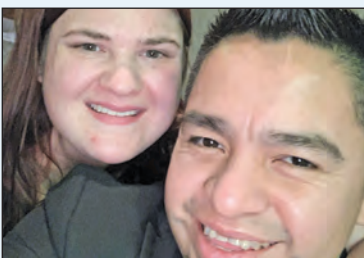


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Surge season

Ice shoves from Lake Winnebago are seen near Hickory Lane north of Murdock Avenue in Oshkosh at sunrise Friday morning. Windy conditions and warmer weather pushed away the lake's ice fishing season.

City status proposal concerning

Local officials hope U.S. population ranking holds

By Jack Tierney
OSHKOSH HERALD

Mayor Lori Palmeri joined mayors from Janesville and Wausau objecting to a proposal from the Federal Office of Management and Budget that would increase the minimum population qualification for a metropolitan statistical area (MSA) from 50,000 to 100,000.

MSA status is important for determining intergovernmental funding and marketing economic development. The general concept of an MSA is an area containing "a large population nucleus and adjacent communities" that have "a high degree of integration with that nucleus."

At a population around 66,000, Oshkosh currently qualifies as an MSA. At 100,000, it would not. The OMB stated in the proposal that the minimum increase is "solely for statistical purposes" and not "for use in program funding formulas."

"The practical reality is that many federal agencies do in fact use OMB's area definitions in their program funding formulas," City Manager Mark Rohloff said, adding that MSA data was used in the recent allocation of American Recovery Act funds.

"Our local Chamber of Commerce, Convention & Visitors Bureau and economic development agency all rely on data regarding our metropolitan statistical area in their marketing and promotion ef-

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The Grand's new blade sign is installed earlier this month along with an electronic marquee and message center.

Grand's efforts have been good signs

Sponsorship programs add to theater's resilience

By Dan Roherty
OSHKOSH HERALD

A new electronic marquee and 1920s-style blade sign being dedicated this week on The Grand Oshkosh's 137-year-old building downtown are just the latest signals that the theater is looking past its latest economic challenge while its shows go on.

More than just promotional devices to

catch the attention of passers-by, the signs are part of a reimagining by the theater to keep patrons and sponsors engaged while offering new ways to view and support the arts.

Joseph Ferlo has been directing The Grand's operations long enough to be informed by previous threats to the iconic theater's ability to serve its patrons, in-



Ferlo

cluding a March 2009 roof crisis that temporarily closed it down on the heels of a nationwide recession.

"It's been absolutely important for us to be out there with the message that we're still here," Ferlo said. He credits the staff's ability to pivot their efforts toward planning and promoting livestream shows that have kept performers and donors engaged.

"The last thing I wanted to be was closed," he said, "and going online was really important."

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Pioneer Island development plan ongoing

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Community development director Allen Davis reported to the city's Redevelopment Authority last week that developer Art Dumke is working with staff to make a plan for funding and developing the Pioneer Island and marina area.

A tax increment financing (TIF) plan was approved in 2019 for the 11-acre shoreline area where the Fox River meets Lake Winnebago. It has qualified for New Market Tax Credit (NMTC) and is included in a federal Opportunity Zone, which deems the property eligible for tax advantages due to being in a low-income area.

NMTC is a federal program to help develop business and other investments through federal tax credits.

The general development plan approved in 2019 was for commercial and retail proposals with an emphasis on enhancing fishing and other marina interests.

Davis said the city wasn't able to receive a state grant to fund a Riverwalk trail expansion near Pioneer Drive that would accompany the development, but City



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The Pioneer facility is shown in 2019 before being razed to make room for development.

Manager Mark Rohloff and director of finance Russ Van Gompel have a plan to support that project that will be presented to Common Council in the near future.

In another section of the Riverwalk, the state Department of Transportation awarded the city \$253,000 to extend the trail east from Punhoqua Street, through Rainbow Memorial Park and to the intersection of Sawyer Street and Oshkosh Avenue.

Davis said the project should be bid out soon so construction can begin within the year. They hope to have the expansion

done by the end of this year.

In a separate report to the RDA, the 2021 Rock the Block event is set for June in the River East neighborhood.

Habitat for Humanity, Greater Oshkosh Healthy Neighborhoods and the city are working together to support residential redevelopment and revitalization efforts.

According to last week's Redevelopment Authority meeting, a River East property set for acquisition and demolition is at 548 Otter Ave.

Obituary access made easier with Legacy

Have you noticed the sharing of Oshkosh Herald obituaries on social platforms the last few weeks?

Increasing the number of obituaries published in the Herald and making them more user friendly for online access and sharing has been one of the more popular requests received over the past three years.

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Karen Schneider
Herald publisher

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However, after finally contacting one of the larger online obituary networks, Legacy.com, we were pleasantly surprised to learn we would be able to join the network and absorb the minimal expense in our current obituary pricing.

Although obituaries have always been available at OshkoshHerald.com, this partnership allows for increased ease of accessing and sharing life stories and fur-

ther minimizes the impact of a Wednesday-only publication date for families to share time-sensitive service information along with their memories.

Just as we increased our distribution last month, and implemented the new obituary format this month, we continue our pledge to deliver relevant community news and information to your mailbox.

Mobile food pantry set

Feeding America's drive-thru mobile food pantry resumes from 5 to 7 p.m. today (Wednesday) and all Wednesdays in April at Oshkosh West High School, 375 N. Eagle St.

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Mexican immigrant kept faith in business goals

Jose Lopez works his way into nutritional enterprise

By Cheryl Hentz
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

For generations people have come to America – the land of plenty – to find and live the American dream and to be safe in these United States. That was somewhat the case with Jose Lopez.

It's not that Lopez felt unsafe in his native Mexico, nor was his goal to stay here permanently. Instead, he wanted to work hard at a business where he could make decent money, then go back to Mexico and start a business of his own.

All his life he watched his father work to save enough to have his own tire repair business, mostly for 18-wheelers and other large trucks. "By having his own business and seeing that it could be done with hard work, he instilled that desire of owning my own business in me," Lopez said.

Lopez was only 9 years old when he and his brother started working in the family business and he developed a strong work ethic. He worked for his dad until he was about 15 or 16 years old while still attending school. When he reached 17, Lopez drove a taxi for another business his father started until he came here in 2006.

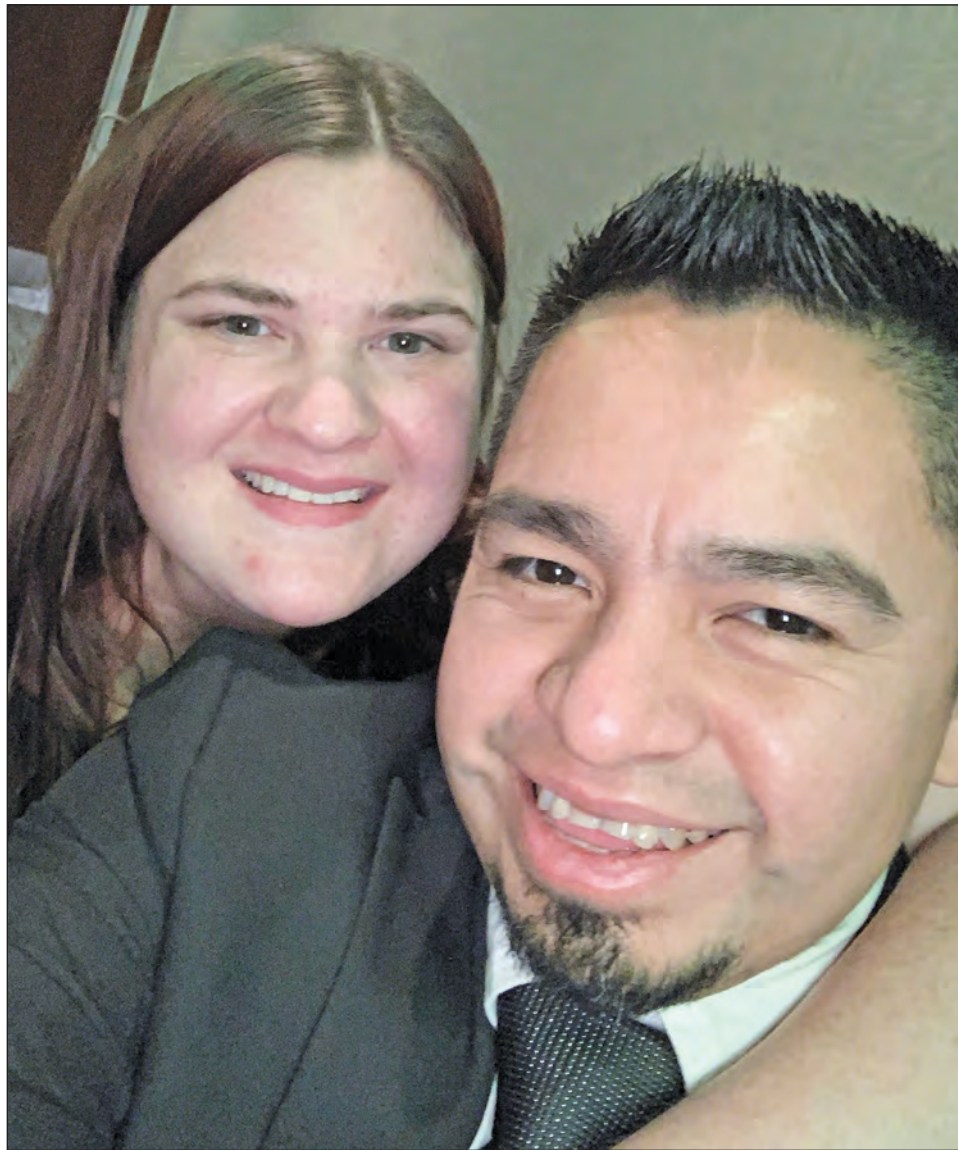
Lopez was alone and at the tender age of 20 had a plan to be here for four years, return to Mexico with enough money to start a business of some kind. But as luck would have it, he met a woman, fell in love, got married and had a baby. The marriage didn't work out but Lopez wanted to raise his daughter in her native land.

Back in Mexico, his parents passed on and his youngest brother, Carlos, joined Jose in Oshkosh. Another brother, Sergio, remains in their home country.

Lopez found love a second time. He and wife Tasha have a son, Riley, 5, and are expecting a new baby in April.

They own and operate Recharge Nutrition Club, which they took over in 2019, and CorNutrition in Berlin, which opened in January. Both are smoothie, energy and juice bars that, according to their Facebook pages, provide healthy lunch and snack options during open bar hours. Among other menu options are Smoothie Bowls that come with hemp hearts, a choice between almonds and pecans, as well as fruit and chai seeds.

"They are places where people can come in and get a combo – where they get an aloe shot, an energy tea and a smoothie. These are usually people who don't want to commit to a whole (fitness) program, but they still want to have the option of



Submitted photo

Jose and Tasha Lopez own Recharge Nutrition Club in Oshkosh and a location in Berlin.

a healthy breakfast or lunch," Lopez said. "They don't necessarily want to make it at home so we make it easy for them. They can come in and grab whichever flavor they want."

Throughout the year they offer weight-loss challenges and group exercise sessions. Tasha does most of their social media.

"My wife has been my biggest supporter in expanding the business. She is a partner in the business. If it wasn't for her, half the stuff I've done would not have been possible," he said, adding that they have plans to open a third location in 2022.

The smoothies are made using Herbalife Nutrition products, something Jose has been associated with for about five years. The products run the gamut from providing good energy, digestive system benefits, to full meal replacement. If people want to order specific vitamins or other supplements, they can be ordered and shipped to customers' home.

"We don't carry them in the store," Lopez said. "The main things, and the most popular, that we carry in the store are the protein shakes, the energy tea, the ener-

gy boosters and the aloe shots. We carry those daily. If people want a certain kind of vitamin or supplement, they can go to my website and order them."

Lopez credits his earlier work experiences with helping mold his focus on customer service. The first place he lived in Wisconsin was Schofield, where he was a restaurant dish washer for a year, then bused tables for another year. He wanted to be a cook and was trained in the kitchen but never got the chance there.

A friend suggested moving to Oshkosh. Lopez worked at Two Brothers restaurant six years as a cook. He later worked his way to assistant manager of a Mexican restaurant before moving on to Delta Restaurant and Golden Corral.

"Working as a server taught me a lot about the American culture. I enjoyed making people happy with their meal and service. I loved that experience and environment," Lopez said. "That's one of the reasons I took over Recharge, because when people come in on a daily basis to get a shake or tea, I have that customer contact where I can talk with them to see

how their day is going, and so on."

It was during his time at Delta that he was introduced to Herbalife products. He started using the products and later started attending events with his Herbalife coach where he was taught how to create a business from the ground up.

"But it still wasn't anything I was interested in doing," Lopez recalled. "In addition to working I was going to school (at Fox Valley Technical College) to speak better English, and to understand better."

Lopez got his high school equivalency diploma and was given different options on college. But he saw his future going in a different direction and reconsidered his business opportunity.

"It just opened my eyes about working for other people," he said. "I had dreams and needed to work at (building those dreams into reality for me). So, I actually listened to the Herbalife training and got started selling the products and building a customer base out of my house."

He built the business to such a volume that he was able to cut his hours at the restaurant. Lopez was measuring success by happiness more than money.

"Of course, we all want to have enough money to live comfortably, but I think if you're 100 percent happy and proud of the work you're doing, that can be success," he said.

Lopez said coming here from Mexico was a relatively smooth adjustment for him.

"Learning English was a bit of a challenge. Everything else was pretty easy," he recalled. "It's a comfortable life compared to other countries. It wasn't a challenge to adapting to having a hot shower or getting used to eating pretty much what you want if you have the money for it. Those are things I'm always grateful for, especially coming from another culture, where I didn't have those things living in Mexico."

He puts his faith, formed at a young age while raised Catholic, above everything else. Though he's not a regular church-goer, he still has a strong relationship with God.

"Everything that I've done, everything that I have, and everything I've accomplished is all because of the grace of God," he said.

Lopez also believes that whether someone's from America or somewhere else, the American Dream still exists "but it's up to us. America has a lot of opportunities for people, but we must get out there and make it happen because no one else is going to do it for us. People should work toward their dreams as hard as possible. If not, they're going to be hired to build somebody else's dreams."



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Mayor's race pits incumbent, business owner

By Kaitlyn Scoville
OSHKOSH HERALD

The League of Women Voters of Winnebago County and Oshkosh Media held a public forum for mayoral candidates – incumbent Lori Palmeri and challenger Kris Larson – to discuss how they would deal with city issues.

One area where they differed is on the roles the mayor should have in local government.

While the mayor position is similar to that of a council member, Larson believes the primary role should be to help direct the city manager while Palmeri emphasized the importance of running meetings and organizing recommendations to the council from all boards and commissions.

Palmeri, who is seeking a second term,



Palmeri



Larson

said a mayor should help the community realize that local government gives individuals the opportunity to shape policy and improve the city and their quality of life. Larson sees the position as an important conduit between the city manager and all boards and commissions.

On the possibility of implementing a citywide half-percent sales tax to offset

property tax payments, Palmeri said there needed to be more research and education before endorsing that route. Larson, a local business owner, favored the idea, saying Oshkosh is the perfect example of a city that should be utilizing it.

A sales tax increase, just one of the options used by municipalities to pay for street work, would require a public referendum if the council approves of that route.

Regarding the city's role in downtown development, Larson said the Sawdust District Plan and the Riverwalk development are steps in the right direction, and that the city has been successful in bringing new business.

Palmeri said there needs to be a developmental ecosystem citywide, not just for

downtown. She added that there should be an equal focus on entrepreneurial resiliency and recovery.

To encourage people to move and stay in the city, Palmeri suggested down payment assistance, increasing the incentive to include new and diverse residents, and strengthening the cultural lifestyle because people are looking at cities like Oshkosh to get away from larger metropolitan areas.

Larson said that in order to attract and retain new people in the community, city staff needs to be fiscally creative while making Oshkosh more attractive for growth.

To watch the full forum, visit OshkoshMedia.org.

Council candidates share views on pending issues

By Kaitlyn Scoville
OSHKOSH HERALD

Three seats on the Oshkosh Common Council are up for grabs with six candidates looking to fill the at-large positions in the April 6 nonpartisan election.

Michael Beardsley, Lateria Garrett, Courtney Hansen, Aaron Wojciechowski and Bill Miller challenge sole incumbent and Deputy Mayor Jake Krause for the positions. They advanced from among nine candidates in the Feb. 16 primary.

At a forum presented by the League of Women Voters of Winnebago County and Oshkosh Media, the six discussed matters regarding city improvement needs.

Wojciechowski and Beardsley said they were opposed to a half percent sales tax that may be considered to help offset property tax burdens, but Beardsley added that it may be an option as the community grows out of the pandemic.

Miller and Hansen generally supported the sales tax option that may be discussed by the future council among other ways to cover city projects, with Hansen saying she thinks it would be a good solution to deal with the city's debt situation.

Krause and Garrett both said they needed to learn more about where the money would be going before making a decision on their support.

To attract and retain people here, Uni-

versity of Wisconsin Oshkosh alumni Wojciechowski, Hansen and Beardsley said that graduates rarely want to stay, and that the city should work on retaining them. Wojciechowski said some don't stay because Oshkosh isn't as diverse as cities in proximity, such as Milwaukee or Madison.

Hansen said the city could try to provide opportunities for students and community members to get out and involved, and Beardsley said that housing needs to be more affordable as well.

All but Miller and Garrett agreed that the city should have sustainability factors in all public projects. Miller said the city

needs to first focus on remaining competitive with its neighbors, and Garrett said such a mandate may not be necessary if residents were educated about individual benefits to come with sustainable projects.

Hansen said she would like to push for using recycled and reusable materials in projects, while Beardsley said the state should also be leading on this issue. Wojciechowski said mandates should be strict in the city to protect Lake Winnebago, the largest in the state.

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County executive faces re-election challenge

By Kaitlyn Scoville
OSHKOSH HERALD

County executive candidates Jon Doemel and incumbent Mark Harris discussed a countywide sales tax, debt limitations and communication among issues brought up at the League of Women Voters of Winnebago County public forum March 9 for the Winnebago County leadership role.

Regarding budget restraints and debt limitations, Doemel – a restaurant owner and community organizer – emphasized that the county needed affordable housing to help employees stay near their employer.



Harris



Doemel

Harris, who is seeking a fifth term, said the county is required under state law to increase taxes as any new construction adds to the tax base, which he said has been doable while inflation has been low.

With a potential sales tax within the

county, Doemel was against it, though he said it was tempting with revenue-generating events that are usually held. Harris has proposed the sales tax in the past but will not anymore as the board has expressed they would not support it.

To encourage communication between the county executive and county board, Harris said he would continue to speak with members, and in normal circumstances would attend other meetings to gauge an understanding of what's going on.

Doemel emphasized rigorous engagement and collaboration and said that communication between the board and executive has not been strong and needs

to be improved.

Harris said his top issue concerns the disparities in wages among lower-class individuals and families. He said that raising the minimum wage is long overdue, as people who are applying for food stamps are those who are working at the lowest wage. Doing this would require bringing more business and competition to the county.

Doemel said that his top priority is creating more affordable housing within the county. He said business competition will suffer if there aren't sufficient housing options for prospective employees.

Visit OshkoshMedia.org for the full forum.

School board candidates weigh education topics

Oshkosh Herald

Three Oshkosh Area School District school board seats will be filled April 6 from among five candidates. The League of Women Voters of Winnebago County and Oshkosh Media hosted a forum March 9 for the five who advanced from the Feb. 16 primary to discuss education topics.

Incumbent Jim Evans will go up against challengers Kristopher Karns, Robert Rigoni, Chris Wright and Beth Wyman.

Board members Allison Garner and Kelly Olmstead are not seeking another term.

Candidates gave responses to specific questions regarding district funding and policies.

On the topic of hybrid, in-person and

E-Academy learning that became dominant over the past year, Karns, Rigoni and Wright said there are several factors to consider moving forward for the 2021-22 school year, and all needs to happen through transparent communication.

Evans said science will continue to have a key role in setting policies for a better post-pandemic school year.

Wyman emphasized the importance of a welcoming and inclusive environment that provides the right set of services to students.

The passage of school building referendums in November was another topic candidates were asked to address.

Rigoni and Evans expressed support for the upcoming projects, with Evans saying that all schools in the district will benefit from the facility reorganization.

Rigoni saw several positive outcomes such as saving money and offering more services to students while acknowledging possible downsides such as losing smaller schools and their communities.

Wright said that a strategic plan will be key in these efforts, and that building larger schools isn't necessarily the answer to all of the district's education issues.

Wyman expressed the importance of continued transparency to the community as the work gets underway to help residents understand why it's happening.

Karns said certain issues still need to be discussed within the consolidation referendum, such as transportation, but agreed the project is a step in the right direction.

Neither Evans nor Wyman were in support of using public funds for private

school tuition vouchers, saying it takes funding away from public schools.

Rigoni said there may be situations in which it is necessary, while Karns and Wright said the vouchers are the jurisdiction of state and federal government and not the board.

To view the forum, visit OshkoshMedia.org.

Voting information

Voters who want to mail in voter registration forms or register to vote online must do so by today (Wednesday). Voters can register at the city clerk's office through April 2 or on Election Day at their polling place. More information on requesting absentee ballots and voter registration can be found at myvote.wi.gov.




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

Oshkosh Storywalk, “Duck, Duck Dinosaur,” The Shops at Oshkosh, 3001 Washburn St.

Friday, March 26

Eli Young Band, 6 p.m., Menominee Nation Arena

“Robot Monster,” 6:30 p.m., Time Community Theater, 445 N. Main St.

Saturday, March 27

Spring Fling Craft & Vendor Event, 9 a.m., Venue 404, 404 N. Main St.

“The Transformers: The Movie,” 6:30 p.m., Time Community Theater, 445 N. Main St.



Photo by Michael Cooney

Spring visitors

Tundra swans (right) stopped in the area over the weekend to feed in the lake south of Wendt’s during their spring migration.

District 2 appeals judge position has challenger

Oshkosh Herald

Incumbent Jeffrey Davis and Shelley Grogan are competing for District 2 Court of Appeals judge position in the April 6 nonpartisan election.

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Court of Appeals judges serve six-year terms. The governor selects interim judges

in the case of vacancies.

Davis has been on the bench for District 2 since Sept. 4, 2019, after being appointed by Gov. Tony Evers. If not re-elected, his term will end July 31.

Davis holds more than 30 years of law experience with the national law firm of Quarles & Brady in its Litigation Practice Group.

Grogan graduated from Marquette Law School in 1992 and worked as a litigator

before joining the Wisconsin Appellate Courts.

She currently sits as judge in the city of Muskego, as a professor of law at Marquette University and has more than 25 years of civil and criminal law practice.

Other local, state races

Oshkosh Town Board chairperson and supervisor positions will go uncontested as Jim Erdman is the only candidate for chair, with William Demler and Matt Merten running for supervisor positions.

Oshkosh Town clerk Jeannette Merten will also run uncontested as well as Oshkosh Town treasurer Laura Hunt.

Within the Town of Algoma, all races

will go uncontested, including for Sanitary District 1 commissioner, Town Board chairperson and both Town Board supervisors.

In the Town of Black Wolf, all positions are going uncontested, including Town Board chairperson, both board supervisors and town constable.

All government positions in the Town of Nekimi are also uncontested – chairperson, both supervisor positions, town clerk and town treasurer.

Jill Underly and Deborah Kerr are running for state superintendent of Public Instruction after Evers left the position after his election as governor.

Cocktails-to-Go bill advances to Senate

Assembly Bill 32, or the Cocktails-to-Go bill, was passed last week by a voice vote that could allow for bars and restaurants to sell alcoholic beverages to be taken off of licensed premises.

At a St. Patrick’s Day hearing, the Assembly gave approval for the bill to move on to the Senate floor. The language sug-

gests that Cocktails-to-Go will only include curbside pickup options and not delivery through third-party companies. The beverages will also be held in tamper-evident seals to prevent drinking and driving.

There is currently no set date for when the Senate will consider the measure.

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Water billing transition brought customer queries

By Kaitlyn Scoville
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

The city of Oshkosh changed its utility billing methods in 2019 from quarterly to monthly, which raised questions from residents during that transition before rate increases were also in the mix.

Oshkosh has been billing consumers by the 100-cubic-foot measure for more than 20 years, but some billing confusion started to arise in 2019 when the city converted from quarterly to monthly frequency. Before then, the city billed one-third of residential customers each month, according to finance director Russ Van Gompel.

“Rounding to the nearest 100 cubic feet is not a factor in establishing rates; it is the lowest billing unit,” Van Gompel said. “Factors of what justifies the unit rate is the need to meet operation and capital expenditures.”

For example, if a customer uses anything between 451 and 549 cubic feet, they are billed for 500 cubic feet, Van Gompel said.

2019 was a transitional year for the Utility Accounting Department, Van Gompel noted, going from one internal billing system to another on top of the shift from quarterly to monthly statements.

In August, the city partnered with Ehlers Public Finance Advisors to assess their revenues from major utilities, such as sewer, water and stormwater. This information provides input to what funds are available for capital projects.

It is estimated there will be a \$1.57 increase in water user charges, \$1.15 increase in stormwater user charges and a \$1.47 increase in sewer user charges per

100 cubic feet in 2021 compared with last year, according to the Ehlers cash flow analysis.

Water usage charges vary in the amount of centum cubic feet (CCF) per household, and since October 2018 started at \$5.12 for the first 10 CCFs, with an additional set rate of \$12.46 for both meter and public fire protection.

Van Gompel said Common Council finalizes the rates for sewer and stormwater utilities, but the water utility is regulated by the state’s Public Service Commission.

All revenue collected by the three individual utilities is used to pay for the cost of providing the utilities in both capital and operational fronts, he said.

The city also receives questions and comments about the processing of utility payments, which customers can submit either electronically, through the mail or in the city hall dropbox.

A March 16 Facebook post on the “You know you’re from Oshkosh when...” page brought up discussion about the mail payment being inefficient. Several commenters and the original poster stated that it took weeks for their postmarked bill to get sent to Illinois and processed.

However, others suggested dropping their bills off at city hall, paying electronically or via automatic withdrawals as much easier solutions to avoid getting a late slip.

“The city recently continued its banking relationship with Associated Bank, which is headquartered in Green Bay,” Van Gompel said. “Part of the new agreement for banking services was the addition of Lockbox Services. Lockbox Services will

increase the efficiency of processing payments, allow city resources to be redirected in other areas, reduce our risks and assist our record retention by digitizing and storing payments.”

Mailed payments can still take from three to five days to arrive in the processing center depending on the postal service and are considered received by the city when opened, not by postmark. Van Gompel said to save time and money, residents may want to consider making their

payments electronically.

New AquaHawk software will roll out to residents in the next two to three months to help track water usage.

“I would encourage residents to go to our website – ci.oshkosh.wi.us/UtilityBilling – to get answers to any questions about our utilities, billing and payment options,” Van Gompel said. “Water and sewer bills are based on consumption, so it is important to monitor that to avoid any assumption.”

Algoma water main easements endorsed

By Tom Ekvall
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

The city’s Plan Commission recommended approval for the Oshkosh Public Works Department to accept water main construction easements in the Quail Run subdivision in the Town of Algoma.

The easement request was the only item commissioners voted on at their March 16 meeting with the remaining time discussing workshop items on new developments.

City staff had requested the water main easement approval and said they have been working with the homeowners association in the area as well as residents. There were no public comments at the meeting.

Specific recommendations for easements included:

The 3100 block of Quail Run Drive, where the Quail Run Farm Homeowners Association is the owner.

- The 3000 block of Bromfield Drive, where Lutheran Homes of Oshkosh is the property owner.

- 2975 W. Pheasant Court, where David and Christina Mahern own a single-family home.

- 2970 W. Pheasant Court, where Gary and Kathleen Hammen own a single-family home.

The Common Council will vote on the matter for final action. Construction of the water main from Quail Run Drive to the main on Bromfield Drive will create a localized looped system that will improve water quality to adjacent homes and reduce the possibility of disruption of water service, according to city officials presenting at the meeting.



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Regional women's funds seek impact feedback

By Kaitlyn Scoville
OSHKOSH HERALD

The Oshkosh Area Community Foundation Women's Fund has partnered with three others in the region to assess the impact of COVID-19 on women and their children, the groups announced last week.

The OACF Women's Fund, along with the Fond du Lac Area Women's Fund, the Women's Fund of Greater Green Bay and the Women's Fund for the Fox Valley Region teamed up with St. Norbert College's Strategic Research Institute to administer a questionnaire that is open for responses until April 23.

Karlene Grabner, executive director for the women's fund of the Oshkosh Area Community Foundation, said the OACF Women's Fund started a survey with these surrounding regions about four years ago regarding the status of women in north-east Wisconsin.



"(The women's funds) have come together to collaborate on a sweeping regional study that will lend local data to the assertion made nationwide that women have been disproportionately affected by COVID-19 over the past year," the press release stated.

The study is aimed at three categories of the well-being of women over the past

year: mental health, economic stability and domestic violence.

"In my professional opinion, a month or two would have been one thing but a year to unravel is a lot," Grabner said. "Although it's a short period of time, it's a long period of time to be living under a stressful situation."

St. Norbert's said that the minimum sample size among the whole region is 500, but the four women's funds are aiming for 500 in each of their respective areas for more accurate data.

"Our region is protected from some of those bigger numbers that you hear from the East Coast and other areas, so we want

to have a better pulse on exactly what's happening here," Grabner explained. "I think we are never hit as dramatically," but "I think the trends will be the same."

Regionally and locally, the women's funds plan to take the information and "set the stage" for granting dollars and advocacy for the work that they are doing moving forward, Grabner said.

"I shouldn't predict what's going to happen but hopefully, together, we'll look at it and then partner with people that also do that kind of work," she added. "We're excited to be working collaboratively in the region and we're excited to take a focus on this and understand it better."



Photo from Chamber of Commerce

New Venture

Venture Project founder A.J. Armstrong (left) and his wife, Marissa, take part in the ribbon-cutting ceremony recently with the Oshkosh Chamber of Commerce for their new business incubator space and mentorship network at 210 N. Main St. The Venture Project will be offering flexible shared workspace memberships for entrepreneurs.

Back in the Day



Oshkosh history by the Winnebago County Historical & Archaeological Society

March 14, 1911

Former Sheriff Takes His Own Life:

Former sheriff and publisher John V. Bunn took his own life in a barn located at the rear of his residence on Jackson Street. The former sheriff and well-known pioneer publisher of Oshkosh City Directories was found dead, the result of a self-inflicted

gunshot wound. Bunn reportedly had been despondent over ill health and a self-profession of insanity. A note was left explaining his action, stating enough money was left to "pay all I owe and leave some for my wife." Mr. Bunn had been suffering from melancholia for some time, even before his term in office had expired. For thirty years Mr. Bunn was in the city directory business and published not only Oshkosh information but also that of other cities in the Fox River Valley. His publication has long been considered and recognized as reliable information. Mr. Bunn was 53 years of age at the time of his death.

Source: Oshkosh Daily Northwestern, March 14, 1911

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UWO professor details book on India uprising

By Jack Tierney
OSHKOSH HERALD

Professor James Frey of the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh History Department spoke about his new book “The Indian Rebellion 1857-1859” to a group of students and colleagues last week.

The Indian Rebellion of 1857-1859, called the Sepoy Rebellion, was a colonial conflict that pitted the northern Indian society against the British East India Trading Co. The Sepoys were Indian soldiers who worked for the trading company that controlled much of the sub-Asian continent.

Frey’s book was written for American undergraduate students, providing more than 30 primary sources of information, including the voices of rebels and neutrals.

The rebellion started when the Sepoys were given new cartridges for their guns in 1857 that contained materials from cows and pigs. The cartridges were a violation to many of the Sepoy soldier’s religions, seeing cows and pigs as sacred.

The Sepoys rejected the cartridges and the British called it a mutiny. The Sepoys did not back down from the trading company’s rhetoric and demanded a discussion about their service conditions.

The British punished the Sepoys for their demands and some who were imprisoned for refusing to use trading company cartridges killed their officers in response. Few British officers residing in India gave the rebels an early advantage.

“Pretty soon a huge mutiny spread throughout the Indian army in northern India,” Frey said.

It took about two years for the rebellion to reside. Frey said the issues are still as hot in Indian society as the American Civil War is in ours.

“It was one of the biggest wars the British had to deal with in the 19th century,” Frey said, “About half of the British army was shipped to India to put down the revolt.”

Once the revolt was resolved and the British regained control, the British pun-



Illustration courtesy of James Frey

Sepoy Indian uprising against the East India Trading Co. recounted in UWO professor James Frey’s “The Indian Rebellion 1857-1859.”

ished Indian soldiers and civilians with public executions and hangings. Some were tied to cannons and had cannon balls shot through their chests to send a message about their revolt and their religious interpretation of the afterlife.

Frey said the cartridges were not the real issue driving the uprising.

“To talk only about the cartridges is to ignore all the other material causes of the revolt,” he said.

Scholars explain that the British were punitively taxing the Indians, taking away land and trying to spread Christianity, among other issues. The cartridges were used as an access point for the disagreeing Indian soldiers to have a conversation about reforms.

The rebellion eventually led to the end of East India Trading Co. sovereignty over India, and the British Empire took control. In 1945, nearly 200 years after the Sepoy Rebellion, Indians gained independence.

Frey noted one of the interesting things about the Sepoy War is the number of

women involved.

“There were female leaders on the rebel side,” he explained. “There were Indian Queens who took up the rebel banner. There were a lot of Indian women who fought alongside the rebel soldiers. There were a lot of British women who were involved.”

Frey’s peer, Ian Barrow from Middlebury College, wrote a review saying, “Frey’s concise and readable history of the Indian rebellion is an excellent introduction to one of the most important wars of the 19th century. This is the best short history of the rebellion in print.”

UWO radio TV students in competition

UW Oshkosh Today

Nine University of Wisconsin Oshkosh radio TV film seniors placed in the Wisconsin Broadcasters Association Student Excellence Awards announced March 6.

For their work with WRST-FM radio: Patrick Caine, of Lowell, placed second for Halftime Wrap in the Sports Programming-Non Play-by-Play category.

Max Fredrick, of Appleton; and Gideon Patrick, of Oshkosh, placed first for Script to Screen, Nov. 10, in General Entertainment Program.

Andrew Haese, of Jackson, placed second for The Shuffle Hour 2, March 11, in Air

Check; and third for Combating Cyber Libel in Long Form Production Non-News.

For her work on Titan TV’s Cooking Up Content Promo in the Promotional/PSAs and Commercials category, Kaitlyn Smith, of Oshkosh, earned third place. In that same category, Alaina Versteegen, of Greenville, placed second for her Newman Center Promo.

Students on the team that took first place for “UWO in 30: Taste of Japan” in the Public Affairs category were Peter Abraham, of Appleton; Corey Hill, of Hawkins; Jack Rindahl, of Milwaukee; and Versteegen.

Club names communications director

The Boys & Girls Club of Oshkosh has named Jessica Carr as its marketing and communications director. She will lead the effort to coordinate and support the club’s strategies for marketing and communicating member programs and services and annual fundraising events.



Carr

An Oshkosh native, Carr graduated

from UW Oshkosh with a bachelor’s degree in business. During her time in college, she was an intern at the club.

Carr has spent the last several years working in marketing and event planning, both with nonprofit and for-profit organizations in the Fox Valley area.

“We are excited to have Jessica as part of our team. Her passion and skill set are a great fit and she will be a valuable asset to the future growth of our organization,” said Tracy Ogden, the club’s chief executive.



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Oshkosh region gains age-friendly designation

Oshkosh Herald

The Oshkosh area has been accepted as the seventh Wisconsin member of the AARP Network of Age-Friendly States and Communities.

The network is affiliated with the World Health Organization's Age-Friendly Cities and Communities Program, launched in 2006 to help cities prepare for rapid pop-

ulation aging and the parallel trend of urbanization. The program has participating communities in more than 20 nations.

Bryn Ceman, Aging and Resources Program supervisor for the ARDC of Winnebago County, said with the announcement they are conducting a survey (bit.ly/AgeFriendlyWinnebago) that will be used to craft a comprehensive community action plan. Ceman said they hope to

achieve more than 1,000 responses from residents ages 45 and older.

The survey will be open through April 14 or longer if additional completed surveys are needed.

The AARP network helps participating communities become great places for all ages by adopting features such as safe, walkable streets; better housing and transportation options; access to key services; and opportunities for civic and community activities.

"Oshkosh prides itself on committing to many age-friendly practices," Mayor Lori Palmeri said in response to the announcement. "In addition to talking about it, the city has committed resources to age friendly living through fall prevention programs, robust senior center resources, supporting accessible housing, and inclusively welcomes multigenerational living, working, learning and recreation in the community."

Alana Erickson, Healthy Lifespan supervisor for the Winnebago County Public Health Department, added, "Data shows that a sense of belonging and inclu-

sion are related to better health outcomes. While the concept of Age-Friendly Communities seems simple, it is a very intentional commitment with strategy and measurements.

"It's not just about saving money preventing chronic conditions, it's expanding the notion of 'my community' to more residents."

Bill Topel, the county's Human Services director, added, "We will continue to work with other communities in Winnebago County to hopefully get all municipalities to join the list. A big thank you to all who have participated in this important accomplishment. Winnebago County cares deeply about its seniors and it shows."

Oshkosh and its surrounding areas join six other Wisconsin communities with that designation: Greendale, La Crosse, Madison, Sheboygan, Shorewood and Wausau. The network promotes continuous improvement in the "8 Domains of Livability" that the World Health Organization has identified as influencing the health and quality of life of older adults.

Education Day campaign announces matching gift

The work of teachers and students in the Oshkosh Area School District will be the focus today (Wednesday) as the Oshkosh Area School District's Education Foundation is looking to raise at least \$1,500 during its first national Give Education Day.

The foundation announced a \$1,500 matching gift through the Oshkosh Area Community Foundation, allowing supporters to double their donations in this special fundraising campaign.

Give Education Day is a 24-hour fundraising event that the district will use to help support these projects in the next school year:

- Materials and supplies for classrooms that are beyond the building budget. More than 98 percent of teachers surveyed currently spend \$100 to \$1,000 out of their own pocket for students and classrooms.

- Grants supporting new and innovative classroom projects.

- Basic needs items for vulnerable students: clothing, hygiene items, school supplies and field trip fees.

To donate, visit give-education.com/organization/Oasd-Education-Foundation. Secure donations can be made through midnight. Additional updates and reminders will be shared on the group's Facebook page during the 24-hour campaign.

"Give Education Day provides a terrific opportunity for us to come together as a community to support our students, teachers and schools," stated Theresa Duren, foundation director. "We are grateful for the generosity of the Oshkosh Area Community Foundation and are eager to match, and even exceed, its \$1,500 contribution."

Schraa, Hintz set listening sessions

State Rep. Michael Schraa (R-Oshkosh) has scheduled five in-person meeting sessions around the 53rd District over the next few weeks to hear from individuals or family groups about the pending state budget.

Schraa will be at the Algoma Town Hall, 15 North Oakwood Road, from 10 to 11 a.m. Monday. Constituents can either call 608-267-7990 to reserve a time and get information on safety protocols or attend without a reservation depending on availability.

Rep. Gordon Hintz (D-Oshkosh) will hold a virtual office hour from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. April 2 to listen to and discuss issues important to Oshkosh residents. Constituents with questions regarding state issues are encouraged to attend.

Anyone interested can RSVP to 608-266-2254 or at rep.hintz@legis.wisconsin.gov. They will be provided with the information necessary to participate via Zoom or phone.

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<p>16-oz. Package Oscar Mayer Wieners SALE PRICE \$2.69 - 1.00 \$1.69 LIMIT 2 FINAL PRICE After Instant Savings WITH CARD</p>	<p>8-oz. Package - Regular or Light Philadelphia Cream Cheese SALE PRICE \$2.69 - 1.00 \$1.69 FINAL PRICE After Instant Savings WITH CARD</p>
<p>12-oz. Package - Individually Wrapped Slices Kraft American Singles SALE PRICE \$2.99 - 1.00 \$1.99 FINAL PRICE After Instant Savings WITH CARD</p>	<p>14 to 16-oz. Bottle Kraft Salad Dressing SALE PRICE \$2.49 - 1.00 \$1.49 FINAL PRICE After Instant Savings WITH CARD</p>
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<p>4.4 to 10.5-oz. Package - Select Smart Ones Entrees SALE PRICE \$1.99 - 1.00 99¢ FINAL PRICE After Instant Savings WITH CARD</p>	<p>30.65-oz. Maxwell House Wake-Up Roast Coffee SALE PRICE \$5.99 - 1.00 \$4.99 FINAL PRICE After Instant Savings WITH CARD</p>
<p>8.9 to 10.7-oz. Oscar Mayer Lunchables SALE PRICE \$2.49 - 1.00 \$1.49 FINAL PRICE After Instant Savings WITH CARD</p>	<p>12 to 14-oz. Package - Kraft Deluxe Macaroni & Cheese or Velveeta Shells & Cheese SALE PRICE \$2.99 - 1.00 \$1.99 FINAL PRICE After Instant Savings WITH CARD</p>
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3-lb. Bag - Michigan Fuji, Ida Red or Empire Apples \$3.99	Washington State Premium Gala or Fuji Apples \$1.49 lb.	8-oz. - Pennsylvania Dutchman Sliced White Mushrooms \$1.89	Fresh from Florida! Bi-Color Sweet Corn 3/\$1.98
Washington State Premium Pink Lady or Granny Smith Apples \$1.69 lb.	Jumbo California Navel Oranges or Tropical Mangos 99¢ ea.	5-oz. Package Fresh Express Organic Salads \$3.79	22-oz. - Bolthouse Farms Salad Dressings..... \$4.49 California Red or Green Leaf Lettuce \$1.29 lb.
Extra Large Gold Pineapple \$3.49 ea.	Fancy Lemons 2.98¢	1-lb. Bag Bolthouse Farms Cello Carrots 69¢	Fresh Green Cabbage 59¢ lb.
IMPORTED Bartlett Pears \$1.69 lb.	16-oz. - Little Potato Company Oven Ready Baby Potatoes \$3.49	Jumbo Sweet Onions \$1.29 lb. Yellow or Zucchini Squash... \$1.29 lb.	8.5-oz. - Giorgio Stuffed Baby Portabella Mushrooms \$4.99 All Varieties

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Gluten Free

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6-oz. Package Annie's Gluten Free Rice Macaroni & Cheese or Rice Shells & White Cheddar 2/\$5

46 to 48-oz. Jar Food Club Applesauce
\$1.99 WITH CARD

12-oz. Peanut Butter To-Go or 15.5 to 16-oz. Jar Jif Peanut Butter
10 to 32-oz. - Select Fruit Spread, Smucker's Jam, Jelly, or Preserves
\$2.29 WITH CARD

6-Count Package or 20-oz. Loaf - Brat/Sausage or Deluxe Butternut Buns or Whole Grain White or Honey Wheat Bread
\$1.69 WITH CARD
(May not be available at all locations)

7 to 13-oz. Package Nabisco Chips Ahoy!
\$2.49 WITH CARD

10-Count Package Capri Sun Fruit Juice Drink
\$2.49 WITH CARD

12-oz. Loaf Village Hearth Half Loaf Bread
\$1.99 WITH CARD

10-oz. Bag - Sticks, Twists, Petite Twists, or Rods Food Club Pretzels
\$1.29 WITH CARD

16-oz. Jar Food Club Dry Roasted Peanuts
\$2.19 WITH CARD

4-Pack Food Club Pudding Snacks
99¢ WITH CARD

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4.5-Inch Mini Rose Plant
\$5.99

4" Easter Egg Mum Plant
\$6.99

Hidden Meadows Bouquet
\$13.99

Mystic Garden Bouquet
\$15.99

32-oz. Bottle - Select
Coffee-mate Flavored Creamers
\$3.49 WITH CARD

5.3 to 7-oz.
Chobani Flips, Drinks, or Greek Yogurt
89¢ WITH CARD

20 to 24-oz. Loaf
Italian or Dutch Country Brownberry Bread
\$1.99 WITH CARD

15-oz. - Original or With Calcium
Country Crock Spread
\$2.29 WITH CARD

15-oz.
Food Club Part Skim Ricotta Cheese
\$1.69 WITH CARD

3-Count Package
Food Club Cheese Snacks
\$2.79 WITH CARD

33.8-oz. Bottle
Violi Blended Olive Oil
\$2.99 WITH CARD

12.76 to 21.71-oz.
Bellatoria Ultra Thin Pizza
\$3.99 WITH CARD

6 to 8-oz. Package
Crystal Farms Sliced Cheese
\$2.69 WITH CARD

14-oz. Can
Eagle Brand Condensed Milk
\$1.79 WITH CARD

14-oz. Package
Canyon Bakehouse Bagels
\$5.29 WITH CARD

4 to 10-Count Package - Select
Jimmy Dean Sausage Biscuits, Hash Browns, or Breakfast Sandwiches
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128-oz.
Dean's Dairy Pure Orange Juice
\$3.99 WITH CARD

19 to 25-oz. Package - Food Club Frozen
Cheese Tortellini or Ravioli
\$2.99 WITH CARD

9 to 15-oz. Package - Select - Birds Eye
Veggie Made Bowls, Healthy Choice or Marie Callender's Entrees
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22.75 to 31.6-oz.
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10-Count Package - 8-Inch
Frescados Burrito Tortillas
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18 to 60-Count Package
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10-oz. Package - Select
Pictsweet Frozen Vegetables
3/\$4 WITH CARD

18 to 24-oz. Package
Mr. Dee's Roasted Red or Shredded Hashbrown Potatoes
\$1.99 WITH CARD

Select Beef, Chicken, or Vegetable
Swanson Broth
\$1.99 WITH CARD

5.75-oz. Jar or 6-oz. Can
Pearls Stuffed Manzanilla or Large Ripe Olives
\$1.69 WITH CARD

46-oz. Can
Food Club Vegetable or Tomato Juice
\$1.49 WITH CARD

0.71 to 1.13-oz.
McCormick Grill Mates Marinades
99¢ WITH CARD

12-Quart
Food Club H2O Water Enhancer
\$1.99 WITH CARD

16 to 20.10-oz. Canister
Nesquik Nestle Nesquik Mix
\$4.99 WITH CARD

12-Count Package
Food Club Coffee, Cappuccino, or Cocoa Single Serve Cups
\$2.99 WITH CARD

3-oz.
Just Crack an Egg
\$1.99 WITH CARD

16-oz. Package
Food Club Lasagna
\$1.49 WITH CARD

2-Count - Bounty Huge White or 6-Count - Big Rolls
Bounty Essentials Paper Towels
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4.7-oz. Package
Food Club Scalloped or Au Gratin Potatoes
99¢ WITH CARD

16.9 to 17-oz. Bottle
Filippo Extra Virgin or Light Olive Oil
\$4.69 WITH CARD

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Simply Done Zipper Snack or Sandwich Bags
\$2.29 WITH CARD

750 ML Bottle
Acqua Panna or San Pellegrino Water
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30-oz. Jar
Food Club Salad Dressing or Mayonnaise
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StarKist Tuna Creations or Chunk Light Tuna
\$1.29 WITH CARD

23.9 to 24-oz. Jar - Red Sauce Only
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128-oz.
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\$14.99 WITH CARD

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Kingsford or Match Light Charcoal
\$9.99 WITH CARD

25.5-oz. Bottle
Colavita Extra Virgin Olive Oil
\$9.99 WITH CARD

2.2 to 3.4-oz. - Travel Size, Spray, or Tube
Mosaic Hand Sanitizer
99¢ WITH CARD

One Dozen
Grade A Medium Eggs
99¢ WITH CARD
LIMIT 2

8.5 to 16-oz. Package - Select
Barilla Pasta
99¢ WITH CARD
LIMIT 4

46 to 48-oz.
Blue Bunny Ice Cream
\$2.99 WITH CARD

18.4-oz. Package - Milk Chocolate Only
Betty Crocker Brownie Mix
99¢ WITH CARD

12.1 to 14.1-oz.
Roma Pizza
\$1.99 WITH CARD

7.5 to 10-oz. Bag
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Boneless - Center Cut
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Badger - Boneless - Premium Half Hams... **\$3.99** lb.
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20-oz. Package
Klement's - Fresh Easter Polish Sausage **\$3.99** WITH CARD



Thin Sliced Sandwich Steak **\$5.99** lb.



OVEN READY Stuffed Peppers **\$4.99** lb.

US Government Inspected
T-Bone Steak **\$5.99** lb.



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Boneless Ribeye Steak **\$6.99** lb.



Thin Sliced Ribeye Sandwich Steak... **\$7.49** lb.

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Tenderized Pork Chops **\$2.99** lb.



Bacon Wrapped - Boneless Pork Ribeye Chops... **\$3.49** lb.

Fresh Gerber's Amish - Boneless - Skinless
Chicken Lover's Choice **\$3.99** lb.



2 Boneless - Skinless Breast Fillets and 4 Boneless - Skinless Thighs.

Fresh - Hand Cut - Whole or Split
Turkey Breast **\$2.69** lb.



Fresh Cut Turkey Parts... **\$1.99** lb.

8-oz. - Buddi
Premium Deli Meats **\$1.99** WITH CARD



2.1-oz.
Farmland Cooked Bacon **\$3.69** WITH CARD



18 to 24-oz. - Old Wisconsin
Brats, Polish Sausage or Natural Casing Wieners **\$6.99** WITH CARD



Fresh
Veal Blade Steak or Ground Veal **\$5.99** lb.



Fresh Stew Meat... **\$6.99** lb.

12-oz. - Assorted Varieties - Klement's
Pork Links or Ground Italian Sausage **\$2.99** WITH CARD



12 to 20-oz. - Fully Cooked Heat & Eat
Smithfield Sausage Patties or Biscuits **\$4.29** WITH CARD



10 to 14-oz. - Turkey, Beef, Original or Polish
Eckrich Smoked Sausage **\$2.99** WITH CARD



4.5, 6-oz. - Johnsonville
Italian Sausage or Brats **\$9.99** WITH CARD



16-oz. - Supreme Choice
Pollock Fillets **\$2.99** WITH CARD



16-oz. - Supreme Choice
Tilapia Fillets **\$3.99** WITH CARD



16-oz. - Supreme Choice
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Frozen
Snow Crab Sections **\$4.99** lb.




16-oz. - Ocean Market - Frozen
Salmon Fillets **\$4.99** WITH CARD



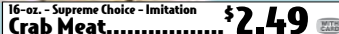
Wild Caught - Fresh
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EZ Peel Raw Shrimp **\$7.99** WITH CARD



16-oz. - Supreme Choice - Imitation
Crab Meat **\$2.49** WITH CARD



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2-Liter Bottle
7UP, RC Cola or Dr. Pepper **3/\$5** WITH CARD



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Budweiser or Bud Light **\$15.98** WITH CARD



6-Pack, 7.5-oz. Cans
Coke, Sprite or Diet Coke **4/\$10** WITH CARD



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Pepsi or Mtn Dew **2/\$3** WITH CARD



17-oz. Bottle
Vita Ice **89¢** WITH CARD



12-Pack, 12-oz. Cans
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750 ML Bottle
Speyburn Scotch **\$24.99**



1.75-Liter Bottle
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The Grand

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Ferlo said they started envisioning what the looming crisis would bring a month ahead of time and planned accordingly as best they could. The Grand's online channel was up and running within five days of last March's shutdown.

"When it happened, you could either be paralyzed or move forward. We never really stopped," he recalled. "We didn't know what we were going to do but we just knew we were going to do something."

Ferlo said getting payroll protection funds that allowed the nine-person staff to stay onboard was critical for keeping the recovery plan focused.

"Having the team together was probably the best thing that happened," he said.

Ferlo also leaned on decades of experience as a presenter who accumulated enough entertainers and agents who over time have become colleagues and friends ready to take on the crisis together, making it easier to get shows moved and re-scheduled.

In return, The Grand has been one of the rare venues nationwide able to keep artists busier than most, even if not at the same level as before. Ferlo was recently named to the board of directors of the North American Performing Arts Managers and Agents (NAPAMA), a trade association that he said has helped him stay engaged with the industry as it shares expertise on how other venues are carrying on.

Early in the pandemic, Ferlo knew residents were focused on their living situations, not entertainment venues, so "we had to wait our turn in the arts." They stayed busy navigating new contract challenges, safety precautions for staff and how to initiate livestreaming as an import-



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The Grand Oshkosh's new blade sign was lit Friday night ahead of its live performance.

ant option for keeping the theater's shows and visibility out there for supporters.

Ferlo credits the steady backing of donors and sponsors to allow free livestream-

ing of some shows and its annual student education program. The Suite Seat series that welcomes patrons back in the doors at 25 percent capacity is also helping fund the livestreams, which have already been viewed in 23 states, as they work toward letting in more visitors by this fall.

"Being able to go through spring now and the summer with the series, and keeping it out there free, is really a positive for us," Ferlo said.

Arts patrons support the theater through matching gift programs, such as a \$20,000 challenge from Lynn and Roger Van Vreede, an upcoming May fundraiser and other ongoing support efforts. The Festival Foods Marquee and Message Center went up on the west side of the building as part of an overall branding initiative that extends inside.

A dedication ceremony for the signs is happening Thursday while the theater promotes naming rights opportunities in other areas of the venue such as the main hall, grand lounge and bar, lobby, and stage and suite seats.

Ferlo said the branding licenses open another avenue for supporters to back the theater as it works its way past the pandemic that effectively shut down the venue for 180 days.

For each future branding license, 25 percent of the income will be placed into a special account at the Oshkosh Area Community Foundation and will be designated for further improvements to the building complex, which is Wisconsin's oldest live performance theater.

Ferlo expects a new performance season will be ready to unveil this spring. Community relations manager Jaime Rashid said in the meantime they will continue scheduling reduced-capacity live performances, adding livestream events and offering virtual programming for students.

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West-side pocket neighborhood plan unveiled

Evergreen Retirement Community is planning a new pocket neighborhood development on an 11-acre parcel at 9th Avenue and Linden Oaks Drive on the west side.

The neighborhood consists of clus-

ters of distinctly designed homes around a common green space and sidewalks connecting the homes. Road access will be limited to garage areas of each home around the perimeter of each cluster and a common clubhouse space will provide

a shared venue for neighborhood events.

"We're really excited about the initial response to the development. Survey results not only show demand for a project like this, but significant interest as well," said Theresa Brockman, Evergreen's vice president of marketing and business development. "We know quality senior housing can be hard to come by and we're excited to offer something new to extend the Ev-

ergreen experience to an even larger population."

Named Linden Oaks, it will consist of 40 independent homes that will feature two bedrooms, two bathrooms, an open living room-kitchen layout with cathedral ceilings and an attached two-car garage. Landscaping, snow removal, a clubhouse and fitness center also will be part of the basic service package.

Big Brothers bike tour returns in July

Big Brothers Big Sisters of East Central Wisconsin is registering participants for its 35th annual Bike Tour that returns to the road July 25.

The ride goes through the Fox Cities countryside with different routes to choose from. There is a 4-mile family route open to families with children 12 and under or more challenging options including

12-, 25-, 55-, 75- or the 100-mile routes.

Organizers will use safety and cleaning measures and modify logistics throughout the event to reduce crowds and ensure safety.

For registration go to active.com/needah-wi/cycling/races and search for the 35th annual Bike Tour.

Federal block grant funding available

The city of Oshkosh will use federal community development block grant (CDBG) funds to support a variety of public service activities by local nonprofit organizations for the program year running from May 1 through April 30, 2022.

Clients benefiting from the use of CDBG funds must live within the city limits. The proposal must provide a direct benefit for low- to moderate-income residents and can be used for administration, supplies, materials and other costs related

to implementation and operation of a program.

No applications will be accepted for startup costs or capital expenditures such as vehicles, facility renovations and similar items.

Applications are due by 3:30 p.m. April 9. The application is available at ci.oshkosh.wi.us/EconomicDevelopment. Click on CDBG 2021 Program Year Public Service Application under News and Updates.

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Trailblazer reflects on time as UWO's athletics director

By Laurie Schlosser
UW OSHKOSH TODAY

In remembering the 50th anniversary of women's championships in the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC), it's clear that Oshkosh resident Helen Briwa got the ball rolling for women's athletics at the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh.

Briwa served as the first and only women's director of athletics at UW Oshkosh, playing a key role in the growth of women's programs on campus—and beyond.

"Helen was indeed a pioneer. She means everything to the foundation of women's athletics at UW Oshkosh," said Kennan Timm, UWO's sports information director since 1985. "Helen was involved in so many aspects, both as an administrator and coach during her tenure at UWO and was on the first step of the department's building process a few weeks after arriving on this campus in the late 1960s."

Briwa, a five-sport head coach and member of the UWO Hall of Fame, was women's director of athletics from 1971 to 1988—all this after growing up in a time when the concept of women's collegiate sports was simply a dream. In the late 1960s and early 1970s, Briwa and other pioneers dedicated their lives to creating opportunities for women in athletics.

Career options were limited in those days and many women aspired to be teachers or nurses.

"My sophomore year in high school we were assigned a paper on 'What do you want to be when you grow up?' I went to the library and talked to my mother's friend who was in physical education," Briwa recalled.

She said teaching in a classroom didn't interest her, but being able to play and coach all of her life did.

Briwa remembers her decision to come to Oshkosh, after working a number of years at Colorado State University. The Hudson, New York native was hoping to move a little closer to the east coast. Bright sun sparkled during her two-day visit to Oshkosh and the campus, and she chose the job over an opportunity at another university.

The warm blue skies that beckoned her didn't last for long.

"The weather in Colorado was beautiful, very mild," she said. "Oshkosh was not that mild. In 1968, we had so much snow! You couldn't see who was coming at the intersections and people had to have little orange balls attached to their car antennas (visible over the snowbanks)."

Briwa graduated with a bachelor's degree from Skidmore College in New York, a master's degree from Smith College in



Photo from UW Oshkosh
Helen Briwa is a member of the UW Oshkosh Hall of Fame.

Massachusetts and a doctorate degree from the Ohio State University.

She participated at the highest level available to women in the 1950s for women's field hockey, lacrosse, basketball, softball and tennis.

She arrived at UWO in 1968 and became involved in forming the Wisconsin Women's Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WWIAC). She became women's athletic director in 1971, as well as associate professor in the physical education department and head coach of five sports: women's badminton, field hockey, softball, track and field and volleyball.

As field hockey coach, she had a knack for taking beginners under her wing—Danielle Bauer, Sharon Butz, Darla Deville, Linda Hobbs, Ellen Krabbe, Janet Mueller and Faye Salisbury among them—and turning them into national players. Briwa coached several players to individual honors in both the College North Field Hockey Association and WWIAC.

"People (in Oshkosh) didn't know what field hockey was," she said. "There was no feeder program, no way to recruit."

Briwa taught the sport in her physical education classes and was able to secure some players.

Elaine Coll and her husband, retired UWO journalism professor Gary Coll, are good friends of Briwa. Elaine, a former physical education teacher and coach at UWO (1969-72) and Ripon College (1973-90), is grateful Briwa took her under her wing and mentored her at UWO. Both of their careers were impacted by the 1972 passage of Title IX federal law, requiring that women be given equal opportunity in education, including sports.

Coll remembers how good Briwa was in field hockey and in badminton: "She

could beat anybody in badminton."

Coll said Briwa started a Sunday league for a women's field hockey club. The idea appealed to students from the east coast who were familiar with the game and other female students who wanted to learn.

"I remember some of my volleyball players (at Ripon) would go to Oshkosh on Sundays," Coll said. "They were easterners and they would go on Sunday and loved it."

Over her 14 years as head coach, Briwa developed a number of standout athletes in field hockey. In 1981, she was selected as WWIAC field hockey coach of the year.

Deb Vercauteren, retired cross country and track and field coach at UWO who coached numerous individual and team champions, said Helen was a strong believer in women being coached by women.

"This provided mentorship with the idea to mold the student athletes into strong independent women, women that would become leaders with knowledge, confidence, and assertiveness," she said.

During her 17 years as UWO women's athletic director, teams earned four national titles and 18 WWIAC titles. Upon

her retirement, she was honored by WWIAC and was named Woman of the Year by the Oshkosh Business Women's Club.

"Every decision Helen made helped pave the way for more women faculty, staff, administrators and student-athletes to be involved," Timm said. "She fought tirelessly for gender equality and ultimately impacted change that continues to benefit the 200-plus women who compete for the Titans on an annual basis."

Briwa, who enjoys following the Packers and Brewers, has remained involved with the UWO athletic community and currently serves as a member of the hall of fame committee.

She has raised long-haired dachshunds for years and is involved with the American Kennel Club. She said she enjoys the Oshkosh community and the friends she's made while still owning property in Hudson, N.Y., where her sister and nephew reside.

Briwa admits things have come a long way since her start at UW Oshkosh.

"Girls today can do anything they want to do," she said.

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Spartans take down GB West for volleyball win

By Dustin Riese
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

Despite being just three weeks into the modified spring volleyball season, most teams are beyond the halfway point with the end of the season in just two weeks. Sitting at 0-5 entering Thursday's non-conference matchup with Green Bay West, the Spartans were hoping their confidence from Fond du Lac would carry over to a victory.

The Spartans played near flawless to top the Wildcats 25-16, 25-7 and 25-4 for the straight-set win. This may have been their first win of the season but felt like a long time coming.

"I thought the girls did a great job," head coach Jamie Thomas said. "I subbed in and out a lot and they managed to keep the same tempo throughout the match."

The early portion of the first set saw Jessica Swapp getting involved offensively and defensively with a block and a kill. Heidi Colburn followed with a kill of her own before Mya Marquardt took over from the service side. Her perfectly placed

serve led to easy points as the Spartans jumped to a 10-4 lead.

Things continued to go well for Oshkosh with Morgan Wilson now picking up aces of her own. Another kill coming from Payton Uptagraft gave North an 18-10 lead.

After the Wildcats finally were able to regain possession, they began to possess the ball. That led to some easy points not only at the net but forced the Spartans to change things up as West was able to claw within 20-16. That was as close as things would get with Mollie Bittner and Colburn helping finish things off for 25-16 win.

North jumped in front early in the second set and cruised to an easy win. Once again it was Colburn and Bittner controlling things with Bittner playing the net and Colburn sending in the serves. The Spartans grabbed an 11-0 lead and never looked back for a 25-7 win.

After a tough first set, Thomas wanted her girls to remember their effort from Tuesday and put that in play.

"Being a nonconference game, we had

no idea what to expect that first set," she said. "I think we built our confidence up the first set and just kept going from there. We took a set from Fond du Lac on Tuesday, which really showed the girls our ability level and what we can accomplish when we work together. We encouraged the girls to capitalize on free balls and run as many plays as we can, and they did a nice job of that."

A big reason for their impressive second set was improved passing that led to more options when it came to hitting. That continued into the third with Colburn taking over once again with a kill followed by strong serves that led to a quick 4-0 lead. After surrendering a point to West, the Spartans got back on the attack with Bittner playing the front of the net and placing perfect serves to make it difficult for Green Bay to generate anything offensively. That lead continued to grow as Uptagraft now got involved again to make things 12-2. Now leading 15-3, the Spartans felt good enough to empty the bench with several players making appearances.

Kaydence Kaquatosh was delivering nice serves, Aguilar was dominating at the net and Marquardt closed things out from

the service line. North disposed of the Wildcats 25-4 in the final set to take the match 3-0.

With a shortened season that is almost over, Thomas couldn't be prouder of the effort.

"The girls have been very good about being able to adapt to whatever we ask of them," Thomas said. "There are girls on the team that have played just about every position, depending on what we need for that night. We never know if someone is going to get quarantined, so the girls need to be ready to fill in wherever needed."

"We also don't have as much prep time before games as we usually do. We have a lot to get through at practice and the girls do a nice job transitioning. I think the most important thing they can take away from this season is to just have fun and roll with the punches. We can deal with whatever is thrown at us and as long as we work together, we can do great things."

The Spartans took on cross-town rival Oshkosh West last night and will finish their season with home games against Kimberly and Neenah.

Business Model Competition returns

The University of Wisconsin Oshkosh's Alta Resources Center for Entrepreneurship and Innovation is seeking entries to its Wisconsin High School Business Model Competition, which is open to all sophomore, junior and senior high school students statewide.

Youth entrepreneurship competitions provide a safe space to experiment with career paths and ideas while teaching valuable skills in creative thinking, plan-

ning, financial responsibility and the importance of relationships.

The event will take place on campus May 22. Students can learn more and apply at uwosh.edu/cei/hs-pitch.

Winning entrepreneurs can earn up to \$8,000 in scholarships and a total of \$15,000 in scholarships will be disbursed. Individuals and teams must apply by March 28. Finalists will be announced no later than April 19.

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forts," Rohloff said.

The status designation will be something the city keeps "a very close eye on."

Jason White, Greater Oshkosh Economic Development Corp. president, said Oshkosh is one of 380 MSAs nationwide.

"Losing this designation would hurt in terms of (Oshkosh's) brand of urban center," he said.

Michael Ford, a UW Oshkosh associate professor of public administration and Common Council member, agreed, saying the concerns are twofold: unintended consequences regarding federal funding and using the MSA status to advertise to businesses looking to locate around a potential workforce. He said he did not think OMB's intention were to harm cities, "but it could nonetheless happen."

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WIAC spring spectator policy set

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All guests must wear a mask or face covering at all times, remain socially distanced in the competition venue, observe seating policies, cannot interact with student-athletes in the competition venue, and are asked to depart the competition venue as soon as the contest is over.

West girls tennis tops Sun Prairie

The Oshkosh West girls tennis team went unbeaten in singles and doubles Friday against Sun Prairie, going 4-0 in singles and 3-0 in pairs competition.

Keagan Potter defeated Reena Katta, 6-0, 6-1; Ella Nguyen beat Riley Brower 6-1, 6-0; Hannah Chung stopped Alexandra Stein 6-2, 6-0; and Anika Larson shut out Leah Schroeder 6-0, 6-0.

In doubles, Brinley Bettcher and Courtney Carpenter beat Reagan Schwartzer and Abbie Mott 6-4 and 6-3; Kate Conger and Sam Lightner shut out Sydney Wilson and Kayla Ayres 6-0, 6-0; and Megan Augustine and Ella Steffen beat Carly Smith and Brooke Ayers 6-0, 6-1.



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Spring launch

Fishing enthusiasts were out on the water in large numbers over the weekend for an early spring walleye run.

Amcor joins global plastic waste initiative

Packaging producer Amcor, with global headquarters in Zurich and an Amcor Flexibles division in Oshkosh, is joining the Alliance to End Plastic Waste at the executive committee level, according to Recycling Today.

Company officials said its membership in the group aligns with Amcor's 2025 Sustainability Pledge to develop all its packaging to be recyclable or reusable by 2025.

"Amcor's extensive innovation capabilities are delivering packaging designed to achieve the commitment to make all our packaging recyclable or reusable by 2025," Ron Delia, Amcor chief executive officer, said. "But keeping waste out of the environment also requires collaboration across the global value chain for better waste management and recycling infrastructure and to educate consumers. The

Alliance serves as a crucial forum for that collaborative effort across parties aligned on the need to deliver more sustainable outcomes. I am excited that Amcor is taking up this leadership role within the Alliance and we look forward to working with the other Alliance members to advance on our shared ambitions for responsible packaging."

Alliance executive Jacob Duer said, "The addition of Amcor to the Alliance's Executive Committee strengthens our links to the packaging industry. Amcor's expertise as the world's leading diversified packaging company will bring new capabilities to the Alliance's project portfolio and brings us closer towards achieving our vision of ending plastic waste in the environment."

The Alliance's 57 member companies agree to support projects to build and scale solutions to end plastic waste.

Alliance projects include Project STOP Jembrana in Indonesia, where a new waste management system is being built to deal with plastic waste, while the End Plastic Waste Innovation Platform fosters startups across the plastic value chain to accelerate innovation to eliminate plastic waste.

Amcor has projects underway to consider waste leakage and aligned with the Alliance's four strategic pillars of waste management infrastructure, innovation, education and engagement and cleaning up.

The packaging company also partnered with McKinsey.org to develop recycling and waste management solutions for communities in Latin America. Amcor is a member of the World Wildlife Fund-led activation hub, ReSource: Plastic, and has global partnerships with Ocean Conservancy and the Ellen MacArthur Foundation's New Plastics Economy initiative.

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Spartans working for strong spring season

By Dustin Riese
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

Over the past several seasons, things haven't gone as planned for the Oshkosh North football team. That doesn't take away from the fight the program has shown and the overall growth under head coach Justin Wara. While the results haven't been there, having the 2020 fall season canceled allowed the team to gel in new ways.

"I think the extended time off has put things in a different perspective," Wara said. "Talking with our players and coaches we appreciate the game of football just that much more. We are excited about the opportunity to give our seniors their final season of high school football."

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Just having an opportunity is all these players could ask for as they went nearly a calendar year without athletic competitions. While a spring season is surprising, Wara and his group are ready for the challenges ahead and are focused on getting better each day.

"This season is going to be full of challenges that we never dealt with," he said. "Our first one is having to start practice in the gym and sharing that space with other sports. On top of that we have protocols in place to ensure we are providing a safe environment to limit exposure and spread of COVID. Our expectation is to give our athletes as many opportunities as possible."

When you look back at the 2019 season and the players that provided a lift during the season, some familiar names will be back in the fold. Guys like Landon Span-

bauer, who led the team in rushing in 2019, and Caden McCartney will both be back. Wara is not only happy to have both players back but has been impressed with the leadership role they have taken on this early and the message they are giving the team.



Wara

Along with both, the Spartans are bringing back a lot of talent in what was a young team in 2019. Both Isaiah Luebke and Jonah Sippl are back up front and will be looked upon to solidify the offensive line. Gus Daebler will be back on defense after coming off a strong season at CB. They will be joined by tons of junior talent and a handful of sophomores this spring who will all be vying for time.

Along with the strange season in terms of how the Spartans conduct practices, they will be playing in two conferences. After the realignment process was approved in 2020, North went from the VFA South back to the original FVA. They will join the FVA again this fall but will be a part of the new Fox Valley Classic Conference this spring as part of group D. Sheboygan North and South, and Green Bay East and West will also join forces with North as the spring season gives North a chance to see different opponents.

"I have no issues with the schedule for the spring season," Wara said. "After watching how the fall season went for teams, we know that the schedule is going to change, and we have to be ready for those changes. Teams are going to have to move games."

Unlike seasons past, North has a good

chance to emerge as the champions of their division. When you look at Pod A with Bay Port and Pod B with Kimberly, Pod C is the one pod that seems to be the most balanced from top to bottom. That means anyone can win the conference. Wara likes his team's chances but knows they need to be more consistent to reach their goals.

"With a new conference and teams that have not played each other it's anyone's game," he said. "I do like our team and our chances. We just have to put in the work and good things will come. We need consistency. Last year we showed we could compete with good football teams."

North will kick off the season Friday at Green Bay West. April 1 is their home opener against Green Bay East as part of a double-header with Oshkosh West.

Hartkopf looks for quick start from West

After nearly three decades with the Wildcats, the last 19 years as head coach, Ken Lavine stepped down. In comes a familiar face in former assistant Duane Hartkopf as he is looking to leave his mark after a lengthy delay to start his campaign.

"The past year has certainly been a whirlwind to say the least," Hartkopf said. "Many changes have occurred, but the athlete's desire to play football hasn't diminished at all."

That excitement and desire to play is going to come in handy this year as a large portion of this roster will have an opportunity to play in two separate football seasons. Before the Wildcats get ahead of themselves, the focus is on the shortened spring season in which Hartkopf has one goal for his group moving forward.

"The spring season our goal is simple: compete," he said. "We are going to focus on getting our offense and defense clicking and putting our game scripts together to put us in a situation to win games."

Competing has never been an issue for this team despite posting a 3-6 season in 2019. Across the 2018 and '19 seasons, the Wildcats have gone 6-12, but of those losses eight came by a score or less.

They have plenty of talent returning and it all starts with Riley Taylor RB, David Kohl QB, Roman Martell TE, Riley Stobb OL and Aaron Fields OL on offense. Not only will they be taking on large roles this season, but they need to replace the pro-

duction from Bryce Hinn, Nate Carlin, and a pair of great offensive lineman.

Defensively, look for Kyle Weister LB, Joey Truss LB, Martell LB, Aiden Balzar DL, and Zach Bancroft to anchor what could be a surprisingly good defense. All these kids will play a key role to the team's success this season, but it is the underclassmen who could be the ultimate X-factors for this springs team.

"Many of our junior and senior players will see a fair amount of playing time which will help keep momentum into the off-season and prepare for the quick turnaround," Hartkopf said. "As we dive into offense and defense, it will be fun to see what impact players are going to rise to the occasion."

Things were already going to look different for the Wildcats in 2020 as they moved on from the VFA south to rejoin the FVA. With the fall season canceled, that move will have to wait a few months, but it is the new conference that has everyone talking. As part of the newly formed Fox Valley Classic Conference, West will be one of 20 teams taking part in the league as they will be part of group C.

The Wildcats are joined by Appleton West, De Pere, Green Bay Southwest and Manitowoc Lincoln in one of the more competitive pods in the conference.

"Our pod does appear to be very even on paper," Hartkopf said. "All three of the FRCC teams finished 4-5 in their conference, we were 3-6 and A-West was 2-7. Not sure a clear favorite stands out as each team will be in the mix. I think our pod presents each team with four very competitive games. With no playoff or state series, it is great to see we will have games that test us early and often. Having SPASH as our crossover game gives us yet another competitive game against a perennial power."

Even though the 2021 fall season will look different than any other season in the past, football is football, and the Wildcats know what it means to be on the field. With no playoff series for the spring season, the Wildcats are using this time as a stepping-stone towards the fall. Hartkopf knows the talent is there now it comes down to executing both on and off the field.

"Bringing energy daily, competing at all times, showing grit, and taking advantage of our opportunities is what will make us successful this season," he said. "Knowing our responsibilities and executing while limiting our mistakes will prove pivotal. As with any season, staying healthy is always a big piece of the puzzle, but now factor in COVID and the wonderful Wisconsin Spring weather, you are left with some interesting times. Instilling our values and program expectations and building on them will continue giving us momentum as we move forward."

The Wildcats begin their season on the road Friday as they face FVA rival Appleton West. They will conclude game two of the double header April 1 when they host De Pere for their home opener.



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Wildcats hoping to regain team's momentum

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For Oshkosh West boys soccer coach Matt Callahan, everything about his 13th season at the helm has been unlucky so far. Upon finishing their 2019 season, the school district along with much of the Fox Valley Association elected to pause the fall sports season moving most sports to the spring.

That means that the Wildcats have now gone nearly 16 months since they last played a soccer game.

As difficult as that may be for some coaches, it has given Callahan some time to reflect on the program. He now knows the things he wants to focus on as he prepares to finally take the field for a season.

"I am very excited to be kicking off a high school season again," he said. "Having the season moved from fall to spring has definitely changed my mindset a bit on the role of this spring season. The last few months have been spent pondering what things we need to change with the program so we can have as much success as possible with current conditions at hand. We are going to work hard to get back into game shape and we'll look to carry that on to the fall season."

The spring season presents a new experience for players and coaches alike as it will give them the opportunity to play two high school seasons within the 2021 year returning to normal in the fall. Coming off a 8-7-2 season in 2019, Callahan has high expectations for this group.

"I have high expectations for the spring season," he said. "We have a large senior class this year and these players have been playing at a very high level at the club level. If we can stay healthy and avoid quarantines, we have the tools to compete at a high level."

That large senior class will be essential for the team's success as the Wildcats need to replace 12 seniors from last year's team, most of them key contributors. The Wildcats will be looking to replace their starting goalie, center and outside defenders, some center midfielders and forwards.

The cupboard is not bare as 10 more seniors will take to the field. A lot of these players are poised to have big spring seasons with team captain Grant Ostertag returning for his third season as a starter. He will be joined by Demetri Voulgaris, Drew Lasky and Sam Blaskowski. Look for new keeper Alex Niehans to play a pivotal role.

"With the number of players that graduated and the need to have a larger roster to deal with potential quarantines, we'll have a lot of younger players ready to go," Callahan said. "Camden Herlihy is performing very well as a defender and we are looking for big things from Carson Johnson, John Munson and Carson Gerlach as well. We have a lot of other newcomers and underclassmen as well that are going to get an opportunity to shine as they'll need to step in this fall to starting roles."

The FVA has always been one of the premier soccer conferences in the state, but Stevens Point (SPASH) will be added for the spring season making it that much deeper. With annual powers Neenah, Kimberly, and Appleton North already in the conference, SPASH is only going to make the league that much deeper despite some schools not participating. Callahan knows the toughness of the league and is ready for the challenge.

"Appleton North was very strong last year, and they had a very young team so I expect they will be very tough," he said. "I certainly hope that we can be a dark horse as well with our mix of experienced seniors and talented underclassmen. The Fox Valley has some very competitive teams filled with players that play extensively in the off-season. The interesting dynamic about this spring is because not all the FVA schools are participating and a FVA champ will not be named. As such, we'll focus on using our conference games to prepare for any postseason play that is available."

Knowing there will be no conference champ in the spring and the potential of no postseason, Callahan and his group know they are going to expect the unexpected. That won't deter the Wildcats from whatever challenges they will face. Health is going to be the key to the season. "Quite frankly, we need a bit of luck," Callahan said. "The players are going to have a lot that is out of their control. If they sit next to someone in one of their classes that tests positive for COVID-19 then they will be out on a quarantine. We will compete as competitively as we can for our senior class and hopefully that concludes with a playoff experience. This spring will also serve as a launching board to prepare our younger players to step into starting roles this fall."

North coach looking to 'Always be Ready'

With Kevin Baetke stepping down from coaching after last season, the Oshkosh

North program needed a new head coach. In comes Brian Casey, who will be tasked with leading the Spartans not once but twice in 2021. After having the fall season canceled, Casey and his group have embraced a new motto as they are preparing for a new season.

"Our motto right now is, 'Always be Ready,'" Casey said. "We were able to get in some contact practices in the fall with the anticipation of having a fall season. When the season got moved to the spring, we were able to take advantage of some nice weather in December with the anticipation of gym space being limited this spring. Right now we are doing some open gym practices to get ready for the spring season. This year it has seemed like we have been getting ready for six months for a very short season this spring."

Having a season canceled is one thing but taking over a program that hasn't played a game in 16 months is an entirely different challenge. Add in that the spring season is going to be shortened and Casey knows the challenges but is still putting high expectations on his group.

"The primary focus this spring is going to be staying healthy and getting this season in," he said. "With the short season, we really can't afford to miss any time. Much of the team missed out on playing last spring with their club teams. My expectation for our team is to be willing to accept challenges, fight through adversity and always stay together."

The Spartans are coming off a senior-led 2019 that finished 11-7-2. This season will be all about experience and development as the Spartans are returning only six play-

ers from last year.

Among the returning players are juniors Nick Lemmens and Makaylar Larson, who not only saw tons of time last season but will be stepping into leadership roles. They will be joined by Erik Duran and a strong group of underclassmen that saw plenty of time in 2019 at the JV level.

"We had a good number of freshmen last season who got great exposure to the high school game at the JV level," Casey said. "There will be a good opportunity this spring to see if they can take the experience to the varsity level. Steven Tapia is an incoming freshman who will look to make an impact on the team in the spring. Kyle Gillingham, Luke Sonnetner and Myles Widmann will be sophomores this spring and I'm excited to see how their games transpire to the next level."

With the FVA boasting one of the toughest conferences in the state, things are only going to get tougher this spring with the addition of SPASH. They will join Appleton North, Neenah and Kimberly as the potential favorites, but don't count out teams like Fond du Lac or even North as a team that could surprise this spring.

Casey knows the amount of work that needs to be done, but the sooner the team comes together the more success they will have.

"The Spartans are going to need some players to fill some big shoes from the previous season," he said. "We will have many players who have never seen varsity level competition, and many are going to need to always be ready to fill the void."

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Obituaries

Kerstin Svensson

Kerstin Gunborg Salomina Svensson, age 83, of Oshkosh, died quietly at home on Tuesday, March 16, 2021. She was born in Skatelöv, Sweden on March 4, 1938, the daughter of the late Karl Bernhard Svensson and Florence (Andersson) Svensson of Sjövik, Torne Sweden.



Following in her grandparents' footsteps, at the age of 19 Kerstin traveled to the United States in search of adventure. Her search took her to Anchorage, AK where she met the now late Jonnie M. Hibbard and they married in 1961. While in Alaska, she put her baking training to work in the flight kitchens of Air France. In time, she settled in Wisconsin to raise her family and pursue her interests.

Kerstin enjoyed baking Swedish pastries and passed on the traditional Swedish fika concept of afternoon coffee to her family. She loved to garden and provide food and safe havens for area bird life. With no formal higher education, her entire life was spent educating herself. Whether it was reading classic and historic literature, studying geography, sewing, or laying hardwood flooring, Kerstin embraced learning and was happy to pass on what she knew to those who asked.

Her love of geography and places led to many travels. Always on the quest for the perfect tan and sandy beach, she treasured going to Maui and horseback riding and camping on the beaches of the Oregon coast.

When she became a grandmother, she took a great interest in table games and puzzles. Her quiet and self-deprecating manner was tempered with a highly competitive game-playing personality that often surprised an unsuspecting opponent. She particularly loved playing Canasta and Catan with her family and kept a notebook of previous scores so that the game could be picked up again when someone visited.

Kerstin is survived by two daughters: Carola Hibbard (Bill Hemmen), of Seattle, WA; Annika (Tom) Holland, of Oshkosh, WI; one son: Michael Hibbard of Cambridge, WI; five grandchildren: Anthony, Emily and Ashley Holland; Kelsey and McKade Hibbard; and one sister, Ingegerd Granberg of Sweden. She was preceded in death by one daughter, Angélique Hibbard.

Her life advice to her grandchildren was to not take everything so seriously and that it is the little contentments in life that make you truly happy.

Kerstin's family would like to thank the thoughtful care of Compassus Hospice for their help in keeping her at home. She will always be loved and greatly missed by her family, friends and her two cats, Pushkin and Kitty, that stood guard and kept vigil until the end.

A private ceremony will be held at Konrad-Behlman Funeral Home on Wednesday, March 24, with Rev Tom Long officiating. In lieu of flowers, take some time one day at 3 pm and make yourself a pour over cup of coffee and sit outside in the sun.

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Richard W. Muraski

Richard "Dick" Walter Muraski, age 86, passed away in Oshkosh, WI on March



11, 2021 peacefully at Park View Health Center from his battle with dementia. He was born in Madison, WI to Louis and Ethel (Kenfield) Muraski. He graduated from Oshkosh High School and went on to serve his country in the U.S. Army with an honorable discharge in 1963. Dick loved to go bowling, boating, fishing. He also volunteered at Club Solutions and EAA. Dick was a member of the Moose Lodge. Dick was also a friend of Bill W.

He is survived by his wife, Nancy Muraski (Ruedinger); his son, Tom Muraski; step-daughters, Anne (Greg) Grahl, Kathy (Matt) Jaeger, and Susan (Brian) Lamers; as well as seven grandchildren, two great grandchildren, and four cousins.

Preceding Dick in death are his brother, Robert Muraski; his parents, as well as his step-children, George Mavis, Ruth Rozier, and William "Billy" A Lahaie.

A visitation will be held at St. Raphael's church, 830 S. Westhaven Drive on Saturday March 20, 2021 beginning at 10AM with funeral mass to follow and burial at Ellenwood Cemetery.

A memorial is being established.

Richard's family would like to express their sincere gratitude to Parkview for providing quality care over these eight years. A special acknowledgement to Matt, who enjoyed working with Dick and Jim who helped me.

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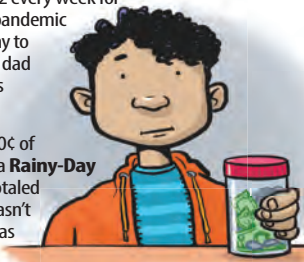


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Save for a Rainy Day!

Why have a rainy-day fund?

Tomas' parents gave him \$2 every week for allowance. But when the pandemic caused his father's company to close for a few months, his dad could no longer give Tomas an allowance.



Tomas had been putting 50¢ of his weekly allowance into a Rainy-Day Fund jar for a year. That totaled \$26. So even though he wasn't getting an allowance, Tomas still had some money if he needed it.

When his dad's company opened back up, Tomas started getting his allowance again. But this time, he started adding 75¢ to his rainy day jar every week.

By saving 75¢ each week, how much will be in Tomas' jar after one year?

How much is in Alma's bank?

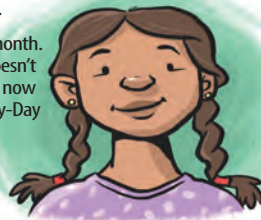


Alma's grandmother sends her \$25 every year on her birthday. Alma is 11 years old, and her grandmother started sending the money to her on her 5th birthday. Alma saved half of the money each year in her Rainy-Day Fund piggy bank. How much is in Alma's piggy bank now? Write the amount on the bank's label.

Martina's Money Mistakes

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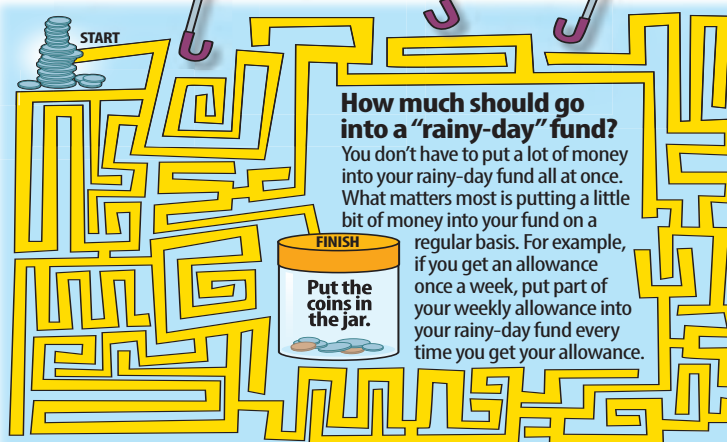
Martina's neighbor moved away last month. Martina's bike got a flat tire and she doesn't have the money to get it replaced. She now wishes she had saved money in a Rainy-Day Fund jar like her cousin Tomas.



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Can you draw lines to connect each umbrella's twin?



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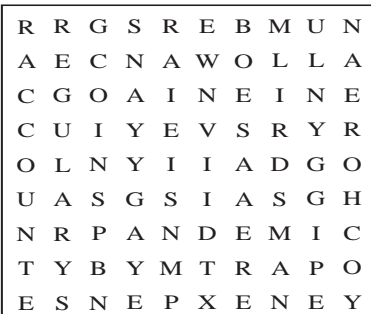
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- PANDEMIC
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Kid Scoop Together: Idioms

"Save for a rainy day" is an idiom. An idiom is a phrase that doesn't literally mean what it says. Work with a parent to write the number of each idiom's definition in the circles.

Idioms

- Back to the drawing board
- Missed the boat
- Fit as a yiddle
- Costs an arm and a leg
- Wild goose chase
- Once in a blue moon
- By the skin of your teeth
- Piece of cake

Definitions

1. In good health
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3. Starting over
4. Something very expensive
5. A task that's easy to do
6. Lost an opportunity
7. A rare occurrence
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