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Students work on class projects recently at Carl Traeger Elementary School.

## Students' vitality tested

### Parents, schools note mental health impact

By Kaitlyn Scoville  
OSHKOSH HERALD

When COVID-19 hit, many were left confused and scared. Parents were questioning how their children were going to receive an education from home while sitting in quarantine.

Something that initially may have been overlooked is the mental health and well-being of elementary school students during that time.

In February, the Oshkosh Area School District brought all students back to full-time classroom learning after several months of online or hybrid schooling.

Emily Burger reflected on the emotions and behaviors of her four children who attend Carl Traeger Elementary School.

"They were very happy – they enjoyed going to school and they were always happy when they came home," she said.

After moving online, Burger started to notice a shift in their mood. In March and April, she didn't see any change in emotion or behavior because the pandemic was still new to everybody.

"They'd hop on their meetings, but then I started getting emails from teachers saying, 'Hey, he's been turning his camera off and not participating.' They just hit the COVID wall; they were done," she said.

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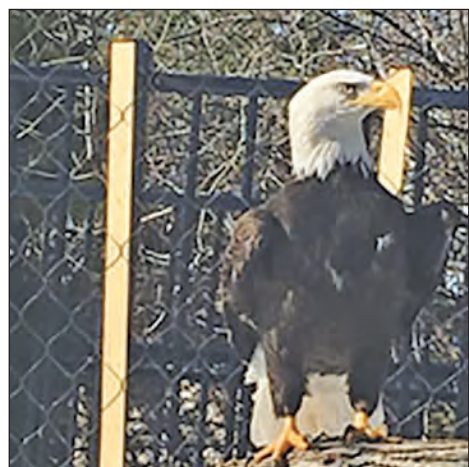


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A 6-year-old bald eagle has joined the Menominee Park Zoo.

## Menominee Zoo welcomes Cayuga

### Rehabilitated eagle from Cornell Raptor Program

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Menominee Park Zoo has welcomed a bald eagle into its facility and educational program. The raptor exhibit is now home to Cayuga, a 6-year-old male from Cornell University Wildlife Health Clinic in Ithaca, N.Y.

Cayuga has been under professional

care and rehabilitation since 2015 due to a gunshot wound that resulted in partial amputation of his left wing. The Cornell team worked with him to make him an active educational raptor.

Menominee Park Zoo connected with the Cornell Raptor Program and decided its new exhibit would enhance the eagle's quality of life and provide quality education to visitors. Cayuga is one of many animals at the zoo native to the Midwest.

Zoo staff thanked the National Eagle Center of Wabasha, Minn., and its avian

care manager Tiffany Ploehn, along with Heather Huson, Cornell raptor program director, for helping with the eagle's transition.

Funding support for the project came through the city's Menominee Park Zoo Fund, the Jim Ryan Menominee Zoo Fund, the Altrusa of Oshkosh, Oshkosh Zoological Society, Oshkosh Area Community Foundation, Tom and Penny Harenburg, The Howard and CR Meyer.

Opening day for the zoo is May 1. Go to oshkoshzoo.org for more information.



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# Join us in helping serve community

Last Wednesday I attended the public hearing on proposed changes to the Newspaper of Record statute in Madison. I am not a big fan of public speaking, but I wanted the committee to hear from a privately owned publication how free community newspapers contribute to our community.

It was also my first visit to the state capitol and saying it was intimidating is an understatement, but it was a valuable experience. It was also evident that most people attending the hearing believe in newspapers and have the same goal – to be local, relevant and community minded.

We have shared our efforts of being able to serve Oshkosh as its newspaper of record for the past few years. The change of dropping the requirement of



**Karen Schneider**  
Oshkosh Herald publisher

50 percent paid circulation (15,000 for the Herald) looks like it will be adopted as it works its way through committee. Although it will still require paid distribution it does make it much more obtainable to be certified to compete to be a newspaper of record.

The Herald will need “no less than 1,000 paid subscribers” to qualify as the bill is proposed now. We are nearly halfway there. We are fortunate to have a high per-

centage of renewals since implementing a subscriber and membership program. This support and the notes we receive with the renewals are appreciated and, in some cases on certain days, exactly what we needed to hear to keep us going.

In many conversations I hear from readers who are planning on supporting the Herald with a membership or subscription. If this is one of your tasks on the “to-do” list I ask that you check it off and join us. We appreciate your support in reaching that 1,000 mark so we can begin the process of certification and be ready to move forward when these changes take effect.

You will find a form in today’s paper or you can join at oshkoshherald.com or by calling 920-508-9000.

## Superintendent announces resignation

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Oshkosh schools Superintendent Vickie Cartwright submitted a letter of resignation Monday that the Board of Education accepted, which will be effective June 30.

“It has been an honor to serve as superintendent of the Oshkosh Area School District over the past three years. I have truly enjoyed my time in this wonderful community, and I am grateful to have the opportunity to work with our amazing staff, students, families and community,” Cartwright said in a statement. “While I am proud of and appreciative for the opportunity to serve Oshkosh, the time has come for me to pursue the next chapter of my career.”

The announcement comes as a survey to Oshkosh school staff was being circulated at the board’s request in response to

an anonymous letter from administrators that criticized some of Cartwright’s decision-making and communications style.

During her three-year tenure in the district, voter approval was given to a \$174 million capital referendum and a long-term facilities plan was created. She also oversaw initiatives on diversity education, mental health needs, safety measures and the transition into and out of virtual learning for students during the pandemic.

“The entire Board of Education would

like to thank Dr. Cartwright for her service to the Oshkosh Area School District and our students, staff, and families. We wish her all the best on her next chapter,” said Barbara Herzog, board president. “Under her leadership and direction, she has accomplished so much that will positively impact our students and community for generations to come.”

Herzog said the board will begin searching for the next superintendent in coming weeks.

## Candidate forums available online

The League of Women Voters of Winnebago County has an online voter guide, Vote411.org, with candidate information and profiles searchable by voter address, along with candidate forums for local, contested races that were held virtually.

Forums for the Oshkosh Area School Board, Oshkosh Common Council, Oshkosh mayor and Winnebago County executive were recorded for viewing on Oshkosh Media Cable Channel 10, and on the Oshkosh Media channel on Roku, Ama-

zon Fire TV or Apple TV. All forums are also available at oshkoshmedia.org, on the Oshkosh Media YouTube channel, and on Facebook @LWVWinnebagoCounty and the League’s website, lwvwinnebago.org.

LWV reminds voters to check their registration status, find their polling location, update their address or request an absentee ballot at myvote.wi.gov.

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# Miles Kimball housing project gets city support

By Kaitlyn Scoville  
OSHKOSH HERALD

The city has moved forward with a tax incremental finance (TIF) plan that will help redevelop the Miles Kimball building at South Main Street and Ninth Avenue into a residential apartment complex.

The Oshkosh Common Council voted unanimously at its March 9 meeting to approve the TIF area, which is a 0.83-acre parcel labeled District No. 40 that could accumulate a value of \$3.48 million as a result of the project.

Total expenditures were estimated to be \$1,573,000 in pay-as-you-go development incentives, plus \$100,000 in public improvements, \$161,000 in administrative costs and \$7,000 in interest expenses.

Applicants Brett and Molly Hildebrandt at YRB Properties proposed the building be developed into a 28-unit market-rate, multifamily apartment building.

The 24,660-square-foot, four-floor structure was built in 1904, according to Oshkosh Public Museum records. It is historically known to be the only remaining part of the August Streich and Brother wagon factory.

The Miles Kimball Co. later bought the land to be used as part of its direct merchandise and catalog operations until those moved to the City Center and the



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The Miles Kimball building at 9th Avenue and South Main Street will be converted into residential housing units with the help of a TIF district plan.

Oshkosh Redevelopment Authority acquired the site in 2005.

Council members expressed thanks and best wishes to the applicants, who made their first presentation to the council in August, and said they are looking forward to future developments.

In other action the council:

“Mike proudly served the Oshkosh Police Department and the City of Oshkosh for over 23 years,” the Oshkosh PD said in a March 12 Facebook post. “Thank you Mike for your outstanding dedication and service. We wish you a happy, healthy retirement and we’ll miss you.”

• Approved a citywide face mask ordinance 4-2 through April 30 in the event that Gov. Tony Evers’ statewide mandate

is either overturned or expires. Enforcement of the mask rule would be limited to referrals to the Winnebago County Health Department.

The ordinance requires face coverings of anyone ages 5 or older in buildings and other enclosed spaces, with exceptions.

• Moved forward 5-0-1 with implementing a poet laureate program for the city, which Convention & Visitor’s Bureau executive Amy Albright said could help better market the city.

• Decided on an infrequent forgivable loan program of \$60,000 through the Greater Oshkosh Economic Development Corp. to help attract and retain higher-paying jobs in the city.

• Discussed further development of the Riverwalk trail at the south shore east zone, ranging from Sixth Avenue to the Canadian National railroad tracks on South Main Street.

• Moved forward with a professional services agreement for the first phase of a four-seasons pavilion being built at the new Lakeshore Park.

## School resource officer retires from force

The Oshkosh Police Department said farewell to officer Mike Wissink after serving with them for more than 23 years.

Wissink was Oshkosh West High School’s resource officer since 2017 and was injured in December 2019 after being attacked by a student in his office.

## Oshkosh North High School

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# Oshkosh homebrewer's effort rises to top

By Lee Reiherzer  
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

Winning the Best of Show award at this year's Midwinter Homebrew Competition could have proven fatal for 37-year-old Oshkosh homebrewer Derek Gilbertson.

"I damn near had a heart attack when I saw my name at the top of the results page," Gilbertson says.

You would think he would be getting used to this kind of thing by now. Gilbertson has been entering his beer in competitions for the past three years and in that time has managed to pick up his share of awards. His most recent award, though, is easily the most coveted of the bunch.

Gilbertson's "Fuzzy Wuzzy" Barleywine, named as a salute to his dog Ginny, was chosen as the best beer from a field of 293 at last month's competition, which is sanctioned by the American Homebrewers Association and sponsored by the Beer Barons of Milwaukee homebrew club. It's among the largest regional competitions in the nation.

This year's event brought in beers from 41 states and was judged by a panel that included 20 certified beer judges.

Gilbertson describes his winning beer as having "a really malty backbone with a nice, pine-resin note on the back end from the hops. You also get a little heat in there from the alcohol."

The beer was over a year in the making and finished at 10 percent ABV. It's the sort of strong beer that Gilbertson has come to be known for among the family and friends he regularly shares his output with.



Submitted photo

Derek Gilbertson's home-based brewing operation is yielding some impressive results.

"I like making big beers with bold flavors," he says.

In six years, he's come a long way from that first brew made with a Mr. Beer Kit.

"It was terrible," he says. "I walked away from it saying I'm never doing that again. Then I was telling a friend of mine and he

said I needed to go get a real beer kit with good ingredients.

"I got my first real kit at The Cellar (an Oshkosh homebrew shop) and that one turned out pretty good. So, I thought I'd give it another try. After that, I just kept at it and started coming up with my own recipes. I fell in love with it."

Along the way, he began enlisting the help of local experts. Gilbertson met up with Shane and Laurel Coombs, the husband-and-wife team who operate Rushford Meadery & Winery in the Town of Rushford. The two of them also happen to be certified beer judges.

"I started taking my beer over there and asking them to be brutally honest about it," Gilbertson says. "My friends and family would all tell me they loved the beer - they've all been really supportive - but that's not the same as having someone who can really pick it apart. Shane and Laurel helped me a lot with their feedback



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The Best of Show award at the Midwinter Homebrew Competition held in Milwaukee went to Derek Gilbertson's barleywine.

and suggestions."

That ethos of working with what you have at hand continues to inform Gilbertson's love of beer making. He sources his ingredients at the homebrew shop and brews on a cobbled-together system that includes a 20-gallon kettle and propane-fueled turkey fryer. He's made his home serve as an oversized fermentation chamber, using its varying temperature ranges to influence the flavors produced during the fermentation process.

"I'm continually moving different vessels around the house," he says. "It started off as a little hobby and now we've got fermenters everywhere."

Gilbertson has dubbed his home brewery Easy Rider Brewing "because I also love riding motorcycles."

Gilbertson is preparing to take his hobby to the next level.

"I'm going to start doing some national competitions next year," he says.

His friends and family have encouraged him to go pro. "They keep telling me to open a brewpub," Gilbertson says. "I do parties a lot in the summertime where I'll smoke a bunch of brisket and have everybody over for barbecue and homebrew. We get together and have a good time."

Which is exactly what successful homebrewing is really all about.

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

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# Menominee Arena partnership with tribe to end

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Menominee Nation Arena is ending its partnership with the Wisconsin tribe and will be looking for a new sponsoring alliance as it slowly revives its event schedule that has been punished by the pandemic.

Menominee Nation tribal leaders said the decision to end the naming rights pact that began with the arena's opening in 2017 was part of a shift in their overall business operations after a year impacted by COVID-19. The agreement, which has given visibility to Menominee Nation and its enterprises in this area that they once inhabited, ends in April.

"We extend our gratitude for the partnership we have shared with the Menominee Nation Arena. This recent year has required many adjustments and modifications of how our tribal businesses operate," the tribe announced March 9.

"Menominee Casino Resort and Menominee Tribal Enterprises have made the decision to step back from our partnership with the Menominee Nation Arena and focus on our primary operations. We continue to hold Oshkosh, the Fox Valley and their communities with utmost importance, respect and high regards. Our



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Menominee Nation Arena will be taking on a new moniker with the ending of Fox Valley Pro Basketball's agreement with the Wisconsin tribe.

commitment to these communities and surrounding areas will continue."

The arena will work with Spectra Partnerships to allow the arena to "further break the industry mold, especially when it comes to in-arena entertainment," said Jason Fields, the arena's general manager. "Being based in Oshkosh – Event City – we have the opportunity to encourage our community and surrounding communities to be active through live entertainment and sports, with these great brands paving the way."

Fields said the arena "brings a tremendous value for a future naming rights partner," adding that they will work with Spec-

tra to identify that new partner.

"Working with (Spectra) will help us continue being a leader bringing positive change to Oshkosh, the Fox Valley and Wisconsin," Fields said.

A reorganization plan approved in August 2020 allowed arena owner Fox Valley Pro Basketball to recover from a bankruptcy filing in August 2019 after several investors filed lawsuits for unpaid bills.

Tribal officials expressed their continued support for their pact with the arena during the bankruptcy problems. Fields said the ongoing pandemic added to the financial challenges for both groups.

"COVID-19 brought its many struggles and hardships this past year impacting both of our properties," he said.

## White stepping down from Greater Oshkosh EDC post

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The Greater Oshkosh Economic Development Corp.'s chief executive announced his resignation last week.

Jason White has been the organization's only CEO since the organization launched in April 2015. White helped guide a three-year, \$1.8 million campaign while assembling its staff and creating a strategic plan.

White said he has accepted a new position in his home state of Iowa, where he will be closer to his extended family.

Ken Arneson, Greater Oshkosh-EDC board chair and chief executive of Evergreen Retirement Community, will lead transition efforts to find a replacement.

"Jason's efforts to take care of area companies, entrepreneurs and build workforce resulted in creating a stronger region," Arneson said. "The board wishes Jason well and will actively seek a new leader for Greater Oshkosh."

White said that he moved to the area six years ago for the opportunity to grow and build something new, and that he is "proud to leave the organization in a strong and respected position."

The Greater Oshkosh EDC is a private-public organization that works with the city and other groups to advance economic development in the greater Oshkosh area.

## Calendar of events

### Ongoing

"The Other Side: An Installation by Jennifer Angus," Paine Art Center, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday

"The Nostalgia Awakens: Vintage Star Wars Toy Display," Oshkosh Public Museum

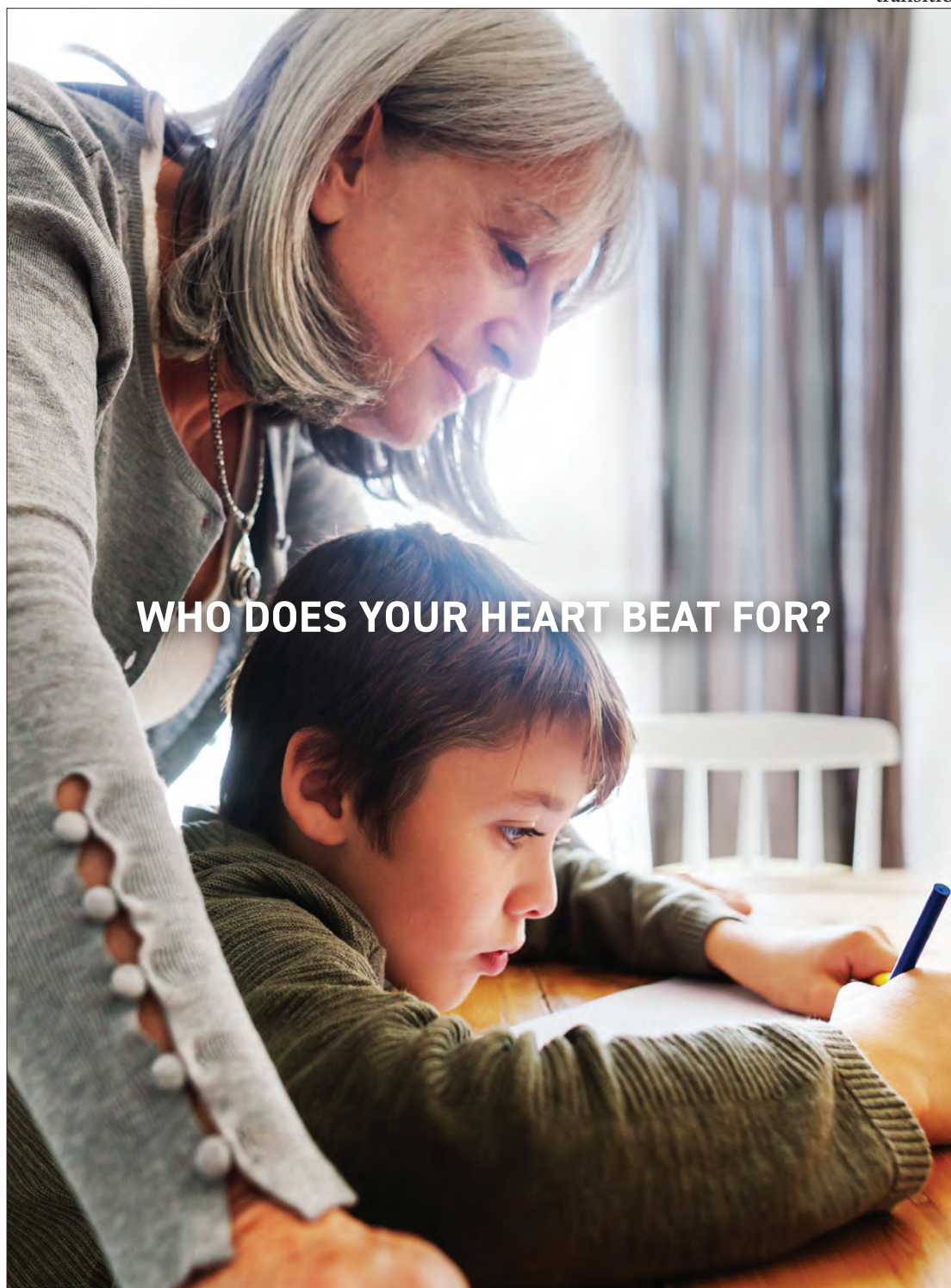
### Friday, March 19

Brendan Brooks in concert, 7 p.m., Dwelling 2:22, 222 Church Ave.

### Saturday, March 20

"The Goonies," 7 p.m., Time Community Theater, 445 N. Main St.

Oshkosh Farmers Market, 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Menominee Nation Arena



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## Hotel on the rise

Work progresses on the Townplace Suites Hotel by Marriott being constructed on Oshkosh Avenue near North Westfield Street. The 103-room, 60,000-square-foot hotel is scheduled to open in late fall or early next year.

# Lakeshore pavilion space could expand under plan

By Tom Ekvall  
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

The city's Advisory Park Board recommended approval of a plan to expand the four-season pavilion being proposed at Lakeshore Park to accommodate additional space for events in the assembly room.

Parks Director Ray Mauer said at the board's March 8 meeting that the original plan was to construct a 100-person building but could be expanded to serve 125 with a 150-person capacity including staff.

Mauer said Smith Group, designers of the Lakeshore Park concept, estimated the revised cost would be \$3,440,819 as compared with the original design estimate of \$3,163,340. The recommendation will go before the Common Council for approval.

The building could be rented for fami-

ly events, including receptions, birthday parties and graduations. Mauer added that the Parks Department will also plan activities that the public could participate in during the week.

The advisory board also approved a recommendation for kayakers and canoers to use dingy racks at Millers Bay that have been used for sailboat moorings with a proposed charge of \$50 per season for city residents and \$75 for nonresidents. Mauer said the use of the racks by sailboats has been declining in recent years. The city has eight racks that can each hold six boats.

Mauer also said the city is gearing up for reopening Pollock Community Water Park from June 12 through Aug. 18 with blocks of time allocated for specific activities. The first block of time would be from 10 to 11:30 a.m. for lap swimming.

The pool would close from 11:30 a.m. to noon to disinfect the pool area and reopen from noon to 3 p.m. for open swimming. The pool will close again from 3 to 4 to disinfect with a final open swim from 4 to 7 p.m. Attendance will be limited to 560 to 565 people per block of time.

He said other communities used this approach last year and found it to be successful. The Pollock pool was closed during 2020 because of the coronavirus pandemic.

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# Sports fundraising project draws support

By Kaitlyn Scoville  
OSHKOSH HERALD

Oshkosh North High School alumna and University of Wisconsin Oshkosh business student Sophia Artus created a GoFundMe campaign last Tuesday for her capstone “moving the needle” project.

After just hours of being live, the fundraiser reached more than half of its \$800 goal and has since been completed.

“To me, moving the needle means to make a difference,” Artus said. “If I can do something for a cause that will make a positive impact, I feel as though I am making the needle move.”

After researching many ways to give

back to the community, she came across a news story written about the Adapted Sports League in the Oshkosh Area School District.

“(It) struck a chord with me because I felt it was a great addition to OASD’s sports system,” Artus explained. “I feel this fills a void in the sports program for students that might otherwise not be able to participate in sports. I was excited to help draw more attention to the Adapted Sports League and assist with funding the needs and goals to get the program up and running.”

For her capstone project, she decided to help the league purchase hockey gear bags.

The school district implemented the Adapted Sports League in 2017 to allow for special-needs or disabled students to participate in school sports.

Artus added that any funds raised after the cost of the hockey bags will be donated to the program for future necessities.

“I am thrilled about the response I have gotten so far from my fundraising,” she said. “I just want to thank everyone who has donated to this program and I am thankful to be able to help the Adapted Sports League.”

For those interested in donating, search “Moving the Needle Capstone Project – Sophia Artus” on gofundme.com.



Submitted photo

Sophia Artus initiated a project to support the Adapted Sports League in the Oshkosh Area School District.

## COVID-19 Relief Fund gets recognition

Oshkosh Area United Way has awarded the Sue Panek Community Impact Award to the Oshkosh COVID-19 Relief Fund. The annual award is presented to an individual or group that directly impacts the community and comes with a \$1,000 donation to continue its mission.

The fund has raised more than \$200,000 to support the community with resources and personal protective equipment to combat the coronavirus and promote health and wellness. The Sue Panek Community Impact Award

and its donation will help more community members throughout the pandemic.

This community award was named in honor of Panek, who served as OAUW’s executive director for 25 years. She dedicated her career to identifying needs, bringing together partners and engaging the community to find solutions to social issues.

“The COVID-19 Relief Fund is finding ways to help with urgent and intense needs in our community,” stated Oshkosh Area United Way Board Chair Michael Rust.

## Father Carr’s Place 2B will host drive-thru Easter meal

Father Carr’s Place 2B will offer an Easter meal drive-thru from 10 a.m. to noon April 4 at 1062 N. Koeller St. Advance reservations are required by March 29.

Individuals can request multiple meals for those in their household or fellow neighbors in need when making a reservation, which can be made at 920-231-2378.

Father Carr’s will also be coordinating group meal deliveries to seven select low-income local apartment complexes for those unable to access the drive-thru. There will be no in-person dining or residential deliveries this year.

“Our thoughts and prayers continue to be with our community, especially those

who are struggling this year,” said John Nieman, Father Carr’s executive director. “We are so grateful for the countless volunteers and donors that make this event and our mission possible, and we look forward to safely serving our community on Easter Sunday.”

The organization is in need of donations of canned corn, brown sugar, packaged Easter treats and candy, and packaged or store-bought Easter cookies. Father Carr’s is also asking for donations of handmade Easter cards, which will be placed with each meal order. Donations can be dropped off at the Mother Teresa Center.

## State of the City program online Monday

The State of the City annual address is set for 7 p.m. Monday in an online format that will highlight progress in the community over the past year and recognize organizations and individual efforts.

The program will air on Oshkosh Media’s Facebook page and Gov TV channel, Spectrum channel 10, U-verse channel 99 and other broadband services viewed through the Oshkosh Media app.



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# City road projects getting underway on 9th, Oregon

Oshkosh Herald

The city is notifying residents of street construction projects that are beginning with the spring season.

West 9th Avenue is being reconstructed from Oakwood Road to Linden Oaks Drive and the storm sewer will be upgraded on West 9th from Oakwood to Sawyer Creek. The general contractor for the reconstruction project that started this week is Dorner Inc.

Sanitary sewer and laterals, water main and laterals, and storm sewer and laterals will be installed, replaced or repaired as needed before placing concrete pavement. New sidewalk will be installed within the project limits, and new concrete driveway aprons will be constructed.

Additionally, a developer recently approached the city regarding a residential development near Clairville Road and West 9th. With this project, it has been determined the sanitary sewer and water main could be most effectively installed by Dorner while performing the West 9th Avenue work.

Another road project involves the Oregon Street and Fond du Lac Road sanitary interceptor sewer. The general contractor is Advance Construction, which anticipates closing Fond du Lac Road and beginning construction next week. Advanced warning signs will be in place before the closure.

A sanitary interceptor sewer will be constructed on Oregon Street from West 28th Avenue to West Waukau Avenue,

and to relay a sanitary interceptor sewer on Fond du Lac Road from the West 28th Avenue pump station to the Waukau Avenue pump station. This will eliminate the Waukau Avenue pump station.

Sanitary sewer and laterals, water main and laterals, and storm sewer and laterals will be installed, replaced or repaired before the concrete pavement patch. New sidewalk will be installed on Oregon (west side) from West 29th to West Waukau, and on West Waukau (south side) from Oregon to the Gallups/Merritts Creek bridge. Additionally, this project will construct a new Oregon Street Gallups/Merritts Creek culvert crossing.

Limestone bedrock was encountered throughout the project, which will require specialized excavation and blasting. SX Blasting will conduct an inventory of nearby properties to establish a baseline condition of the properties for which the contractor will be held responsible. Technicians will notify residents and visually inspect and document the exterior and interior of their property, including underground areas.

City officials said SX Blasting will work with the residents to schedule an inspection time convenient for them. Residents may accompany the inspector during the tour. The project is expected to last through November.

To sign up for emailed construction updates, send a blank email to [contract21-03-subscribe@lists.ci.oshkosh.wi.us](mailto:contract21-03-subscribe@lists.ci.oshkosh.wi.us).



Photo by Michael Cooney

## Sandhill gathering

Sandhill cranes have made their first appearance in the fields and marshes west of Oshkosh with warmer weather. The cranes are on the move in fall and spring when they migrate to and from Florida, where they spend winter months. They return to Wisconsin's marshes in March. Cranes select a mate when they are 4 years old and live as many as 25 to 30 years with the same one.

## NAMI revives 5K run for mental health

The NAMI Oshkosh 5K for Mental Health and Suicide Awareness will be one of the first events to return to Oshkosh set for May 1. Last year's event by the National Alliance on Mental Illness was held virtually because of the pandemic.

NAMI Oshkosh will be hosting its annual fundraiser at Oshkosh North High School. Although some changes will be in place because of current health limitations, this year's event will be similar to previous 5K runs and walks.

"The biggest change in our fundraiser this year will be a slight change in loca-

tion" said Sara Muhlbauer, board of directors president. The program will be in the North parking lot and social distancing will be observed with masks required.

"Although our route will be the same, we will feature a staggered start to avoid the crowd at the starting line," she said.

Popular parts of the event, such as a memorial wall, information booths, music and a speaker are planned. Participants will still get a T-shirt and a gift pack. Entrants can register as individuals or as part of a team.

Register at [runsignup.com](http://runsignup.com) or on the NAMI website at [namioshosh.org](http://namioshosh.org).

## Fox Valley Comedy schedules live shows

Fox Valley Comedy is planning two comedy shows, the first on April 9 at Bare Bones Brewery and another April 23 at Appleton Beer Factory, with reduced capacity requirements.

The comedy showcase at Bare Bones

features five regional stand-up comics: Nathan Metz, Jim Sharky, Two Beers With Nathan, Chuck Charles host Jim Berry. Doors open at 6 p.m.

Tickets are \$14 online or \$20 at the door. Two-person VIP packages are \$50.

## National school fundraising program offered

The Oshkosh Area School District's Education Foundation will participate in a national Give-Education Day program March 24, a 24-hour fundraiser aimed at helping public schools.

The fundraising effort is being led by

Alumni Nations, an organization that helps schools, school districts and foundations engage their alumni and other constituents. Participants are eligible for prize opportunities. Registration information is at [give-education.com/giving-events](http://give-education.com/giving-events).



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# Legislators, council talk about state funding limits

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Local state legislators met with city officials Thursday to discuss spending support in Madison, including what will be in the upcoming 2021-23 biennial budget, among other local issues in which the state has a controlling role.

City Manager Mark Rohloff led by showing Wisconsin Policy Forum statistics where cities like Oshkosh have been covering costs for services at state-owned locations such as Winnebago Correctional Center, UW Oshkosh and Fox Valley Technical College. He said the city ab-

sorbs police, fire and waste removal costs on state properties without being reimbursed – almost \$2 million was unfunded in 2019 – while not being able to assess property taxes on those locations.

State Rep. Gordon Hintz, a Democrat representing the 54th District; and Rep. Michael Schraa, a Republican serving the 53rd District; both expected state spending restraints will accompany ongoing budget discussions in the Republican-controlled Legislature. Gov. Tony Evers released his budget proposal Feb. 16 that will be reviewed by the Legislative

Joint Committee on Finance.

The state's county and municipal aid payments has been in steady decline for the last decade, with property taxes now funding 40 percent of local governments and shared revenues at around 20 percent.

Outside of any direct state spending increases, Hintz said the recently signed American Rescue Plan Act will offer some relief for local governments, while Schraa said removing pandemic restrictions will begin to draw more investment back into the community.

City officials also expressed concern over a legislative bill that would remove personal property from tax rolls and leave municipalities looking for ways to fill that gap with only general promises by the state to "backfill" that assessment loss. Finance director Russ Van Gompel said about 3 percent of the city's property tax value is in the form of personal property.

Hintz and Schraa both spoke about local concerns over transitional residential housing for sex offenders and neighbors' claims of violations within the De-

partment of Corrections' Chapter 980 program. Local and state officials in the online forum conceded they had limited authority over the program besides focusing on any violations when considering renewal of the housing contract next March.

City officials also asked for more state support for organizations that deal with homelessness, which Schraa said could be sought in the developing state budget so that smaller cities like Oshkosh were given more consideration.

In response to a question on whether marijuana reform will gain any traction in the budget, Schraa and Hintz both said legalization proposals by Evers would not have the needed support by Republicans. Decriminalization efforts will have the most potential but could override what some municipalities have already done as far as reduced fines.

Hintz said other steps toward eventual legalization would help the state better regulate the drug and educate residents while taking the burden off law enforcement resources.

## New North names co-chair, digital alliance members

Michelle Schuler has been named the new co-chair of New North Inc., taking over for Vicki Updike, who will remain a member of the organization's board of directors and executive committee.

Schuler, who has more than two decades of strategic economic development and entrepreneurial experience, joined the New North board in 2018 and was named as secretary on the executive committee in August 2020. She becomes the sixth co-chair in the 16-year history of the regional marketing and economic development corporation.

Schuler has served as manager of TechSpark Wisconsin at Microsoft since July 2017.

In a separate announcement, the organization's NEW Digital Alliance Executive Committee named new members Rob Kleman, senior vice president of economic development for the Oshkosh Chamber of Commerce; Mike Bertello, vice president for business technologies at

Faith Technologies; and Josh Djupstrom Sr., director of information technologies at J. J. Keller & Associates.

Kleman is lead staff person for Amplify Oshkosh, a consortium formed to create awareness of opportunities surrounding all aspects of technology in the Oshkosh region. Alliance director Kim Iversen says, "We have collaborated with Amplify since the launch of the NEW Digital Alliance. I am happy to have Rob's experience in creating vibrant community partnerships on the executive committee."

Kleman has served on the board and executive committee of New North, as well as the Fox Valley Workforce Development Board.

Bertello brings more than 25 years of experience in digital technology, strategy and leadership to the committee. A graduate of Eastern Illinois University and University of Wisconsin Oshkosh, Bertello worked at Kimberly-Clark and Accenture Consulting before joining Faith Technologies.

Djupstrom is responsible for SAP development and the infrastructure required to support all applications throughout J. J. Keller. He previously worked for Kimberly-Clark and SAP.



Schuler

## Food Co-op hits 1,500 milestone

The Oshkosh Food Co-op reached 1,500 member-owners last week, a 50 percent increase in membership since November 2019 when it announced its future home at Jackson Street and Pearl Avenue.

"1,500 is a magic number for the co-op," said Jeffrey Thouron, general manager. "It demonstrates the wide support and confidence people in our community have for the project. That support will be vital to the store as we move toward opening the doors. Members tend to put mission over margin to help the co-op deliver real com-

munity benefit."

The Oshkosh Food Co-op began offering membership shares in 2013, and developed the strategic plan based on membership goals. The business plan was developed when the co-op reached 500 member-owners in May 2017.

Continued membership growth will be important to the store as it moves toward opening in the third quarter of this year. Members and nonmembers will be welcome to shop there.

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# Veterans urged to get support for mental health

By Laurie Schlosser  
UW OSHKOSH TODAY

After enduring heartbreaking news that another area veteran had taken their life, a University of Wisconsin Oshkosh team has formed to try to prevent more tragedies.

The family of armed forces veterans connected to UW Oshkosh has been hit particularly hard in recent months.

Timber Smith, Veterans Resource Center (VRC) coordinator and a veteran of the U.S. Army Reserve, vowed to focus on mental health and suicide prevention after the loss of several service members—each at their own hands. He has a difficult time in particular with the loss of a veteran who earlier had reached out to him in crisis.

“I felt like I failed him,” Smith said. “He killed himself and he came to me for help.”

Smith said he took some time to grieve and “get his own stuff together” regarding the loss and then rallied support for #UnitedWeStand. The VRC and Counseling Center are partnering on the mental health awareness campaign across all three UWO campuses that encourages veterans to take the first steps toward open and honest conversations about mental health. Learn more at [uwo.sh/veterans](http://uwo.sh/veterans).

Veronica Warren, UWO Counseling Center associate director, said active and inactive military personnel may find it challenging to seek mental health services for a variety of reasons. Cultural messages and stigma, she said, may imply that the mission is more important than an individual's distress.

“They may hear messaging of ‘suck it up and get back in line’ and possibly experi-

ence fear of their superiors or units finding out that they are seeking support for their mental health,” Warren said. “We want to encourage them that there is strength and courage in taking care of their psychological and emotional well-being. There are partners who want to support them in this journey for wellness.”

Smith said service members may fear that mental health issues will derail a military career. The UWO Counseling Center can provide “safe help” that won't directly affect your military record.

Gail Larson, student accounts financial specialist at UWO, is among three generations of U.S. Air Force veterans. She as well as both of her parents, her husband and their two sons were or are in the Air Force.

Larson strongly supports the UWO mental health awareness campaign and hopes young people in the military can change the culture and stigma.

“I wish someone had told me that being healthy mentally affects your whole being and outlook on life,” she said. “And that struggling in silence or pushing things back into the dark and hoping they will just go away is not the best way to deal with life's struggles.”

Richard Roehrick, a native of Winnebago who had active-duty service in the U.S. Marines from 2009 to 2017, is a strong ally for veterans and cares for their mental health. A recent graduate of the UWO Executive Master of Business Administration program, he did a final presentation project focused on the topic.

“I would like to tell my brothers and sisters that you are not alone. Barriers, struggles, pain, post-traumatic stress, anx-

ety and panic happen to high-level leaders and world-class athletes,” Roehrick said. “We are not alone. These crucibles of life can happen at any time. You may find yourself dealing with depression or panic years after your (contract ends). There are so many resources to help you: Mission22, the VetCenter and more.”

Roehrick said there will be days when you are “on top of the world” and the next may be “the darkest day of your life.”

His advice is to practice resiliency every day and make a plan. Exercise daily, try meditation, deep breathing and don't be afraid to expose your weaknesses. He suggests decreasing inflammatory foods including starches, gluten, sugar and alcohol. He encourages vets to join groups focused on enriching veterans' lives.

Aaron Kloss, UWO graduation examiner, served 17 years in the Army National Guard with three deployments to Iraq.

“I know that I was impacted and there are still days where I struggle,” he said. “On those days, I look at my children and wife or I call my friends who were there with me. This helps to remind me why I continue to fight on every day.”

Kloss stressed that anyone wishing to talk should get in touch with the VRC or the Counseling Center staff, visit his office at Dempsey 130 or call him at 920-424-1092.

“The person who understands what you are going through may be through the next door or around the corner and they might be looking for you too,” he said. “It is OK to ask for help along the way.”

UWO senior Morgan Ringeisen is set to graduate in May with a degree in engineering technology. He served with the Wisconsin Army National Guard and had a tour of duty in Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Ringeisen said society needs to normalize people seeking help.

“An old boss of mine once told me, ‘You have no issues seeing a doc for a broken bone—why not see a doc for mental pain?’ That stuck with me. It's not crazy to

get help with your head,” he said. “What's crazy is doing nothing about it.”

Ringeisen said anyone thinking about the possibility of getting help should just do it. The more he has opened up to others about seeking help for mental health, the more he has learned that many of his friends and family have sought help themselves.

Art Munin, UWO dean of students and interim vice chancellor for student affairs, said the support and care of veteran students are a top priority for the UWO community. Doors are open for students at the VRC, Counseling Center or Dean of Students Office.

“It can be so very difficult to take that step, admit we need help and reach out,” he said. “I understand that. But we want to help you thrive, be successful and achieve your dreams.”

Munin said people connected to veterans do not need to wait for them to make the first move.

“Call them. Check in. Let them know you care,” he said. “And most importantly, draw in other helpful resources should they call you in significant need.”

The statistics are grim. On average, approximately 10 veterans in Wisconsin die by suicide every month—nearly twice the national overall rate.

Statistics show that U.S. veterans make up nearly 7 percent of the population, but are 14 percent of yearly suicides. The Veterans Administration reports about 20 U.S. veterans die by suicide every day.

Studies show 50 percent of veterans deployed after 9/11 and 25 percent of pre-9/11 veterans report having a negative impact on their mental health.

Veteran mental health is a priority and UWO veterans are standing united to help each other in the challenge.

Roehrick offers these words: “You are worthy. You are strong. We need you here. I need you here. Stay focused and work on you today. Never quit.”



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# Student health

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“Once we got into January, all of their work ethic kind of went out the window.”

Beyond participation in school, Burger noticed a difference in her children’s behavior.

“There was definitely a change in them – they will have shorter tempers,” she said. “I think they were all getting sick of seeing me and having me in the position of getting them to their meetings and telling them to do things.”

Burger said her sons are happier now that they’re back in person, but “not quite the way it was before.”

“I don’t have to force them to get up and get ready for school, and when they all come out at the end of the day, they’re all smiling,” she said. “They’re still a little bit short with each other. I think they’ve spent so much time together for the last year and being in school is a reprieve from being with them.”

Burger said she didn’t sit down with her kids to talk with them about their mental health but said she has done it in passing.

At least once a month there were optional behavioral interventions at Traeger. Burger explained it as kind of a “meet and greet” with parents with different topics each time to take up different mental struggles. She chose not to go to these meetings herself because she was busy with other things.

However, she said she was pleased with Traeger’s teachers and their communication.

“They were amazing; I’ve been very happy with our school,” she said. “They were always good at communicating with us as parents. Nobody’s ever done anything like this before – we’re all trying to learn together how to do this. Teachers are working hard; we’re working hard and it’s very much OK to feel this way.”

Tara-Gray Seymour has a fourth-grader who transferred from Lourdes Academy to Oaklawn Elementary School during COVID due to her dyslexia and attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD).

When online classes started, Seymour could tell a difference in her daughter’s emotional demeanor.

“When COVID started, I definitely could tell it hit her. She didn’t get to socialize,” Seymour explained. “I think it really messed with her. Mentally, it took a lot out of her because she’s so much more withdrawn. Before COVID, she was always active.”

After school, Seymour said that her house would be full of neighbor children before COVID. Now, her daughter Neala seems a bit more reserved with higher anxiety due to the pandemic.

“There’s something different. I noticed it in how she interacts with her friends,” Seymour said. “She doesn’t seem to be as quick to have the imagination, as quick to engage in conversation. She doesn’t really seem to have that spunk.”

Seymour said neither Lourdes nor Oaklawn have addressed anything directly about mental health aside from counselors doing some activities.

“It’s almost like some adults seem to have completely dropped the ball on what it must be like for somebody who’s 10,” she said.

She explained that she sits down with her daughter regularly to talk about her emotions.

“I would say to her that nobody knows how to deal with it and that everybody is experiencing (COVID) differently,” Seymour said.



Photo from OASD

Oakwood Elementary students are shown in the classroom equipped with health precautions.

Julisa Litvinskas has a kindergartener and fifth-grader who both attend Oakwood.

“My children have always been very confident, happy, social kids,” Litvinskas said.

When COVID began and her fifth-grader went to online learning, however, she noticed a difference in his moods and behaviors.

“Despite having wonderful teachers who provided a ton of support, I began to notice a drastic change,” she said. “My extremely social fifth-grader was now spending hours in his room, alone, staring at a screen. He admitted that he felt very lonely.”

“When they announced the return to hybrid, I thought he would be excited but he wasn’t. When I asked him why, he said, ‘Online school isn’t that bad. I really don’t need friends that much anyway.’”

The district put out a newsletter weekly to recognize the struggle of mental health, but Litvinskas said this was after complaints from parents.

“Oakwood had twice-weekly meetings with the school counselor for every class during virtual learning, right from the start, which was very helpful,” she added, but “I do not feel that the district addressed possible mental health effects until parents started complaining.”

Litvinskas said there has been a significant improvement in her children’s emotions since returning to school.

“My son seems more like the happy-go-lucky kid he was before, is excited for sports and friends again and has told me that it ‘feels good to actually be doing something every day instead of feeling like a failure at life,’ and my daughter is much more like her cheerful self,” she said.

Despite the shift in her children’s well-being, she feels that Oakwood was “on the ball” in dealing with these issues with students.

OASD director of pupil services Matthew Kaemmerer said the district has a comprehensive mental health framework called the Rise Up Program, which targets students who are struggling with mental health, provides direct services to them and educates students, staff and community.

He said the district is partnered with Catalpa Health to offer clinical therapy to students and with Samaritan Counseling to conduct wellness screenings.

In addition to those two pieces, they have a full slate of school counselors and psychologists throughout the district to consider the psychological needs and mental well-being of their students.

“Social isolation was the biggest concern and that in itself can have a major impact on anybody’s mental health, more or

less adolescents,” Kaemmerer said.

He said that one finding so far is that though more students participated in the wellness screening, they had fewer screen positive for social and emotional challenges.

“I think the reason for that is probably because those who participated are those who are most engaged and are probably less likely to have social and emotional concern,” he said. “But (the screenings are) really our only way to collectively gauge the mental health of our students.”

Kaemmerer said there was a trend of increased anxiety and depression among students.

Though, “one of the ironic things is when we moved to a virtual setting, students’ mental health improved,” he said. “When we talk to parents, they’d say that being at school was really the catalyst for

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some of their challenges.

“I don’t think that’s the majority of students; I think the majority of kids were probably negatively affected by not being in school.”

Kaemmerer said there was a “drastic increase” in the number of students participating in the Rise Up clinical therapy, “which is good. People are reaching out for help if they know they need it.”

He added that as schools moved from fully online, to hybrid, to full-time in person, the mental health staff in the district have been able to change their methods to suit students’ needs.

“I think there’s a lot of screen fatigue for our students. Asking them to do something else online after the hours of screen time for school was something that a lot of students just weren’t willing to do,” Kaemmerer said. “The mental health supports that we have are much more effective in person, and I’m glad that we’re at a place now where we can provide that to students.”

Going forward, Kaemmerer said that he has high hopes that district students will be resilient.

“I’m hoping that our students are able to bounce back and resume life as normal, even though it’s not normal yet,” he said. “As the case rate continues to drop, more adults get vaccinated and students are able to get vaccinated, that fear and anxiety of contracting COVID will decrease dramatically. I think there are going to be lingering effects though from the in-person instruction and social opportunities that have been missed.”

For more information on the school district’s mental health services, visit [oshkosh.k12.wi.us](http://oshkosh.k12.wi.us) and go to Student Services from the District tab. Scroll down and look for Mental Health Resources on left.

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# City reports drop in 2020 crash reports

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Last year's car incident report for the city shows a continued decrease across the board with crashes, injuries, fatalities and bike- and pedestrian-related incidents.

Jim Collins, Oshkosh's director of transportation, used data from the University of Wisconsin traffic operation safety lab portal and an East Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission crash dashboard to assess the data between 2019 and 2020.

Since roundabouts were installed around the city, both crashes and injuries started to decline. There were 1,009 vehicle crashes in 2020 versus 1,259 in 2019.

Collins said that after initial installation the number of crashes at roundabouts increased but their severity declined.

Overall, injuries declined from 354 in 2019 to 313 last year, and fatalities decreased from three to two.

Bike-involved crashes went from 16 in 2019 to 11, and pedestrian-involved crashes went from 23 to 16.

Collins said hard conclusions can't be drawn in correlation to these declining numbers because of the pandemic's impact.



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High school students get an opportunity to step into the working world with Oshkosh Corp.'s School to Work program.

## School-to-work program offers skills, credit

Oshkosh Corp. will be hosting a virtual event Tuesday for high school students about the company's School to Work program planned for the 2021-2022 school

year.

The program allows high school students from Oshkosh North and West to attend class and work at an Oshkosh Defense facility for part of their day. Each student will receive on-the-job training and a mentor.

Students also have the opportunity to attend Fox Valley Technical College to take relevant courses such as welding and fabrication.

"We are committed to helping young people grow and kickstart their careers," said Jodie Larsen, Oshkosh Corp. vice president of community engagement. "Our School to Work program allows students to get real world experience while earning high school credit at the same time."

The virtual event will take place at 5:45 p.m. Tuesday. To register, visit [bit.ly/SchooltoWorkMarch23](http://bit.ly/SchooltoWorkMarch23).

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# New Wellness Plus program promoted

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The class will include at-home techniques and exercises to prevent or improve symptoms, and tools to help set goals and mark progress.

Sessions will be held at the Seniors Center South building, 200 N. Campbell Road, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. April 1, 15 and 29. The cost is \$15 and includes workbook and snacks.

Call the Winnebago County Health Department to register at 920-232-3000. Class size is limited to eight.

Wellness Plus is also looking for community involvement in assisting with the classes through collaboration, facilitating, hosting and donating toward materials.

The health programs provide self-management tools for fall prevention, dealing with chronic conditions, overall physical activity and strategies for family caregivers. Each of the programs also has a social connection focus that also enhances the participants' quality of life.

Volunteers are needed to join the collaboration through bimonthly or quarterly meetings, being trained as a facilitator for at least one program each year, hosting a class in a space large enough for about 14 people with bathroom access and parking, and providing funds for class materials, training and healthy snacks.

Program coordinator Joanne Murphy Spice said that since the start of the coalition in 2017 it has brought five new programs to the county, trained six facilitators and aided at least 1,600 participants.

For more information go to [winnebago-publichealth.org](http://winnebago-publichealth.org).

# Lifest leader Lenz to speak at EIL event

Excellence in Leadership's next speaker event is set for April 20 with Lifest organizer Bob Lenz as the featured guest.

Registration for the event that begins at 11:45 a.m. can be made at [eilgroup.org](http://eilgroup.org).

Lenz, chief executive of Life Promotions, is considered one of the nation's top Christian communicators. He shares his

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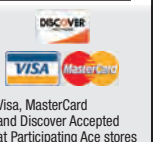
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# West falls to Lightning in volleyball matchup

By Dustin Riese  
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With volleyball moving to spring, the Oshkosh West girls team was hoping to make the most of an abbreviated season. Now halfway through the year, the Wildcats entered Thursday night's match with an unbeaten record, facing off with Appleton North who also was undefeated.

Neither team had lost a single set to that point. Expecting a highly competitive match from two of the better teams in the FVA, fans were greeted to a great battle in which the first three sets were decided by four or fewer points.

With North leading 2-1, the Wildcats needed to win the fourth set to force a decisive fifth but the Lightning put it away 25-8 as they handed the Wildcats their first loss 3-1.

Both sides came out firing. The front line of Randi Wellhoefer, Brianna Davis and Natalie Johanknecht gave the Lightning fits in the early going as they took care of the net. North was able to rally back and take an early lead ahead of a monster kill from Davis to tie things up at 6. Trailing 15-13 midway through the first set, the Wildcats started to find their groove as they managed to take a one-point lead.

Once again North was able to respond as Ella Demetrician was taking over from a service side of things. Add in a couple of Brianna Cantrell kills and North was

back in front with points becoming hard to come by. Despite some great play from Eva Beeth to set up the offense, West was unable to come back, dropping set one 25-22.

Unlike the first set that saw both teams go back and forth, it was the Wildcats turning up the intensity as they raced out to a quick 3-0 lead. That lead grew to 8-4 before the Lightning went on a nice run of their own to make things 9-9. West responded again as the trio on the front line was doing damage with Johanknecht setting the tone for the 13-9 Wildcats lead.

As usual, North had a trio of tall girls up front and it was Cantrell getting back in on the action by picking up a couple of nice blocks to close within 13-11. With both sides tied at 18, a Demetrician kill gave North the advantage. Then trailing 20-19, the Lightning started to put together some set pieces that resulted in positive results. A Karissa Fortune kill was the difference as North took a 2-0 lead after the 25-21 win.

Berkley Mischler put West in an early 3-0 hole to start the third set. The Wildcats responded with Morgan Yenter setting things up for the front line to help West take a 5-3 lead. Now tied at nine after a Johanknecht kill, the Wildcats began to get into one of their better stretches of the night.

From the play up front from Johanknecht, Randi Wellhoefer, Davis and Yenter, the rest of the Wildcats were able to get going with Rachel Mueller now playing



Photo by Jim Koepnick

Oshkosh West senior Brianna Davis spikes the ball against two Appleton North defenders in Thursday's Fox Valley Association contest.

a big role on set pieces. That allowed the Wildcats to grab the 17-13 lead only to see Cantrell bring North back to make things 20-18.

Unlike the previous two sets, the Wildcats wouldn't let this one get away as the kills started to pile up ahead of the Wellhoefer block as West took set three 25-21.

The Wildcats clearly had more confidence after picking up the set win. To counter that confidence, North's Bella Van Lannen and Natalie Johnston controlled the front as they put West in a quick 6-0

hole. Hoping to get the offense going for West, Lauren Troudt picked up a kill in her own right, but the team was still down 7-2.

With Mischler and Cantrell dictating the net, they put the Lightning in front 12-3.

Once again, the Wildcats looked to counter the Lightning as Davis was playing a role up front to make things 12-5. That would be as close as West would get with the Lightning relying on Ella Weber and Cantrell down the stretch to close out the match on a 13-3 run handing the Wildcats a 25-8 set four loss.

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# Titans guard repeats as conference player of year

Senior University of Wisconsin Oshkosh basketball guard Leah Porath was named Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference player of the year for the second straight season to lead league champion UW Oshkosh's selections on the 2021 all-conference team.

Porath led the WIAC in scoring for the second consecutive year, averaging 18.7 points per game this season after 17.5 points a year ago.

UW Oshkosh senior guard Julia Siloway joined Porath on the 10-member 2021 All-WIAC First Team while Titans senior forward Nikki Arneson, junior guard Abby Kaiser and senior center Karsyn Rueth were among 11 players named to the All-WIAC Honorable Mention Team.

UW Oshkosh freshman guard Kennedy Osterman shared WIAC Newcomer of the Year accolades with UW-Stout freshman guard Anna Mutch. Sophomore forward



Porath

Maci Grade represented the Titans on the WIAC All-Sportsmanship Team.

Kaiser and Siloway were also named to the five-member WIAC All-Defensive Team for a UW-Oshkosh squad that led the league in scoring defense at 58

points allowed per game. The Titans also paced the conference in field goal percentage (.455), made 3-pointers (83), assists per game (13.7), assist-to-turnover ratio (1.09) and average scoring margin (+12.7).

Porath, the fifth repeat winner of WIAC Player of the Year accolades, helped UW Oshkosh (9-2) win the WIAC East Division and both the conference regular season and tournament titles. The WIAC regular season title was the Titans' record-extending 14th in program history

while the postseason championship was UW Oshkosh's record-tying seventh overall, third consecutive and sixth in the past eight years.

Porath, who surpassed 1,000 career points in the season finale, averaged a team-leading 6.5 rebounds per game to go along with 2.1 assists and 1.0 steals per contest while shooting 53.4 percent from the floor, 33.3 percent from 3-point range

and 76.9 percent at the free throw line.

UW-Eau Claire's Tonja Englund was named WIAC Coach of the Year. UW-Platteville senior forward Maiah Domask received the WIAC's Judy Kruckman Scholar-Athlete award.

UW Oshkosh concluded the 2021 season with its 74-58 home victory over UW-Whitewater in the WIAC Championship title game March 5.

## Ruedinger, Burns tops in Trailways

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The Trailways-East Conference recently released its all-conference teams and to no surprise, Lourdes Academy's Preston Ruedinger was named player of the year for the second straight season.

Ruedinger, who helped Lourdes win its first WIAA title, averaged 25.8 points, 6.9 rebounds and 4.6 assists per game. He helped Lourdes win 19 of its last 20 games as the Knights finished with a 25-5 record.

Ruedinger has earned first-team all-Trailways in all four years as a Knight. He was also recently named to the Wisconsin Basketball Coaches Association first team all-state in Division 5.

Joining Ruedinger on first team was senior Josh Bauer, who averaged 14.1 points and 5.3 rebounds per game. It's the second straight year he has earned first team.

Seniors Jack McKellips and Jack Hui-zenga made second-team all-conference while Valley Christian junior Alexandros Giannopoulos and senior Elijah Wade earned honorable mention.

On the girls side, Lourdes senior Hope Burns was also named player of the year af-

ter a season where she led the team averaging 16.6 points, six rebounds and 3.1 steals per game while hitting 69 3-point shots.

This is Burns' second time being named to the first team while she made honorable mention as a sophomore.

Sophomore Molly Moore finished second-team all-conference after averaging 10.3 points, 6.7 rebounds and a team-high 4.4 assists per game. Freshman Charley Mullen earned honorable mention.

## North senior Keago earns all-state honors

Oshkosh North senior Jalen Keago earned Wisconsin Basketball Coaches Association honorable mention all-state honors after the teams were recently announced last week.

Keago came in first in the Fox Valley Association in scoring at 23.5 points per game while grabbing 8.6 rebounds per game – good for second in the FVA. The senior shot 54 percent from the field while shooting an outstanding 44 percent from three-point range.

## Prep sports roundup

### GIRLS SWIMMING

#### West edges Lightning in close dual meet

The Oshkosh West girls swim team edged Appleton North on Thursday, picking up a 92-91 Fox Valley Association win.

Earning wins for the Wildcats were Lillie Arps in the 200 free (2:01.90), Alyssa Casey in diving (178.05), Addy Hirsbrunner in the 100 fly (1:00.46) and Caitie Schneider in the 500 free (5:27.21).

Also victorious was the 200 free relay team (Melana Zeinert, Claire Salzer, Car-

ly Salzer and Schneider). The foursome finished with a time of 1:45.34.

### GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

#### Spartans come up empty against West Terrors

The Oshkosh North girls volleyball team lost a Fox Valley Association contest on Friday, falling 3-0 to Appleton West.

There were no statistics available for the Spartans, who drop to 0-4 this season.

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# Titans baseball hoping odd 2020 leads to great 2021

By Dustin Riese  
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

Now in his eighth year leading the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh baseball program, Kevin Tomasiewicz has been all about creating a strong program built on strong tradition. Although the results haven't always been there on paper, the Titans continue to play hard for him as they look to make the move toward the top of the league in 2021.

With a young team in 2020, Tomasiewicz knew they would go through some growing pains early on. That was evident in their 2-4 start, which is where things ended in 2020 with COVID-19 shutting down the remainder of the season.

"It has been an odd year," Tomasiewicz said. "At the time of the shutdown, I think we were all just concentrating on what was happening in the world and baseball came second. When we started to go a month or two into the pandemic, we all started missing the game and the comradery of being with the team. As the year progressed things started to get back to normal."

"Due to protocols, you don't spend as much time with your players talking and conversing about non-baseball topics. Now that we are in the season...it feels like normal again and we are looking forward to playing."

Getting back to normal is a huge step for everyone and for the NCAA and WIAC the spring season is the first sign of normal in more than a year. Not only has the WIAC made the decision to push through with spring sports, but the NCAA is also

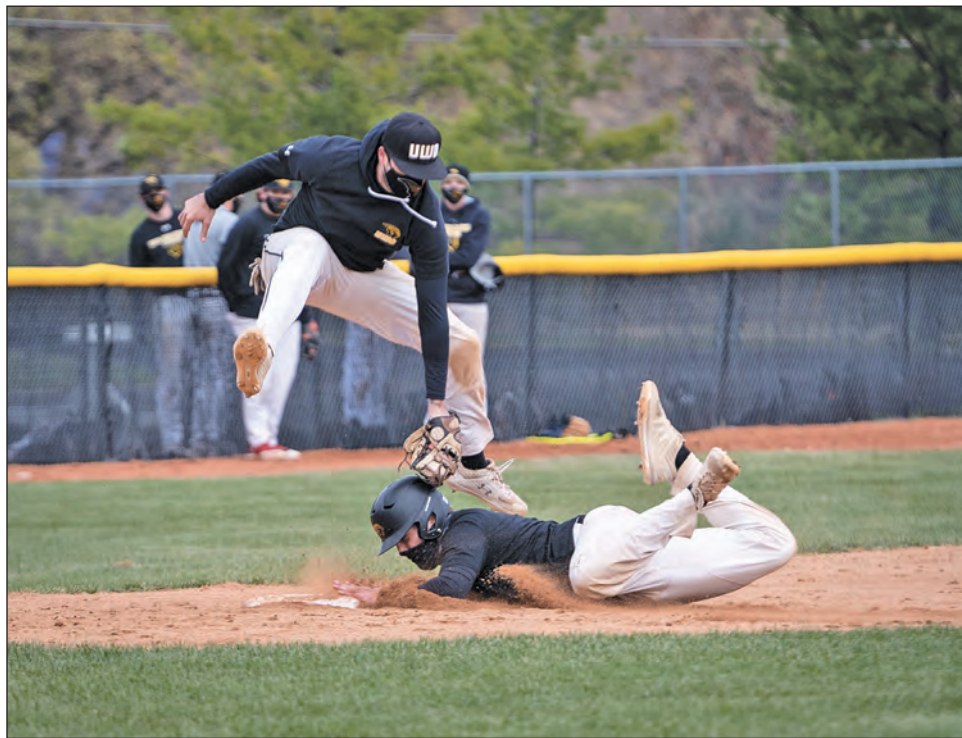


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The Titans prep their defense for a conference league strong on offense.

allowing a spring championship season. Tomasiewicz knows this season isn't going to be the same but the goals and expectations remain the same.

"As far as I know we are still planning on a championship," he said. "The NCAA has not come out saying there will be no championship. So, this year is like any other. We want to compete for the conference championship and put ourselves in position to get into the regional."

Unlike seasons past where the Titans were loaded with seniors and upper classmen, this was a young group that had just two seniors on the roster. Both were pitchers and have graduated. Despite losing pitching that every team needs, the Titans

are one of the few teams in the conference who will be returning lots of players who saw action during their six games.

"Our most proven offensive player is Hunter Staniske," Tomasiewicz said. "He has performed very well for us for three years. I think he has the chance to be one of the best players in the region this year. Others we think will be solid offensive production players are Jake Andersen (C), Kameron Dransfeldt (1B), Griff Lukes (INF), Sean Cummins (OF) and Matt Scherrman (INF/RHP)."

Being young and inexperienced is never good in a tough conference, but a lot of teams are in a similar position after losing an entire season. The Titans benefit from a D1 transfer coming in with Jarrett Scheelk joining the ball club. The junior plays outfield and pitches so look for him to add some much-needed experience to the team.

With another young team this season, the future is going to be bright for this

program as they look to get back to being one of the WIAC's elite. Every season, you can pencil in UW-Whitewater and UW-La Crosse as preseason favorites, but competition doesn't stop there. With UW-Platteville and UW-Stout rising in the standings and UW-Eau Claire joining the WIAC for baseball this season, the WIAC is more balanced now than ever.


"What makes this conference very tough is that we have to beat every team twice," Tomasiewicz said. "First, you have to differentiate yourself and out recruit the other schools. Then you must take those players and beat them on the field. We generally all recruit the same pool of players from our state and local region. Whoever gets a few more players in the particular class will probably be a little better two years down the line."

"In addition to recruiting the talent, you also have very talented coaches in the conference. I think head coach positions in this conference are very coveted. Every position when it was up for an opening had a very deep and talented pool of candidates. Then coaches stay and develop their program, which is a good thing for the conference. The longer a coach is at a school, the more chance of a culture being built and less turnover."

Despite being young once again, this Titans team is talented. That alone is what makes Tomasiewicz excited for the season as he wants to see what his team can do.

"We, once again, are really young. We do have talent though," he said. "Last year we pitched fantastic in six games. That type of pitching will need to continue. Our offensive output needs to pick up from last season. We are going to have a lot of players get opportunities and we will see how it turns out. If we hit, I think we will be a very tough team on the field."

"Our league is an offensive league: You need to hit to survive. We have been spending a lot of time on getting our players ready for this season's offensive approach."



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# UWO softball coach hopes 2021 filled with better fortunes

By Dustin Riese  
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

Ever since taking over the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh softball program eight years ago, Scott Beyer has done nothing but win and has finished lower than third place just once.

Last season saw the Titans get off to another strong start as they raced out to a 5-1 record before having their season shut down.

"Since we learned our season was canceled early last March, there have been a lot of ups and downs with emotion and

a lot of questions," Beyer said. "We were blindsided by this last year and didn't know how to

react to it all, but we held zoom workouts at home and had player meetings over last spring/summer which helped pass some of the time and keep us motivated for this season. From September until now, our softball lives have changed dramatically."

With the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference giving the go-ahead to a spring season, Beyer and his group know what is at stake. From weekly COVID testing to smaller friend circles to even monitoring what you do away from the classroom and practice field, everyone is dialed in and focused for the 2021 season. Beyer is just happy to see the field this year and expects his group to be as competitive as always.

"As of right now, the NCAA tournament is still a go for the spring sports," he said. "With that, we have 30 games scheduled this season, which is 10 short of a typical season schedule, but with no overnight travel allowed. I'm happy with how it turned out. We have a competitive nonconference schedule that will prepare us for our WIAC play, and I'm looking forward to that. I would expect us, based off our start last season, to be a gritty team and contend for a WIAC championship."

The team opened the season last week with a pair of shutouts against St. Norbert College in a doubleheader. Another doubleheader at Concordia University is set for today.

Unlike a lot of teams in the conference last season, the Titans benefited from only having four seniors on the roster. Not only that, those four seniors all earned that ex-

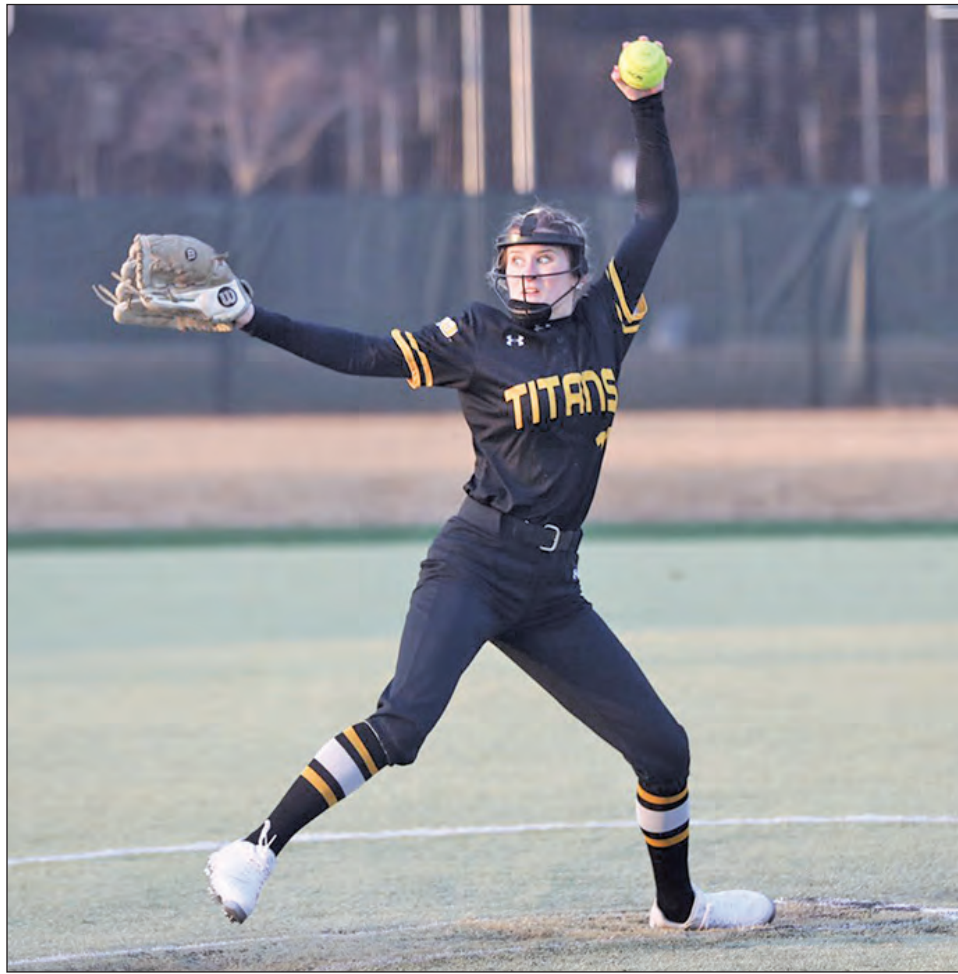


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Mia Crotty pitched a complete game shutout in her first career start last week for the Titans.

tra year of eligibility back and will once again be in the fold this season. Add those four names to the rest of the returning players and the Titans really have the look of a solid team.

"Offensively, with our seniors returning, we have a good group of leaders that have won a lot of games in their careers," Beyer said. "Acacia Tupa, Natalie Dudek, Claire Petrus and Amanda McIlhany have

all earned all-conference accolades and I expect them to contribute at a high level again this year at the plate. In the circle, Maddie Fink logged the most innings for us last year and I expect a lot out of her again this season."

Along with those returning players comes an incoming group of freshmen who should all contribute in some way.

Mia Crotty is one of them as a left-handed pitcher who is expected to have a big impact and could log a ton of innings this season.

While Beyer is expecting his team to contend for a WIAC title, things will not come easy in one of the toughest conferences in the country. 2019 Regional Champion UW LA Crosse is one of the favorites as is UW Whitewater who is the 2019 conference champion. Oshkosh is expected to contend for the conference title with UW Stout and UW Stevens Point as some of the surprise teams to watch.

"Each team in the WIAC has tremendous talent at every position," Beyer said. "There are no easy lineups, or holes in any lineups to navigate through. You cannot take pitches off in our league or you will get hurt, so WIAC games take a lot of mental and physical endurance. The game is never over until the last out.

"Along with the great athletes that this league puts out, each team has coaching staffs that match their talent. The WIAC coaches are very talented and know how to take advantage of any weakness of the opposition."

Despite their season starting about a month later than normal, Beyer and the team know this is the time to put it all together. With COVID continuing to be the most difficult challenge teams face, the success of this group falls on their health as Beyer feels they have the talent.

"We will need our pitching staff to stay healthy the entire season to contend," he said. "On paper, we have as much talent and depth at all positions, but as most do, we go as the top of the pitching rotation goes. If we can stay healthy, I like our chances against anyone in the country."

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 Nominations for Phase 2 will be accepted from Mar 3-Mar 19, 2021. Ballots mailed must be at the Oshkosh Herald's office by **5pm on March 22, 2021**. Nominations are limited. You can name one nominee in each category during Phase 2 of Oshkosh Herald City Picks voting. Your name and address must appear on the ballot. 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 March 19, 2021**.  
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 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.  
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**Winners will be announced in the April 14, 2021 Oshkosh Herald.**



# Obituaries

## Elaine L. Schneider

Elaine L. Schneider, Oshkosh, age 93, passed on March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021, to reunite with her husband George in Heaven.



She was born February 19th, 1928, in Oshkosh to Lillian Krause and Frederick Much. Although born in Oshkosh, she spent many summers at her grandparents' farm in West Bloomfield.

Her childhood best friend Amber always provided Elaine with many ideas for adventure, including hitching to Milwaukee with her to become waitresses in a Downtown Milwaukee diner called Wrigley's. In her teenage years, she loved Big Band music and went dancing at Oshkosh's many dance halls. At 16, Amber and Mom went on a double date, and before the night was over, they had switched dates, which set the foundation that led to Mom's 67-year marriage to George.

She worked at Mondl's Manufacturing making leather flight helmets for the war effort, then moving to Texas to be with George, who was stationed in Corpus Christi. They were married at the base there and came back to Oshkosh when the war ended.

Elaine was a career waitress. Early on, she worked at Club 41, Hessers', and The Roxy for 38 years. She got to know so many people from the Fox Valley and beyond over the years. During EAA, a group from Australia asked for her to be their waitress each year. She even got to meet a few big-time pilots and entertainers over the years that attended EAA.

Elaine loved to travel; Florida, Branson, Vegas, Hawaii, or just up north were her favorites. From her last trip to the Greek Islands she was still wearing the gold bracelet she purchased when she passed. Never admitting she liked to be around people, Mom was usually part of the life of the party, whether it be a pool party, out on a boat, bike riding, golfing, or taking the grandkids for a few days. Later in retirement, she loved supper clubs, happy hour, gardening, playing cards, casino bus trips, clothes shopping, word puzzles, and coloring books.

**Survivors:** *Children* - Sandy (Schneider) Magedanz, Michael (Sue) Schneider, Paul (Kathy) Schneider, Brian (Lisa) Schneider; *Grandchildren* - Peter Magedanz, Steph (Shawn) Conaway, Angie Schneider, Shelly (Randy) Mielke, Jake (Marsha) Schneider, McKenzie Schneider, Paul (Alicia) Schneider, Matt (Kim) Schneider, Mallory (Ryan) Birschbach;

*Great-Grandchildren* - Josh Schneider, Ryan Conaway, Kayla Conaway, Caleb Schneider, Emerson Schneider, Hunter Schneider, Savannah Schneider, Wyatt Schneider, Lilly Schneider, Nolan Birschbach.

**Preceded her in death:** Parents Lillian Krause & Frederick Much, Husband George Schneider, Sister Jean (Much) Dahms, Brothers Russel Much and Eugene Much.

Elaine died March 9th, 2021, at home surrounded by her family, and they would like to thank the home hospice attendants for their care. Per Elaine's wishes, there will be no services. She chose to be interred at Lakeview Memorial Park along with her husband George.

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# Kid Scoop

## LUCK O' THE IRISH

**What is luck?** On St. Patrick's Day people like to talk about LUCK! Does wearing green bring you luck that day? Or are four-leaf clovers really lucky charms?

The idea of luck has been around for centuries. It is a marvel and mystery. And people all over the world have come up with ideas of what brings good luck and bad.



How many four-leaf clovers can you find?

## Don't Walk Under a Ladder

Walking under a ladder is supposed to be bad luck. But this old superstition may just be a good safety tip!



Start

Can you get through this maze without walking under any ladders?

Finish



## Mirrors and Luck

Many believe that breaking a mirror dooms you to seven years of bad luck. The superstition may come from the belief that mirrors don't just reflect your image, they hold bits of your soul. That belief led people in the old days of the American South to cover mirrors in a house when someone died, for fear that their soul was trapped inside. Yikes!

## Luck in School

Below are some of the ideas kids around the world have come up with to be lucky in school.



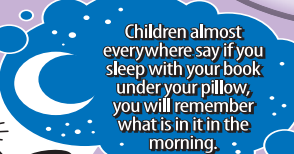
### Black Cats

Some people think it bad luck for a black cat to cross your path. But it is lucky to own a black cat and very lucky to sleep with one.

Can you find the two black cats that are exactly alike?



Wear your sweater backward, or wrong side out, for luck during exams.



Children almost everywhere say if you sleep with your book under your pillow, you will remember what is in it in the morning.



Some children believe if they use the same pencil they used when they did well on a previous test, it will help them pass a new test.



**Lucky rabbit's foot?** Might be lucky for you, but not so lucky for the rabbit!

## Extra! Extra! Good Luck Scavenger Hunt

Look through the newspaper for images of things you think are lucky or unlucky. Here are some ideas:

- Shamrock
- A black cat
- The number 13
- A penny
- A wishbone
- The number 7

Standards Link: Research: Use the newspaper to locate information.

## Best Lucky Charm for Tests

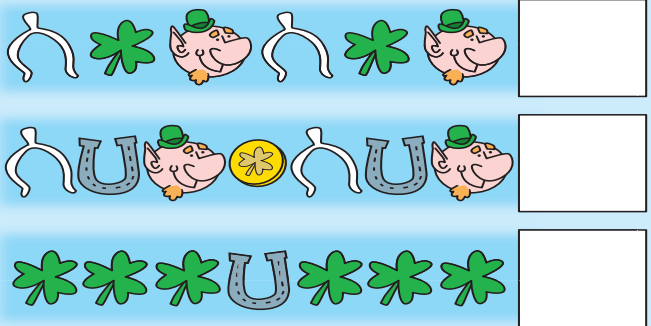
Circle every third letter to discover the best way to have good luck for any test at school.

DFSCBTLKUZRDVWY  
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## Kid Scoop Puzzler

### Lucky Leprechaun Patterns

Draw the coin, horseshoe, wishbone, clover or leprechaun that continues the pattern in each row.



Standards Link: Writing Applications: Students provide a context for action.

## Double Double Word Search

- BACKWARD
- SWEATER
- PATRICK
- CLOVER
- MIRROR
- CHARMS
- LADDER
- RABBIT
- GREEN
- CROSS
- BLACK
- PATH
- COIN
- LUCK
- WIN

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



Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognize identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

## Kid Scoop Together: Lucky 13

Replace these missing words. Can you replace all 13? That might be good luck!

- |        |         |       |
|--------|---------|-------|
| FARM   | JEWELS  | DIG   |
| GROUND | FORTUNE | TURNS |
| THRUST | STRONG  | FOOT  |
| THING  | MAN     | CROPS |

Once there was a farmer who had three \_\_\_\_\_ children. When the old \_\_\_\_\_ lay dying, he called the children to him and said, "My whole \_\_\_\_\_ lies in one square foot of \_\_\_\_\_ on this farm."

So, the three children began to \_\_\_\_\_. They dug together. They took \_\_\_\_\_. They dug and dug. Each one turning over one square \_\_\_\_\_ of soil with every \_\_\_\_\_ of the shovel. Finally, every square foot of the farm had been dug up and turned over.

They did not find a \_\_\_\_\_. There was no box of money or \_\_\_\_\_. Nothing buried anywhere on the farm.

But that year, because the ground had been turned up, it yielded more \_\_\_\_\_ than ever before.

Then they \_\_\_\_\_ what their father meant, that their fortune was in the \_\_\_\_\_.

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## Write On! Leprechaun Gold

### Leprechaun Gold

How did the leprechauns get their gold? What do they do with it?

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