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Thedra Cullar-Ledford shows one of the many doll prints she created as part of her overall playful theme at the Doe House.

Doe House embraces doll artist residency

Family opens historic home to creative spirit

By Kaitlyn Scoville OSHKOSH HERALD

One house holds what a child would call a dream come true. Lined along the windows are life-sized dolls posed as if they were living in a real-life dollhouse.

Located at the historic Doe House at 456 Mount Vernon St. is what Rebecca "Becky" Doe Brown wants to become a respite for artists of all kinds, and its first resident is a friend of hers who is living that dollhouse dream.

Becky and her husband, Paul, took detailed steps in 2019 to restore the family home as close to its original state as pos-

sible within the Historic Fourth Ward Neighborhood.

She is the great-great-great-granddaughter of state legislator and Oshkosh resident William Doe. Becky and her husband purchased the homestead in April 2018 with a plan and a passion to return the home near to its original design.

She said she hopes to host two to three artists for respite per year, so as to not aggravate her neighbors who are helping keep close eye on it. The manager, David Groth, keeps great care and watch of the

Longtime friend Thedra Cullar-Ledford is the reason why Becky started the artist in residence program. They had gotten to know each other when their sons were

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Face mask directives pending

Oshkosh Herald

An advisory face mask order announced for Winnebago County last week was being considered by the Board of Supervisors this Tuesday for a vote that, if approved, would go into effect after Gov. Tony Evers' statewide face mask order is expected to be overturned.

'The widespread use of face coverings will slow the spread of COVID-19 and allow our economy to move forward while minimizing the strain on health care resources," stated Doug Gieryn, the county's health officer, in issuing the mask directive.

The advisory applies to everyone ages 5 and older for those indoors or in an enclosed space, other than at a private residence; and when other people not members of a household or living unit are in the same enclosed space. Face coverings are strongly recommended in all other settings, including outdoors when it is not possible to maintain social distancing, with some exceptions.

The Common Council was to consider a similar measure at its regular meeting this Tuesday.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, cloth face coverings are one of the most proven ways to slow and stop the spread of the virus, particularly when used universally.

"Without measures to slow the spread of COVID-19, Winnebago County will suffer from more unnecessary illness, vulnerability from an overwhelmed health care system, and insecurity from an unstable economy," Gieryn stated.

County officials say their intent is to seek voluntary compliance.

Former school's overhaul keeps historic perspective

By Jack Tierney OSHKOSH HERALD

Residential housing plans for the former Smith Elementary School were recently approved by the Community Development Department's Landmarks Commission in a unanimous vote.

Development plans for the 125-yearold building feature new brick-enclosed windows, rebuilt columns, removed stair enclosures, green space, more glass in the entry doorway area and garage parking that will replace a former playground area. Interior plans are to transition former classrooms into 31 market-rate apartment units and to preserve the structural design of the school hallways.

The redevelopment construction is anticipated to begin within three months, according to development partner Tim Hess. He and local developers Andy Dumke, Cal Schultz and Chet Wesenberg acquired the 32,690-square-foot building and 2.3 acres at 1745 Oregon St. from the Oshkosh Area School District in 2019 for about \$400,000.

Designed by noted architects William Waters and Henry Auler, responsible for many of Oshkosh's iconic buildings and homes, the structure was in need of extensive repairs when the school district voted to close it down at the end of the 2018-19 school year over the objections of some neighborhood residents.

Nancy Lokken, who began kindergarten there in 1964 and was in Smith's last sixthgrade class before it grades were realigned, noted the building is not yet on the state or national register of historic places. Developers at the time of the district's sale approval said they were pursuing a historic listing through the State Historic Preservation Office, which would be reviewed by the National Park Service for approval.

Hess commissioned Gail Klein from University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Cul-



The former Smith Elementary School and grounds on Oregon Street are being developed into residential housing units.

tural Resource Management to research and write the National Register nomination. Klein's research is 40 pages of details and was presented to the commission as

a learning document. It is available in the Sept. 9, 2019, Landmark Commission

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Transitional housing language backed

By Tom Ekvall

The Oshkosh Plan Commission recommended approval of a zoning ordinance text amendment that would create a Transitional Residential Housing classification for allowing up to eight people who have committed criminal offenses and need support services to transition to self-sufficient living.

The commission took the action at its Feb. 15 meeting that focuses on those on parole, extended supervision or probation who could remain at the location for up to 24 months.

Some members questioned the use of the word "transitional" in the classification, noting that others – those who have been homeless – may need temporary living quarters before becoming self-sufficient elsewhere.

There was no public comment at the meeting on the proposal, which follows recent discussion at Common Council meetings about a transitional housing property on Jefferson Street for released sex offenders.

Commission chair Kathy Propp said the recommendation, which will get a first reading at this week's council meeting, was on a text amendment and not a location.

The commission also recommended:

• Approval of a design standards variance for a home at 1803 Oshkosh Ave.

where the homeowner converted a porch into a bedroom before obtaining a required permit. Planning staff had recommended additional landscaping needed to be done but agreed to the variance with regard to reduction of window area space. Some members expressed regret at approving a variance after work had already been completed.

• Approval of a temporary use permit extension for property at 2728 Oregon St., which is being used for storage of equipment and materials for a street reconstruction in the area. The original permit had expired and the extended permit would run through July 31 of this year. The property would then be restored to pre-use conditions.

Local races set after primary elections

Oshkosh Herald

The primary election last Tuesday consolidated Oshkosh area voters' options for candidates in the April 6 general election.

The state voted on several positions, but Winnebago County focused on narrowing down candidates for mayor, Common Council and state Superintendent of Public Instruction.

After the polls closed at 8 p.m., unofficial results came about 45 minutes later with about 4,000 votes cast.

Coming out of the mayoral primary was incumbent Lori Palmeri with a leading 1,774 votes and Kris Larson, owner of Becket's restaurant, taking the second ballot spot with 946.

Council member Debra Allison-Aasby trailed behind Larson by just 103 votes. Her term ends in April on the council,



Palmeri

where she has served since 2011.

Among the nine candidates for Common Council seats, the six who prevailed were Aaron Wojciechowski, who had the most votes among council candidates, along with incumbent Jake Krause, Lateria Garrett, Michael Beardsley, Bill Miller and Courtney Hansen.

Failing to advance were Phil Collins, Noah Hinrichs and Robert Wilcox, who also ran for the mayoral position. For state superintendent, Jill Underly and Deborah Kerr are the final candidates.

There were 3,998 votes cast for candidates on the Oshkosh mayoral ticket, representing about 6 percent of the population. Palmeri and Larson said they would consider their bid for election a success if they positively influenced voter turnout.

Voter participation was down statewide, too. Just shy of 325,000 people voted in the nonpartisan primary, based on unofficial numbers. That is nearly 7.2 percent of the voting-age population. Turnout in the presidential election was 72 percent.

The last time there was a state superintendent race in 2017, turnout was 8.3 percent of the voting-age population in the primary, about 374,000 people.

For more on the April 6 election, which includes Oshkosh Area School District Board of Education and Winnebago County executive, visit myvote.wi.gov.

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Photo from Gov. Evers office

Culver Center visit

Gov. Tony Evers signs a bill Friday at the Culver Center at the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh that expands COVID-19 vaccine efforts by allowing pharmacy technicians and students to administer the shots under certain conditions. Among those with the governor at the signing was UW System president Tommy Thompson (far right). "Getting shots in arms as soon as we have supply available is our top priority so we can bounce back from this virus," Evers said. UWO opened a community vaccination site at the Culver Family Welcome Center this week with limited availability by appointment. Evers previously worked in Oshkosh for nine years as an administrator for the Cooperative Education Service Agency.

Police, fire departments share new video

Oshkosh Media staff worked with the city's police and fire departments to produce a new video titled "No Time for Crime."

Officer Kate Mann gives viewers a quick walk-through on what tools officers carry and the features of a squad car.

The Fire Department's Chief John Holland takes viewers on a tour of one of the department's ambulances.

The program can be seen on the Oshkosh Media YouTube channel or Gov TV. Check OshkoshMedia.org to see the Gov TV weekly schedule.

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State vaccine registry rolling out in March

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The registry will be used by those who opt in and will not be a comprehensive resource. Health care systems, pharmacies and health departments may already have their own registration and scheduling software.

The registry will require several questions answered to determine if they are in one of the groups eligible for the vaccine. Appointments can only be made through this system in communities with vaccina-

tors using the registry.

The registry can send reminders to those vaccinated to make sure they get their second vaccine dose, as well as help them monitor for any side effects. Applicants without internet access will be able to contact a call center to help guide them through the process or schedule an appointment.

A small group of local health departments will be testing the software this week. The software will be rolled out in increments to participating health departments. By April 1, DHS expects the vaccine registry will be available to all interested vaccinators in the state.







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Resident recognized for opening home to world

By Kaitlyn Scoville
OSHKOSH HERALD

An Oshkosh resident has received national recognition for her outstanding work in helping local and international high school students get the ultimate traveling experience.

Mary Ann Offer-Westort, who moved here in 2003, in November received the American Field Service (AFS) Galatti Award for Outstanding Volunteer Service.

According to the AFS website, the award established in 1983 "honors AFS volunteers whose longtime commitment, dedication and exceptional journey with the organization have advanced the mission and goals of AFS and created an impact in the AFS community."

The AFS Intercultural Program was created in 1915 and is stated as "an international, voluntary, non-governmental, nonprofit organization that provides intercultural learning opportunities to help people develop the knowledge, skills and understanding needed to create a more just and peaceful world."

Offer-Westort grew up in Racine before attending Georgetown University for art, and remained on the East Coast for some time, working for the IRS and as a high school librarian.

"I was that kid who could not wait to be someplace else," Offer-Westort said. "There was a bigger world out there and I wanted to explore it."

Offer-Westort said she didn't even know the concept of exchange students until she was in college. She hosted her first student 35 years ago, when one of her three children was just 4 years old.





Submitted photo

Yuka Miyamoto (top photo, left), who was hosted from Japan while attending Oshkosh West in 2012-13; and Perrine Archambault, hosted from France and Duxbury High School (2000-01); is shown with Mary Ann Offer-Westort when she lived in Duxbury, Mass., before moving to Oshkosh. In photo above, Miyamoto (second from left), and Mahmoud Alawneh from the West Bank of Palestine and Oshkosh North, dine with members of the Offer and Westort family during the 2012-13 school year.

"We were within walking distance of the nearby high school and had a spare bedroom," she recalled.

When Offer-Westort was in her 40s, she saw an advertisement in a local newspaper about AFS and decided to start volunteering.

In 2003, her husband accepted an opportunity at the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh, and the family moved back to Wisconsin.

Offer-Westort then received her mas-

ter's in public administration from UWO and continued to host international students.

Over the years she has hosted 16 students, the most recent in early 2020. All were high school students ages 15 to 18.

"We've been fortunate to visit a number of them and have a number of them come back," she said. "Now I have AFS grandkids; it's just this huge family. You learn that it's not all that hard to adapt to one another's cultures – that it's fascinating, can be really fun and enriches your life."

Upon receiving the award, Offer-Westort said it was touching to know her work reaches the greater community.

"For all of our kids, it made a difference that they had that exchange as a 16-, 17-year-old kid – to go live in another culture, be part of somebody's family and be welcomed," she said.

In addition, she said several area students have had the opportunity to study abroad themselves.

AFS also has contracts and scholarships with the State Department to provide programming for children who come to the U.S. and those who want to study abroad.

Offer-Westort now does virtual training for AFS volunteers. If it weren't for the pandemic, she said she would be training folks in New York City or Washington, D.C.

She said it was easy to host students and AFS is always looking for families who might be interested.

"Nobody's too old to host," she said. "They're supposed to come with their own pocket money, so you have to provide a place for them to sleep, three meals and transportation to and from school. They're a family member, not a guest."

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Cultural diversity finds harmony through arts

By Kaitlyn Scoville OSHKOSH HERALD

The Cultural Fine Arts and Jazz Society of Oshkosh (CFAJSO) is making grand plans to incorporate multiculturalism and take up diversity and inclusion in the city.

CFAJSO was founded in 2014 by Agnes Payne and two individuals from Jambalaya Arts, Martha Reischl and Kit Pollaski. Payne moved to Oshkosh from Chicago in 2014 to be closer to her son.

Today, Payne still resides as director of CFAJSO alongside assistant director Erin Connolly. They've had several board meetings recently with its seven members to discuss cultural fine arts outreach to the community.

Payne has had several experiences as a schoolteacher in Chicago that opened her eyes to the fine arts and other cultures. She realized how open the community was and how receptive they were to learn about multiculturalism.



Submitted photo

Agnes Payne and friends started the Cultural Fine Arts and Jazz Society of Oshkosh in 2014.

"Residing in a metropolitan area gave me the opportunity to become profes-

Wisconsin. Kennedy arrived at the Oshkosh B'Gosh plant around 8:30 a.m. to hand out campaign buttons and shake hands with the 'overall employees' who presented Kennedy with a jacket manufactured by the firm. It was then onto Oshkosh State College where Kennedy addressed students on various issues, including support for higher prices for dairy farmers. Following a brief coffee hour in the lounge of the Reeve Memorial Union, Kennedy made his final stop at Rockwell Standard.

> Source: Oshkosh Northwestern, Feb. 18, 1960

sionally, socially and personally involved with people of different nationalities and cultures," Payne said.

In 2016, CFAJSO did a TV show with Oshkosh Media called "Friends and Neighbors of Oshkosh," which didn't air due to

technical complications. Payne said its focus was to bring the diverse populations of Oshkosh to the spotlight.

Connolly

According to the CFAJSO website, the group hopes to establish programs and events to increase its outreach and aware-

The Oshkosh Jazz Festival was postponed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Its new set date is Aug. 28.

"My experience taught me that the arts teaches people how arts and culture can have a positive impact on the human environment and they begin to value art and nationalities," Payne said. "People truly getting to know each other, cultures and nationalities bring unity, togetherness and understanding."

Payne and Connolly hope to bring a multicultural arts center to the downtown area in the near future with a more permanent location to have events and meetings.

Those interested in being part of the fine arts and jazz society can get more information at cfajso.com.

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Propane demand rose as area temperatures fell

Oshkosh Herald

Tim Oliver of L&L Propane has been making deliveries on the west side of Oshkosh, Omro and the Pickett area for the last 13 years. With the ongoing pandemic and more people working at home, he has seen an increased demand for his product and daily makes about 18 to 20 deliveries.

According to the Public Service Commission's Office of Energy Innovation, multiple petroleum terminals across the state have reported limited product supplies for distribution.

Gov. Tony Evers signed an executive order Feb. 11 declaring an energy emergency as below-average temperatures and weather conditions have limited deliveries of petroleum and propane products shipped by truck, barge and particularly rail. The executive order is intended to allow for more efficient delivery of these products throughout the state. About 250,000 Wisconsinites depend on propane for home heating.

While he has some cash-only customers, Oliver said most can afford a tank fill,



Tim Oliver makes a propane delivery recently in Oshkosh.

which depending on size can cost \$400 to \$600 on average. He said prices were stable the last few months with small increases and decreases.

In addition to the growing propane demand this winter, the state has received reports of a lack of diesel No. 1, and No. 1 heating oil, which is typically used in the southeast region. Suppliers have had to extend shipping routes, delaying their deliveries to collect needed products.

The executive order will provide a 30-day waiver allowing suppliers to get caught up from the delays associated with rail traffic slowed by nearly half.

Propane prices are not regulated under

Wisconsin law. In general, the contract between consumer and the retail marketer sets the terms of the agreement. It is in the consumer's best interest to research options, ask questions, and get everything in writing.

Budget plans, pre-pay plans, and fixedprice plans can offer consumers savings when compared to buying at market price.

Sturgeon egg investigation leads to DNR biologist

Charges have been filed against four people in three counties related to a sturgeon caviar investigation, including DNR Fisheries biologist and top sturgeon expert Ryan Koenigs, who has been placed on administrative leave.

In a report by Action 2 News and other media outlets, Koenigs was charged Feb. 10 in Calumet County for obstructing a DNR warden in the investigation and Winnebago County charged him the next day with misdemeanor theft, days before the opening of this year's sturgeon season on the Winnebago system.

Scott Ceman, a lawyer for Koenigs, said in an email to The New York Times that his client would plead not guilty. His initial appearance is set for March 29.

Koenigs has overseen one of the largest and healthiest sturgeon populations in North America since 2012.

Misdemeanor complaints in Fond du Lac County show charges of unlawful sale of game fish filed against Shawn M. Wendt, Oakfield; and Mary L. Schneider and Victor R. Schneider of Fond du Lac.

All of the charges result from a years-

long investigation into people processing sturgeon eggs into caviar in exchange for a share of the delicacy that can bring \$65 to \$85 per 30 grams. Higher quality can sell for \$150 per 30 grams.

According to the criminal complaint from Winnebago County, the DNR and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service were investigating reports of sturgeon egg sales around Lake Winnebago since at least 2017. They found a "concerted effort to funnel sturgeon to particular processors for caviar production," including eggs, or "roe," collected from the catch of sturgeon spearers.

Under DNR policy, the roe given for research should either be returned to the spearers who harvested the eggs or destroyed. The complaint contends Koenigs gave a caviar producer Arthur Techlow III, who was a former DNR fisheries biologist, access to the DNR service center in Oshkosh to take the roe.

The complaint says this arrangement was in place before Koenigs was in a leadership role and before Techlow retired from the DNR, but the two continued it.





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Milwaukee pastor accepts call to lead Trinity Lutheran

The Rev. James Pemberton's last church service at Oklahoma Avenue Lutheran Church in Milwaukee was Nov. 29 after four years of ministry there. That same day he drove to Oshkosh to be installed as the new pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church, ending that congregation's extended search for a leader.

Pemberton started as a pastor in 1999 in New Jersey, then was in Ohio for 12 years before moving to Milwaukee. He said it hasn't been an easy road to get here but has fallen in love with Wisconsin.

"I had never tasted cheese aged over six months before coming to Wisconsin," he said in an email. "Now I love a 4-year-old



Pemberton

Trinity is the first parish where he has a church with a parochial

school attached, which serves K4 through eighth grade pupils. He said the school has experienced an influx of new students in this COVID era, as in-per-

son classes have been in session ever since they were allowed to reopen after the state temporarily shut down all K-12 schools on March 18.

He said Trinity Lutheran School now

takes part in the state's tuition assistance program, making it easier for more students to attend.

Before the shutdowns, traveling had been Pemberton's favorite activity as he has visited five continents, though in recent years has focused on South America - Argentina twice, Uruguay three times and Chile. His last international trip was to Madrid, Spain, with his father, just a few months before travel was restricted.

Spanish is his second language now, though the first foreign language he studied as a child was French. He also studied German for five semesters at the College of Wooster while pastoring nearby in

Ohio. As an undergraduate from 1990-1994 at Ohio State University, he majored in Russian.

Rooting for the Packers now is easy, but the native Ohioan says, "If I ever root for the Badgers instead of the Buckeyes, my dad will disinherit me!"

Trinity, a member of the Missouri Synod, has services at 9 a.m. Sundays and 7 p.m. Thursdays except during Advent and Lent, when weekday worship moves to Wednesdays at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m.

The congregation is currently on the Lent schedule. Services can also be viewed on YouTube, Facebook and the church's webpage.

Historic Gibson Auto building getting a new social life

Oshkosh Herald

The former Gibson Auto Exchange located at 537 N. Main St. is set to become the Gibson Social Club this summer.

Also known as Gibson Body or Gibson Tire Co., the dealership building was established a century ago.

"When comparing this structure's design to other car dealership buildings of this style and period, the Gibson Auto Exchange's design exhibits an excellent integration of ornamentation and massing," according to historicOshkosh.org.

The space will be used for events such as weddings, birthdays, corporate events and concerts, according to the social club's website. Owners Eric and Kristen Hoopman want to "pay homage to this historic building's beginnings."



more information can be found at gibsonsocialclub.com or by emailing event coordinator Kristin Kane at kkane@gibsonso-



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Image 360 celebrating 25 years in production

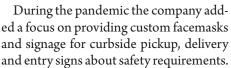
Digital printing and sign production specialist Image 360 marks its 25th year in business this month after recently adding a 1,700-square-foot addition to its 347 N. Sawyer St. location. The expansion by owner Tim White allows for application of full or partial vehicle wraps in a climate-controlled environment.



Image 360 started in 1996 as Image Pros of Wisconsin, focusing on photo processing with an emphasis on one-hour processing and portrait studio. White later added commercial photo processing for

> professional photographers as well as video production.

In 2010, the business rebranded itself as Image 360, and in 2019 acquired Crown Trophy that added a line of awards, trophies and custom branded apparel to its services.



White

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Moss and Grant clothing store opened its doors downtown this week and online.

Clothing store opens downtown

Moss and Grant opened its downtown store offering women's, men's and children's clothing and accessories along with home goods and gifts this week at 428 Main St.

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Wolk said the store will cater to the entire family by carrying products for a variety of ages, sizes and gender.

Along with the downtown location its online store is at mossandgrant.com. Moss + Grant will be open from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays. Moss + Grant also has Facebook and Instagram pages.





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Artist residency

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in Boy Scouts together, and Becky heard about the residencies Thedra was doing around the United States.

Thedra, the Doe House's first artist in residence, decided to finish a project that struck a chord with her from her childhood and recent battle with breast cancer. Her three-week stay concludes this week.

She said that getting a double mastectomy ended up helping move her art career forward.

The work Thedra is doing at the Doe House started about two years ago in a Vermont studio center, but she never got to finish it.

"I threw myself into making art about women with breast cancer and being flat and fabulous," she said. "I've always felt like an outsider, which is a great place to be to observe."

Thedra said that when she turned 40 she became estranged from her parents and this project has been a means to amend what she described as childhood traumas.

"I'm a storyteller that likes to reflect things with conceptual sculpture," she said. "So living in it is complete; I feel like we're living dolls. Using the same clothing and turning them into art is kind of letting it go in a way.

"The dolls, with their distortions, seams and cultural symbolism came back in a whole new body of work that is more active and purposeful than ever before."

She said that art residencies are meant to be purposeful and relaxing.

"All residencies are used to refuel your energy. You're out of your own space. Maybe there's a project you've been wanting to work on, but you keep pushing it to the bottom. This is the time I get to play."

Thedra's website with her art and merchandise is at Thedra-art.com.

Becky said that with Oshkosh renowned for bringing artists to the area, she wanted to extend that and allow for artists of any kind to stay in the Doe House for free.

Photographers, musicians, writers, architects and researchers were all eligible for the residence program.

"What we'd really like to do is have artists stay in Oshkosh and experience the



A view of some of the doll prints in the windows at the Doe House during Thedra Cullar-Ledford's residency there.

community, be part of it and be inspired by it," Becky said. "It's like a retreat - a respite - especially from what's been going on. An artist can be in this space, be inspired and then be part of all these wonderful things that are going on in downtown Oshkosh."

Artists can stay as long as they need, dependent on what they and Becky deem to be reasonable.

"It's more about the community and using the house for these artistic purposes," she explained, "and for somebody who needs an escape place to go and feel like they get a chance to just breathe again."

On top of this, Becky has the house open for short-term rental stays. The website went live right before COVID hit, and because of this, has only had one short-

Her original intention was to have the house open for bridal parties, inspired by her great-great-grandmother getting married in the home.

But with whatever artists are willing to reside in the historic house, Becky said that's all she cares about - she wants the house to be used.

"I definitely want to get the word out that we want it to be a place for artists to come and have a place to be inspired," Becky said. "The community is a big draw for me; I love it here. An artist will be intrigued to stay in a place like this. The loss of income is not relevant to me; it's a donation."

People interested in renting the Doe House short-term or artists who would like to apply for the residency program can go to thedoehouse.com or email thedoehouse@gmail.com.



Passers-by on Mount Vernon Street can see doll art in the windows of the Doe House during Thedra Cullar-Ledford's residency.



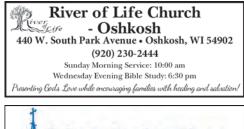


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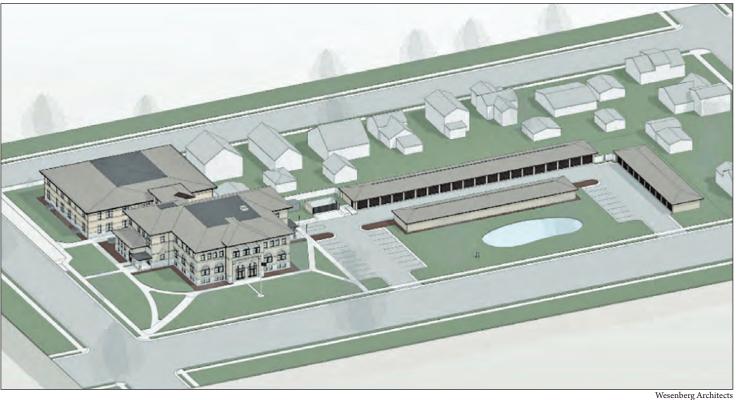
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A rendering of the proposed Smith School housing project site shows the building and grounds layout.

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minutes, item No. 5.

Hess said that before he arrived at a previous commission meeting, he was finishing up registration details with the Wisconsin Historical Society. Hess said the developers are committed to the utmost preservation of the Oshkosh landmark.

A second item of note in the overall project is a boulder that was donated by students and teachers to commemorate space for a playground.

The boulder is planned to remain on display in the grassy area, which commissioners said will make the development look "park-like." Hess said that the plans could change, however.

A 360-degree view/tour of the building

provided by Wesenberg Architects is on the Landmark Commission's Facebook page. Photos will be posted there once the project is completed, offering a before-and-after tour.

Commission Chairwoman Shirley Brabender-Mattox commended the developers' work so far.

"You're doing many good things with the building," she said.

Community First Credit Union names senior vice president

Joe Harvey has been promoted to senior vice president facilities at Community First Credit Union with more than 20 years of construction, safety and facilities management experience.

Harvey joined Community First in Janu-

ary 2019 as vice president of maintenance and buildings. In his new role, he will oversee operations and maintenance for Community First's 26 locations, including at 2424 Westowne Ave. in Oshkosh.

Harvey was with the Kimberly Area

School District as director of facilities and safety management for nine years. He has been a volunteer with Rebuilding Together Fox Valley, Habitat for Humanity, YMCA of the Fox Cities and the Wisconsin School Safety Coordinators Board.

Eureka site inspires new fiction novel

Oshkosh Herald

Author Daniel Butkiewicz explores the history and hauntings connected to the Foote Mansion near Eureka with his historical fiction novel "Echoes From the Past."

The book is based on the "mirror mansion" of opposing identical layouts built by twins Argalus Isaac and Augustus Ira Foote in the 1850s that was speculated to be an underground railroad site and mobster moonshine still over time. The mansion's steady decay led to its removal last May.

The Footes owned a flour mill in Oshkosh for 15 years that is now the Hooper Community Center on Broad Street.

Butkiewicz, who grew up in the Eureka area and went to Omro High School, uses that historical backdrop for the mystery tale that is in the Amazon books description:

"Although the huge, old house is nothing more than a ghostly shell, it's riddled with rumors of a colorful past, luring in a few explorers, if for nothing more than to satisfy their curiosity. Over countless years, decay ate away at the structure and its true history," part of the description reads. "Rumors run rampant of moonshine and gangsters, underground tunnels, and hidden stairways - and of course, ghosts. When Ashley and John visit from California one October weekend, their cousin decides to surprise them with a Halloween thrill by leading them on a nighttime trek to the old house. But fright turns to wonderment when different eyes see the property with a new perspective."

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Spartan boys eliminate Wildcats in regionals

By Dustin Riese
Herald Contributor

After splitting a pair of regular season meetings, Oshkosh North and Oshkosh West were at it again for a third time. This time a spot in the WIAA Division 1 regional final was up for grabs.

Unlike the previous meetings that saw lots of offense and competitive action, this was all about defense as the Spartans played one of their more complete games of the season, using a 30-7 first half run en route to a 63-41 victory.

"I'm really proud of our defensive effort," North head coach Brad Weber said. "We have not had that sort of intensity on the defensive end this season. We have been close but, yet to put it together for a full game. Tonight, we put it together. I think a lot of credit goes to our staff (for their scout on West) and our scout team for rehearsing the offense for us to execute against. A true team effort this was."

"Tonight, was just a rough one for us in a lot of aspects" West head coach Michael Johnson said. "We shot the ball poorly and didn't do a good job protecting the rim on the defensive end."

North kept that momentum going the next night by picking up a 87-69 win over top-seeded Fond du Lac in the regional final game on the road.

The third-seeded Spartans were re-seeded to No. 4 in the sectional bracket and will face top-seeded Kimberly at 7 p.m. Thursday The winner will face either Menomonee Falls or West Bend East for a chance to go to state on Saturday.

In Friday's game, offense wasn't an issue for the Wildcats early with Mike Stack

Photo by Jim Koennick

Oshkosh West's James Bradley gets caught between two Oshkosh North defenders Ari Giannopoulis and Kaden Lasee in Thursday's regional game.

siveness in attacking the hoop, it freed up

shooters like Seckar and Day as the Spar-

opening the scoring with a three. He was joined by Jacquez Overstreet and Dylan Taylor as West opened a quick 8-2 lead and had North guessing. After that early deficit, things began to click for the Spartans both offensively and defensively as they began to take over the game.

Freshman Steven Clark had a big night as he made his presence felt in the paint and Jalen Keago continued to show his aggressiveness when it comes to attacking the basket as the Spartans evened things up at 8. A Mason Day bucket followed by a Reed Seckar steal and finish capped off what would be a 10-0 run as cold shooting from the Wildcats gave North a 12-8 lead.

With Keago continuing to show aggres-

now led 22-12.

In total, North closed out the first half

tans once again ripped off a 10-2 run and

In total, North closed out the first half on a 30-7 run and took what was an 8-2 deficit and flipped it to a 32-15 halftime cushion.

"We made some changes to our approach in practices the last two weeks," Weber said. "We rehearsed defending types of players and knowing who we want to close out on and who we are going to play/guide a certain way. Our guys have had a great attention to detail in practice we saw the result of that tonight."

Even though shooting didn't go well for the Wildcats in that first half, Johnson had to give credit where it was due when it came to how their rivals played.

"We had a lot of good looks, we just shot very poorly as a team," he said. "We shot about 35 percent from 3 on the season and tonight we were 7-for-33. Jacquez had four himself but no one else was able to get going. Give North some credit as

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Lourdes rolls into sectionals in strong fashion

By Dustin Riese HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

A night after topping Manawa 109-59 in the regional semifinal, the Knights welcomed the Chiefs of Shiocton to the Castle, a team they also faced last season for the regional final.

Lourdes' high-powered offense mixed with an aggressive defense led them to their 15th win in their last 16 games, 85-

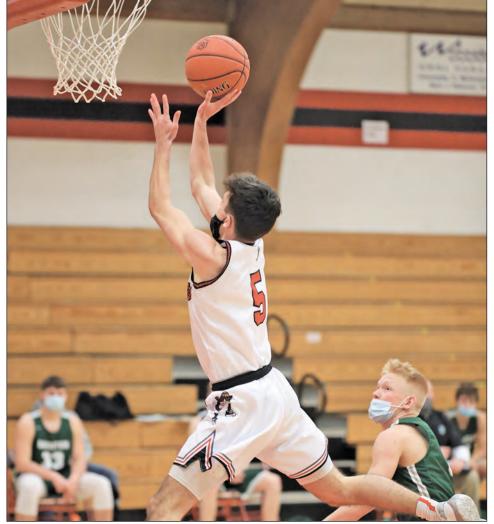
"I thought our team defended well and was happy with our intensity level," head coach Dennis Ruedinger said. "We were consistently focused and in tune to our defensive principles."

Hudson Spencer began a strong night for the Chiefs by opening the scoring with a runner in the paint. After Nate Slagter answered on the other end, the outside shooting of Josh Bauer and Jack Huizenga helped ignite a 10-0 run to put the Knights in front 10-2.

After Slagter tore a ligament in his knee during the summer, Ruedinger didn't know if he would contribute on the court much, if at all, this season. Since being inserted in the starting lineup the team has taken off.

"Nathan gives us another inside presence and allows everyone else to play where they are comfortable in our system," Ruedinger said.

Looking to weather the early Knights storm, Dawson Schmidt and Jack Scott brought things to 10-7 before consecutive threes from Preston Ruedinger and Bauer pushed the lead back to nine. That lead grew after a Dominic Kane basket but once again the Chiefs had the answers with Carson Shears and Scott helping



Jack McKellips drives for a layup in Lourdes' victory over Shiocton. The win advanced them to the Division 4 sectionals against Manitowoc Lutheran.

keep things close at 21-14.

A balanced scoring attack from Huizenga, Bauer, Kane and Ruedinger gave the Knights a 15-4 run to take a 36-18 lead. Three pointers from Scott and Spencer ended the run briefly, but Huizenga capped off the first half with a long two right before the horn to take a 40-24 lead.

When asked about what the difference has been from the start of the season to now, coach Ruedinger said, "You definitely want to peak at this time of year. Our

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nonconference schedule has prepared us well for the tournament."

Spencer got things started for the Chiefs in the second half with a long three but Bauer continued his hot shooting with the first seven points for the Knights. He and Ruedinger each had 23 points.

With the Knights up by 16, guard Jack McKellips scored six of the next 10 points. Ruedinger then found his midrange jumper and heated up from deep as the Knights went ahead 58-36.

"Our entire team is playing confidently," Ruedinger said. "Being multifaceted is essential for being successful as you get deeper into the tournament. We have a lot of guys that are capable of having a significant impact on the game."

Off the bench Thomas Derleth kept the Lourdes offense moving in the right direction with a pair of buckets in the paint as the lead went to 24.

The rest of the game saw contributions from Huizenga, McKellips, Kane and Bauer for the Knights while Spencer and Caden Schmidt took care of things for Shiocton. Spencer led his team in scoring, including the final eight points for his team in the loss.

The win moves the Knights to 21-5 on the season and gives them another regional championship.

"We are really going to focus on what we need to do as a team to give us the best chance to be successful," Ruedinger said on preparations for the sectional.

After a sectional reseeding process, the Knights will be back on the floor Thursday hosting No. 3 Manitowoc Lutheran, who advanced with a two-point win against No.1 seeded Manitowoc Roncalli.

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Twin wrestlers' special journey concludes at UWO

By Shane Nyman UW Oshkosh Today

There isn't a lot of wrestling on bare concrete for Husam and Wesam Alabed these days.

The 23-year-old twin brothers first found both a love and talent for grappling as youngsters growing up in the Syrian capital of Damascus. Around the age of 10 they'd round up fellow kids from the neighborhood, including their two older brothers, and the group would challenge each other. Maybe it's a stretch to call it wrestling – youthful roughhousing might be more like it – but the kids would try to take each other down, much the same way the Alabeds have done over their five-year journey with the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh wrestling team.

These one-on-one contests to be crowned king of the takedown would begin on the lawn near the apartment building Husam and Wesam lived in. Grass makes for a soft landing, at least at that age.

But sometimes soft landings were out of the question.

"We had this little area, kind of like a playground area, and it had grass—but we weren't allowed to step on the flowers and stuff, so whenever we'd get yelled at, we'd wrestle on the concrete," said Husam, who along with Wesam is working his way through a condensed senior season because of the pandemic.

"I wouldn't say it was the best idea. We got hurt sometimes, but we were just kids having fun. ... It was a little rough but nothing serious."

It would take time, but serious is exactly how the Alabeds would get about the sport. Though born in the United States, they'd live in their parents' home country of Syria from about age 5 to just before ninth grade. It was at East Leyden High School in Franklin Park, Ill., where those physical talents, first explored on the other side of the world, would be translated into something more meaningful.

"We had a physical education class and we had a wrestling unit," Wesam remembered about his freshman year. "We were doing King of the Mat or something, and we're taking everyone down. The teacher came up to us and was like, 'You guys have to try out for wrestling."

Already with a love for that kind of physicality, both brothers said OK. And their lives would be forever changed for it.

"I remember just seeing they were so smart," said Mike Fumagalli, who coached them for four years at East Leyden. "They are quiet boys but they're really sharp and you can show them something and they catch on really, really fast.



Photo from UW Oshkosh Today

Husam (left) and Wesam Alabed brought their wrestling enthusiam from Syria to Oshkosh.

"That was followed by being struck by their work ethic. These guys, man, I spent more time around them in four years than just about anybody else because they did every single thing that they needed to."

Wesam would go on to qualify for the state tournament his senior year and Husam represented Illinois at the Junior National Championships in Fargo, N.D. Both are accomplishments Fumagalli said many wrestlers work years and years toward but don't reach.

"They were workout-aholics," he said. "Wesam, especially senior year, he was a monster 126-pounder. He was jacked to the max. Husam even more so—people would look at him and say 'How in the heck is that kid making 160 or 170?' because they just worked out all the time. They trained hard. Everything was about getting better."

UW Oshkosh wrestling head coach Efrain Ayala was in Illinois for the state tournament during their senior year. He had his eye on Wesam and, through talking with Fumagalli, learned there was a Husam in the picture too.

Ayala remembered being told both were "very green" to the sport. With just four years of experience, they were often competing with kids who'd been on the mat since kindergarten. They're the "diamond in the rough type of recruits," he was told.

He was all in.

The size and location of the school, the educational opportunities, beauty of the campus and the high hopes Ayala had for the wrestling program all combined to bring the brothers to Oshkosh.

A hiccup at the start for Wesam – an issue with ESL credits from high school not qualifying him for UWO – led to Husam wrestling as a freshman, while Wesam spent his fall semester at Fox Valley Technical College before transferring in the spring. Their

wrestling careers wouldn't sync up again until 2020, when Husam opted to take the year off so the two could have their senior seasons together.

In the early goings of the 2021 season, a campaign crammed into about three weeks as opposed to the traditional October-to-March run, Husam is 2-1 and Wesam is 2-2. The Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Championship has been canceled, meaning neither Alabed will get a shot at topping their previous finishes; Husam finished sixth at 174 pounds as a sophomore and Wesam third at 141 pounds his first year.

"What they have been able to accomplish in the period of time that they have is really, really unprecedented," Fumagalli said. "I think anybody outside of the wrestling community would have a really difficult time conceptualizing the magnitude of their accomplishments in the time period they've been wrestling."

Records aside, over their five years in the program the tandem has progressed from wide-eyed underclassmen to genuine leaders. They're a perfect fit in a program with a culture often described as familial. It's something their high school coach saw coming years ago.

"When I talked to Coach Ayalah, I said, 'Listen, I guarantee you these are the kids you are looking for,'" Fumagalli said. "They're going to do amazing things for you, man. Even if they never win a national title or achieve All-American status, these are kids you want around your program."

"The greatest gift I could give a college coach was these two kids," he said.

"They have gone above and beyond," Ayala said. "It's great to have them both in the room. ... They're one of my first recruiting classes so they've been through the whole process with me and they un-

derstand our philosophy and our vision and what we're trying to accomplish here. They've seen the things we've had to do to build up the program from when I first got here."

While twins, neither their looks nor personalities are identical. Wesam, at 5-foot-6, wrestles at 149, while Husam is 5-foot-10 and wrestles at 174. ("I was born with the height and I eat more now," Husam joked.) Wesam is more talkative, Husam more reserved. Wesam's studying information systems while Husam's major is marketing.

With the size difference, they rarely wrestle each other. And while there is some sibling rivalry, both their current and previous coaches say they're not the aggressively competitive brothers you sometimes come across. At least they're not aggressively competitive with each other.

"They feed off of each other. One of them's wrestling and one of them's coaching and yelling at the other one," Ayala said. "They're constantly there for one another, supporting one another and motivating one another."

Not only do they coach each other during matches, they're able to do it with what's almost like a secret language – at least here in the states. They'll use Arabic, just like their days back on the concrete walkway in Syria, to communicate. Opponents are left without a clue.

"When you're wrestling there's so many noises coming at you," Wesam said. "Speaking Arabic, it sticks out so I'm able to comprehend while I'm wrestling."

Their differences in personality are similar to their styles on the mat. Wesam is described as always on the attack, while Husam said he likes to be more relaxed, "slicker and smoother."

"I think we both need a little from each other's playbook," Wesam said. "I think I need to chill out and relax from time to time. I think he needs to step on the gas pedal."

The brothers will graduate this year and plan to move to Texas to be with one of their older brothers. Besides wrestling, they're both passionate about mixed martial arts and will continue training and fighting. They haven't yet pinned down a professional path, but their UWO degrees will provide plenty of options.

Whatever comes next, they're enjoying the last weeks of a collegiate wrestling experience the only way they know how: focus and dedication. While having two older brothers into bodybuilding didn't hurt – there's no shortage of muscles among the Alabed boys—it was a mindset laid out by Fumagalli and carried on by Ayala that helped carry them through.

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UW Oshkosh basketball

Men sweep pair of games against UWSP Pointers

The men's basketball team improved to 5-1 on the season after picking up a pair of wins over UW-Stevens Point last week, picking up a 76-62 victory on Wednesday, followed by a 86-66 win on Friday.

The Titans will finish off the shortened season with a pair of games against UW-Eau Claire this week, traveling to face them Wednesday and then will host them Friday night.

The WIAC Tournament is scheduled to start March 1 and will run to March 5.

In the win on Wednesday, the Titans started slow but picked it up in the second half – shooting 52 percent in the second half while making 6-of-13 from deep to pull away.

Eddie Muench scored 15 points in the second half alone as he led the way with 23 points, making 5-of-12 from 3-point land. He added six rebounds.

Levi Borchert had 16 points and 18 rebounds while Hunter Plamann and Will Mahoney each added nine.

In the win on Friday, the Titans outscored the Pointers by 17 points in the first half as UWO shot 55 percent in the win, getting 20 points and eight rebounds from Borchert while Eric Peterson added 15 points and six rebounds.

Mahoney had 17 points, Muench had

11 points, five rebounds and five assists while Plamann added 13 points and seven assists.

Titan women win big against Stevens Point

Just like the men, the UW Oshkosh women's basketball team picked up a pair of wins over UW-Stevens Point last week, earning 75-45 and 67-40 victories last Wednesday and Friday.

The Titans are 5-1 this season and will host UW-Eau Claire Wednesday before traveling to their gym on Friday to finish off the regular season.

The WIAC Tournament is scheduled to start March 1 and will run to March 5. It will be held at UW-River Falls.

On Wednesday the Titans jumped out to a double-digit lead after the first quarter and never looked back. Leah Porath led UWO with 22 points on 8-of-14 shooting while Abby Kaiser, Jenna Jorgensen and Kayce Vaile each added 10 points.

Then on Friday, the Titans held UWSP to just three points in the first quarter as they took a 22-3 lead going into the second.

Nikki Arneson led UWO with 13 points as 13 different players scored. Julia Silloway had nine points while Jorgensen and Porath added eight.

WIAA approves spring sports seasons

The Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC) announced it will proceed with spring sports competition. The return to play includes the conference sports of baseball, women's golf, men and women's outdoor track and field, softball and women's tennis.

"I am extremely excited that our spring sports student-athletes will have the opportunity to compete after experiencing a shortened season a year ago. I would like to thank UW-System President Tommy G. Thompson, as well as all of our chancellors and administrators for their tireless work in making this possible," WIAC Commissioner Danielle Harris said.

Schedules can include contests against nonconference opponents and each sport will be given a WIAC championship opportunity. A determination on spectators will be made at a later date. All contests will be conducted in accordance with NCAA Sports Science Institute Resocialization Guidelines.



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Oshkosh boys

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they did what they needed to do."

Knowing that they needed a big comeback if they wanted any chance to advance, Overstreet started the second half with a long three to get the scoring started. He had a big second half connecting on four triples and scoring 13 second-half points. Typically, this is when Keago would start to take a game over for the Spartans.

Yes, he did have another strong night, but it was all about Clark in the second half especially early on. Not only did he score the first four points of the half for his team, but went on to score 12 of the team's first 16 in the second half. He outscored the entire Wildcats roster over the first few minutes as North was in complete control 47-25.

"Steven has grown as a person and player throughout the year," Weber said. "Starting in the FVA as a freshman is a tall order. He has evolved (like a Pokemon). There is a lot more that he has in his arsenal – and a high ceiling. He is second on our team in scoring and rebounding. He logs in a lot of minutes each game and battles."

While Clark was leading the way for North, Overstreet and Alex Schlichting were taking over for West as the duo helped close the gap to 47-30. Just when it looked like West was starting to get momentum, North took it right back with Keago going back on attack mode in the paint keeping the Spartans in front by 20.

As the second half continued to play out, it was desperation time for the Wildcats as they started to force shots up. Shefchik made a pair of free throws, but other than that it was Overstreet scoring the

next nine points for his team in what was his final game of his high school career.

"Our two seniors Jacquez Overstreet and Nick Pohjola have been critical to our program," Johnson said. "Both are very dedicated and were great leaders and role models for the younger players this season. We will miss them both, but they will always be a part of the West basketball family."

With the lead down to 16, North erased any thoughts of a West comeback with Seckar getting involved from the free throw line. He was joined by Cooper Juedes and Keago as North built their largest lead of the game 63-38. As the final seconds were ticking away, West had one more good look at the basket and Mason Bechard knocked down the open three to cap off the scoring in what was a dominating Spartans win.

Weber and his team have been searching for consistency all season. After winning 86-80 over Sheboygan South on Tuesday, followed by wins over West and Fond du Lac, it appears that North may be playing at the level where Weber expected them to be all season.



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Author releases poetry, prose collection

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The collection of poetry and prose is described as exploring life's challenging questions including death, unrequited love, dark nights of the soul, and the end of the world.

Lumby is owner of Authentic Freedom Academy, providing self-actualization related to education, psychology, spirituality and creative expression, and has called Oshkosh home since 1992.

"Elegy" is available in paperback and on Kindle through Amazon.com.

Library winter challenge hosts writer

The library's Winter Reading Challenge wraps up Saturday with an author visit via Zoom with Kate Messner.

Before becoming a full-time writer, Messner was a television news reporter and an educator who spent 15 years teaching English to middle school students. Participants will have the opportunity to hear her discuss books, writing and the power of curiosity.

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Mary Ann Shadd Cary lived in both the United States and Canada. In her lifetime, she was an anti-slavery activist journalist, newspaper publisher, teacher, and lawyer.

Determined to Learn and Teach

When Mary Ann was a child, it was against the law for Blacks to go to school in the state of Delaware. The Shadd family moved to Pennsylvania in 1833 where Mary Ann could go to school. When she finished school, she spent the next 12 years teaching Black children in Delaware, New York and Pennsylvania.

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Mary Ann Shadd was born to free

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Her parents were abolitionists. Their

home was a stop (or "station") on the Underground Railroad. Mary Ann learned about the importance of helping

WORD BOX Abolitionist: A person who supported Abolition, or the ending of slavery before the American Civil War. To abolish something means to get rid of it.

Abolitionists wanted to get rid of slavery

Move to Canada

In 1851, Mary Ann moved to Canada. There were more opportunities for Black people in Canada at that time than in the United States. She started writing booklets about the advantages of living in Canada, encouraging Black people in the United States to move north.

Journalist

Mary Ann wanted to tell the story of Black people living in freedom in Canada. She started a newspaper to do just that. She was the first Black woman in North America to publish her own newspaper.

On March 24, 1853, Mary Ann published the first copy of her weekly newspaper.

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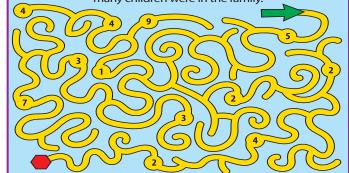
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