking off the floor.

"He's the type of kid who's in the gym two or three hours every day," Johnson said. "He took our offseason conditioning program seriously and really improved his body and conditioning."

Thomas agrees that an emphasis on conditioning has contributed to his jump in numbers, but also feels his comfort level with Johnson and his system has helped him grow on the court.

"The biggest thing is that he (Johnson) gives me confidence," Thomas said. "He trusts that I can make the right plays. There will be occasions where I'll shoot it, and maybe we could have gotten a better shot, but he gives me the green light, and that's important. I don't have to overthink what I'm doing out there. I can just play basketball."

Thomas wants to play college basketball and has the talent and hunger to make it happen.

"I certainly think he's got a future at the next level," said Johnson. "He's a basketball junkie. He watches film, knows scouting reports inside and out, understands everything we're trying to do and his work ethic is great. Those are all the things you need.

"Everyone says they want to play college basketball, but not everyone understands all those extra things that go into it that you have to embrace. There are a lot of kids who can score and put up nice numbers in high school, but the ones that are going to succeed at the next level are the ones that are willing to do all that extra little stuff and who love the game, and he certainly does."

Johnson has encouraged Thomas to study Steph Curry, the Golden State Warriors' extraordinary guard, because he sees parallels in their games.

"He's not my favorite player, but coach Johnson thinks I have a similar style," said Thomas. "Coach likes to show me game film of him and I watch closely at what he does to be successful."

With Thomas filling the hoop, the Wildcats have played solid basketball and hope to put together a big second half. The expected return of 6-foot-10 post player Luke Haasl, who has been battling a knee injury, should strengthen West in the home stretch.

"Our biggest goal is getting to state and our regional and sectional is wide open," Thomas said. "There's a lot ahead for us and I think we can make everything come together."

Titans men pick up 13th straight

By Alex Wolf
Herald contributor

The UW-Oshkosh men's basketball team picked up a school-record 13th straight win on Saturday, beating UW-River Falls 91-56 in a Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference game.

The Titans (14-1, 4-0 WIAC), ranked fifth in Division III, was led by a balanced offensive attack as all five starters scored in double figures.

Jack Flynn led the way with 18 points and grabbed 15 rebounds while Connor Duax had 16 points and six rebounds. Brett Wittchow added 14 points and six rebounds while Adam Fravert added 13 points, five rebounds and four assists.

Ben Boots rounded out the scoring with 10 points while grabbing four rebounds and five assists.

The Titans outrebounded UW-River Falls 51 to 30 in the win. The Titans took advantage of 14 turnovers, scoring 20 points off those turnovers while only turning it over seven times themselves.

UWO women crush UW-River Falls

The UW-Oshkosh women's basketball team improved to 14-1 on the season with a dominating 70-42 win over UW-River Falls in a WIAC game played on the road Saturday.

Karsyn Rueth led all players with 15 points for the Titans (14-1, 4-0 WIAC), who are ranked 15th in Division III.

Leah Porath had eight points and five rebounds while Melanie Schneider had six points and 10 rebounds. Fourteen players scored in the win.

The Titans outrebounded the Falcons 42 to 24 and shot 50 percent compared to their 34 percent.

The Titans are off to a 4-0 start in conference for the third time in the past five seasons and went into Saturday as the second-best defense in the country, giving up only 46.3 points per game.

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Lourdes boys exert home energy vs. VC

By Charleigh Reinardy
Herald contributor

In a packed gym at Lourdes Academy last Thursday, the Knights boys basketball team fed off the home-court energy as it topped city rival Valley Christian 80-36 in a Trailways-East Conference game.

Lourdes jumped out to an early 18-6 lead and never looked back, and Valley Christian knew it would have its challenges going up against a talented Lourdes team.

"We are a very young team," Valley Christian head coach Louis Giannopoulos said. "We have quite a few freshmen and we went up against a really good team tonight; they are ranked No. 4 in the state. It was a tall task for us, but we fought as hard as we could. We are still growing up."

At halftime the Knights led 58-15. Lourdes credited some of its success to the energy because playing a city team gives them motivation.

"When we play them I feel that the team as a whole has way more energy," senior Henry Noone said. "There's an urgency to win and that brings out the best in us."

Noone scored 16 points for the Knights (10-1) and Preston Ruedinger had a game-high 17 points. Lourdes made 11 3-pointers.

"I was impressed by our ball movement and pace," Noone said. "I feel like we all played together very well. The game was fun because of the atmosphere and our fans."

Photo by Elizabeth Pletzer

Lourdes junior Caden Chier scores down low in a game Thursday against Valley Christian.

For the Warriors (2-9), Yianni Giannopoulos led the way with 11 points and six rebounds while Isaiah Wade had seven points and 10 boards.

"Our goal is to try to improve after each game," coach Giannopoulos said. "That's our No. 1 goal this year. Wins and losses are not that important for us, as we're looking to grow as a team and try to get better at playing the game of basketball."

Alligator Records group at O'Marro's

Lindsay Beaver, a blues-rocking drummer, songwriter and bandleader with an Alligator Records debut CD called "Tough as Love," will perform at O'Marro's Public House at 8 p.m. Jan. 25.

Hailing from Halifax, Nova Scotia, Beaver is a classically trained vocalist and a jazz drummer influenced by blues, R&B ballads and rock 'n' roll. Her album entered the Living Blues Radio Chart at No. 1 and was recorded in Beaver's current hometown of Austin, Texas.

Beaver has self-released five other albums by her previous band, the 24th Street Wailers, while continuing to tour the continent and overseas. More concert information can be found at www.omarrospublichouse.com.

Bucks waive Morris; Herd beats Suns, falls to Bulls

By Ti Windisch
Herald contributor

The Milwaukee Bucks requested waivers on Jaylen Morris, the franchise announced Sunday night. Morris was one of two two-way players who saw time both with the Bucks and Wisconsin Herd, and his release opens up the other spot for use by Milwaukee.

The Wisconsin Herd went 1-1 last week after winning at home against the Northern Arizona Suns on Wednesday and losing a road game Friday against the Windy City Bulls.

Newest Wisconsin starter Shevon Thompson shined in both outings, his first two starts of the 2018-19 NBA G League season.

Thompson posted 21 points, 11 rebounds and a block in the win Wednesday, and followed up that strong performance with 27 points, 14 rebounds, one assist, a steal and a block against Windy City.

Herd head coach Jordan Brady said he appreciated Thompson's energy and his rebounding, in addition to what he adds both offensively and defensively.

"He just is a mature presence," Brady said. "His vocalness on the court really helps us out defensively; I really appreciate what he does for us defensively. Offensively he's steady with the ball around the basket. He's got a nice touch and he plays within himself."

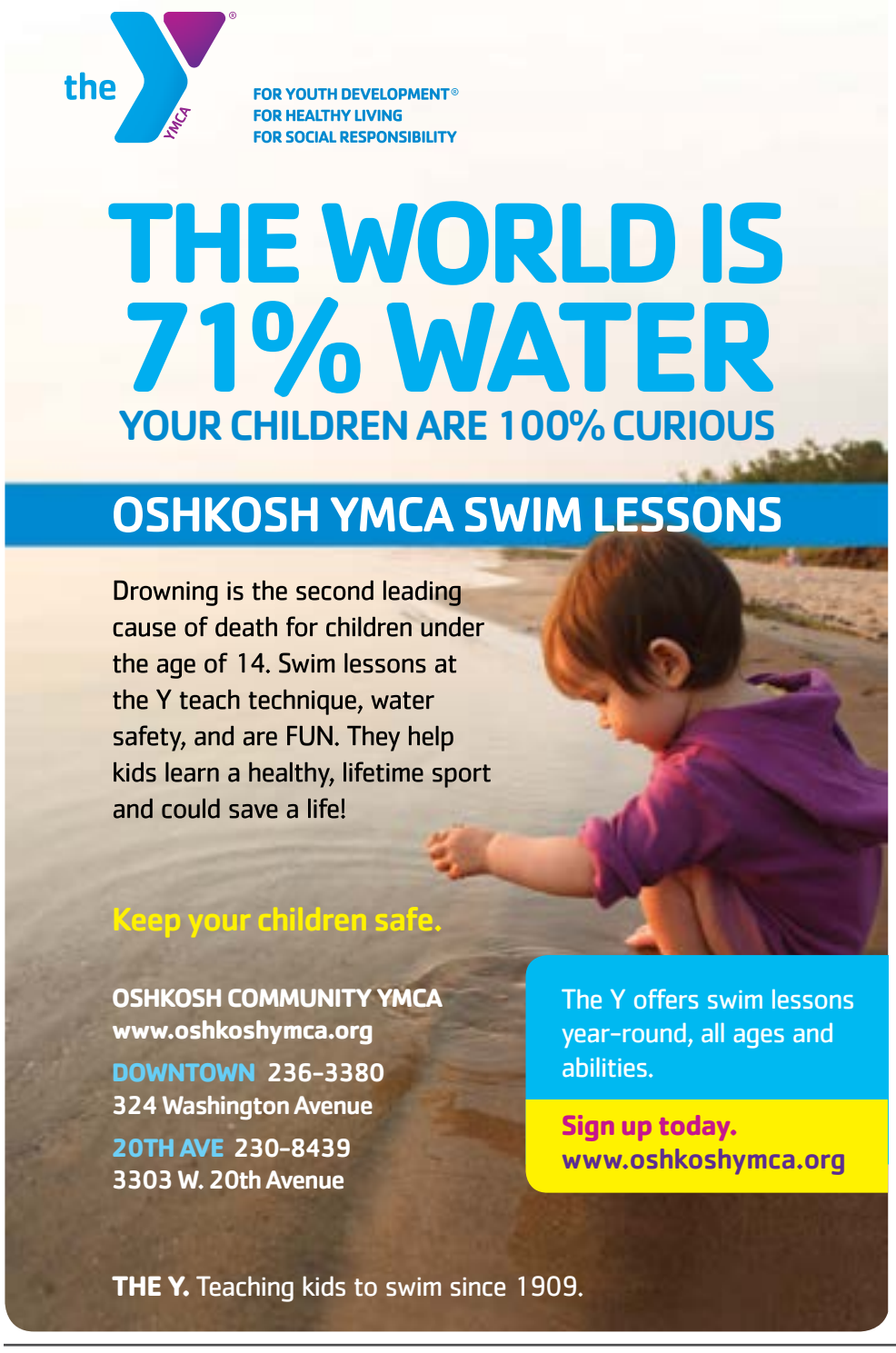
Thompson said whether he starts or comes off the bench, he prepares the same way and remains steady regardless of results.

"Every day is the same for me," Thompson said. "I prepare myself and I work really hard on my game. It could be any night, some nights you're going to have off nights, but tonight I had it going."

Wisconsin acquired Thompson's rights in late December in exchange for the rights to MiKyle McIntosh and JeQuan Lewis.

The Herd is back in action at home this Wednesday when the Erie Bayhawks are in town for an early 11:30 a.m. tipoff time.

The Lakeland Magic will be in town Friday for another home game at the arena starting at 7 p.m. before the Herd travels to Washington, D.C., Saturday to take on the Capital City Go-Go.



Prep sports roundup

WRESTLING

West wins double dual

The Oshkosh West wrestling team picked up two Fox Valley Association dual victories on Thursday night, beating Appleton North 43-22 and Appleton East 78-3.

In the win over the Lightning, those picking up wins were Connor Collins (160-pounds) by pin, Edgar Heredia (170) with a 12-6 decision, Kevin Loos (182) by pin, Justin Oppermann (220) by 10-4 decision, Avery Martell (285) by pin, Alec Hunter (106) by pin, Max Carlin (113) by pin, Jack Zangl (120) by a 9-0 major decision and Logan Grota (132) on a 12-5 decision.

In the dominating win over the Patriots, the Wildcats picked up 10 wins by forfeit. Those winning their match included Framke who had a pin, Tyler Downs (132) by pin and Carson Hollis (145) by pin.

West second at Peshtigo

The Oshkosh West wrestling team was second in the Peshtigo Invitational on Saturday, finishing with 171.5 points.

The Wildcats led by Wilton Brown, Edgar Heredia and Roman Martell, all who went undefeated and finished first.

Kimberly routs North

The Oshkosh North wrestling team picked up two wins in a lobsided Fox Valley Association dual against Kimberly last Thursday, falling 67-9.

North got wins from Dylan Besaw at 120 pounds when he won on a tight 4-3 decision while Cade Schmitz pinned his opponent Charlie Hart at 126 pounds in 1 minute, 33 seconds.

North 3rd in Cutler Classic

The Spartans took part in the New London Cutler Classic on Saturday and got a third-place finish from Cade Schmitz at 126 pounds after he won that match on a 5-0 decision.

Dylan Besaw (120) and Carly Ochoa (113) were fourth for the Spartans, who finished ninth out of 16 teams. Coleman won the invite.

Kelly, Stelzer pick up firsts

The Lourdes wrestling team competed in the Fox Valley Lutheran Invitational on Saturday and got two first-place finishes from Camron Kelly and Keagan Stelzer.

Kelly pinned his opponent in the title match at 132 pounds in 5 minutes, 17 seconds while Stelzer (220) won by pin as well in 1:47.

Finishing third was Nicholas Parkin (145) who pinned his opponent in the third place match in 3:27 and Alex Parkin (138), Kaden Kapp (113) and Jack Reinardy (170) were all fourth. Tim Kaull added a top five finish ending up fifth at 182 pounds.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Spartans pick up fifth win in last six games

The Oshkosh North girls basketball team is starting to put things together, picking up its fifth win in six games in a 65-56 win over Kimberly Thursday night.

Emma Leib scored a team-high 16 points as North led 33-26 at the break. Brooke Ellestad chipped in 14 points, Elle Lieder had 12 and Ashley Wissink and Brie Gauthier each added nine for the Spartans.

Lourdes beats Oakfield

The Lourdes girls basketball team outscored Oakfield 39-16 in the first half as it cruised to a 68-54 win on Friday night.

Alexis Rolph had a game-high 23 points for the Knights while Hope Burns chipped in 18. Burns scored all of her points on 3-pointers, hitting six as Lourdes made 11 in the game.

West tops Fond du Lac

The Oshkosh West girls basketball team improved to 4-9 on the season with a 57-47 win over Fond du Lac in a Fox Valley Association contest Friday night.

No statistics were available.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Wildcats crush Cardinals

The Oshkosh West boys basketball team outscored Fond du Lac 32-15 in the first half as they cruised to a 64-46 Fox Valley Association contest Friday night.

No statistics were available for West.

Kimberly handles North

The Oshkosh North boys basketball team lost a 76-56 Fox Valley Association contest to Kimberly on Friday night.

No statistics were available.

GIRLS HOCKEY

Warbirds top Fox Cities

The Fond du Lac/Beaver Dam/Oshkosh girls hockey team continued its strong season, as the fifth-ranked Warbirds knocked off top-ranked Fox Cities Stars 4-3 in a game played Thursday night.

Fox Cities had a 1-0 lead early, but then the Warbirds got goals from Dayna Jones, Hattie Verstegen and Alyssa Heim in the second period to give them a 3-1 lead. Drew Deanovich added the game-winning goal to make it 4-2.

Abby Okon had 20 saves for the Warbirds.

BOYS SWIMMING

West, North/Lourdes finish 4th, 5th in invite

The Oshkosh West and Oshkosh North/Lourdes swim teams competed in the Appleton North Lightning Invite on Friday and finished fourth and fifth out of seven teams.

Andrew Groth captured two first place finishes for the Wildcats, taking the 200 free (1:47.81) and 500 free (4:59.80) while North/Lourdes' Eddie Hansen was first in the 50 free (22.63) and was second in the 100 breast (1:04.57).

Oshkosh West was third in the 200 medley relay and 200 free relay.

Groth leads West team

Oshkosh West's Andrew Groth had a first-place finish as the Wildcats ended up fifth out of eight teams in the Rocket Sprint Invitational on Saturday.

Groth captured the 100 free with a time of 50.60 as West ended up with 212 points. Oshkosh North/Lourdes was sixth with 153.5 points.

Appleton North/East won the invite with 610.5 points followed by Neenah (595) and D.C. Everest (436).

North/Lourdes' Eddie Hansen had a top three finish, taking third in the 50 breast with a time of 29.78.

BOYS HOCKEY

De Pere tops Oshkosh 5-1

The Oshkosh boys hockey team had a 1-1 tie going into the second period, but De Pere scored four goals en route to a 5-1 win Thursday.

After De Pere scored first, Oshkosh's Karsen Thomas tied it on a goal assisted by Dylan Sprister and Marshall Koch. But the Voyageurs got four goals – two from Charlie Eggers – to help pull away.

Conner Klett had 47 saves for the Ice Hawks.

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Business notes

Wihlm Dental has announced the addition of **Dr. Ruth A. Marx** to the practice that is privately owned by Dr. Michelle Wihlm, who built and opened the current office at 2530 W. 9th Ave. in 2012. Marx received her undergraduate degree from the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh and her doctorate from Marquette Dental School in 1995. She most recently practiced at the Partnership Community Health Center in Oshkosh. Marx and her husband John live in Oshkosh. Wihlm Dental is a full-service practice specializing in cosmetic dentistry, preventive oral hygiene and pediatric dentistry.

Associated Banc-Corp.'s acquisition of **Huntington National Bank's** Wisconsin network will bring about the closing of Huntington's Oshkosh branch at 2101 W. Ninth Ave. Green Bay-based Associated announced Dec. 11 that it notified regulators it wanted to shut down 11 Huntington branches and six Associated branches as part of a consolidation initiative after the $34 million deal is complete. Under the terms of the transaction, Associated will acquire about $850 million in deposits, $134 million in loans and 32 branch locations. Most of the other Huntington branch closings will occur in northeast Wisconsin.

Winnebago Aububon to meet at park

Winnebago Audubon will meet at Jefferson Park in Menasha at 1:30 p.m. Sunday with a focus on waterfowl and eagles. The birdwatchers group may travel to other close-by spots as well and meet up with other birders.

Participants should dress for the weather and bring binoculars if they have them but there will be extra to use as well as spotting scopes. The group will meet on the road that parallels the water.

If the weather is questionable, call or text 920-216-1172 to confirm the group will meet.

Obituaries

Carol Williams

Carol "CW" Williams, age 88, passed away on Thursday, December 27, 2018 at Evergreen Retirement Community. She was born to Sylvester and Mable (Van de Leest) Steinbrecher on July 10, 1930 in Green Bay, WI. She married the love of her life, John Williams, in November 1957 and they spent 22 years together until his passing in July 1979. Carol owned her own

real estate company in Oshkosh, Carol Williams Realty, and was very involved in the community. She was passionate about her work and her play. If she wasn't out selling houses, she was setting up a bridge game or spending time in her beloved garden. As a member of the Oshkosh Country Club she enjoyed spending time on the golf course and hanging around the pool with her grandchildren. As a member of Oshkosh boat club there were many weekends spent on the boat cruising the rivers and lakes around Oshkosh. She enjoyed traveling and has been to many exciting places.

Carol was a member of the Rotary Club, Learning in Retirement as well as serving on the Advisory Board Committee of Fox Valley Technical College for many years. A few things that could never be denied were her love of that special shade of green, sitting on a beach, a good card game, Taco Johns and chocolate ice cream … she loved a trip to Leon's!

Those she held close in her heart that preceded her in death were her husband John, father Sylvester, mother Mabel and sister Jean O'Brien.

Carol is survived by her sons, Craig and Steve (Chris Wales) Williams; daughters, Ruth (Michael) Brasch, and Mary (Mike) Newman; brother, Glen (Jean) Steinbrecher; grandchildren, Justin (Tecie) Newman, Josh (Sophia Scull) Newman, Nick (Tessa Zimmer) Williams, Zach Williams, Hannah Williams, and Andrew Brasch; and one great-grandson, Connor. The family would like to thank the staff at Evergreen Retirement Community and Heartland Hospice for their compassionate care.

A service for Carol will be held In the Chapel at Evergreen Retirement Community (1130 N Westfield St., Oshkosh) on Friday, January 18, 2019 at 1PM. Rev. Steve Wood will be officiating. A visitation will be held from 11AM until the time of the service. Burial to take place at Lake View Memorial Park immediately following the service.

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Winnebago mediation leader gets global post

Michael D. Rust, executive director of the Winnebago Conflict Resolution Center, has been elected president of the Association for Conflict Resolution, an international association dedicated to supporting and improving the field of alternative dispute resolution. His term begins in September.

The Oshkosh resident was the first person to serve as both president of the Wisconsin Association of Mediators and chairman of the Dispute Resolution Section of the State Bar of Wisconsin. He has received recognition by the American Bar Association and International Chamber of Commerce in Paris for his mediation work.

Rust graduated from Carthage College with degrees in neuroscience and psychology before attending Marquette University Law School. He is also president-elect of the Oshkosh Area United Way and president-elect of the Oshkosh Rotary Club.

He has trained hundreds of mediators and spoken in front of tens of thousands on conflict resolution, mediation and ethics. Rust has dealt with more than 1,250 cases and is one of only 22 roster mediators for the Wisconsin Special Education Mediation System.

The Winnebago Conflict Resolution Center is a nonprofit organization providing services throughout Wisconsin, free mediation services to residents of Winnebago County and training in mediation and conflict resolution.

Road work

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ments.

Under the proposed plan, all property owners— residential, commercial, industrial or nonprofit organizations — would pay for street or sidewalk reconstruction work rather than just those property owners that abut the improved streets.

If the council favors the transportation utility fee at its Jan. 22 meeting, Rohloff said city staff would work on resolving any implementation issues before official council adoption.

One issue raised was how to charge property owners who already have multiple billing units for a property or who have multiple addresses within the city.

"Staff believes that it can implement what the (committee) is recommending, and that it addresses some of the equity issues that presented challenges with a vehicle registration fee," Rohloff said in a memo to the mayor and council members.

"While the anticipated direction on Jan. 22 will not be final council adoption, the direction will let staff know that council believes that the … recommendation is worth staff investing time to develop final policies for council consideration."

If approved, the fee would apply to street and sidewalk improvements starting with the 2019 year. The plan would not affect past special assessments already billed to property owners.

Rohloff said that although Neenah has already approved its transportation assessment replacement fee, the city is still working on how to deal with its own DAU maximum.