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# School revamp strategy OK'd

## New security system going in this month

By Jack Tierney  
OSHKOSH HERALD

The Board of Education unanimously forwarded plans Wednesday for school consolidation efforts that will be put to

a public referendum while opening discussion for immediate school safety measures. The board also heard from a community group trying to rally funds for two athletic sports complexes at the high schools.

A Raptor security system will be in place at all public schools starting March 16. It requires visitors going farther than the front office to wear identification as

well as be screened on the national sex offender registry.

Visitors will have to provide identification to an office worker who will scan it through the Raptor machine. Visitors can provide a name and date of birth if they don't have an ID. As long as the visitor does not show up on the sex offender

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Photo by Lee Reiherzer

The city's first Craft Beer Week starts Saturday and features all four microbreweries. Mike Schlosser of HighHolder Brewing is shown at his one-barrel operation at 2211 Oregon St.

# Oshkosh unveils its own craft beer celebration

By Lee Reiherzer  
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

Oshkosh celebrates its first Craft Beer Week beginning Saturday with a host of beer-based events that will run through March 14.

The week kicks off with the third annual Winter Beer Fest at Bare Bones Brewery and culminates with the 15th Annual Hops & Props beer tasting at the EAA Aviation Museum. Connecting the two festivals will be a series of special beer releases and customer appreciation events held at Oshkosh brewery taprooms.

Home base for it all will be Oshkosh's



four breweries: Bare Bones Brewery, Fifth Ward Brewing, Fox River Brewing and HighHolder Brewing.

"With the breweries we have here now, it's a good time to put Oshkosh's beer scene on the map," said Justin DeJager, marketing manager for the Oshkosh Convention & Visitors Bureau, which is coordinating the event.

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# Salvation Army plans expansion

## Project will double space at 417 Algoma

By Samantha Strong  
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

Final plans are underway to significantly expand and remodel the Oshkosh Salvation Army building at 417 Algoma Blvd. There is no official start date yet but funds have been raised to complete the project and the goal is to have a shovel in the ground before next winter.

"We want a building that gives our clients dignity when they come in," Lt. Ross Anderson said. "It's hard to feel good about yourself when the place that's trying to help you is falling apart. It can be the difference between surviving and thriving."

The project includes a 6,400-square-foot addition that will double the building's size to include more offices and a large multipurpose room. Most aspects of the current building will also be remodeled.

Services will not be halted during construction, Anderson confirmed, but may be simplified. For example, daily lunch will be served but may include items such as soup and sandwiches, chili and spaghetti.

Anderson said the organization's fundraising goal was met through its regular donors and Salvation Army International, so the campaign never went to the public phase. Miron Construction was contracted to complete the project.

Salvation Army social worker Al Rolph

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# Free School event returns to UWO

Free School, a half day of more than 30 workshops, skill shops and lectures on environmental, economic and social sustainability, is being offered at the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh's Sage Hall from 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday.

Classes as diverse as yoga and tai chi, composting and drawing are available to the community and campus, and for all age groups. Free child care and refreshments will be provided. Registration starts at 11:30 a.m. on the third floor of Sage at 835 High Ave.

A new Swap Spot feature allows people to bring up to five household items they no longer need, lay them on a table and take up to five items that others bring.

The event is hosted by the Student Environmental Action Coalition.



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Sex offender housing discussed

By Jack Tierney  
 OSHKOSH HERALD

A contract between the state Department of Corrections and Triniteam Inc. at 1105 Jefferson St., where newly released felons are temporarily housed, is nearing automatic renewal as city officials weigh complaints from neighbors about the home and monitoring of its tenants.

The agreement ends March 31 but can be automatically renewed through 2024. That means residents of the Midway Neighborhood Association have a limited amount of time if the city is going to help them make the changes they are asking for.

The Jefferson Street location currently houses seven sex offenders, some with a risk notice to repeat. It's less than a mile away from a school and in a two-family residential zone.

Members of the neighborhood association said they have been raising the issue of students being less than a mile away at Merrill middle and elementary schools, who must walk or depend on a ride to get there,

since 2010 when the contract was signed. Association members told Common Council members at their Feb. 25 meeting that certain rules are not being followed at the home. They said individuals are not being monitored according to the contract between Triniteam and WDOC, which has heightened a feeling of anxiety in the neighborhood.

The contract states individuals living in the house must be checked in on three times a day between certain times. Records obtained from Triniteam, a not-for-profit organization, show that between May and October, 35 days were logged as having only two visits. The association has used that as evidence to showcase that the contract is not being upheld in a sensitive neighborhood. Triniteam also logged several days of more than three visits.

City Manager Mark Rohloff took notice of the contract deadline and encouraged council members to act quickly if they wanted to try to challenge the renewal. Mayor Lori Palmeri cautioned that any neighborhood in the 54901 area code has someone on the sex offender registry.

Because the issue is larger than the city, Rohloff said he will extend an invitation to a workshop on the topic to the Winnebago County Board, state officials, the District Attorney's office and other public

agencies. He also extended the invitation to members of the neighborhood association, something that doesn't usually happen.

According to documents obtained from state Rep. Gordon Hintz's office, sent to security co-chief of the association Jamie O'Brien, the WDOC has identified a need for a second temporary housing space in Winnebago County.

The neighborhood association is using that information to warn others that similar housing could be coming to their neighborhood. They want the council to work with them to establish strict guidelines as well as possibly different locations.

Deputy Mayor Steve Herman, a former sheriff's deputy with Winnebago County, has previously suggested something similar to the mobile home built near County Y for a Wisconsin Chapter 980 individual.

Temporary housing spaces are intended to give relief to newly released felons. Most individuals just released are homeless, the WDOC website reads, and releasing them to the street without security to gain employment is not conducive to a successful society. The housing is often in regular neighborhoods to encourage individuals to achieve a home of their own. The WDOC's stated goal is to provide proper training and security for newly released individuals to become contributing members of society.

Volunteer fair set at Convention Center

Volunteers looking for a nonprofit group to join can go to the Volunteer Fox Cities event VolunteerFEST March 12 at the Oshkosh Convention Center. The inaugural community-wide fair starting at 4 p.m. will feature more than 40 local non-

profits. Light refreshments will be offered. "VolunteerFEST is open to everyone, regardless of age or affiliation; it really is a great way to come learn more about giving back to your community," event planner Brad Creighton said.

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# City approves Sawdust District vision

By Tom Ekvall  
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

Plans for redeveloping the Sawdust District on the city’s south side received a boost from the Common Council with a 6-0 vote last week endorsing the master plan that provides a broad vision of how the city would like to see the area develop.

The master plan now goes before the Oshkosh Redevelopment Authority at its March 18 meeting, which if approved will enable housing and economic development activities in the area.

The Sawdust plan provides a sweeping vision of changes needed to be made to redevelop the area, including Pioneer Island, but does not include specific projects. The plan expands on initiatives earlier suggested by Imagine Oshkosh with focused strategies for that area identified as the South Shore in that plan. The new Sawdust plan will direct growth, development and infrastructure investment while providing guidance and specific recommendations to assist in redevelopment.

The master plan provides six subsections, each with special characteristics:

- West Transitional, consisting of single-family homes between South Main and Nebraska streets.
- Core, the section of South Main Street that connects the district to North Main via the Main Street bridge.
- River North, which borders the Fox River near the railroad tracks.
- Arena, which includes Menominee Nation Arena and surrounding properties.
- Pioneer, which includes Pioneer Island with access to Lake Winnebago.
- South Gateway, which ends around the 1700 block of South Main.

The report notes that South Main Street serves as the “spine” of the district and should be the focus of roadway improvements with design considerations that work to make the area attractive and welcoming. It states that many of these components can be found in other areas of Oshkosh that have corridors accessible for both pedestrians and vehicles and landscaped where right-of-way width allows.

Community Development Director Allen Davis said the project has been the result of many people working together and providing input, including members of the Sawdust District Advisory Board, as well as individual property owners and residents on the south side.

Davis said the plan should also help bring about efforts to open more public access to the water. There was no public comment at the council meeting in reference to the plan, which had been recommended for approval by the Plan Commission.

## Unity in Community event returns April 5

The third annual Unity in Community celebration is set for April 5 to mark Oshkosh’s diverse population with a free, family-friendly event with food, music and entertainment.

The event presented by Unity in Community: The Oshkosh Way will be held from noon to 4 p.m. at the Oshkosh Convention Center. Attendees learn about different cultures by participating in child-friendly educational activities, enjoying cultural music and entertainment, and sampling cuisine.

Groups performing will be Medicine Bear Singers, Fox Cities Hmong Dancers, UWO Japanese Taiko, Philippine Dance

Troupe of the Fox Cities, Anindita Neogy Anaam (northern India Kathak dance), UWO Hmong Student Union, Nafaya African Drum and Dance Company, Oshkosh Rhythm Institute, Oshkosh North High African Dance Group, and the Kinsella Irish Dance Troupe.

There will be activity stations for children to complete crafts.

Restaurants will be featuring cultures such as German (The Roxy), Greek (Chester V’s), Italian (Primo), Filipino (Manila) and the former Soviet countries. Details are on the Oshkosh Convention & Visitors’ Bureau website.

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# Early Pregnancy Project mobilizes nurses

By Jack Tierney  
OSHKOSH HERALD

Nurses have joined together to fund the Early Pregnancy Project at Aurora Health Care Foundation in Oshkosh to help provide local burial plots for children lost to miscarriage.

Previously, the remains of children were moved to Milwaukee after the operations, and mothers and family members were separated by 88 miles from the ones they lost. Funds collected through the cookie gram project will provide memorial sites in Oshkosh.

Dr. Shawn Laibly at Aurora said he is passionate about the effort after years of consoling mothers who miscarried and wondered what happened to their child. Aurora nurses Jen Miller and Rachel Juckem began the program after attending a conference in 2018 on pregnancy loss and were given tools on how to help patients.

“This process needed to be created in

Oshkosh,” Miller said. “The volume of early losses we have is overwhelming.”

Since the project began, Aurora Health Care Foundation and local Oshkosh Aurora caregivers have raised enough to purchase two sites at a local cemetery for remains.

A local funeral home cremates the remains and provides an urn for ashes. An Aurora physician has donated toward the burial site each year for a new urn to be placed and a ceremony.

Miller said they are also hoping to provide a support group at Aurora, which is currently being outsourced.

“We want to provide as much support as we can at Aurora to help patients who are going through this,” she said.

Early pregnancy loss during the first 13 weeks happens in about 10 percent of known pregnancies, according to the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecologists. About half of those cases are caused by a random event when the embryo receives an abnormal number of



Submitted photo

The Women's Health Care department at Aurora Health Care in Oshkosh contributed to a cookie gram fundraiser in support of families who suffered miscarriages.

chromosomes; if an egg or sperm has an abnormal number of chromosomes, the embryo will also have an abnormal number and can result in pregnancy loss.

This year's cookie gram was in celebration of St. Patrick's Day with donations

by Caramel Crisp Corner. Previous donations came from Tamara's the Cake Guru. To learn more about the foundation or program, contact Aurora Foundation development coordinator Molly Butz at molly.butz@aurora.org or 920-456-7029.

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# C.R. Meyer left mark on more than buildings

This column by Ron Koch appeared in the January-February edition of Hunting & Fishing Collectibles Magazine.

By Ron Koch  
H&FC SENIOR FIELD EDITOR

Shortly after an article on railroad-branded decoys ran our esteemed editor received some pictures from a couple who wondered if the brand on their Nelow decoy was from a railroad. Since the decoy had been made by my old neighbor, Gus Nelow, Stan contacted me for information about the brand.

I recognized it immediately as the brand from the C.R. Meyer & Sons Co. of Oshkosh. The company was founded in 1888 by Charles Rudolph Meyer who, along with his family, emigrated from Germany as a young boy. He was a highly skilled stone mason and worked for several contractors before starting his own company.

Although the C.R. Meyer brand appeared on many decoys, the brand C.R. left on the city of Oshkosh and the Fox River Valley was even more significant. In 1891 the company, led by C.R., did the brickwork and masonry on the Athern Hotel in downtown Oshkosh which was one of the finest hotels of the era. In 1908 C.R. Meyer & Sons built the Edgar Sawyer house that today is home to the Oshkosh Public Museum. And in 1927 the company constructed a home for lumber baron Nathan Paine that now houses the world-famous Paine Art Center. Today the company serves clients nationwide and continues to grow.

Now to the decoys. Since 1915, when Harry Meyer, son of C.R., joined the Fox River Hunting & Fishing Club, the company and the club have had close ties. The club was formed in 1894, and its history is detailed in the book, “Don’t Shoot the Decoys,” by Tom Herzing, based on historical information supplied by Fred M. Pinkerton, great-grandson of C.R. and a past president of C.R. Meyer & Sons.

I spoke with Mr. Pinkerton myself recently, and he contributed more information about the decoys and the brand. His father, Fred W. Pinkerton, was the son-in-law of Harry Meyer. Fred W. was also a past president of the company and a member of the Fox River Hunting & Fishing Club along with his father-in-law. Fred M. chuckled as he spoke about his father saying, “It always helps to marry the boss’s daughter.”

The Fox River Hunting & Fishing Club’s original clubhouse was on the north shore of Lake Butte des Morts near



A canvasback decoy by Gus Nelow of Omro, circa 1948, was made by the C.R. Meyer and Sons Co. in Oshkosh.

## Wisconsin Decoy Show

The annual Wisconsin Decoy and Sporting Collectibles Show runs from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday at the Hilton Garden Inn in Oshkosh. The event is open to the public with buying and selling opportunities, and free appraisals.

the confluence of the Fox and Wolf rivers. This area was a waterfowling paradise in the late 19th and early 20th centuries, with thousands of acres of marsh. Eventually a new clubhouse was built on the south shore of the Wolf River where it stands today.

I knew that most of the hunting at the Club was marsh hunting, so I questioned Mr. Pinkerton as to how the C.R. Meyer brand ended up on canvasback and bluebill decoys, which are diver species. Although he didn’t know the reason he did know that the club has a small shack on the east shore of Lake Winneconne on Lasley Point Road a mile or so upstream from the clubhouse; so perhaps the diver decoys were used there.

He related that for about four years shortly after World War II, some members wanted to hunt the cane beds on lakes Winneconne and Poygan. This is likely when the Nelow decoys were produced, as I would put the date on them



The bottom of the decoy shows the C.R. Meyer brand name.

coys for new, much lighter, plastic decoys. Only one member refused to give up his decoys. The rest, including Mr. Pinkerton, all thought that they had taken advantage of the new guy, especially since he gave them two for one. There was an added benefit because they had to push their duck skiffs through just inches of water and they no longer had the weight of the wooden blocks bogging them down.

This entire unfortunate episode, thanks again to Fred Pinkerton, was loosely documented in my 2000 book, “All Duck Hunters Are Crazy.” I had to change a few things and names to protect myself and the guilty, but “The Bear Lake Duck Shooting Club Caper” pretty much tells the sad story of what happened to the wooden decoys of the club.

Photos by Jerome and Nancy Larsen

in the late 1940s or early ’50s. At any rate, the upriver experiment never proved very successful; and to top it off, all the decoys were stolen out of the shack. You could say that the members of the Fox River Hunting & Fishing Club did not have good luck with wood decoys. Around the same time that all the diver duck decoys were stolen, a new member joined the club and convinced all the old timers to trade him their old wooden de-

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# Oshkosh’s voice on the Best in Oshkosh.

**VOTING**

Phase 2 voting is now open through 5pm on March 20, 2020.  
Phase 2 voting is between the top 3 nominees in each category unless there was a tie. Some categories do have four nominees.  
Nominees appear in alphabetical order.  
Circle your nominee in each category.  
A minimum of 30 categories must be completed for a ballot to count.

**RULES**

Rules are simple: **One ballot per person per phase.**  
**No photocopies. No ballot stuffing.**

Oshkosh Herald

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## City Pick 2020 Finalists

<b>Museum/Art Gallery</b> EAA Museum Oshkosh Public Museum Paine Art Center	<b>Pizza</b> Christianos Pizza West End Pizza Zaronis	<b>Cheap Date</b> Backlot Comedy House Marcus Theatre Pete's Garage	<b>Dive Bar</b> Deb's Spare Time Jerry's Leroy's Pete's Garage	<b>Men's Clothing</b> Duluth Trading Co Fleet Farm Van Heusen	<b>Record/Music</b> Eroding Winds Exclusive Co Heid Music
<b>Performance Space/Theatre</b> Grand Theatre Leach Amphitheatre Time Theater	<b>Pancakes</b> IHOP Mike's Place Perkins	<b>Meat Market/Butcher Shop</b> Beck's Meats Festival Wagner Market	<b>Sports Bar</b> Buffalo Wild Wings Legends Sports Bar & Grill The Bar	<b>Women's Clothing</b> Brinkley's Boutique Christopher Banks Ross Dress for Less	<b>Arts &amp; Crafts</b> Art Haus Fire Escape Hobby Lobby
<b>New Restaurant</b> Gabe's Wisconsin Kitchen Greene's Pour House at the Granary Takiza Mexican Cuisine	<b>Omelette</b> Delta Restaurant Perkins Two Brothers	<b>Kids Party Place</b> Fire Escape West End Pizza YMCA	<b>Singles Bar</b> Barley & Hops Gabe's Peabody's	<b>Vintage/Consignment Clothing</b> AtomicKatz Goodwill Klassy Kids	<b>Shoes</b> Britton's Walk-Over Footwear Famous Footwear Rogan's Shoes
<b>Chef</b> Becket's/Wagner Market – Ruben Hernandez TJ's Highlander – Michael England The Roxy – Wolfie	<b>Burger</b> Culver's Pete's Garage Ruby Owl	<b>Kids' Clothing</b> Carter's Klassy Kids The Children's Place	<b>Happy Hour</b> Becket's Friar Tuck's Mahoney's	<b>Jewelry</b> Dream Jewelers Tennie's Jewelry Reimer Jewelers	<b>Barbershop</b> Barber Rich Cost Cutters Jerry's Barbershop The Barbershop
<b>Late-Night Food</b> Niko's Gyros Perkins Taco Bell	<b>Tacos</b> Cozumel Los Jaripeos Taco Bell Taco John	<b>Summer Camp</b> Boys & Girls Club of Oshkosh Calvary Sunrise VBS Fire Escape YMCA	<b>Margarita</b> Cozumel Durango's Los Jaripeos	<b>Furniture/Accessories</b> AtomicKatz Furniture Appliance Outlet WG&R Furniture	<b>Salon</b> A Cut Above Cost Cutters Salon Mode
<b>Patio</b> Dockside Fletch's Ground Round	<b>Barbecue</b> DD's BBQ Leon's Rodney's Cafe	<b>Youth Program</b> Boys & Girls Club of Oshkosh Jubricosa YMCA	<b>Old Fashioned</b> Jeff's on Rugby The Roxy West End Pizza	<b>Used Furniture/Antiques</b> AtomicKatz Restore Habitat for Humanity St. Vincent de Paul	<b>Spa</b> Mane Attraction Renee Michelle's Salon Mode
<b>Brewery</b> Bare Bones Brewery Fifth Ward Brewery Fox River Brewery	<b>Fish Fry</b> Gabe's Wisconsin Kitchen Mahoney's Parnell's	<b>Birthday Cakes</b> Dairy Queen LaSure's Tamara's The Cake Guru	<b>Bartender</b> Pete H. @ Pete's Pete M. @ The Roxy Will @ Ruby Owl	<b>Garden/Nursery</b> Fernau's Greenhouse Stein's Garden & Home Roe Nurseries, Inc.	<b>Mani/Pedi</b> Diamond Nails New York Nail Bar Oshkosh Nails
<b>Coffee Shop</b> New Moon Planet Perk Starbucks	<b>Noodles/Ramen</b> Fuki's Mama's Noodle Bar Noodles & Co.	<b>Family Restaurant</b> Delta Restaurant Mike's Place Two Brothers	<b>Place for Sober Socializing</b> Adventure Games & Hobby New Moon Solutions Recovery	<b>Florist</b> House of Flowers Hrnak's Pick 'n Save	<b>Tattoo</b> 920 Tattoo Big Guns Tattoo Oshkosh Tattoo & Good Girl Piercing
<b>Breakfast</b> Delta Restaurant Mike's Place Pilora's Two Brothers	<b>Sushi</b> Fuki Manila Sakura	<b>Playground</b> Little Oshkosh Sea & Sailor South Park	<b>Karaoke</b> The Spot Revs Bowl Bar & Grill Varsity Club	<b>Grocery</b> Festival Foods Pick 'n Save Piggly Wiggly	<b>Recording Studio</b> Disasterpiece Records Steel Moon Recording
<b>Brunch</b> Bar 430 Primo The Roxy	<b>Italian</b> Benvenutos Olive Garden Primo	<b>Dance Club</b> French Quarter Molly McGuire's Revs Bowl Bar & Grill	<b>Jukebox</b> Pete's Garage Johnny Rocket's Evil Roy Slade's	<b>Liquor/Wine</b> Festival Foods McKnight & Carlson/Gardina's Pick 'n Save Piggly Wiggly	<b>Doggie Day Care</b> A Touch of Class Pet Resort Stay and Play Pet House The Pampurr'd Pet
<b>Bakery</b> Festival Foods Piggly Wiggly Tamara's The Cake Guru Thunderbird Bakery	<b>Mexican</b> Cozumel Durango's Los Jaripeos	<b>Large Live Music Venue</b> Leach Amphitheatre Menominee Nation Arena Revs Bowl Bar & Grill Waterfest	<b>Trivia Night</b> Dublin's Ruby Owl The Hangar	<b>Smoke Shop</b> A-Z Tobacco & Vapor Shop Marley's Smoke Shop Satori Imports	<b>Wedding Venue</b> La Sure's Banquet Hall The Howard The Waters
<b>Fine Dining</b> Primo The Roxy TJ's Highland Steakhouse	<b>Chicken</b> Parnell's Pizza Ranch Red's Pizza	<b>Intimate Live Music Venue</b> Becket's Grand Oshkosh Fletch's	<b>LGBTQ Bar</b> Bar 430 Deb's Spare Time Pete's Garage	<b>CBD Purveyor</b> A-Z Tobacco & Vapor Shop Family Video Hemp Works Wisconsin Your CBD Store	<b>Place to Hang With Your Pet</b> Caramel Crisp Corner Petco Winnebago County Dog Park
<b>Steak</b> Mahoney's The Roxy TJ's Highland Steakhouse	<b>Wings</b> Buffalo Wild Wings Players The Bar	<b>Outdoor Venue</b> Leach Amphitheatre Paine Art Center & Gardens LaSure's Gardens Waterfest	<b>Billiards</b> The Bar The Magnet Varsity Club	<b>Pet Store</b> Nashville Pet Products Petco PetSmart The Pampurr'd Pet	<b>Golf Course</b> Far Vu Golf Course Oshkosh Country Club Westhaven Golf Club
<b>Vegan/Vegetarian</b> Carrot & Kale Gardina's Mahoney's	<b>Buffet</b> Golden Corral Pizza Ranch Primo	<b>DJ</b> All American DJ – Kevin McHugh Chuck Lakefield DJ G-Spot	<b>Darts</b> Pixels Arcade The Bar Varsity Club	<b>Sporting Goods</b> Dick's Sporting Goods Hergert Sport Center Play it Again Sports	<b>Gym</b> Marissa's Fit Boutique O-Town Iron Gym Planet Fitness YMCA
<b>Juice/Smoothie</b> Carrot & Kale Kwik Trip Planet Perk	<b>Ice Cream/Frozen Treats</b> Culver's Leon's Rhapsodies	<b>Cocktail Bar</b> Bar 430 Gabe's Wisconsin Kitchen Mahoney's	<b>Beer Bar (multi-tap)</b> Fox River Brewing Co Oblio's Ruby Owl	<b>Game/Gaming</b> Adventure Games & Hobby Game Stop Mojos	<b>Yoga</b> Embody Yoga & Pilates Inner Sun Yoga Studio YMCA
	<b>Desserts</b> Caramel Crisp Corner Leon's Tamara's The Cake Guru		<b>Bloody Mary</b> Beachcomber Pete's Garage The Roxy		<b>Alternative Sports</b> Blades & Boards Jazzercise Julie's Touch of Silver

Nominees in each category that appear on the final ballot were chosen by the amount of nominations received from our readers during Phase 1.

Phase 2 will have the top 3 nominees per category and open a new wave of voting. Again, only one vote per name and address. This does mean that if you and your honey don't agree, you both can vote. Voting is just limited to one vote per person per phase. No ballot stuffing. In the appearance of ballot stuffing the person, place, thing or business may be disqualified. The Oshkosh Herald reserves the right to determine if ballot stuffing has transpired. And yes, you can nominate yourself or your own business.

Final voting will run **March 3-March 20, 2020**. Ballots must be at the Oshkosh Herald's office by **5pm on March 20, 2020**. Our office is located at 923 S. Main St. Suite C, Oshkosh WI 54902. Off-site ballot boxes will be picked up by noon on the deadline for each phase.

Vote on as many categories as you'd like, but your ballot must include a minimum of 30 category nominations for your ballot to register.

Totals registered by our analyst will be considered final. This is a paper ballot contest. No funny stuff can happen online nor will photocopied or downloaded ballots be accepted. **Please find a paper issue of the Herald with a ballot.**

**Winners will be announced in the April 15, 2020 Oshkosh Herald.**

# Miss Oshkosh scholarship competitions set Saturday

The Miss Oshkosh and Miss Oshkosh Outstanding Teen Scholarship Competition is set for 7 p.m. Saturday at Alberta Kimball Auditorium under the theme “Now Playing.”

Nine women are competing for the title of Miss Oshkosh 2020, and seven teens are vying for Miss Oshkosh’s Outstanding Teen. Tickets are \$15 and available at West Pointe Bank. Tickets are also available for \$20 at the door.

Sponsored by the Oshkosh Area Women’s Association for more than 50 years, Miss Oshkosh is an official preliminary to Miss Wisconsin and Miss America. Last June, the Miss Oshkosh Scholarship program was recognized at the state pageant for awarding more than \$11,500 in scholarships to its contestants in 2019.

The Outstanding Teen program is a preliminary for Wisconsin and Miss America’s Outstanding Teen events promoting scholastic achievement, creative accomplishment, healthy living and community involvement for girls between ages 13 and 17.

Miss Oshkosh 2019 Katrina Mazier received a \$3,500 scholarship to further her education at UW Oshkosh, where she is a senior majoring in communications. Her social impact initiative has been about suicide awareness and prevention. Mazier won top five honors and placed fourth runner-up at the Miss Wisconsin competition out of a field of 24. She also won the Overall Evening Gown award. She earned an additional \$1,100 in scholarships at the state competition.

Miss Oshkosh and Miss Oshkosh’s Outstanding Teen are available for appearances such as community and charity events, parades and fairs, emcee and speaking engagements, school programs, fashion shows, and sporting and holiday events. Details on the program are at [MissOshkosh.com](http://MissOshkosh.com) or email [info@missoshkosh.com](mailto:info@missoshkosh.com). There is no fee for appearances.

## Oshkosh North honor rolls

These Oshkosh North students were omitted from the Feb. 19 honor roll listings:	
<b>Highest honors (3.75-4):</b> Freshman Matt Centner	<b>High honors (3.5-3.749)</b> Savanna Hiltz
Juniors recognized:	Ethan Lenz
<b>Honors (3.0-3.49)</b> Isabella Jolin	Tristan Przekurat
Dante Wills	Sierrah Stadtmueller
	Kaitlyn Techlow-Willis
	<b>Highest honors (3.75-4)</b> Angel O’Brien



Oshkosh Healthy Neighborhoods

The Millers Bay Neighborhood Association recently held an ice skating event in partnership with Dr. Eric’s Skate Club.

# Neighborhood association makes city connections

To encourage social connectedness, Oshkosh Healthy Neighborhoods works with established neighborhood associations to promote events that bring neighbors together.

The River East Neighborhood Association recently partnered with the Oshkosh Public Library to show free movies during the winter, the next being “City Slickers” at 2 p.m. Sunday at the library.

Other associations are doing Hibernation Happy Hours by meeting at restaurants in their neighborhoods. This concept brings folks together while supporting local businesses.

Oshkosh Healthy Neighborhoods is also working with the Stevens Park Neighborhood on a home renovation project on Frankfort Street.

The organization will have a booth at the State of the City event Monday. New associations will be recognized and a Neighborhood Volunteerism Award announced. Oshkosh has 18 recognized neighborhood associations that have been developed by resident leaders.

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# Dove award-winner Mark Schultz in concert

Christian recording artist Mark Schultz will bring his ministry and music to Dwelling 2:22 in downtown Oshkosh on March 20.

His latest album “Follow” is a mix of new songs and fan favorites. Recording the album live was appropriate for the multimillion-selling musician who thrives in that environment.

“Most people thrive in the studio,” Schultz said, “For me, I love the live shows so much ... I just love the energy of people. I love to see people smiling when I’m telling stories.”

The title track parallels how Schultz navigates his life through God. Originally inspired by a story Schultz heard about a girl with a rough upbringing and no father-figure, Schultz discovered “Follow” was farther reaching than he knew.

“As I lived with the song, I thought, ‘This isn’t just for her; this is for me. What do I follow?’” he said.



Mark Schultz will appear at Dwelling 2:22 on March 20.

The most recent step of faith Schultz and his wife have taken is adopting their third child, Maia Mae. The adoption was a full-circle moment for Schultz, who is also adopted. Now being on the parental side of adoption, Schultz says he views being adopted in a totally different way.

“I grew up (wanting) to make my parents think they made a good choice when they chose me, so I wanted to be good at singing, I wanted to be a good athlete, I wanted to be the quarterback,” he recalled. “When we adopted Maia Mae, I spent

about 15 minutes with her and realized there’s nothing she could do that could make me go, Oh, we shouldn’t have gotten her. And there’s nothing she can do that makes me go, Oh, we got the right one. It’s just that she is our daughter, and we love her.”

Tickets for the 7 p.m. concert range from \$15 to \$25, with VIP tickets for \$35 with a 5:30 p.m. meet and greet. For more information, call 920-267-7707. Tickets are available at Dwelling 2:22, 222 Church Ave., [www.itickets.com](http://www.itickets.com) or 800-965-9324.

## Public Library calendar

March exhibit: Helen Mears Art Contest Winners, Children’s Department

**March 4**  
High Hopes Early Literacy Storytime, 9:30 and 10:15 a.m., infants to preschoolers; Wonderlab: Daring Dairy, 6 p.m. Register at 236-5208.

**March 5**  
Baby Bounce Storytime, 9:30 a.m., infants to age 1.

**March 6**  
Smart Starts Play Stations, 9 to 11 a.m., ages 1 to 4; Tween Book Club: Hello, Universe, 4:30 p.m.; Teen Book Club: The Cruel Prince, 4:30 p.m.

**March 7**  
Oshkosh Area Writers Club, 10 a.m.; LEGO Wall Open Build, noon to 3 p.m.

**March 8**  
Movies with Friends, 2 p.m.

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


**March 10**  
High Hopes Early Literacy Storytime, 9:30 and 10:15 a.m., infants to preschoolers; Adult DIY: Ceramic Mugs, 6 p.m. Register at 236-5205; Considerations at OPL: Second Amendment Sanctuary Movement, 6 p.m.; Stories by Starlight, 6 p.m., preschoolers and families; Oshkosh Memorabilia Club, 6:30 p.m.

**March 11**  
High Hopes Early Literacy Storytime, 9:30 and 10:15 a.m., infants to preschoolers; Memory Cafe, 1 p.m.; What’s Cooking Book Club: Go-To Recipes, 6:30 p.m.

**March 12**  
Baby Bounce Storytime, 9:30 a.m., infants to age 1; Considerations at Evergreen: Second Amendment Sanctuary Movement, 9:30 a.m.; Afternoon Book Club, 1:30 p.m.; Winnebagoland Genealogical Society Meeting, 6 p.m.

**March 14**  
LEGO Wall Open Build, noon to 3 p.m.

Back in the Day



Oshkosh history  
by the Winnebago  
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**March 1, 2018**  
**Sturgeon spearing season concludes with 654 total:** 654 sturgeon were harvested from Lake Winnebago during the 16-day

spearing season that concluded Sunday. An additional 297 fish were harvested from the Upriver Lakes, bringing the systemwide total to 951 sturgeon harvested during the 2018 season. The largest fish on the last day’s harvest 131 pounds, 76.4 inches and registered at Calumet Harbor. This season’s harvest from Lake Winnebago ranks 42nd out of the 78 seasons dating back to 1941.

Source: Oshkosh Herald, March 1, 2018



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# Community events

Ongoing events

Alphonse Mucha: Master of Art Nouveau, 11 a.m., Paine Art Center & Gardens, 1410 Algoma Blvd.  
Then & Now: Old Photos as Today, Oshkosh Public Museum, 1331 Algoma Blvd.

Thursday, March 5

Rooms of Blooms, 11 a.m., Paine Art Center & Gardens, 1410 Algoma Blvd.  
Julaine Farrow Museum, 1 p.m., Julaine Farrow Museum, 4150 Sherman Road  
Skyscape Theater Royale: Barnstorming, 6:30 p.m., EAA Aviation Museum, 3000 Poberezny Road  
“Beast on the Moon,” 7:30 p.m., UW Oshkosh Experimental Theatre, 1001 Elmwood Ave.  
Oshkosh Community Players presents “Someplace Different,” 7:30 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh, 100 High Ave.  
Girl Power Fundraiser, 10 a.m., Fire Escape, 423 N. Main St.

Friday, March 6

Rooms of Blooms, 10 a.m., Paine Art Center & Gardens, 1410 Algoma Blvd.  
Marine Corps League Bingo, 5:30 p.m., Marine Corps League, 4715 Sher-

man Road  
Family Bingo Night, 5:30 p.m., Oshkosh Community YMCA, 3303 W. 20th Ave.  
Comedy Open Mic, 7 p.m., Backlot Comedy House, 424 N. Main St.  
Wisconsin Herd vs. Westchester Knicks, 7 p.m., Menominee Nation Arena  
“Beast on the Moon,” 7:30 p.m., UW Oshkosh Experimental Theatre, 1001 Elmwood Ave.  
Oshkosh Community Players presents “Someplace Different,” 7:30 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh, 100 High Ave.  
Comedy Improv Show, 9 p.m., Backlot Comedy House, 424 N. Main St.  
**Saturday, March 7**  
Oshkosh Craft Beer Week, Oshkosh breweries (through March 14)  
Rooms of Blooms, 9 a.m., Paine Art Center & Gardens, 1410 Algoma Blvd.  
Third Annual Winter Beer Fest, noon, Bare Bones Brewery, 4362 County S  
Big Event Under the Big Top, 5:30 p.m., Oshkosh Convention Center, 2 N. Main St.  
Miss Oshkosh and Outstanding Teen Scholarship Competition, 7 p.m., Alberta

Kimball Auditorium  
Gallery Walk, 6 p.m., downtown  
Artist Brian D. Caulk, 6 p.m., Magnet Billiards & Bar, 519 N. Main St.  
Boots vs. Badges basketball fundraiser, 12:30 p.m., Menominee Nation Arena  
Make-a-Swish Aim for the Heart, 2 p.m., Menominee Nation Arena  
Wisconsin Herd vs. Capital City Go Go, 7 p.m., Menominee Nation Arena  
“Beast on the Moon,” 7:30 p.m., UW Oshkosh Experimental Theatre, 1001 Elmwood Ave.  
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Comedy Improv Show, 9 p.m., Backlot Comedy House, 424 N. Main St.  
**Sunday, March 8**  
Rooms of Blooms, 9 a.m., Paine Art Center & Gardens, 1410 Algoma Blvd.  
“Beast on the Moon,” 2 p.m., UW Oshkosh Experimental Theatre, 1001 Elmwood Ave.  
**Monday, March 9**  
Celebrate Education, 4:30 p.m., Oshkosh Convention Center, 2 N. Main St.  
**Tuesday, March 10**  
Board Game Night, 5 p.m., Adventure Games & Hobby, 408 N. Main St.  
**Thursday, March 12**  
Rooms of Blooms, 11 a.m., Paine Art Center & Gardens, 1410 Algoma Blvd.  
Julaine Farrow Museum, 1 p.m., Julaine Farrow Museum, 4150 Sherman Road  
Fifth Ward Pin Tapping, 5 p.m., Dublin’s Irish Pub, 2070 W. 9th Ave.  
**Friday, March 13**  
Rooms of Blooms, 10 a.m., Paine Art Center & Gardens, 1410 Algoma Blvd.

Marine Corps League Bingo, 5:30 p.m., Marine Corps League, 4715 Sherman Road  
Yoga on Tap, 5:30 p.m., Fifth Ward Brewing Co., 1009 S. Main St.  
Fifth Ward Drives the Kart, 7 p.m., Game Box, 200 City Center  
Magic of Bill Blagg, 7:30 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh, 100 High Ave.  
Comedy Improv Show, 9 p.m., Backlot Comedy House, 424 N. Main St.  
**Saturday, March 14**  
St. Patrick’s Tent Party, 7 a.m., Dublin’s Irish Pub, W. 9th Ave.  
Oshkosh Farmers Market and Spring Bazaar, 9 a.m., Oshkosh Convention Center, 2 N. Main St.  
Fourth Annual Craft and Vendor Fair, 9 a.m., Boys and Girls Club, 501 E. Parkway Ave.  
Rooms of Blooms, 9 a.m., Paine Art Center & Gardens, 1410 Algoma Blvd.  
Indoor Rummage Sale, 9 a.m., 217 N. Main St.  
Shamrock Shuffle, 10 a.m., UW Oshkosh Rec Center, 735 Pearl Ave.  
Dissonance, 2 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh, 100 High Ave.  
Family Night St. Patrick’s Day Arts and Crafts, 6 p.m., Downtown Oshkosh YMCA, 324 Washington Ave.  
Hops & Props, 7 p.m., EAA Aviation Museum, 3000 Poberezny Road  
Comedy Improv Show, 9 p.m., Backlot Comedy House, 424 N. Main St.  
**Sunday, March 15**  
Rooms of Blooms, 9 a.m., Paine Art Center & Gardens, 1410 Algoma Blvd.  
Family Bingo, 1 p.m., Oshkosh Seniors Center North, 234 N. Campbell Road



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# School board

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registry they will be cleared, provided an identification badge and escorted to the area they want to go.

Parents or guardians picking up their child without going inside the school will not have to scan an ID. The new security measure will also limit entrances to one at each school.

Two grants for safety were received in 2019 for the security systems worth nearly \$1 million, a district employee said.

Further discussion was heard on the Pathway B school consolidation plan ahead of its 7-0 approval by the board as recommended by the Facilities Advisory Committee and expected to be placed on the November election ballot. The plan

consolidates and reconfigures the district from 20 facilities to 14, calls for a new Merrill Middle School and Webster Elementary school on the north side, and a new South Park Middle School on the south side.

Phase one of the long-term approach would replace Merrill Middle School, replace Webster Elementary School, and close Washington and Merrill elementary schools. Merrill students would be placed at Emmeline Cook, Read, Oaklawn and a new elementary school via boundary changes.

Phase two would replace or remodel South Park Middle School, remodel select elementary schools, and close Roosevelt Elementary School, Shapiro STEM Academy and Tipler Middle School. The Tipler building would be repurposed by the school district. Phase three and four

would require renovation or replacement of West and North high schools in that order.

The athletic sports complex plan was presented as a community funded project by representatives of the Oshkosh West Basketball Club. They would be indoor facilities with synthetic turf surface and could serve any sport that is played on field, including track, band, cheer, dance, baseball, football, lacrosse and soccer. The complexes would also open up space in the indoor gym facilities and be available to the public.

The project is estimated to cost \$3 million to \$6 million per complex. The board indicated support for the idea and some members said the complexes would provide further value to the community. Community members would need to provide the funds and the district would take

ownership rights and potential naming rights of the facilities.

With a complex at each high school, planning and details for how they would be completed will involve an architect being retained this month to render plans that will help promote support for the idea.

The board also finalized plans to partner with the city on providing busing for students within district boundaries for at least the next two years. Because state law requires private school students to have the same access to transportation, the board's portion of the annual bill will be larger than the city's, \$33,500 compared with \$30,000.

Board member Allison Garner said she wanted to make sure some level of data would be collected in the transportation effort so that by the end of it the board will know whether it is working as intended.

# Craft beer

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"We want to do more for our breweries and the craft beer scene here."

The beer week concept originated in Philadelphia in 2007 and quickly spread to other cities. In Wisconsin, there are already annual beer weeks in Milwaukee, Madison and Green Bay. Oshkosh will become the smallest city in the state to host such an event.

With the city's beer scene rapidly coming into its own, DeJager thinks the time is right to make what is occurring here more widely known.

"We want to create some exposure and try to get people out to experience some of the great things that are happening in Oshkosh," he said. "We're hoping that it will take off and become an annual event."

It's fitting that Oshkosh's Craft Beer Week will take place in March, the traditional start of the bock-beer season. The city's love affair with that dark, strong lager spanned much of the 19th and 20th centuries. The local tradition died out in the 1960s.

Craft Beer Week will breathe new life into the custom with Saturday's tapping of three Oshkosh bocks. That hasn't happened here since 1940. Bare Bones and HighHolder are leading the revival, as both will release bocks at the Winter Beer Fest. The Bare Bones "Salvator" is based on a recipe first brewed at the Busch Brewery in Oshkosh in 1858. HighHolder will also be there with a brandy-barrel aged doppelbock. After the festival, Fifth Ward Brewing will release its own doppelbock in the brewery's taproom.

Bare Bones, Fifth Ward and Fox River will feature specials throughout that

week. Fifth Ward has the busiest schedule of the bunch. The brewery will have new beer releases each night along with a cask tapping at Dublin's Irish Pub on Monday, and a beer-pairing dinner at Becket's on March 11.

At Fox River, they will start the week by releasing a Belgian-style IPA and extend honorary mug club memberships to all guests that week.

The Convention & Visitors Bureau will hold drawings that include an "Oshkosh Beercation" with an overnight stay at the Best Western Premier Waterfront Hotel. A full schedule of events for the week and other details are at [visitoshkosh.com/events/oshkosh-craft-beer-week](http://visitoshkosh.com/events/oshkosh-craft-beer-week).

*Lee Reiherzer has been writing about Oshkosh's beer and its brewing history since 2010 when he launched the Oshkosh Beer website. He is the co-author of the book "The Breweries of Oshkosh" and author of "Winnebago County Beer."*

# Salvation Army

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said he is excited for the expansion and said it will solve the struggle the organization faces each year to find space for its holiday campaign donations.

"In the past we've had to find locations to do the distributions out of, and it can change year to year," Rolph said. "That problem being alleviated would be a blessing in itself. The other thing we're going to have is more parking, which is wonderful."

There have been several additions and modifications to the current building over the years, eventually leading to what the structure is today. The upcoming additions and renovations will be the first formal updates to what was originally a family home, Anderson said.

"We're excited for our clients and staff alike," he said.

"The key takeaway we see from this expansion is being able to show the clients that people in this community care where they go and about the assistance they get."

# Club rewards students for verbal and writing skills

Students recently participated in the annual Oshkosh Noon Optimist Club oratorical contest on the topic, "Just imagine the world without boundaries."

They also submitted written essays on the topic, "Is optimism the key to achieving the dreams you imagine?" First-, second- and third-place winners read their essays.

The contest gave students a chance to gain experience in public speaking and provided them the opportunity to compete for a college scholarship, club president Mike Krohn said.

The local chapter of the international club meets at noon Wednesdays at the Delta Restaurant.

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Fig 1a

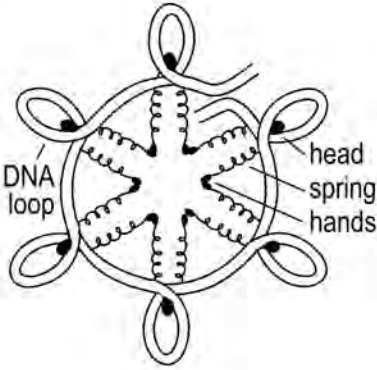


Fig 1b

This describes the configuration of DNA just before or shortly after cell division. At other times much less is known about the packaging.

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# Shoreline restoration on agenda

The Butte des Morts Conservation Club, state Department of Natural Resources and Winnebago County Land and Water Conservation Department will hold two public meetings next week on habitat restoration efforts at Samers Bay and Terrell's Island on Lake Butte des Morts.

The first meeting will be March 11 at Omro Town Hall and the second March 12 at the J.P. Coughlin Center, both from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Deterioration of protective marsh edges and decreases in water clarity since the late 1950s have resulted in vegetation losses and declining fish and wildlife habitat throughout the Upriver Lakes. The main objectives of the proposed restoration efforts include creating better water quality and increasing vegetation growth.

The proposed Samers Bay project would include installing an offshore breakwall in Samers Bay on Lake Butte des Morts. The proposed Terrell's Island project would include creating a substantial 2,200-foot opening on the east side of the island's breakwall. The rock material that is removed to create the opening will be reused to help build a new Samers Bay breakwall.

This is a multi-agency and stakeholder project that meets Winnebago Pool habitat restoration goals and objectives for various agencies. In addition, improving fish and wildlife habitat at Samers Bay and Terrell's Island will provide better recreational opportunities for the public, including fishing, hunting, canoeing, kayaking and wildlife viewing.

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# West's Alec Hunter 2nd in wrestling state finals

By Alex Wolf  
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

The Oshkosh West High School wrestling team brought three to the WIAA Division 1 State Tournament this past weekend and 113-pounder Alec Hunter had a great showing – finishing second place after going 3-1.

Hunter cruised through his first three matches – recording two pins in his first two matches before winning 8-2 decision in the semifinals to advance to the championship match. In that match, Hunter had a tall task ahead of him – to beat an undefeated (45-0) Justin Groshek of Stevens Point.

Hunter lost that match on a 10-2 major decision. This marks the second time Groshek beat Hunter at state – Hunter lost a 7-0 decision last year in the quarterfinals.

170-pound Collin Jones and 182-pound Roman Martell were also there.

Jones lost his first match to Waterford's Zach Kaminski on a 17-0 technical fall. He would not get the opportunity to wrestle again.

Martell lost his first match on a 16-0 technical fall and then was pinned in the second match in 3:44.



Oshkosh West wrestlers Alec Hunter (top photo), Collin Jones (left) Roman Martell compete in the WIAA state championships last weekend.

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# Prep sports roundup

## GIRLS HOCKEY

### Warbirds fall short of state in loss to Beloit

The Fond du Lac co-op girls hockey team fell one game short of state, falling 4-2 to top-seeded Beloit Memorial in the WIAA Sectional final game played this past Friday in Fond du Lac.

The second-seeded Warbirds took a 1-0 lead early in the second period after Hattie Verstegen scored on a goal assisted by Tori Schmidt, but the Rock County Fury team responded with three straight goals going into the third period to take a 3-1 lead.

Verstegen added her second goal early in the third to make it 3-2, but the Fury put it away with a goal late in the game.

Hailee Scheier had 31 saves in the loss for Fond du Lac.

## GIRLS BASKETBALL

### Lourdes reaches Division 5 sectionals

The No. 3 seeded Lourdes girls basketball team cruised through WIAA Division 5 Tournament play early on, picking up three wins last week and reaching the sectional semifinals.

The Knights will face top-seeded Oakfield at 7 p.m. Thursday at Central Wisconsin Christian High School.

Last Monday, Lourdes crushed No. 14 Faith Christian 59-13 before dominating No. 6 Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah 65-45.

In the most recent game, a 41-32 regional final win over Green Bay NEW Lu-

theran/Providence Academy, the Knights had to battle back in the second half after they saw themselves down 19-16.

The Knights outscored them 25-13 in the second half. Raechel Russo had 11 points while Paige Droessler and Addy Hafemeister each added nine.

In the win over Elkhart, Lourdes started hot – jumping out to a 37-21 halftime lead. Hope Burns had a big night, scoring 23 points – making 5-of-7 threes – while Droessler chipped in 16.

The Knights will now face the Oaks, a team they lost to twice this year by a good margin.

### North wins first game, falls to Germantown

The Oshkosh North girls basketball team captured its first win of the season last Tuesday but then lost to top-seeded Germantown, 85-50, in a WIAA Division 1 Regional game played on the road.

In the regional opener, the 16th-seeded Spartans picked up their first win of the year with a 51-36 win over No. 17 Manitowoc Lincoln at home. In that game Ashley Borowitz had 13 points and six rebounds while Emma Leib had 12 points and six rebounds.

Bailey Boelter, Meghan Gruse and Mallory Ott all added eight points in the win while Ott grabbed 14 rebounds and Gruse had six assists.

In the loss to Germantown, the Warhawks drained 13 three-pointers in the win as it built a 22-point halftime lead.

Leib led the way with 16 points while Borowitz and Gruse added 12 and 11.

### West misses game-tying shot against Watertown

The No. 10 Oshkosh West girls basketball team missed a game-tying shot as it dropped a 42-38 WIAA Division 1 Regional game against No. 7 Watertown on the road Friday.

Trailing 40-38 with under 25 seconds to go, the Wildcats had an opportunity to possibly send the game into overtime.

Watertown then made the two clinching free throws to secure the win.

Kiersten McNulty led West with 11 points while Callista Rochon-Baker chipped in seven. West finishes the year with a 10-13 record.

## BOYS BASKETBALL

### Wildcats close out regular season with win

The Oshkosh West boys basketball team ended the regular season with a 68-59 win over Fond du Lac in a Fox Valley Association contest played at home Thursday.

The Wildcats had a career-high 25 points from Caleb Fuller – who was 10-of-14 shooting, while making three 3's. Fuller announced last week that he will continue to play basketball at Lakeland College. He is averaging 17.4 points a game this season, shooting 54 percent and 44 percent from 3-point land.

Karter Thomas added 13 points in the win for the Wildcats, who earned the No. 8 seed in the WIAA Division 1 Tournament. The Wildcats will face No. 9 seed

### Oshkosh North at 7 p.m. Friday. Spartans drop final game against Hortonville

The Oshkosh North boys basketball team lost its regular season finale Thursday, losing 82-71 against Hortonville in a Fox Valley Association game played on the road.

No individual results were available.

The Spartans, who earned the No. 9 seed, will face No. 8 Oshkosh West on Friday in a WIAA Division 1 regional game played at Oshkosh West.

### Lourdes falls in battle of ranked teams

The Lourdes boys basketball team, ranked No. 4 in Division 4, went up against No. 5 Milwaukee Academy of Science on Wednesday in the regular season finale and lost a tight 74-70 game played at home.

Preston Ruedinger had a big night, scoring 34 points – including 7-of-11 three-pointers – with seven rebounds and four assists. Josh Bauer had 16 points with four assists.

Lourdes led 40-37 at halftime but was outscored 37-30 in the second half.

The Knights earned the No. 2 seed in the WIAA Division 4 Tournament and will host the winner of the No. 7 Bonduel/No. 10 Menominee Indian at 7 p.m. Friday at Lourdes.

Compiled by Alex Wolf, Herald contributor

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# Titans men capture WIAC crown, NCAA berth

By Alex Wolf  
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

For the fifth straight season, the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh men's basketball team is heading to NCAA Division III Tournament.

The reigning national champs and 2018 runner-up captured its fourth Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference

Championship, earning an automatic berth into the 64-team tournament that begins this week.

The Titans (19-8) will take on Transylvania University (19-8) from Kentucky in the first round of the D3 tournament Friday in Naperville, Ill.

It was not easy as the Titans had to use overtime to beat UW-La Crosse in the semifinals on Thursday before reaching

the title game on Saturday, where they beat UW-Eau Claire 78-72.

In the overtime game, UWO had an 8-point halftime lead before La Crosse came back. Jack Flynn had 24 points and 12 rebounds in that game while Adam Fravert had 23 points and 13 rebounds.

Then in the championship game, UWO used a 12-0 run midway through the second half to reclaim its lead and never lost

it – despite Eau Claire cutting it within a couple of points.

UWO was outshot 46.7 to 40.3 percent in the win, but outrebounded UW-Eau Claire 48 to 22 and had 24 second-chance points compared with just one for the Blue-golds.

Flynn and Levi Borchert led the way with 19 points while Fravert had 16 points and 14 rebounds. Eddie Muench added 15.

## Fourth-seeded UWO women take WIAC title

By Alex Wolf  
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

For the second year in a row, the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh women's basketball team is Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference champion.

The Titans (18-10) beat UW-Eau Claire 52-50 to return to the NCAA Division III Tournament for the sixth time in the last seven years. They will face Edgewood College (25-2) Friday in Arden Hills, Minn., in the first round.

The Titans defeated UW-Stout 68-60 in the first round before dominating UW-Whitewater 81-65 in the semis. The Titans will learn their opponent during the online selection show, which was held Monday.

It was a quiet final five minutes in the championship as UWO took a 50-47 lead after Emily Miller knocked down a pair of free throws with 4:49 left. Neither team could score on the next five possessions

before a free throw from UW-Eau Claire with 1:55 left made it 50-48. Miller then made a bucket in the paint to give the Titans a 52-48 lead with 79 seconds left before Eau Claire made it 52-50 with 45 seconds left.

UW-Eau Claire had a chance to tie things up or win on the last possession, but a running jumper was off the mark.

UWO is the first fourth-seeded team to win the WIAC Championship in conference history. Miller led the way with 15 points while Nikki Arneson had 14 and Leah Porath had 10.

### Softball signups begin

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# Haliburton has been leader on and off court

By Emil Vajgrt  
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

When I last wrote about Tyrese Haliburton, the last words of the article were a quote from Haliburton: “My biggest goal off the court is to impact people in a positive way. Whether that be through community service, or just taking a photo with a fan.”

Taking photos with fans is just the tip of the iceberg when it comes to the impact that will remain when Haliburton’s days in Ames, Iowa, are over.

Not only are there Tyrese fan pages across the internet, there are “#22 Haliburton” Iowa State jerseys scattered across the whole Midwest. Though you cannot buy these jerseys directly from any brick-and-mortar store, people are going to great lengths to ensure they can support the charismatic, relatable Iowa State basketball player.

“It’s a blessing to see people with my jersey, man,” he said. “I don’t think that people buy jerseys unless that person has a real impact on them, and to know that I do to even just one person is an honor.”

The cardinal-and-gold Haliburton jerseys not only decorate the interior of Hilton Coliseum in Ames but local gyms in Oshkosh too.

“I’d be lying if I told you that people with my jerseys back home didn’t mean more to me,” Haliburton said. “It’s always been my mission to represent my community to the fullest and when I see kids with my jersey, it makes me feel like I am accomplishing that goal.”

While a hero in his local setting, Haliburton has two important heroes himself. “My heroes have to be my parents,” Haliburton answers without hesitation, “whether it’s driving from Oshkosh to Milwaukee two to four times a week for AAU practice in high school or to this



John and Brenda Haliburton are shown with their son Tyrese recently at Iowa State.

day driving six hours to every home game in Ames.”

His parents have journeyed to multiple countries, including a trip to Athens, Greece, to watch Tyrese win gold with Team USA, and Italy where his Iowa State team competed in friendly matches against national teams.

Throughout all the travel, one thing has remained the same. Rather, one person: Mom. As of the 2019 basketball season, this super-mom — commonly known as Brenda — hasn’t missed one of her son’s games since 2009 when Ty was in the third grade. This run includes frequent trips out of state for eight years

following Haliburton on the AAU circuit, four years of varsity competition at the high school level for Oshkosh North — including a state championship run to Madison — and every six-hour drive to Ames for home games.

Tyrese is a beacon of happiness and joy when it comes to the game. The way he approaches it is how many believe all players should. Haliburton has fun, is as exciting to watch as he is excited to play, and plays with purpose. From the high school freshman who played sparingly on the varsity level, to becoming the face of Iowa State men’s basketball, Haliburton’s legacy is far from its end.

Unfortunately, Tyrese’s Iowa State team will enter this March Madness without their on-court leader. In a game against Kansas State, Tyrese went up for a block late in the first half and fell awkwardly on his already injured left wrist, resulting in a season-ending fracture in his non-shooting hand. This injury will not require surgery and he expects a speedy recovery.

As a community, Oshkosh can reflect on the kind-hearted, skinny kid who grew into the promising leader of young men by age 19 and remember him as the same person he was back when — just a kid from Oshkosh.

# Titans gymnast Tkaczuk named AAI Award nominee

UW Oshkosh Athletic Department

Two-time national uneven bars champion Baylee Tkaczuk of the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh women’s gymnastics team is among 32 collegiate nominees for the 2020 AAI Award, presented to the most outstanding senior female gymnast across all divisions.

Created in 1991 by American Athletic, the AAI Award is considered by many as the Heisman Trophy in women’s gymnastics. Head coaches were asked to submit nominations in January. Coaches will vote



**Tkaczuk**  
later this month to narrow the field to the top six. A final vote will be held in March.

Tkaczuk, the lone Division III nominee, took first place on the uneven bars at the 2017 and 2018 National Collegiate Gymnastics Association Championships. She also earned NCGA All-America honors on the balance beam in 2018 and on the uneven

bars in 2019. Tkaczuk’s winning score of 9.85 on the uneven bars in 2018 established a championship record.

Last March, Tkaczuk finished fourth on the uneven bars with a score of 9.625 and 18th on the balance beam with a count of 9.525 as UWO placed fourth at the NCGA Championship held in Kolf Sports Center.

Tkaczuk also helped UWO to a second-place finish at the 2019 Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Championship by listing fifth on the balance

beam and ninth on the uneven bars with scores of 9.625 and 9.45, respectively. In 2017, she won the balance beam competition at the WIAC Championship with a score of 9.675.

Tkaczuk currently ranks second in the NCGA this season on the uneven bars and 17th on the balance beam.

Tkaczuk came to UW Oshkosh from Minooka High School in Illinois. While attending UWO she has compiled a 3.60 cumulative grade-point average as a psychology major.

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# Herd clinch playoff spot with perfect week

By Ti Windisch  
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

The Wisconsin Herd were in a tough spot to end the month of February.

They were without head coach Chase Buford for two straight games against a capable Delaware Blue Coats team due to a suspension levied for his harsh criticism of G League officiating, and also without Jaylen Adams, who is back from Team USA activities but not ready to return to action.

Given the circumstances, it would have been reasonable for even a team as good as the Herd to drop a game or even two. Instead, Wisconsin rallied to put up three wins in three tries this past week, clinching the franchise its first-ever playoff berth.

The winning started off Tuesday as the Herd hosted the Blue Coats for the first of two games between the teams in Oshkosh. The first game was a back-and-forth affair throughout as Philadelphia 76ers assignee Marial Shayok kept Delaware in striking distance with his game-high 33 points, and Herd all-time leading scorer Xavier Munford added 25 points and five assists as well for Delaware.

As has been the trend in the last few weeks, it was Frank Mason who came through again and again when Wisconsin badly needed a bucket. Mason posted 28 points, four rebounds, six assists, one steal and a block in his 31 minutes. Wisconsin's scoring effort was balanced as Mason was one of six players in double figures.

After a DJ Wilson jumper gave the Herd a 127-126 lead with about a minute and a half to go, it was Mason who put the game away, getting to the foul line on three straight offensive possessions and hitting all six of the crunch-time free throws to cement the 133-128 victory.

The win was interim Herd coach Chaisson Allen's first as an acting head coach, and the players celebrated by splashing plenty of water on him after the final buzzer. Justin Patton praised Allen after the game, and said the team wanted to win not



Photo by Emil Vajgrt

The Herd clinched its first playoff spot with the help of Cam Reynolds shooting resurgence.

just for Allen, but for Buford as well.

"It was seamless," Patton said. "You know, (Allen) did a great job of keeping his composure and realizing what he had to do to get us a win. And we did it for Chaisson and we did it for Chase. So it was great to get a W for the guys in the organization."

The Herd had the tough task Thursday of beating the same team twice in three days, although Wisconsin made it look easy in the 125-106 beatdown of the Blue Coats.

Mason was virtually unguardable as the dominant point guard put up 35 points,

two rebounds, six assists and a steal, while hitting a ridiculous 16 of 18 attempted shots. When asked if it was as easy for him to score as it might have seemed, Mason acknowledged the work that goes into a performance like that, and also the necessary support.

"Teams do a great job of making me work hard for my points. I figure out ways to make it look easy or make it look effortless but it's really not," Mason said. "I put the work in, trust my process. I trust my skill set, my coaches and teammates, that's it."

Thursday's game was relatively close

until the other Milwaukee Bucks two-way player got hot and took over in the third quarter. Cam Reynolds shot and made five three-pointers in that period, posting 15 points and contributing to a franchise-best 47 points in the frame.

Reynolds finished with 21 points and six rebounds. After some unlucky rim-outs in his previous shooting nights, Reynolds said it felt good to see a bunch of threes fall after the extended slump.

"All the coaches say I'm too good of a shooter for (a slump) to last," Reynolds said. "And so that's just been my mentality; just, it's not going to last. And so hopefully, you know, I can keep it rolling and then keep getting these wins."

Despite the losing effort, Munford again reminded Herd fans of his ability to score the ball in bunches, posting 26 points to lead Delaware. After wrapping up a week back in Oshkosh that included some jerseys adorned with his name in the stands, Munford said he enjoyed everything about being back, outside of the losses.

"I appreciate all the love," Munford said. "I wish I could reciprocate it back. I love it, I appreciate it all. And Oshkosh always has a place in my heart."

Finally, the Herd moved on to Westchester after the successful homestand and found even more success in the form of a 115-108 victory against the Knicks. Mason led the way for the sixth straight game with 32 points, while Reynolds added 17 of his own.

Mason again ensured his team would come out ahead with a big fourth quarter, scoring 11 of his 32 points in the final 12 minutes. Patton also was clutch, posting seven of his 15 points in the fourth to wrap things up.

The win brought Wisconsin to new heights as it secured the Herd a spot in the playoffs. If Wisconsin can continue to win games and stay on top of the G League, the postseason tournament will run through Oshkosh.

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# Grant helps seniors prevent social isolation

A \$152,000 grant through the Helen Daniels Bader Fund will help the Oshkosh Seniors Center work against social isolation among older adults through the help of technology.

The center will be developing a Connecting Through Tech program that includes classes designed specifically for older adults. Some of the courses to be offered this summer:

- Learn how to use the Uber app for the ride option service.
- Learn to print and share pictures electronically.
- Bring friends for a virtual reality tour of Paris and other destinations.
- Learn to explore YouTube, Netflix, Amazon Prime, Hulu and other online venues.

The Seniors Center will be working with Oshkosh Healthy Neighborhoods, Oshkosh Media, the Oshkosh Herald, Winnebago County Aging and Disability Resource Center and area schools to reach and teach how to use technology as a strategy to prevent social isolation.

For additional information contact Anne Schaefer, marketing and fund development coordinator, at 920-232-5306.

## Schools in UWO business competition

UW Oshkosh’s Alta Resources Center for Entrepreneurship and Innovation has launched a statewide high school business model competition.

The competition will take students through creating and refining an original business product/model and offering the chance to earn up to \$8,000 in scholarships to UW Oshkosh.

For the past four years center director Colleen Merrill and her team have extended UWO entrepreneurial experiences to area high schools through competitions. Merrill said she is looking forward to expanding the pitch contest statewide.

“In an innovative economy there is no traditional path to success,” she said. “The Wisconsin High School Business Model Competition is one way we can help students to ignite their curiosity, develop self-confidence and learn resiliency. Our future is dependent on us finding new, better and more sustainable ways to live and enjoy life.”

The contest’s first round takes place online and requires submission of an application through Reviewr. Students have until April 5 to apply. Applicants will need to explain their startup idea, what they feel is their special selling proposition and why the product or service is better than what’s on the market.

Each submission will be evaluated by a panel of business professionals. Thirty teams will be selected to advance to the final competition at UWO, where they will have three minutes to pitch their ideas followed by two minutes of questioning from the judges. Finalists will be announced April 17.

## Great Lakes digs topic of UWO talk

Katherine Mary Sterner, an archaeology instructor at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, will present a program called Use-Wear on Late Archaic Cache Bifaces from Two Sites in the Great Lakes at 7 p.m. Tuesday at UW Oshkosh’s Harrington Hall’s Room 217.

Sterner’s research with UW-Milwaukee examines the role that stone tools play in the subsistence and social economies of sedentary, mixed foraging and agricultural populations through the multi-method approaches of microwear, residue and assemblage analyses.

## LIR schedule

Learning in Retirement (LIR) is a member-driven organization affiliated with the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh for retirees and pre-retirees. New members may join through uwosh.edu/lir, contacting 920-424-0876 or lir@uwosh.edu. Locations, times and costs are in the catalog.

**March schedule:**

March 5, 19, 26, April 2: Shakespeare “The Winter’s Tale.” Learn about this play over four weeks of conversation and study. It is about families in difficulty, then solving problems in clever ways that leave everyone reasonably happy. Presenter: Vivian Foss, UW Oshkosh English Department.

March 8: Matinee at the March: “Beast on the Moon.” Inspired by true events, this play of hope and healing is a story of our times. It is about Armenians who survive the genocide and want to start a new life.

The play is written and directed by UW Oshkosh faculty member Richard Kalinski. There will also be a pre-theater talk.

March 9: Elections in 2020-Winnebago County Clerk. The clerk will discuss the multiple functions of her office. Sue Ertmer’s office oversees elections in Winnebago County. Come to learn about efforts to protect our elections.

March 12: The Legacy of Rep. James Sensenbrenner. Sensenbrenner served 42 years in the House, making him the longest serving representative in Wisconsin history. Presenter: Tony Palmeri, professor, UWO Communications Department.

March 27, April 3 and April 17: Great Courses-National Parks. A geology of North America, with the beauty of the natural wonders seen visually in natural parks along with a story of the origins and evolutions of the continent. Presenter: Kathy and Paul Inman.

## Winnebago Democratic Party dinner set

The Winnebago County Democratic Party’s 16th annual Indigo Dinner, preceded by a social hour, networking and live jazz from 4 to 6 p.m., is set for March 21 at La Sure’s Hall, 3125 S. Washburn St.

Guest speaker will be Matt Rothschild, an author and national commentator who serves as executive director of the Wisconsin Democracy Campaign and was former publisher of The Progressive magazine.

Supporter tickets are \$40 through March 13, \$50 after that date. Tables of eight are \$300. Gold-level sponsor tickets are \$50. Tickets can be found on the Act-Blue website. Hard tickets are also available.

## SOAR presents dinner and music event

SOAR (Special Opportunities for Artist Residencies) offers an evening of food and entertainment with Copper Box and the Carl Traeger Polka Dots on March 19 in the Paine’s conservatory and carriage house.

The evening will support hands-on music education in the Oshkosh Area School District. Registration begins at 5:30 p.m. with dinner catered by Zuppas at 6:30 p.m. and performances afterward.

Tickets are \$75 and reservations are required by March 11. More information is at [www.soaroshkosh.org](http://www.soaroshkosh.org) or from Barb Herzog at 233-6919.

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# EAA Museum calendar

Thursday, 6:30 p.m. — Movie: “Barnstorming” tells the true and unexpected friendship that developed between a farm family and two pilots who dropped out of the sky. \$5 for adult nonmembers.

Tuesday, 10 a.m. — WASP Exhibit ribbon cutting. The Women Airforce Service Pilots (WASP) performed dangerous and heroic duties while flying military aircraft to bases around the world during World War II. This new temporary exhibit in the Eagle Hangar’s Telling Gallery highlights them.

March 14, 7-10 p.m. — Hops & Props fundraiser includes more than 80 craft breweries as well as food stations and music. More information at [EAA.org/HopsProps](http://EAA.org/HopsProps).

March 19, 7 p.m. — A-10 pilot Kim Campbell shares her journey, including flying the Fairchild Republic A-10 Thunderbolt II, also known as the Warthog, in combat. \$5 for adult nonmembers.

April 2, 6:30 p.m. — Movie: “Beyond the Powder” documentary follows the female pilots of the 2014 Air Race Classic across the country while telling the story of the first women’s cross-country air race of 1929, known as the Powder Puff Derby. Film producers Adam and Kara White will be on hand. \$5 for adult nonmembers.



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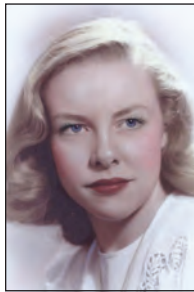
## Badger gathering

*Ellen and Paul Cook of Oshkosh were among the many visitors to Wisconsin Day at Parrot Key in Fort Myers Beach, Fla., Feb. 26 where snowbirds converged for a Badger party theme along the dockside venue. Other states are featured for a day during the winter months but Parrot Key said the Wisconsin event has traditionally been the largest.*

# Obituaries

## Virginia “Ginna” Miller Nelson

Virginia “Ginna” Nelson passed away peacefully at Evergreen Manor on February 26, 2020. She was born in Menominee, Michigan, on Valentine’s Day, February 14, 1924. She and her family moved to Oshkosh when she was five, and she graduated from Oshkosh High School.



She met her husband, Elwyn “Jack” Nelson, in high school. They both attended the University of Wisconsin Madison and graduated during the beginning of WWII. They married in Oshkosh in 1946 and enjoyed a 64-year marriage.

Ginna was active in Camp Fire Girls, first as an organizer in California as she waited for Jack to return from WWII, and then in Oshkosh before her first child was born. She was a full-time mom at home until her children reached their late teens. She then returned to her Campfire career as the Executive Director of the Winnebago Council of Camp Fire Girls, serving for seven years.

Ginna admired her father’s community service and served on the Oshkosh Area Community Foundation board for 29 years. She was a founding member of the Women’s Fund. She served as a docent at the Paine Art Center, and also served on the Camp Fire Board after retiring as Executive Director. She and Jack were very active in their church, First United Methodist, and taught Sunday School for many years. She served on the Evergreen Foundation Board and the UW Oshkosh Foundation Board.

As newlyweds, Ginna and Jack led the Methodist Youth Fellowship. As their service project, they put a young Filipino man through medical school. Dr. Ricardo Fernando became a leading authority on diabetes in Southeast Asia, and named his son, Elwyn, and one of his daughters, Ginna. Until Dr. Ric’s death, Ginna and Jack maintained their good friendship with Ric and his wife, visiting the Philippines several times.

Ginna and Jack skied in winters and waterskied and sailed in summers at their cottage on Black Wolf Point. With others, they organized the YMCA Ski Club and chaperoned many trips with their children and other Oshkosh High School students. They skied in Europe and Colorado and travelled in Europe and Southeast Asia.

They served as American Field Service (AFS) parents to two students: one from Chile, Fernando Diaz-Vergara; and Jan Willem Eelkman Rooda, from the Netherlands. They became especially close to Jan Willem and his family, visiting in Europe

and hosting them here in the states. Ginna welcomed everyone to her home, and her children’s friends spent a lot of time at Menominee Drive, their home for 56 years, and the Black Wolf Point cottage. Ginna’s warm heart made her a second mother to many of her children’s friends.

Ginna was a long-time member of Chapter AG of PEO, and enjoyed being a member of Fireside Antiques Club and Leisure Hour Art Club.

Ginna moved to Evergreen Manor in 2012, Living independently in her own apartment until January 2020. She served on many committees and was a member of several clubs.

Ginna completed her memoirs in December 2019, ending with this:

“Jesus has been my constant guide and friend all these years. I praise Him and thank Him every day. I have truly lived a blessed life.”

Ginna is survived by her three children, Thomas (Diane) Nelson, Green Lake, WI; Barbara (Timothy) Mulloy, Oshkosh; Katherine (Jack) Carstens, Greenville, WI; nine grandchildren, Noel (David) Weber, Truckee, CA; Elizabeth (Joshua) Roberts, Alexandria, MN; Erick (Georgia) Holaus, Bluffton, SC; Emily Brown, DeForest, WI; Maggie Larson, Richfield, MN; Kyle (Anna ) Mulloy, Fort Worth, TX; Jesse (Emily) Chase, Winneconne, WI; Samuel (Angela) Chase, Pickerington, OH; Nathan Chase, Gainesville, FL; and two step-grandchildren, William (Jennifer) Carstens, Neenah, WI; and Doreen Carstens, Denver, CO. Her 29 great-grandchildren and step-great-grandchildren include Gavin Weber; Tyler and Thomas Nelson, David and Joshua Johnson; Terrapin, Carter, and Aiden Roberts; Bradyn, Teagan, and Devin Holaus; Kaden, Sawyer, and Eleanor Brown; Oliver and Wyatt Larson; Reid, Kate and Grace Mulloy; Matthew, Madeline, Annabelle, Caroline, and Henry Chase; Levi Chase; Elsa and Asher Chase; and Jaeden and Jack Carstens. She is also survived by her sister, Janet Jeffreys, Towson, MD.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Jack, and her parents, Harry I. and Helen Burch Miller.

Ginna’s family established an Acorn Fund with the Oshkosh Area Community Foundation in her honor on her 85th birthday. In lieu of flowers, please send any memorials to the Oshkosh Area Community Foundation, 230 Ohio St #100, Oshkosh, WI, 54902, with a memo for the Nelson Women’s Fund/Virginia Nelson.

Visitation will be Friday, March 6, 2020 from 4 – 7 PM at Konrad-Behlman Funeral Home-Westside, 100 Lake Pointe Dr., in Oshkosh. Funeral services will be on Saturday, March 7, 2020 at 10:30 AM at First United Methodist Church, 700 Linwood Ave., Oshkosh, with visitation beginning at 9:45 AM.



## Firefighters, officers take court at arena

It’s Boots vs. Badges as the Oshkosh Fire Department and Winnebago County Sheriff’s Office take to the basketball court at 12:30 p.m. Saturday at Menominee Nation Arena ahead of the Wisconsin Herd’s matchup with the Capital City Go

Go at 7 p.m. The contest, in its second year, benefits the fire department’s dive and rescue team and sheriff’s K-9 program. Tickets are available at [herdgroups.com](http://herdgroups.com) and include admission to the Herd game.

## Census information event organized by UWO team

A University of Wisconsin Oshkosh public relations team invites students and community members to drop by the “Count the Kisses” event to learn and ask

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“We give food freely and openly with no questions asked other than how many animals in the household and how big they are,” OAHS director Joni Geiger said in

clarifying her organization’s work in comparison to NEW Pawsibilities dog rescue and shelter, which has started providing dog food and treats to families in need.

“Also, we are not giving out food that we give to our shelter dogs and cats,” Geiger said. “Basically, if someone shows up and says they need food, we give them what they need.”

The NEW Pawsibilities program was formed to help families continue to care for their dogs as people struggle through financial hardship and hunger.

## State of the City event at Convention Center

Oshkosh’s 2020 State of the City address is set for 6:30 p.m. Monday at the Oshkosh Convention Center to celebrate the successes of 2019 with a glimpse of plans for this year.

City Manager Mark Rohloff will present the program while city staff will be in attendance to discuss other projects of importance with residents.

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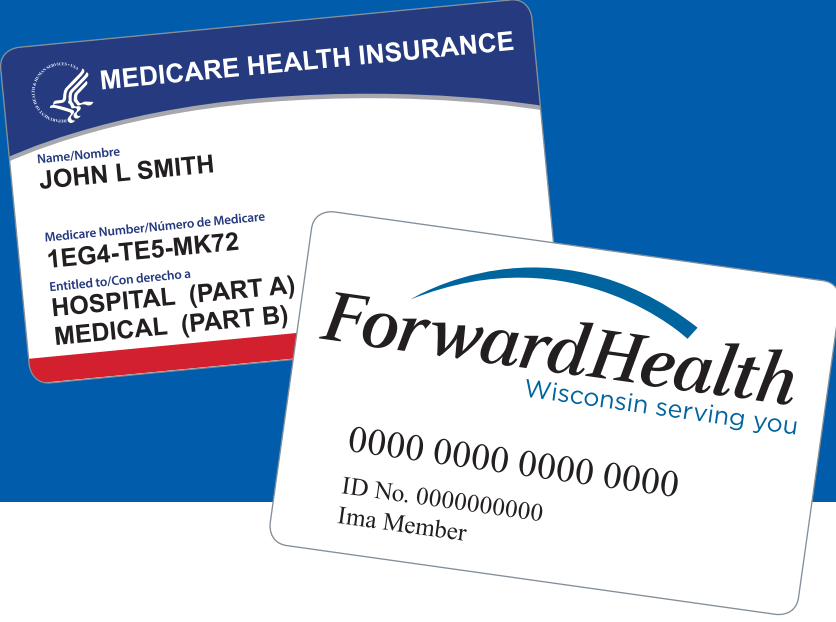
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**EXAMPLE:** Angie wants to buy a new coat. The coat costs \$50.  
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☐ Did the dishes: \$2.00

How can Angie earn \$5? Put a check in the box next to each of Angie's jobs. If you checked the right boxes, they add up to exactly \$5.

**If Angie can earn \$5 per week and save the money, how long until she will have enough money to buy the coat?**

**MY GOAL:** \_\_\_\_\_  
JOBS I CAN DO TO EARN THE MONEY: \_\_\_\_\_  
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HOW LONG UNTIL I REACH MY GOAL? \_\_\_\_\_

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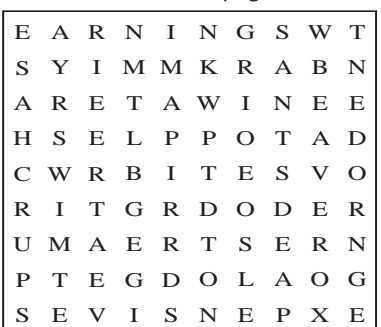
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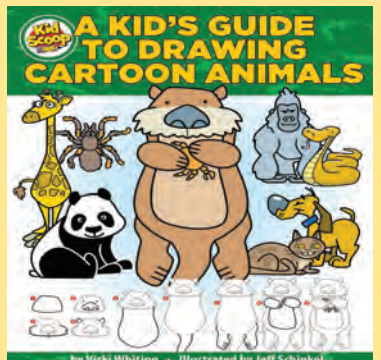
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