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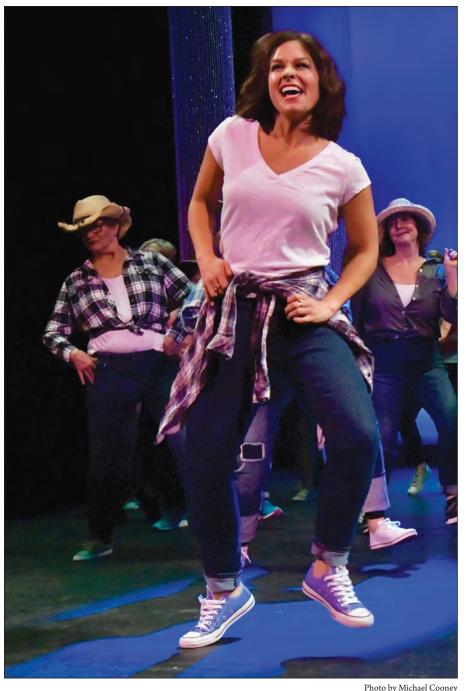


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## **Community revue**

Kylie Kintopf and others from the Jazzercise Oshkosh Fitness Center perform a country dance number during dress rehearsal Thursday for the Oshkosh On Broadway musical revue held last weekend at The Grand to benefit the theater's educational and free community programs. The show was first held in 2005 and revived after a five-year hiatus, starring community theater veterans and newcomers such as nonprofit leaders, elected officials and radio personalities.

## Roadwork fee plan to get look

## Special assessments option from panel

By Dan Roherty Oshkosh Herald

A special committee formed to explore an alternative funding source to replace special assessments for roadwork in the city will be recommending a monthly fee based on two parcel categories.

Single and two-family parcels would be charged \$8 a month and all other developed parcels would be charged \$50 under the proposal, which would end all special assessments including the sidewalk replacement program.

The Common Council's Matt Mugerauer, chairman of the advisory panel, will give a report on the work and recommendations to the council Tuesday for further consideration while a public information campaign is undertaken before any final consideration.

He said that with any new proposal there will be extensive staff work needed to review it with no timeline involved. City Manager Mark Rohloff echoed that assessment, saying legal and implementation issues would get city review, along with associated policy issues.

In a Facebook post last week, committee member Koby Schellenger described the group's four-month effort to come up with the most equitable method to charge Oshkosh residents and commercial enti-

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## Winnebago's broadband reach could expand

## **Underserved** areas seek PSC grant help

By Joseph Schulz HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

The Winnebago County Industrial Development Board voted last week to enter a public-private partnership that aims to expand broadband access in rural communities to the level of cities such as Oshkosh.

The partnership with US Internet, a Minnesota based telecommunications company, has the potential to benefit the dairy and tourism industries and is contingent upon the company being awarded a broadband extension grant from the Public Service Commission (PSC) of Wisconsin.

In September, the PSC announced it would provide \$24 million in grant funding to increase high-speed internet a to areas deemed unserved or underserved.

US Internet applied for an approximately \$3.7 million broadband extension grant in December to deploy an active fiber network to Omro, Poygan, Winneconne and Butte des Morts.

The grant funds will account for 36.75 percent of the project costs, as the total cost is about \$10.16 million, according to the grant application.

The application says US Internet will fund roughly \$6.4 million, Winnebago County will fund \$25,000, the Town of Omro \$2,680, the Town of Poygan \$1,480, the Village of Winneconne \$1,000 and the Town of Winneconne \$1,000.

The funds would be used for the first phase of US Internet's "Light the Lake" project, which the application states will deploy 140 miles of new fiber optic cable to 806 unserved homes and businesses and 3,078 underserved homes and busi-

If the grant is approved, the application says the company will commit to building phase two, which will provide another mile of infrastructure to an additional 1,456 underserved homes and businesses.

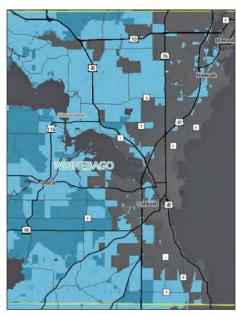
In total, the project would serve 5,418 unserved or underserved locations, according to US Internet.

Phase one of the project will begin when the grant is approved and is expected to be completed after 24 months, the application stated.

The first two months will consist of engineering and environmental work. Months two through four will be spent on permitting and material ordering, while months five through 23 will focus on mainline construction, customer acquisition and activation.

US Internet's Wisconsin operations

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Map from Wisconsin PSC

The dark blue areas represent Winnebago County's unserved regions for high-speed internet and the light blue represents underPage 2 | oshkoshherald.com January 29, 2020

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## Fishing, hockey take to the Millers Bay ice

Millers Bay at Menominee Park will be sporting two kinds of ice action this weekend with the annual Otter Street Fishing Club's Fisheree along with the premiere of a two-day pond hockey tournament.

The local fishing club's "Pre-Battle Challenge" has a 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. registration window Saturday for anglers who have bought \$10 tickets by the end of Friday for each fish weighed in the competition. Besides a \$1,000 grand prize there



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The Otter Street Pond Hockey Nation-

als is a two-day competition with 32 teams competing for trophies.

Saturday night will feature a party in the warming tent at Millers Bay with music from Spicy Tie Band starting at 6:30 p.m.

## Men held after two robberies on Main St.

Two armed robberies that occurred Saturday within a few blocks of each other on North Main Street are being investigated by Oshkosh police, who took two suspects into custody early Sunday.

The first robbery report came about 5 p.m. in the 1000 block of North Main, followed by another at about 10:30 p.m. in the 800 block. Police said in each case two males entered businesses and demanded

money. One of the suspects produced a handgun and displayed it to employees.

Taken from each business was an undisclosed amount of cash. No one was injured.

Two suspects were taken into custody about 2 a.m. Sunday by police, and officers located a firearm believed to have been used. The men are being held in the Winnebago County Jail.





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## Office, retail project on Oshkosh Ave. advances

By Tom Ekvall
Herald Contributor

Plans for redevelopment along Oshkosh Avenue near Oshkosh Corp.'s global headquarters took another step forward as the Plan Commission last Tuesday recommended approval of plans for office and retail buildings.

Commissioners voted 9-0 in favor of a general development plan and specific implementation plan on an L-shaped tract of 2.59 acres at 1650 and 1660 Oshkosh Ave. If approved by the Common Council, the development will have a two-story office building and a three-tenant retail building.

The project will accompany an adjacent 103-room Marriott extended-stay hotel that received the commission's support Jan. 7 and was expected to get final council approval.

Steve Hoopman, the applicant for both projects, said a national coffee company will occupy one of the three spaces in the retail building with the other two yet to be identified. Hoopman said he is comfortable with making physical improvements recommended by the planning staff, such as adjusting tree placement and landscaping distribution shown in architectural drawings, to meet city code specifics.



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## Former lanes razed

Demolition and site work company LinnCo is demolishing buildings in the 700 block of South Main Street, one of which was the former Recreation Lanes. The bowling alley, which opened in 1939 in the facility that previously housed a Cadillac dealership, closed at the end of 2017. The land is owned by the Oshkosh Redevelopment Authority and will become part of a package to be advertised for development along the Main Street frontage that is part of the draft Sawdust District Plan.

Commissioners praised the cooperation between the developer and city officials to get the project prepared for final approval and construction that would begin in April.

The Common Council was expected to act this Tuesday on a zoning change that would make the area a corporate business park. At present, part of the area is zoned single family residential 2.

The commission also recommended approval of a zoning change along the 700 block of South Main Street that could lead to a low-income housing development in the Sawdust District. The urban mixed district zoning would be amended

to allow for a planned development on the vacant land owned by the Oshkosh Redevelopment Authority.

Local developers are seeking federal low-income housing tax credits for the project that would offer one-, two- and three-bedroom apartments with underground parking and other amenities. Planners said the rezoning would provide the needed flexibility for developing the lot that faces three streets: Main, 7th and 8th.

Also recommended for approval was granting privilege for a groundwater monitoring well at the north 100 and 200 blocks of East Packer Avenue.

## UW Oshkosh offers free application week

The University of Wisconsin Oshkosh's first-ever free application week runs through Sunday for both undergraduate and graduate students.

The institution-wide incentive is available to future students applying at any of UW Oshkosh's three campuses — Oshkosh, Fond du Lac and Fox Cities — for the 2020-2021 school year.

Aggie Hanni, UWO's assistant vice chancellor for enrollment management, said financial reasons are among the obstacles that can prevent students from completing the application process.

"We are offering this incentive to encourage students who find that paying the application fee is holding them back," Hanni said. "Having to pay the fee both discourages prospective students from applying in the first place, and it is often the final unfinished step in the application process for many who chose to apply—it is simply a barrier."

Hanni is hoping the fee waiver — \$50 for undergraduate students and \$56 for graduate students — will result in an influx of applications to the three campuses from outstanding students who otherwise might not apply. The goal is to put UWO at "top of mind" for those who have started but not completed the application process or have considered applying but have not yet started.

"We want to make sure that economic disadvantage does not prevent qualified students from applying. We continue to offer application fee waivers throughout the year for those students who meet specific requirements; however, we are also invested in addressing the challenge more proactively for all students," Hanni said.

She also reminds potential applicants that UW Oshkosh still has scholarships available for the new students for the 2020-2021 academic year.



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## Flu vaccinations promoted as cases increase

By Dan Roherty OSHKOSH HERALD

Wisconsin's flu outbreak status was elevated to "high" early this month by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as the first child death was reported in the state related to the illness. Winnebago County officials said local health systems are confirming a rise in cases here, including some that have put vulnerable residents in the hospital.

While flu-related hospitalizations in Wisconsin are ahead of last year at this time, they are less than half of the level reported in the 2017-2018 season when the outbreak status was listed as "severe."

## **Business Expo** features new, local offerings

The Oshkosh Chamber of Commerce 2020 Business Expo is set from noon to 7 p.m. Thursday at the Oshkosh Convention Center, offering new connections, information about area businesses and upcoming job openings.

Sponsored by Network Health, the expo will have more than 100 businesses with booths and a "Roaring '20s" theme, along with a Made Local section of products made in Oshkosh.

Attendees can participate in activities, games and demonstrations presented by exhibitors, with chances for prizes.

The evening finishes out with a Business After Hours - A Taste of Oshkosh, from 5

"We do work closely with the local health care systems and hear that flu tests are positive, so it is definitely on the rise in our community," public health nurse supervisor Kim Goffard stated in an email.

Influenza surveillance coordinator Tom Haupt with the Wisconsin Department of Health Services reported earlier this month that about 100 people had been admitted to intensive care units so far statewide, and that 60 percent of those hospital admissions were under age 65, a contrast to the previous season where more than 60 percent were over that age.

Haupt said adjustments were made to try to make this year's vaccine more efficient while its main purpose continues

to be avoiding complications of flu such as pneumonia that can threaten people with weakened immune systems. He said it takes about two weeks for the vaccine to provide full protection.

"People can come down with the flu after being vaccinated but when they do they usually get a much milder case," Haupt said.

Influenza B has become the predominant flu virus in Wisconsin this year and has been showing up much more than strain A, which usually strikes first in the season. Young children are considered the most susceptible to the B version.

Vaccination rates for this season were at 37 percent in northeast Wisconsin and 38

percent statewide as of Jan. 11, ahead of last year's pace that peaked at 40 percent. The state set this year's goal at 70 percent.

Winnebago health officials say the vaccine can ease symptoms and shorten the duration of the illness while preventing exposure to the most vulnerable.

"It's not too late to get your flu shot. The flu vaccine is still readily available, and we suggest that you call your primary care physician or local pharmacy for more information," Goffard said. "Children may also qualify to receive a flu vaccination at their local health department."

Children under 10 years old and adults over 65 fall in the two general categories of risk, along with those with extenuating health circumstances. Those who qualify for the federal Vaccines For Children program can receive their immunizations at the county's Health Department.

Health providers often prescribe Tamiflu to children while awaiting testing for influenza.

Outside of private health care providers in Oshkosh there are vaccines available through most Walgreens and CVS pharmacies, along with the Walmart Supercenter.

Earlier this month, state Rep. Gordon Hintz of Oshkosh introduced legislation aimed at increasing access to vaccines in Wisconsin. The three Assembly bills would allow dentists to administer vaccines under specific criteria, allow minors age 16 or older to make their own vaccination choices and make Wisconsin a universal vaccine purchaser.

The Northeast Wisconsin Immunization Coalition is a community resource for immunization symposiums, school nurse in-services on vaccinations and kits for physician offices.

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## **Broadband**

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manager Dan Kesselmayer said there were about 140 applications for broadband expansion grants submitted around the state, and of those applications, only about 40 meet all the criteria to receive money.

Of the applications meeting the criteria, Kesselmayer said US Internet has one of the strongest because its project would serve "five to 10 times more people" than other applicants.

The company will feed fiber optic strands through pipes underground, which Kesselmayer said will limit reconstruction and create lasting infrastructure.

The grant application says the fiberoptic infrastructure will far exceed the demands of customers, building a network set up for future generations.

"We're putting infrastructure in the ground to be able to turn these towns into 5G networks," Kesselmayer said.

County Executive Mark Harris said reduced access to high-speed internet ham-

pers business in rural areas. For example, he said dairy farms have to file payroll taxes online, and many have a difficult time because they don't have access to highspeed internet.

Some farmers even have to drive to a location with Wi-Fi to submit payroll because they don't have access to internet on their farms, he added.

"It would help business all over the county if we could extend Wi-Fi further," Harris said.

Beyond helping farmers, the grant application says current internet speeds hurt tourism in the lakeshore towns of Poygan, Winneconne and Omro as visitors cut their stays short because they can't work remotely.

Aside from boosting tourism, the application added that US Internet would hire and train 15 to 20 new staff members for fiberoptic technician positions in Wisconsin.

"We want to hire local people because we want to be able to train those local people for high-paying, future-proof jobs," Kesselmayer said. "We want to be able to be able to pay a good wage to anybody that's in the area that's willing to learn."

would be," Schellenger said in his online post. "We decided our recommendation needed to be as all-encompassing as possible and would eliminate all special as-

He said putting the costs on the general levy through property taxes was seen as impractical by the group as the city is prohibited from raising taxes to that degree, and also ruled out a high vehicle registration fee because it would overburden residents.

Schellenger said the panel also considered a traffic-based model similar to the DAU approach that would determine the fee based on the Institute of Transportation Engineers' Trip Generation app that tracks how many "trips" a given property type generates. He said it was unclear how that model would distribute the fees among residential, commercial and industrial users.

"This isn't perfect. It is imprecise. There are things that I don't like about it. Every solution we looked at had flaws," he said. "What we recommended is going to disproportionately affect small local businesses. At the end of the day a predictable \$600 per year cost is better than a special assessment for that class of mostly industrial or commercial properties."

Schellenger said the committee estimated 40 percent of revenues would be collected from single- or two-family homes, offering the best degree of equity they explored. He noted that special assessments on specific properties has placed disproportionate burden on property owners, many who can't afford that big of a hit.

The company would send local employees to fiberoptic technician training, where they will learn a trade that will "be around for a long time and offer a lot of flexibility," he said.

Art Rathjen, Greater Oshkosh Economic Development Corp.'s director of strategic initiatives, attended meetings between US Internet and the townships that would benefit from the grant's approval, finding that "everybody agrees they could use better internet services."

While Oshkosh is one of the communities with faster internet speeds in the state, Rathjen said there's a void in nearby rural communities. He added that rural communities are not void of businesses and professional services that have the same internet needs as those in cities.

"Internet is your fourth utility, and 20 years from now, no one will see it as any different than water, electric or sewage," he

Kesselmayer said the PSC will livestream its discussion about how broadband expansion funds will be dispersed on March 5. By March 6, he hopes to know whether US Internet received a grant.

## State of the **Community** event Thursday

The Oshkosh Chamber of Commerce and Propel Oshkosh will hold its annual State of the Community Address at 8 a.m. Thursday in the K.M. Hutchinson room of the Oshkosh Convention Center across from the Best Western Premier Waterfront Hotel.

The address will feature City Manager Mark Rohloff, University of Wisconsin Oshkosh Chancellor Andrew Leavitt, Winnebago County Executive Mark Harris, Oshkosh Area School District Superintendent Vickie Cartwright and Fox Valley Technical College Director Deb Heath. Each speaker will present briefly on their organization, followed by a question-and-answer segment.

To reserve a spot, call 920-303-2266 or Chamber of Commerce members can reserve online.

## Oshkosh Corp. makes Newsweek business list

Oshkosh Corp. was named by Newsweek as one of "America's Most Responsible Companies" of 2020 in its inaugural list. Oshkosh is ranked No. 194 of the top 300 across 14 industries, with the initial research including the 2,000 largest public companies by revenue in the United

America's Most Responsible Companies were defined based on key performance indicators that were publicly available in addition to an independent survey, partnering with Statista Inc. The indicators focused on environmental, social and

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corporate governance areas. The survey asked U.S. citizens about their perception of company activities related to social responsibility.

"In the Oshkosh family, we take pride in supporting the communities where we live and work, are committed to operating sustainably and exercising strong corporate governance," said Ignacio A. Cortina, Oshkosh Corp. executive vice president.

Oshkosh Corp. also recently announced being named one of the Best Managed Companies of 2019 by the Wall Street Journal.



## Roadwork

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ties to create a funding mechanism to keep up with street resurfacing needs and related road construction. Wisconsin communities use a variety of methods — wheel taxes, utility fees, special assessments — to supplement local and state revenue sources that can't keep up with ongoing road repair and upgrade costs.

City property owners are currently subject to special assessments to pay for a portion of road and sidewalk construction, which includes concrete and asphalt paving; curb, gutter, driveway apron and utility lateral replacement; and sidewalk construction and reconstruction programs.

A transportation utility fee proposal based on a DAU (developed area unit) method using impermeable surface as a basis for road use was considered by the city's Long Range Finance Committee and legal team but fell short of council approval July 23 after strong opposition from the Chamber of Commerce.

The council subsequently agreed to form a 12-member advisory panel represented by government, business, residential and other local institutions to give recommendations by the beginning of this year.

"Our committee looked at a lot of proposals and considered things like equity, administrative burden, present and future capacity, and many more factors as we evaluated what our recommendations

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## Two agency resource workshops offered

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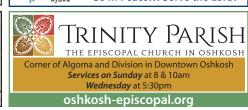
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#### Feb. 1

Oshkosh Area Writers Club, 10 a.m.; LEGO Wall Open Build, noon to 3 p.m.

Family Storytime, 9:30 a.m., infants to preschoolers; Read to a Dog, 4 p.m. Register at 236-5208.

High Hopes Early Literacy Storytime, 9:30 & 10:15 a.m., infants to preschoolers; Stories by Starlight, 6 p.m., preschoolers and families

#### Feb. 5

High Hopes Early Literacy Storytime, 9:30 & 10:15 a.m., infants to preschoolers; Wonderlab: Explore Cranberries, 6 p.m. Register at 236-5208; German Ethnic Groups in Oshkosh, 6 p.m.

Baby Bounce Storytime, 9:30 a.m., infants to age 1

#### Feb. 7

Smart Starts Play Stations, 9 to 11 a.m., ages 1 to 4; Tween Book Club: The Story of Diva and Flea, 4:30 p.m.; Teen Book Club: Witch & Wizard, 4:30 p.m.

#### Feb. 8

Tuba Dan Band, 10 to 11:30 a.m.; LEGO Wall Open Build, noon to 3 p.m.

#### Feb. 9

Movies with Friends, 2 p.m.

#### Feb. 10

Family Storytime, 9:30 a.m., infants to preschoolers; Read to a Dog, 4 p.m.

## Back in the Day



Oshkosh history by the Winnebago County Historical & Archaeological Society

#### <u>Jan. 31, 1887</u>

Something trembled - was an earthquake felt here Saturday **night?** The predicted cold wave arrived on Saturday and there is some question as to whether or not this city did not experience an earthquake late Saturday night or Sunday morning. The frost made buildings and sidewalks crack and snap all night long, but at one time a tremendous jar was heard. Residents on east Irving Street

claim to have heard the noise distinctly, some claiming it caused them to jump out of bed. In one house on Wisconsin Street, the jar was so perceptible that a gas chandelier rang like a bell. It is not at all improbable that the quake was caused by the ice cracking in the lake, and neither is it impossible that this city has experienced a slight earthquake. If the reports had only come from one part of the city, nothing would have been made of the matter; but inasmuch as residents living in different districts claim to have felt the shock, there is probably some ground for the theory that some ice or earth disturbance occurred in this region on Saturday night.

> Source: Oshkosh Northwestern, Jan. 31, 1887





















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#### Wednesday, Jan. 29

Oshkosh Restaurant Week (through Sunday)

ABBA Mania, 7:30 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh, 100 High Ave.

#### Thursday, Jan. 30

Oshkosh Business Expo, noon, Oshkosh Convention Center

Wisconsin Herd vs. College Park Skyhawks, 7 p.m., Menominee Nation Arena.

#### Friday, Jan. 31

Otter Street Fishing Club's Winter Fisheree and Pond Hockey Nationals, Millers Bay in Menominee Park.

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## Balanced Knights knock off inspired Warriors

By Dustin Riese HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

In a matchup of the smaller of the crosscity rivalries, Thursday night's Valley Christian and Lourdes matchup had a David vs. Goliath feel to it.

On paper, you had the Knights sitting atop the Trailways East with an unblemished mark, while the Warriors came into the contest in seventh place with their lone win against Wayland Academy. Though the final score resembled what many thought it would with Lourdes picking up a dominating 87-49 win, it was the Warriors' toughness and grit that caught the attention of those in attendance.

"First off, this was a good win for us, but give Valley a ton of credit tonight," Lourdes head coach Dennis Ruedinger said. "I thought they really played well tonight. They came in focused and hungry and did a great job tonight."

Fellow head coach Louis Giannopoulos knew his young squad was in for a tough task, especially against the best the conference has to offer.

"We came in with some goals in mind tonight," Giannapoulos said. "We came in wanting to focus on limiting our turnovers and mistakes. We didn't do a great job of that in the first half but did a much better job throughout the second half. Obviously they are a great team, but tonight we accomplished our goals, which is a great step

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Isaiah Wade of the Warriors goes to the rim against Lourdes in Thursday's game

for a young team like us."

Early in the first half, it was a close game with Isaiah Wade leading the Warriors and Jack McKellips pacing the Knights with Lourdes holding a 10-6 lead. That is when things began to change in the Knights' favor as the constant pressure from a fullcourt press forced countless turnovers that saw the Knights go on a 15-6 run.

With McKellips and Nathan Slagter dominating the scoring for the Knights, it was a Valley Christian duo of their own carrying the load with Isaiah Wade and Nick Thur producing 21 of the team's 23 firsthalf points.

After Thur – who finished with 14 closed the gap to 10 points once again, Preston Ruedinger and the Knights closed out the half on a 26-11 run to take a commanding 51-23 lead at the break. Ruedinger was one of four double-digit scorers leading the way.

McKellips led the Knights with 18 points while Ruedinger and Josh Bauer added 15. Nathan Slagter was the fourth to hit double digits with 11.

"It was huge for us to have such a balanced attack on offense," coach Ruedinger said. "We have a lot of individuals on this team who are great offensive players. Depending on the matchups we have every night, we need to be able to come out with a balanced attack and not worry about one guy shouldering the load."

With such a young team for Valley Christian, Giannopoulos knows how important a leader like Wade is, who had 20 points on 9-of-12 shooting and nine rebounds.

"Wade and the rest of our seniors have

been in this program a long time," he said. "I have been coaching that group of guys since middle school so seeing them leave after this year will not be easy. However, they are laying the groundwork for the rest of our team. We have a good group of sophomores and I am eager to see where the future takes us."

With Thur and Wade still carrying the load for the Warriors, other players began to chip in as the second half went on, showing more confidence in themselves. Guys like Elijah Wade, Yianni Giannapoulos, Josh Lehner, Matt Curtis and Isaiah Humiston all found the bucket during the second half as the Warriors refused to go down without a fight.

Ruedinger and staff emptied the bench to get the whole team involved. He was happy that everyone on his roster played a role in the team's overall performance.

"It was great to get everyone involved in the victory," he said. "All of the guys on this team work so hard daily and basketball is such a long season that can last up to four months. There are going to be games where not everyone gets in, but then you have games where everyone contributes. It is great to see that knowing how hard we all

## **UW Oshkosh basketball**

## Vlotho game-winner lifts **Titans past Warhawks**

University of Wisconsin Oshkosh's David Vlotho hit a 3-pointer from the left corner with 8.8 seconds left to give the Titans a 73-71 Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference win over UW-Whitewater on Saturday.

Vlotho's 3-pointer capped off a nice comeback for UWO, which scored 15 unanswered points that turned a 41-34 deficit into a lead. There were seven different lead changes over the final three minutes in a close finish.

Vlotho finished with eight points for the Titans (12-6, 6-1 WIAC) while Adam Fravert led all scorers with 24 points. He also grabbed 10 rebounds and had four assists in the win. Jack Flynn added 18 points while Eddie Muench chipped in

The Warhawks (6-12, 1-6 WIAC) who had a 37-32 halftime lead — were led by Equan Ards, who had 24 points.

## Titans snap Warhawks' 14-game win streak

The UW Oshkosh women's basketball team picked up a huge WIAC win Saturday, snapping UW-Whitewater's 14-game win streak 62-51 at home.

It was the first loss since Nov. 16 for the sixth-ranked Warhawks.

The game was close until the second quarter when the Titans (11-7, 4-3 WIAC) took a 25-24 lead and never lost it. They took a double-digit lead midway through the third quarter and cruised to the win after that.

Leah Porath led the Titans with 17 points and had six rebounds while Nikki Arneson had 11 points.

Brooke Freitag chipped in seven with four steals while three others had six points.



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## Spartans swarm Terrors for fifth straight win

By Dustin Riese
Herald Contributor

Amid what was the final game of its three-game home stand, the Oshkosh North boys basketball team was looking to not only make it a perfect stretch, but pick up its fifth straight win.

Although not pretty at times, it was the Spartans who figured things out en route to a dominating 86-51 Fox Valley Association win against last-place Appleton West.

"It certainly wasn't pretty tonight, but a win is a win," Spartans head coach Brad Weber said. "I think we are starting to benefit from finally having everyone back. We had a lot of injuries thus far this season and never really had a chance to form the identity we needed. We have now had a month with everyone back and it is starting to show in the way we play."

After a slow start that saw the Terrors up 15-14, all it took was a North timeout to get things figured out. After that, it was all Spartans basketball.

From constant trapping and forcing turnovers on what seemed like every possession, to the shots beginning to fall, North put together a 16-3 run en route to a 33-18 lead. That lead started to grow as the Spartans took a 40-24 halftime lead.

Weber and his staff know that defense is still their calling card as they used that to their advantage to get the offense flowing.

"We hang our hat on defense in this program especially when it comes to putting pressure on the ball," he said. "As a group, we talked about this during pregame about setting five offensive and defensive goals each game. So far this season, we have been consistently hitting those defensive goals as this is a defensive team

and that will continue to be our identity."

Much like the first half, the Terrors were able to hang with the Spartans early as the lead was cut to 12. That is when the Spartans offense got to work once again as a deep three from Garang Deng appeared to spark the offense and Jalen Keago started to establish himself on offense to push the lead back to 49-33.

"We didn't seem to come out with the same defensive effort early in the game, but we got things going towards the end of the first half," Keago said. "We started off the game really slow on both ends of the floor, but once we got to the second half our effort and intensity was where it needed to be."

The Spartans defense put the clamps down with the offense beginning to play at the level they have over the past month. After a Caden Myers three to get the deficit down to 61-44, Josh Dilling and Keago combined to score the team's next nine points before Mason Day added to the offensive barrage to make it a 72-48 game.

The win put North in fourth place in the FVA and Weber knows work still needs to be done.

"The biggest thing now for us, not only from the beginning of the season but during that three-game losing streak, is that we had double-digit leads in all those games and let them get back into the game," Weber said. "I would say when you look at this five-game stretch that we are on, not only have we gotten the lead, but we have built on it to not let it slip away."

North will be playing six of its final seven games on the road with a matchup at Neenah on Friday night.



Spartans senior guard Josh Dilling drives for a shot against Appleton West in a home game Friday night, which North won 86-51.

Photo by Dustin Riese

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## Prep sports roundup

#### **WRESTLING**

## Oshkosh West takes 10th in Sheboygan

The Oshkosh West wrestling team finished 10th out of 19 teams in the Sheboygan North Herb Tyler Open on Saturday.

The Wildcats were led by 120-pounder Alec Hunter who finished second. Hunter (29-1) went undefeated until losing the championship match on an 8-6 decision to Seymour's Wyatt Kaczrowski. Hunter received a bye in the first round then won on a major decision 14-3 to move to the semifinals where he pinned his opponent in under six minutes to reach the title match.

Logan Grota added a third-place finish for West at 138 pounds, going 3-1. He lost in the semifinals before winning the thirdplace match on a 24-13 decision. At 182 pounds Roman Martell was fourth, 2-2.

JR Brown added a fifth-place finish at 106 pounds - recording a pin in the fifth place match in 4:19.

#### West defeats North in conference match

The Oshkosh West and Oshkosh North wrestling teams met up Thursday and the Wildcats got the best of the Spartans in a 51-19 Fox Valley Association cross-town

Picking up wins for West were Roman Martell (195) with a pin, Riley Stobb (220) with a pin, Camden Schettle (285) with a pin, Elijah Geffers (113) with a pin, Ja'siah Williams (120) with a pin, Alec Hunter (126) 11-4 decision, Logan Grota (145) with a pin, Drew Best (152) with a pin and Collin Jones (170) with a pin.

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For North, Jacob Medina (106) picked up an 11-4 decision, Cade Schmitz (132) picked up a 13-5 major decision, Matthew Schallhorn (138) won a 13-11 decision, Alex Garland (160) won 13-11 and Jeremiah Chmielewski (182) had a pin.

### **Knights in competition** at Wausau East Invite

The Lourdes wrestling team competed in the Wausau East Lumberjack Invitational Saturday and two of the three Knight wrestlers had top five finishes.

Tim Kaull and Keagan Stelzer each finished fifth in the tournament at 195 and 220 pounds, both picking up three wins. Kaden Kapp was the other Knight wrestler there at 120 points, finishing ninth.

## West has two girls in Wisconsin Championship

The Wisconsin High School Girls Championship was held on Saturday and Oshkosh West had two girls competing in the event. There were 59 teams in the championship and West finished 15th.

120-pounder Ashley Grota went 3-1 for the Wildcats, finishing fifth while Sitota Troedel went 1-2 at 132 pounds, finishing fourth.

#### **GIRLS BASKETBALL**

### Wildcats trail early in loss

Oshkosh West fell behind by 19 points in the first half as it dropped a 60-41 Fox Valley Association contest at home Friday night against Appleton West.

West, which tied East in points in the second half (21-21) was led by Callista Rochon-Baker who had 13 points while

Kiersten McNulty added 11. Both Morgan Gehri and Mia Schlotthauer chipped in six in the loss.

## Appleton West pulls away from Spartans

The Oshkosh North girls basketball team was outscored by 21 points in the second half in a 56-26 Fox Valley Association loss on the road on Friday night.

Emma Leib led the Spartans with nine points on the night - all coming from 3-point land - while Gabriella Kempf added four points.

#### **Lourdes dominates in win**

The Lourdes girls basketball team picked up a 64-43 win over Stockbridge on Thursday in a nonconference contest. No other stats were available.

#### **BOYS BASKETBALL**

### Wildcats cruise to win over Appleton East

The Oshkosh West boys basketball team got off to a strong start and cruised to a 69-57 Fox Valley Association win over Appleton East on Friday night.

The Wildcats jumped out to a 20-8 lead to open the game and eventually led 36-18 at the half. Karter Thomas led the way with 19 points while Caleb Fuller added 12.

It was also the Athletic Wall of Fame Night as West added six new members to the wall – Tim Jarmusz (Class of 2007), Trey Demier (Class of 2009), Jay Schmick (Class of 1975), Randy Marsh (Class of 1971), Linnea Utecht (Class of 1999) and Patti Stinski (Hoppe) Class of 1994.

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#### **GIRLS HOCKEY**

#### Verstegen scores game winner for Warbirds

Hattie Verstegen from Oshkosh scored a go-ahead goal in under a minute to give the Fond du Lac co-op girls hockey team a 3-2 win over Viroqua on Friday.

Emily Brown had a big first period for the Warbirds, scoring two goals - getting assists from Cassie Stephany, Verstegen and Ella Spies - as they jumped out to an early 2-1 lead.

Then after a scoreless second, Viroqua tied it up at 2 before Verstegen's goal at the 16:44 mark in the third. Spies assisted on the game-winner.

Hailee Scheier had 14 saves in the win.

#### **BOYS HOCKEY**

### Cedarburg pulls away for win over Ice Hawks

The Oshkosh Ice Hawks team scored three goals in the second period but allowed three from Cedarburg in the third en route to a 6-3 loss on the road Friday.

After a scoreless first period, Oshkosh and Cedarburg went back and forth in the second period, each scoring three goals. Ethan Hoodie scored two goals and Jacob Sprister scored goals in the second period.

But Cedarburg scored three more in the final period as Oshkosh was shut out.

Dylan Sprister had two assists while Hoodie and Taylor Block had one in the loss. Connor Klett had 31 saves for the Ice Hawks.

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#### To be money smart, you need to understand **goods** and **services**.





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## Goods = Objects

Everything

humans buy

GOODS OF SERVICES.

Goods are things that are made or grown. Basically, things you can touch.

How many goods can you ÿnd in this





Is this dictionary goods or a service? \_

Who could use it?

Why would they want to use it?\_



Is this waiter goods or a service?

Who could use it?

Why would they want to use it? \_



Is this taxi goods or a service? \_

Who could use it? \_

Why would they want to use it? \_

## **Services = Actions**

A service is work that one person does for someone else.

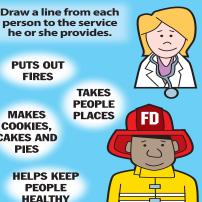


MAKES COOKIES,

**FIRES** 

**CAKES AND** PIES

**HELPS KEEP PEOPLE HEALTHY** 



#### **Goods and Services Search**

Look through the newspaper for five or more examples of goods and five or more examples of services. Write them in the spaces below.

GOODS	5

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Standards Link: Research: Use the newspaper to locate information

#### Scoop Puzzier **a** S Add up the value of these coins. Then circle all the items you could purchase with this Pen85¢ Eraser 50¢ Markers 75¢ \$2.99 65¢ Standards Link: Math: Addition using money.

## Double Word Search

**SERVICES FLOWERS PROVIDES NECESSARY OBJECTS ACTIONS GOODS** TOUCH COINS **FIRES BEES** WORK **PIES ROOM** 

TAXI

Find the words in the puzzle. How many of them can you find on this page? PSEIRIXATN

RSNOITCAME OHERONSSOC V S C C O E D N B E IEWUIOEIJS DROPOVMOES EIRGYTRCCA S F K S E E B E T RDSREWOLFSY

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recongized id words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling par

## Kid Scoop Together: A Store You Know!

Some stores sell all or mostly goods. For example, a grocery store sells mostly goods. If it has a bakery that makes birthday cakes, then it offers goods and a service in one product!

Other stores sell mostly services, such as a car wash or a barber shop.

Complete the following to describe a store you go to:

Name of a store I go to:

#### Goods I can buy at that store:

### Services I can buy at that store:

Design a newspaper advertisement for the store you described above. Be sure to include some of the goods or services they offer. Look at the ads in today's newspaper for ideas.

## Write On! **Coupon Copy**

Imagine you were asked to write a coupon for a product. What would you write? What would be your special offer?

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