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Buds from marijuana plants contain the highest content of THC, the main active ingredient.

## District's staff input reviewed

### School survey identifies school leadership issues

Oshkosh Herald

More than six months after an unsigned letter from disgruntled school district employees prompted an independent survey of administrative leadership issues, results from that survey were aired at last week's Board of Education meeting that called for a strategic "do-over."

Communication and staff recognition issues led the complaints against Oshkosh Area School District leadership regarding their relations with teachers, principals and others, according to the Gallup engagement survey administered in January by Cooperative Educational Service Agency (CESA) 6.

Since the time the anonymous letter was released Nov. 24, Superintendent Vickie Cartwright resigned effective July 1, Shorewood Schools Superintendent Bryan Davis was hired in late May to replace her and the Board of Education went through a realignment after the April 6 election.

The January survey, taken amid the pandemic-hampered school year, drew more than 1,100 responses from all levels of school employees. They shared concerns about not getting proper recognition, feedback or inclusion in decision-making by their supervisors.

While these management problems were shared by many of those responding, CESA 6 executive director Ted Neitzke told the board that the staff engagement information, including the positive find-

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## Legalization debate continues as laws hold

### Wisconsin maintains full restrictions on cannabis

By Joseph Schulz  
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

Neither recreational nor medical marijuana will be legalized at the state level this biennial budget cycle, despite most Wisconsinites supporting it and growing local demand for cannabis reform.

Gov. Tony Evers proposed legalizing recreational marijuana in February, which he says could generate



### About the series

Breakwater, a community coalition focused on youth and adult substance use in Winnebago County, is sponsoring a six-part series on cannabis, or marijuana, a topic gaining attention as 'cannabis culture' evolves with legalization efforts and its future impact on society.

more than \$165 million in tax revenue annually and could help alleviate racial disparities in the criminal justice system.

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## Shepherd Band to reignite live touring at Waterfest

By Steve Clark  
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

It's safe to say that Kenny Wayne Shepherd is amped up to return to the stage.

Shepherd, the leader of the band that carries his name, has performed just once in front of an audience since February 2020 because of the coronavirus that shut down live performances in the music industry.

But with the country emerging from the pandemic, the stages will no longer be silent and the arenas no longer empty. For Shepherd that means getting back to what he has done for the majority of his life – starting with a June 24 date at the Leach Amphitheater as part of the Waterfest summer schedule.

"Everybody is pumped about it. I don't think anybody would not be excited to



Shepherd

get back to what we do," Shepherd said in a phone interview earlier this month. "Most musicians have not been able to work for a year and that's how they feed their families, pay their bills and also serve their purpose."

Shepherd, who last performed in front of a limited audience in August, isn't fearful of any added nerves on his return to the stage. The blues guitarist has been performing and recording steadily since his early teenage years.

But he is aware that he and his bandmates – Noah Hunt (vocals), Chris Lay-

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# Series takes closer look at cannabis

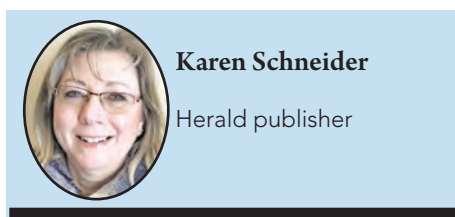
What is cannabis? Is it marijuana? What is Delta 8? THC? CBD? That lip balm contains what? You can overdose on those gummies at the gas station?

These can be confusing discussions and after attending a boot camp on marijuana use with teens through the Alliance for Wisconsin Youth, I had even more questions.

Not only can this alphabet soup be confusing, but we need to understand the differences of legalization versus decriminalization.

I've raised two kids in Phoenix and didn't think there was much left that would surprise me. However, I have been amazed to learn about the forms that cannabis can come in (like lip balm that mimics those round ball items) or the potency of gummies that can look just like the gummy bears I gave my children as a sweet treat decades ago.

As a member of the steering committee for Breakwater, a community coalition focused on preventing and reducing youth and adult substance use in Win-



**Karen Schneider**  
Herald publisher

nebago County, I am always learning and working on understanding cannabis products, side effects, and pros and cons of each. One thing is for sure: Today's marijuana is definitely not like boomers' weed anymore.

Breakwater is sponsoring a six-part series that begins in today's Oshkosh Herald. This series isn't either for or against the use or sale of any product – it's about education.

I've listened in on community conversations where military veterans speak about the relief that CBD products have given them. I've read the articles on toddlers getting into gummies and overdosing. And Wisconsin is surrounded by states that have either legalized or decriminalized marijuana in some form.

This begs us to take a deeper look what is right for Wisconsin and Oshkosh. Be-

ing the lone holdout should be to some advantage as our neighboring states learn firsthand about the pitfalls and benefits of changing the laws on marijuana.

Dan Hinton, Winnebago County's prevention services coordinator, noted the difficulty in finding credible information about marijuana and its variants, so we offer any clarifications that we can.

First, I want to make clear I am not opposed to the market. We have dog biscuits with CBD in them to help our rescue dog's anxiety. Jake gets biscuits around hunting and fireworks season to deal with loud sudden noises. The biscuits have worked miracles in calming our pup down.

In an environment where our drinking culture is so prevalent, we chuckle when hearing of the "chill" you get when taking a "half of a half of a half" of a gummy that has Delta 8, a variation of cannabis that can contain up to 0.3 percent THC, which passed through on the federal farm bill with no age requirements. If these are that strong think about a teenager who eats a pack of gummies that can be picked up at the corner convenience store. Will they really stop at one?

I encourage reading the articles over the next six weeks and have conversations with family and friends.

## Fourth of July parade will be back in town

This year's Oshkosh Fourth of July parade is set to step off at 9 a.m. July 4 with the theme of "Honoring Our Gulf War Veterans" to commemorate the 30th anniversary of the Persian Gulf War.

The parade will follow its traditional route beginning at Otter Avenue and North Main Street, north on Main, right on East Irving Avenue and ending at Hazel Street near Menominee Park.

Parade coordinator Anne Hauch said parade participants will be allowed to distribute items such as flags and candy to spectators if they choose to do so.

The parade will be broadcast by Oshkosh Media with John Nieman of Father Carr's and Joe Wiedenmeier of the Friends of OCM as commentators.

The parade is hosted by Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 437.

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# THINK ABOUT IT

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# TALK ABOUT IT

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# Solar panel process, urban agriculture get airing

By Kaitlyn Scoville  
OSHKOSH HERALD

Oshkosh's Sustainability Advisory Board heard presentations about topics of rising interest in the area at its June meeting.

Member Lisa Marone and city staff compiled a city comparison presentation for solar panel applications, installations and costs for any setting – commercial, residential or otherwise – amid an increase in requests by residents.

As it stands, Oshkosh is the most expensive in the Fox Valley area to apply for a conditional use permit (CUP) for solar panels at \$450. From there, consultation and installation can take an additional four to six weeks.

There's no specific ordinance in the city

to accommodate those seeking alternative power sources, according to Marone. City code was last updated in 2017 to require CUPs for solar panels in all settings.

She also cited problems among solar contractors because of the four- to six-week wait for the CUP to be approved on top of expenses from purchasing the actual panels.

The presentation came with the goal to make the application process easier and more cost efficient for residents and businesses to consider solar panels.

In La Crosse, residents are quickly assisted with a checklist of requirements before applying and getting connected with solar contractors, and in Appleton applicants only need to pay \$50.

Wausau partnered with the educational

project Grow Solar to provide educational and financial information about solar panels.

With comparisons to other communities, Marone suggested the city adopt some of these strategies for an easier process.

"It's obvious we're regulating these differently than a lot of (other communities)," said assistant planner Brandon Nielson. "It appears we are definitely an outlier here."

The Plan Commission also heard the presentation at its recent meeting. If the commission and board are on similar terms, code amendments could be on the Common Council's agenda for its first reading as early as July 13.

A separate presentation by UW Oshkosh alumni Jenn and Adam Sattler came set with a goal of introducing urban permaculture to the city as compared to other communities who utilize the initiative.

Having grown up in small farm towns, the couple developed a keen interest in urban agriculture and the benefits it can bring to deal with food insecurity and economic distress for some residents.

Permaculture, or the holistic design process to farm "in the guise of nature," Jenn explained, brings several economic and sustainable benefits to the city if done properly.

Permaculture locations can be made adaptable with front and backyards, roof-

tops and vacant lots, providing easy-to-access locations for those unable to travel far.

Furthermore, Jenn said providing urban agriculture would build community and stimulate the local economy by providing income sources for residents who have these spaces available.

Sustainable benefits include being a support system for pollinators, working against climate change, reducing local heat indexes and increasing carbon sequestration, or appropriation.

With an urban orchard focus for the Sattlers, Jenn said Oshkosh's permits, ordinances and codes were too restrictive at the moment to support this incentive.


Council liaison Aaron Wojciechowski agreed with the sentiment, noting "burdensome" regulations in a number of items in the city.

Planning services manager Mark Lyons told the board that the proposal by the Sattlers may not help with the project, as residential properties must remain a lot's primary use before also being used as a source of income through any urban agriculture.

"We need to relax a little," Wojciechowski said. "I think this is a fantastic opportunity. Anything we can do to increase sustainability and encourage people to better the environment, we should seriously consider it."

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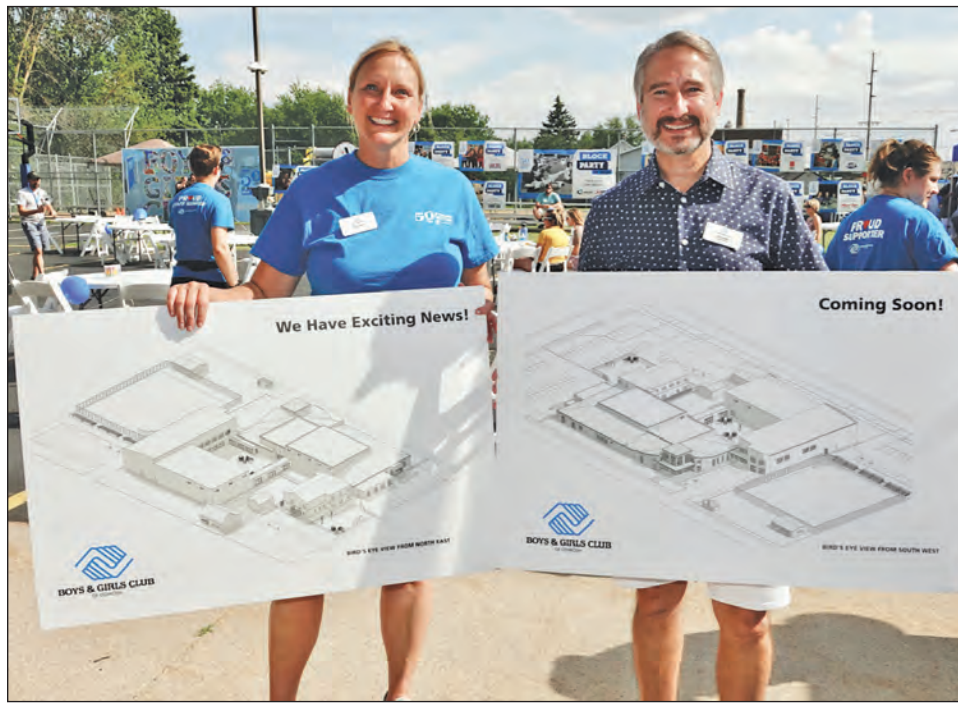
# Boys & Girls Club launches building expansion

The Boys & Girls Club of Oshkosh celebrated more than 50 years of serving youth and families in the community with a June 6 block party, where the club announced an expansion project for the club's facilities.

Chief executive Tracy Ogden unveiled plans to expand and remodel the building at 501 E. Parkway through a five-part capital project that will allow for more services to families. The addition will include a community center where other local agencies can collaborate, a second-floor teen space separate from younger children, and a new administrative wing.

Classroom space in the Radford Center side of the building – for ages 6-10 – will be expanded to double the number of children the classrooms can serve to 80. The Teen Center will be renovated along with administrative offices into a space for middle school age children.

In addition, a second gym and a new outdoor space with playground, courtyard



Submitted photo  
Boys & Girls Club chief executive Tracy Ogden and board president Jeff Trembly show the new building designs planned for the club.

and all-purpose field will be added to better accommodate the more than 300 children served daily.

"It has been 17 years since our last major campaign and this project will increase the services we can offer our children and families through agency collaboration and partnerships," said Mark Lasky, the club's campaign chairman.

## Back in the Day



Oshkosh history by the Winnebago County Historical & Archaeological Society

## June 25, 1976

**Phil Donahue Broadcasts Live From Oshkosh:** Phil Donahue brought his famous live audience television talk show to Oshkosh's Civic Auditorium on Friday playing to a capacity crowd. He announced, "Mike Douglas takes his shows to Hawaii. Johnny Carson broadcasts from California. Dinah Shore comes from New York. But the reason we have so much fun is because we come to you from places like Oshkosh, Wisconsin!" The crowd roared with approval. Donahue endeared himself to the crowd when he walked onstage wearing Oshkosh B'Gosh overalls and the B'Gosh signature red neckerchief. His guest for this show was noted pediatrician Dr. Lendon Smith.

Source: Oshkosh Daily Northwestern, June 28, 1976

# FVTC names finalists in search for president

Two finalists for Fox Valley Technical College president have been recommended to its board of trustees to replace Susan May, who is retiring after 13 years in the position.

The FVTC Presidential Search Committee has selected Charles Lepper, vice president for student affairs and enrollment management at Salt Lake Community College in Salt Lake City; and Christopher Matheny, FVTC's executive vice president and chief academic officer.

Lepper previously served as vice president for student affairs at Tidewater Community College in Norfolk, Va., and earned a doctor of philosophy degree with



Lepper



Matheny

an emphasis in educational administration from Indiana State University; a master's in secondary, higher and adult education from Grand Valley State University in Allendale, Mich.; and a bachelor's in human

resources and personnel management from Ball State University in Muncie, Ind.

Matheny previously served as vice president for instruction and chief academic officer at FVTC. He earned a doctor of philosophy in educational leadership and policy analysis from the University of Wisconsin; a master of business administration degree from Illinois Institute of Technology in Chicago; and a bachelor's in psychology from DePaul University.

Each candidate is at FVTC this week to meet with college leadership, tour campus, interview with the full board and participate in forums.

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# Children's book personalizes 1914 labor tragedy

By Kaitlyn Scoville  
OSHKOSH HERALD

An Oshkosh resident is continuing her creative writing career with a historical fiction piece of a massacre with Wisconsin ties.

Pat Kilday attended the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh during the 1960s and graduated with a degree in English and elementary education.

Since then, she has had teaching jobs from Milwaukee to Sydney, Australia. She moved to Oshkosh in 1974, got married and has been here 47 years.

She taught fourth grade at Webster Stanley Elementary School for 14 years before retiring in 2010. After doing so, she found she missed being around children and began substitute teaching while she wrote.

Under the pseudonym Juliet Rosetti, Kilday depicts a fictional child's witness accounts of the Ludlow Massacre, which happened in 1914. She came upon the story while teaching union labor and economics.

"It's a total struggle for human rights, good versus evil – all the elements of a story are there. I didn't want to make it about the grownups but the kids," she said.

Self-published in April, Kilday's "Night of the Burning Tents" was Amazon's No. 1 release in historical fiction for children for a week upon its publication. She said her target audience is 10- to 14-year-old readers.

"There's a lot of books about the Holocaust, children hiding from Nazis and their parents being killed. Having been a teacher, I know they can handle it," she said.



Pat Kilday's "Night of the Burning Tents" takes a fictionalized look at a Colorado massacre from 1914 that erupted from labor strife during that time.

Southern Colorado coal miners, employees of large mine owners such as John D. Rockefeller, went on strike in September 1913 for union rights, better pay and better working conditions.

About 12,000 miners walked out from 10 towns across the coal fields. The largest group of which was from Ludlow, Colo.,

consisting of about 1,600 employees.

Almost all of the workers were immigrants, and many were from Greece, Kilday said.

"They had people from all over come to Ludlow and mine because they were trying to escape the horrible Jim Crow laws," she continued. "Chinese, Mexican and practically every country in southern Europe were represented there."

Tents were set up nearby for strikers by the union, and mine owners brought in guards and other personnel to quell the protests.

"People on both sides were getting killed as everything escalated. They fired

right into the tents with a machine gun and they didn't care who got hurt," Kilday said.

And at one point during the strike, the Colorado governor ordered the National Guard to the coalfields, whose commander was Karl Linderfelt of Janesville. He was known for torturing confessions out of natives during the Philippine War of 1898.

"A lot of people said later if he hadn't been in charge none of this would have happened, because he had such a reputation for brutality and treating people with total disrespect," Kilday explained.

Some strikers and their families took cover in dugouts beneath their tents. Three women and their children took shelter under one of these tents while Linderfelt and his men began to set fire to the camp on April 20, 1914.

Casualties were three women and 11 children that day, along with another 25 strikers who succumbed to the violence in the protest's entirety.

The heroine of the piece, Katie, is faced with an "awful decision," Kilday said. "She was the only witness to the atrocity and she had to decide to keep quiet in fear of repercussions to her family or stand up and tell the truth, hoping for justice to be served."

Since its publication, Kilday has not received any criticism or backlash from either parents or teachers.

One review of "Night of the Burning Tents" says, "Rosetti tells this important history through fictional characters and some real people. She does a masterful job of showing the terrible events without dwelling on them enough to scare a younger reader, yet the author does not shy away from tragedy."

"The characters show a lot of courage and resiliency in a horrible situation," Kilday said.

Her next project is in the same period of the Ludlow Massacre. She hopes to have "When Babies Came in the Mail" complete by the end of this year.

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# Shepherd

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ton (drums), Kevin McCormick (bass), Joe Krown (keyboards), Joe Sublett (sax) and Mark Pender (trumpet) – may be a little bit rusty taking the stage but sees it as a challenge to overcome and put on a classic show.

“I am definitely aware I’m not as on top of my game as I was when everyone was sent home,” said Shepherd, who has been nominated for five Grammys. “We were on tour at the time and it was like a well-oiled machine. The band was firing on all cylinders. Inevitably when you are at home for over a year, there’s going to be a little bit of dust to knock, some cobwebs to get rid of.

“But I get excited about the idea that we are going to walk out there a little rusty and it’s a matter of are we going to sink or swim. I know we will rise to the occasion. I thrive on that challenge.”

Shepherd is one of the country’s most known blues-oriented guitarists with nine studio albums and two live albums. His first record “Ledbetter Heights” was introduced in 1995 and the first of three platinum albums he headlined.

In the 25-plus years since that release Shepherd said his music has changed but the foundation of everything he writes and plays is based on the blues music he grew up around as a kid in Shreveport, La.

“As an artist, the goal is to not repeat yourself constantly and in order to do that, I draw from other musical influences, other genres of music I’ve listened to,” he said. “Blues is the foundation of what we do but we take that into a lot of different areas and we build on that. I don’t want people to think that before we put a record out they know what it is going to sound like.

“Obviously they have certain expectations that are going to be met as far as to the level of performance and the energy that we put into what we do. The songs are going to be different and it’s not going to be us constantly repeating ourselves.”

During the pandemic, Shepherd was



Photo from Kenny Wayne Shepherd Band

Waterfest welcomes blues rock artist Kenny Wayne Shepherd as the headliner to the June 24 lineup.

able to create new music and believes he has enough songs for at least two albums but no timetable for when those will be put together.

His last studio album “The Traveler” was released in May 2019 and a live album – with accompanying DVD – was produced from one of his 2019 shows in Germany titled “Straight To You Live.”

“That was the first live video we put out. There have been opportunities to film shows and we have done certain things but in the end, it just never passed the test. It was never the right show to put out,” Shepherd said. “Everybody felt good about the performance and in light of the fact that we were unable to tour and there was no end in sight, this was the right time to put out the live DVD. It was very well received. That’s one of those projects that sells forever.”

For fans who saw the DVD of the live show, Shepherd is confident – rust and all – they will see a similar performance at Waterfest.

And for those who haven’t, he believes they’re just not fans of his music ... yet.

“I feel confident that people who are seeing us for the first time are going to walk away fans,” he said. “It’s guitar-infused,

blues-based rock. We have an all-star band so you are going to get to see some really good performers and a high-energy show from start to finish.”

The Waterfest performance will be the first show on Shepherd’s limited summer tour. He said the band expects to resume its normal schedule later this year.

Although the country is still not completely back to normal, the band is comfortable playing shows no matter the venue because they get to play live music again.

“The people who make those decisions are the ones who have given people the green light. If they are saying it’s OK, then I think most people are moving forward. So, we’re moving forward as well,” Shepherd said. “Everybody is dying to get out on the stage again. We’re all psyched to do it. It’s going to be a lot of fun.”

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# 11 brewers unite to mark shared COVID challenge

By Lee Reiherzer  
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It was mid-March and Dan Dringoli was finally seeing brighter days ahead.

COVID-19 had been a fact of life in Oshkosh for a year now. Bare Bones Brewery, which Dringoli co-owns with his wife Patti, had struggled through that year battered by waves of restrictions and public fear concerning the sort of gatherings that the Dringoli's business relies on.

But the tide was turning. People were being vaccinated. Restrictions were being eased. Something closer to normal was on the horizon.

On March 18, Dringoli sent an email to his fellow brewers in the area suggesting they collaborate on a beer to mark the passing of what for all of them had been an exceptionally difficult period. "We overcame significant adversity together," Dringoli wrote. "We've leaned on each other quite a bit. We came up with collective solutions to battle this unprecedented time and we survived."

Dringoli then presented the seed of an idea that would be cultivated over the coming weeks by those he had reached out to.

"Let's do a different kind of collaboration, built around the strength of the brewing community," he wrote. "We owe a ton of gratitude to our fellow breweries and our customers who kept coming in and getting beer to go. We truly owe them everything. So let's come up with a collaborative thank you to our collective customers. A beer created by all of us."

Dringoli's proposal has led to the largest brewing collaboration of its type in the State of Wisconsin. It involves a meadery



Jeff Eaton (from left) of Lion's Tail Brewing, Jody Cleveland of Bare Bones Brewery and Steve Zink of Omega Brewing Experience worked together during May 24 Brew Day.

and 10 breweries scattered across three counties.

Taking part in the collaboration are Oshkosh's Bare Bones, Fifth Ward, and Fox River breweries. Neenah-based breweries Barrel 41 and Lion's Tail. Appleton's Stone Arch Brewpub, McFleshman's Brewing, and Appleton Beer Factory. Knuth Brewing from Ripon. Omega Brewing of Omro, and Rushford Meadery & Winery.

The group's working title became The 920 Brewing Project, after their shared area code. They had quickly come together, but then came the first hurdle: how to find agreement among 11 independent-minded brewers on what to brew. It turned out to be no problem at all.

"It was like a subconscious thing," says Bobby Fleshman of McFleshman's Brewing Co. "I was talking to Jody (Cleveland, head brewer of Bare Bones), and I mentioned this idea for a cucumber Kolsch. Jody took that to mean, 'hey, let's do a cucumber Kolsch.' He put it out there and everyone agreed on it right away. We were all in the same frame of mind. It came together so quickly."

It was agreed that the beer would be produced at the Bare Bones facility. In early April, Cleveland sent out his recipe for the Kolsch, a German-style of light ale noted for its clean, quenching drinkability.

The idea would be to enhance those characteristics with the bright flavor of cucumber while maintaining the more subtle aspects of the base beer. For the cucumber flavor, they discussed purchasing a pre-processed, aseptic puree, but then decided against it.

Instead, they'd begin with fresh cucumbers. "I think we all kind of know what our strengths are and where our input is use-

ful," Fleshman says. "That's where Shane came in."

Shane Coombs of Rushford Meadery & Winery has a deep background in working with a variety of fresh, plant-based ingredients that he sometimes incorporates into his meads and wines.

For the trial beer, Coombs pressed and processed 72 cucumbers then handed off the "cuke juice" to Ian Wenger and Zach Clark of Fifth Ward Brewing. Clark and Wenger began experimenting with dosing rates using their 1869 Blonde Ale to get a sense of what might work with the Kolsch. By the end of April, the blended samples were being passed around among the other brewers.

"I don't even know how many people from the breweries were involved at this point," says Fleshman. "It must have been about 18 or so of us. We all kind of picked out our favorite dosing rate. I think we landed on something that people are going to really dig."

On May 24 and 25, brewers from Barrel 41, Fox River, Lion's Tail, Omega, and Rushford got together with Jody Cleveland at Bare Bones to brew 25 barrels of Kolsch.

As the beer completed its fermentation, Coombs processed 124 pounds of fresh cucumbers. And on June 8, the final blend of the beer was prepared by Cleveland, Coombs, Fleshman, and Steve Zink of Omega Brewing.

"We could not have pulled off something like this if we had not already been so close knit," says Fleshman. "I think most brewers would be hesitant to get into something like this because of that 'too many cooks in the kitchen' kind of thing. But we're already so tight that we figured it could work. We'll probably even do something like this again."

The 920 Brewing Project's Cucumber Kolsch will begin pouring in the taprooms of each of the collaborators in mid-June. The beer will likely be on tap through the remainder of the month. In Oshkosh, Cucumber Kolsch will also be available in cans at Bare Bones, Fifth Ward, and Fox River.

## South of Border closes

A Mexican restaurant that opened more than 17 years ago on Oregon Street is closing its doors.

South of the Border restaurant at 800 Oregon is owned by Stephanie Becerra, who told customers on Facebook that she is retiring from the business to focus more time on her family and her other employment. She held out the possibility of re-opening some time in the future if a new tenant isn't found for the building.

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# School survey

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ings, should help the district turn some of this around with recommended training, follow-up surveys and more frequent district progress reports.

“The superintendent of schools is only personally responsible for the engagement of the people that he or she evaluates, and it trickles down throughout the organization,” Neitzke said in explaining the survey’s framework for identifying district-wide issues.

The survey keyed on three core problem areas – communication, shared decision-making and trust – with supervisory performance in need of fixing and the primary reasons behind disengaged employees.

“Staff feels that there are decisions made that are poorly communicated,” Neitzke said. “There is a ‘blame up’ mentality in the district – it’s either the board’s fault or the superintendent’s fault or their princi-

pal’s fault or the district office’s fault.”

Neitzke also emphasized the need for opinions to be heard and shown to be considered – regardless of them being accepted – as a standard practice for keeping staff engaged. If there is no feedback to staff on the ultimate decisions and how they were made, he said that reduces the overall trust needed to stay engaged.

“Opinion count doesn’t mean a democracy approach like, ‘Let’s vote on this and we’ll do what the majority rules.’” Neitzke said. “This is staff feeling valued when they share their information that someone closes the loop back with them and says, ‘Here’s what we did and why we did it, and these were other options that we considered.’”

Neitzke pointed to positive responses regarding staff connections, care for students and collaboration within individual schools but said those feelings don’t translate as strongly to how they perceive the district working as a team.

Board member Barb Herzog praised the survey’s work in providing “a baseline to

build on” that district staff, who demonstrated engagement with a strong survey response, will be able to implement.

Earlier in the meeting, district communication director Katie Nieman outlined efforts to improve internal and external messaging through monthly newsletters, enrollment campaigns and employee exit interviews. An updated communications plan has a tentative completion target by the end of the year while enrollment promotions will be underway to counter projected student losses ahead of the fall semester.

Board members expressed support for those and other communication updates in a post-pandemic environment that has boosted open enrollment activity statewide. They also noted the accompanying need for expanding resources for Nieman’s one-person office.

“When you put this plan together, go big. Let us take it back down,” board member Beth Wyman told Nieman. “This is vital to the success of this district.”

# UW Oshkosh buildings part of state funding

Oshkosh Herald

The state Legislature’s Joint Finance Committee passed the 2021-23 capital budget, which included \$26.9 million in funding for University of Wisconsin Oshkosh renovations to its college of education and human services academic building.

In its second phase, the renovation calls for upgrading the current Nursing/Education building, known as a hub near the center of campus.

“This budget represents a significant step forward for our campuses,” former governor and UW System president Tommy Thomp-

son said. “The committee clearly recognizes UW System’s focus on STEM-related facilities and the need to provide modern education and research space for our students. We appreciate their confidence in the direction we are taking the UW.”

UW Oshkosh Chancellor Andrew Leavitt is also pleased with the progress.

“We owe a debt of gratitude to the Board of Regents and President Thompson and his team, who have ensured this project answering Wisconsin’s call for more and better prepared teachers remains a state priority,” he said among his thanks to sev-

eral other contributors.

State Rep. Michael Schraa of Oshkosh also praised this development.

“Senator (Dan) Feyen and I appreciate the significance of the university to our community and to our constituents,” Schraa said. “As a former UW Oshkosh student myself, I realize the importance of providing excellent opportunities for future generations of scholars.

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# Cannabis

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“Legalizing and taxing marijuana in Wisconsin – just like we do already with alcohol – ensures a controlled market and safe product are available for both recreational and medicinal users and can open the door for countless opportunities for us to reinvest in our communities and create a more equitable state,” Evers said in a press release.

The proposal stalled in the state Legislature as the Republican caucus is not in favor of legalizing cannabis for either medical or recreational use. The Legislature’s budget-writing committee blocked a Democratic attempt early this month to legalize marijuana for medical use.

Even so, a 2019 Marquette University Law School poll found that 83 percent of Wisconsinites favored legalizing medical marijuana, and 59 percent support recreational cannabis.

Because marijuana remains illegal in Wisconsin, it can severely impact individuals who are caught with it in the form of a possible misdemeanor or felony for repeat possession, notes Jay Selthofner, founder of the Wisconsin Cannabis Activist Network.

“In basically every state around us, people can legally possess it in one way, shape or form, but here in Wisconsin, you could end up with a misdemeanor or a felony,” Selthofner said. “Although you may not end up in the prison system, that’s going to stay with you. You may have housing discrimination or you may be denied a job.”

In Winnebago County, District Attorney Christian Gossett said most charges for simple possession of marijuana are misdemeanors rather than felonies because felony convictions take away voting rights and firearm rights.



Submitted photo

Filtered marijuana cigarettes are a common form of legal consumption offered by companies.

“Taking away someone’s civil liberties and voting rights seems pretty excessive for something legal in a lot of other states,” he said.

According to Winnebago County Sheriff John Matz, marijuana investigations are not a priority for local law enforcement unless it’s either large-scale growing or drug dealing.

The district attorney’s office has also created a drug diversion program for first-time offenders charged with possession, in which they will not face criminal charges if they go through an AODA assessment, possible drug treatment and stay clean for six consecutive months.

Despite making strides with the diversion program, Winnebago County had the fifth highest rate of state convictions for marijuana possession last year, Gossett said.

When marijuana was first criminalized around the time of the alcohol prohibition in the 1920s, Gossett says it was done mostly for cultural reasons, such as a fear of jazz music and because it was perceived as lowering white women’s inhibitions, causing them to sleep with Black men.

It was then used in the late 1960s to tar-

get Black activists and anti-Vietnam War activists, he added.

“Not a lot of science behind all this,” Gossett said, noting alcohol, tobacco and sugar kill more people each year than marijuana.

Nowadays, Gossett says he isn’t sure why marijuana remains criminalized because it isn’t a gateway drug in the same way painkillers are and many of the cultural worries of a bygone era no longer exist.

“We gave up on the prohibition with alcohol, even the Vietnam War protests are over, so now what? What are we doing?” He asked. “We do know that there are collateral consequences (from the war on drugs) that are doing a lot of harm to our society.”

Those consequences include 57 percent of all drug arrests in the state being for possession of marijuana while Wisconsin ranks 14th for the largest racial disparities in arrest for possession of marijuana, according to the American Civil Liberties Union.

For example, roughly 55 percent of white adults in Wisconsin say they have tried marijuana, compared with about 46 percent of Black adults, who are more than four times more likely to have been arrested for possession, Gossett noted.

“That disparity is absurd,” he said. “We know that Black and white people are using marijuana at about the same rates, so it’s an inexcusable difference. When we look at Wisconsin’s racial disparity, in general, and incarceration, we’re amongst the worst of fenders nationally.”

Gossett says something must change. He pointed to either decriminalizing or legalizing marijuana to help alleviate some of those issues.

“We have a philosophical issue that we have to address in the state; it’s not as simple as marijuana but marijuana is sort of a proxy battle for criminal justice reform right now in Wisconsin,” he said. “If we can’t give an inch in Wisconsin, while we’re currently surrounded by states that have either decriminalized or legalized marijuana, how are we going to stop this?”

If marijuana was decriminalized in Wisconsin, it would still be illegal to possess but individuals would face a fine similar to

an ordinance violation or traffic forfeiture, according to Drug Recognition expert Nick Place.

Legalization would allow individuals to possess marijuana up to a certain amount and would allow businesses to apply for a permit to sell it — like a liquor license, Place said. In legalized states, black-market drug dealers would be breaking the law if they sell marijuana without a license, similar to illegal moonshining.

Locally, Common Council member Aaron Wojciechowski is working on a proposal to legalize possession inside city limits, similar to what Madison recently approved.

“People should not have their lives ruined for possessing marijuana,” he said, noting the proposal would not allow for marijuana use in places where smoking is already banned and other public spaces. “You should have the right to use it on private property or if the landlord has given consent.”

By decriminalizing marijuana in Oshkosh, Wojciechowski hopes it can add momentum to a larger statewide push for cannabis reform and to show that it’s not a partisan issue.

Opponents of legalization point to a study that found an 8 percent spike in Colorado traffic deaths where marijuana was present and a 31 percent increase in violent crime from 2013 to 2018.

However, a study by the CATO Institute comparing data in multiple states found that violent crime “neither soared nor plummeted following marijuana legalization,” while traffic fatalities per 100 million vehicle miles traveled stayed “relatively flat post-legalization.”

Eric Smiltneek, an addiction medicine specialist at Aurora Medical Center, said marijuana legalization could work in Wisconsin if the drug is properly regulated to prioritize consumer health over profits.

“There definitely can be something that’s done in a responsible way — I think looking at some of the states that surround us and looking at successes and failures that they have had might be a decent approach,” Smiltneek said. “If you did it in a smart way where you had proper age limits that restricted use, I think we could have marijuana in a way that would be OK.”

Gossett said the cannabis debate comes down to priorities.

“What’s more important to people? Is it more important that you not smoke marijuana or that we work on resolving racial disparity? They’re not necessarily connected, but there is a correlation,” he said. “We have to ask the legislators, which one would you rather?”

“I think what they want is no racial disparity, but marijuana illegal. All the data shows that they’re not exclusive. They do correlate, and that’s a problem. Is racial disparity the bigger problem? For a lot of people, I think it is.”

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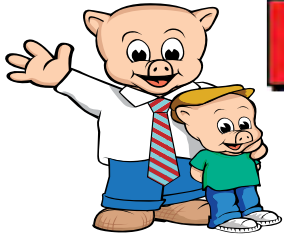
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 <p>12-oz. Bottle Pom Wonderful Pom Teas <b>2/\$3</b> <small>Mix or Match!</small></p>	 <p>Washington State Premium Gala Apples <b>\$1.49</b> lb. <small>Pink Lady Apples.....\$1.69 lb.</small></p>	 <p>Fresh California Green Onions <b>59¢</b> ea.</p>	 <p>8.5-oz. - Giorgio Stuffed Baby Portabella Mushrooms <b>\$4.99</b> <small>All Varieties!</small></p>
 <p>5.3-oz. - Del Monte Fruit Crunch Parfaits <b>2/\$3</b> <small>Mix or Match!</small></p>	 <p>15.2-oz. Bottle Bolthouse Farms Juice <b>2/\$5</b> <small>Mix or Match!</small></p>	 <p>5-lb. Bag - Wisconsin Russet Potatoes <b>\$1.99</b></p>	 <p>24-oz. - Little Potato Company Baby Potatoes <b>\$2.99</b></p>

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 <p>64-oz. Bottle Full Circle Organic Apple Juice <b>\$3.29</b></p>	 <p>14-oz. Full Circle Organic Refined Coconut Oil <b>\$3.99</b></p>	 <p>10-oz. Package Full Circle Organic Frozen Whole Strawberries <b>\$2.49</b></p>	 <p>17-oz. Bottle Full Circle Organic Balsamic Vinegar <b>\$2.99</b></p>
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 <p>17.10 to 20-oz. Package Quaker Life or Cap'N Crunch Cereal <b>\$3.99</b> <small>WITH CARD</small></p>	 <p>10-Count Package Sunbelt Bakery Granola Bars <b>2/\$3.50</b> <small>WITH CARD</small></p>	 <p>Squeeze Bottle Food Club Ketchup <b>\$1.49</b> <small>32 to 34-oz. WITH CARD</small></p>
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 <p>11 to 12-oz. or 10-Count Package Wide Awake Coffee or Single Cups <b>\$3.99</b> <small>WITH CARD</small></p>	 <p>7.5 to 12.4-oz. Package Cheez-It Snaps or Crackers <b>\$2.49</b> <small>When you buy multiples of 3 WITH CARD</small></p>	 <p>16 to 20-oz. Loaf Village Hearth Italian Bread <b>\$1.99</b> <small>4.25-oz. Package All American Pies ..... 3/\$3 WITH CARD</small></p>
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 <p>46 to 48-oz. Jar Food Club Applesauce <b>\$1.99</b> <small>WITH CARD</small></p>	 <p>16-oz. Bottle Pompeian Olive Oil <b>\$4.29</b> <small>WITH CARD</small></p>	 <p>4-oz. Jane's Crazy Mixed-Up Salt <b>\$1.99</b> <small>WITH CARD</small></p>	 <p>6 to 8-Count Package ACT II Microwave Popcorn <b>2/\$5</b> <small>WITH CARD</small></p>
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 <p>4.8 to 5.5-oz. Pringles Potato Crisps <b>2/\$3</b> <small>WITH CARD</small></p>	 <p>5-oz. Bag Late July Organic Potato Chips <b>2/\$5</b> <small>8 to 8.5-oz. Bag Kettle Chips ..... 2/\$6 WITH CARD</small></p>	 <p>9.5 to 13-oz. Bag Old Dutch Tortilla Chips <b>2/\$4.50</b> <small>WITH CARD</small></p>
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# West completes softball season sweep of North

By Dustin Riese  
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

It has been a while since the Oshkosh West softball team could say they beat Oshkosh North on the softball diamond, let alone sweep them in the same season. The Wildcats did just that, capping off the season sweep in dominating fashion Friday afternoon.

After winning the first meeting 5-0 at home, the Wildcats topped the Spartans 17-2 in five innings.

"I am very proud of my team and how we have come through the season against some of the best teams in the state," West head coach Tim Kohl said. "(Our record of) 21-5 is very impressive. It would have been nice to consider a conference championship, but Kaukauna was just too tough this year. With our young team, we have a lot to look forward to."

"We are grateful for the number one seed, and the time to practice and prepare for playoffs. We will take it one game at a time of course, but we can't help but think about getting back to the sectional final, the game that has stopped up the past two softball seasons. Maybe this will be our year."

Even though the final score showed a loss for the Spartans, head coach Keith Koslowski has been proud of his girls all season long.

"I am proud of the determination and grit of this team over the last two weeks," he said. "It has been a difficult stretch for us. I congratulate Coach Kohl and his team on a very good season. West has some very good players who can hit the ball."

With North saving ace Ashley Borowitz for the playoffs, it would have made sense for the Wildcats to adjust their game plan against Emma Phillips, but that was not the case as they jumped in front early and didn't look back.

A Dominique Bauer homer was the beginning of what was a four-run first inning. Walks to Breanna Davis, Laina Hammen and Brianna Bougie loaded the bases before an error helped the Wildcats soar in front. That was all Braelee Jodarski would need as



Photo by Jim Koepnick

A North runner just beats the throw to first in its game against Oshkosh West on Friday.

she made the start and took the win.

West pushed home four more runs in the third with Chloe Tritt picking up a two-RBI single and Taylor Emery bringing home a pair on a double. That lead continued to grow with the Wildcats stretching things out to 13-0 in the fourth.

Brienna Kitchen, Taylor Allen, Abigail Curtis and Bauer all picked up RBIs in that inning as the Wildcats were in full command. Add in a Kadence Saladin and Jodarski single in the fifth and the Wildcats now led 15-0 before the Curtis triple stretched the lead to 17-0.

"Oshkosh North decided to save Ashley Borowitz for their playoff game which made sense considering the tough schedule we both all faced the last two weeks," he said. "We were able to get some runs

off Borowitz (in the first game), so they decided to make changes. She has been tough all year against a very tough schedule. Our game wasn't going to change anything for them, so I understand the move."

North's Lauren Geer led the fifth inning off with a walk before advancing to second on a Payton Uptagraft one-out single. Borowitz put an end to the shutout bid with a two-run double making things 17-2.

That would be all the damage the Spar-

tans could generate as Jodarski induced a Noelle Frank groundout to end the game.

"I really appreciate how our group of leaders have gone about their business," Koslowski said. "Ashley Borowitz has pitched very well for us. Noelle Frank has had some clutch hits. Emma Phillips has done anything we have asked her to do. And Mollie Bittner has given the type of effort and mentoring we have needed. I am very proud of this team."

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# Knights shut out Hilbert/Stockbridge on diamond

By Dustin Riese  
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

Coming off one of its best seasons in quite some time, the Lourdes/Valley Christian baseball team turned the page on the regular season with a home game as a four seed in the WIAA regional against the Hilbert/Stockbridge Wolves.

Led by a strong pitching performance from Gavin Stelter, mixed with timely hitting and great defense, the Knights shut out the Wolves 7-0 to advance against top-seeded Chilton this Tuesday.

"This was a great win for us, and I thought we played extremely well," head coach Cole Boge said. "Hilbert had a great pitcher on the hill tonight and we did a tremendous job of getting to him early and making him work. In doing so, that forced his pitch count to climb a bit higher than he typically sees which was a big advantage for us. We also had some timely hits tonight which is certainly something you need come playoff time."

After Stelter made quick work of the Wolves in the first by striking out the side,

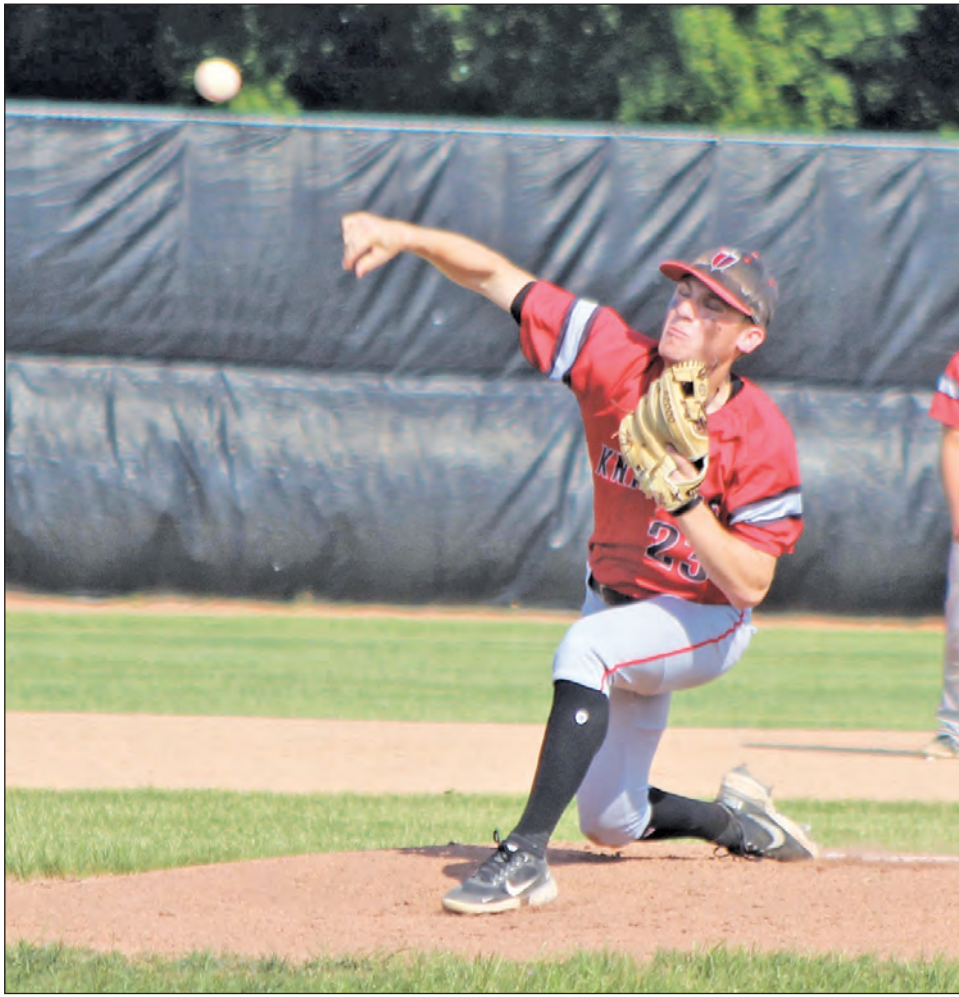


Photo by Dustin Riese

Gavin Stelter went the distance for Lourdes/Valley Christian in a 7-0 shutout against Hilbert/Stockbridge with no walks and just 86 pitches.

the Knights loaded the bases with no outs to set up one of those clutch hits Boge was talking about. Dominik Kane rolled a hit between first and second to score a pair, giving the Knights a 2-0 lead.

That proved to be the game-winning hit in the shutdown, but Jayden Lewan kept the line moving with a two-out walk fol-

lowed by Fisher Mackenzie with an RBI hit ahead of a wild pitch as the Knights raced to a 4-0 lead.

## UW Oshkosh softball coaches honored

The University of Wisconsin Oshkosh softball coaching staff was named the 2021 National Fastpitch Coaches Association NCAA Division III Great Lakes Region Coaching Staff of the Year.

Head coach Scott Beyer along with assistant coaches Alyssa Doomis and Kaitlyn Krol guided the Titans this past season to a 29-13 record, a pair of Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference titles and a fifth-place finish at the Division III

Hilbert put together much better at-bats in the second inning that led to some hard contact. Singles by Parker Kleppen and Ian Smith had the Wolves threatening, but a crucial relay throw to the plate saw Aaron Bunnell get tagged out by Marshall Koch to prevent any runs.

Stelter continued to keep the Wolves off the board despite pitching to contact, something he has done all season and to which Boge credits great defense behind him.

"Gavin Stelter is a strike thrower and that is a huge part of his game," he said. "He may not strike out a lot of guys, but he is comfortable pitching to contact. It helps when you have a good defense behind you that can make plays."

In the fifth, the Knights gained more insurance when Nathan Slagter worked a one-out walk before coming home on a Lewan double. Mackenzie answered with a long double of his own, trading places with Lewan and extending the lead to 6-0. Mackenzie then came home on a McKellips single as the Knights were in control 7-0.

"Having late-game leads is nothing new for us," Boge said. "However, there have been so many times this season where we have lost games by simply giving up one big inning. These kids were not going to let that happen today as we got the timely hits we needed today. Not only is an early lead good but adding on late helps me out as a coach. It also puts the kids in a great mindset to finish things off."

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# Prep sports roundup

## BOYS TENNIS

### West, North send five players to state finals

Oshkosh North hosted the WIAA Division 1 sectional Thursday and Oshkosh West finished tied for second while Oshkosh North was 12th out of 15 teams.

Going to state for West was No. 1 singles player C.J. Counts, who finished second behind Neenah's Nolan Kubiak. The top four in the top flight advances to state while the top finisher in flight 2/3/4 advances.

Also advancing was Patrick Gannon and John Koth, who make up West's top doubles team after they finished third. Finishing fourth in the top doubles flight was North's Kauldon Larson and Makylar Larson.

The state tournament will be held at Eau Claire Memorial High School and will start Thursday and run until Saturday.

Neenah won the sectional with 56 points.

## BASEBALL

### McCoy, Wildcats too much for Patriots

Led by a nice start by Andrew McCoy, Oshkosh West picked up a 5-2 win over Appleton East on Friday.

McCoy allowed only one earned run in eight complete innings, allowing just three hits while striking out nine.

Cole Krueger led West at the plate, going 2-for-4 with an RBI while Roman Martell had a triple and two RBIs. Mason Fruend, Brady Block added RBIs.

An 8-run inning helped Kimberly pick up an 11-1 win Thursday. Fruend was 2-for-3 in the loss while Block took the loss. He gave up nine runs, but only one was earned.

### Spartans drop two games

Oshkosh North lost a pair of games last week, 3-1 to Hortonville on Friday and 9-4 against Appleton West on Thursday.

North only had two hits in Friday's loss, getting its lone run on a Carson Krumrei RBI. Colton Angell took the loss, allowing two earned runs in six innings. He struck out three and walked three.

On Thursday, the Terrors scored three in the second, two in the fourth and three in the sixth to help pick up the win. Max Bitner had two doubles to lead the Spartans while Logan Pinkerton, Carson Krumrei and Ryan Koelbl added RBIs.

## GIRLS SOCCER

### West moves on to semis

Third-seeded Oshkosh West got a goal early and held on for a 1-0 win over second-seeded Sheboygan North in the WIAA Division 1 regional final game Saturday.

The Wildcats will face top-seeded Appleton East in Appleton on Thursday night.

Sabrina Pickart scored West's goal in the fifth minute off an assist from Ally Robl and the defense held Sheboygan North scoreless in the win. McKenna Lloyd had 12 saves in the win.

### North falls in regional

The Oshkosh North girls team lost its WIAA Division 2 regional opener last Tuesday, falling 11-1 to fourth-seeded Port Washington. No statistics were available.

### Lourdes loses to Kiel

The sixth-seeded Lourdes girls team lost its WIAA Division 4 regional opener on Wednesday, falling 2-1 to third-seeded Kiel. No statistics were available.

## SOFTBALL

### West win with 2-run ninth

Oshkosh West scored two runs in the top of the ninth inning to pick up a 5-3 win over Appleton East on Thursday.

Tatum Duff started the game, allowing three runs – two earned – on six hits in six innings while Brianna Bougie picked up the win as she finished the last three innings – not allowing a run while striking out five.

Brianna Davis had three hits to lead the Wildcats at the plate while Dominique Bauer was 2-for-5 with two RBIs. Bougie added two hits at the plate as well.

## BOYS GOLF

### McLaughlin fires 85 for Lourdes at sectionals

Lourdes' Cooper McLaughlin competed as an individual in the WIAA Division 3 sectional last week, shooting an 85.

McLaughlin shot 43 on the front and 42 on the back and was three strokes away from qualifying for the state tournament.

Racine Lutheran's Brady Wilks was medalist with a 76 while Kohler and Racine Lutheran advanced as a team.

Compiled by Alex Wolf, Herald contributor



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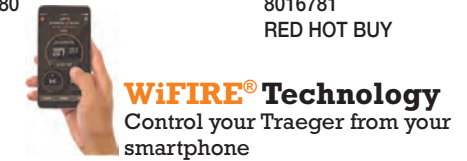


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# Legion eagerly awaiting to defend state crown

By Dustin Riese  
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

Over the past several seasons, the Oshkosh Legion baseball team has been one of the more dominating and consistent programs in the state – culminating with two trips to the national tournament.

The first of those trips came in 2017 with the second coming in 2019. That 2019 season was also the last time they saw the field as they not only won regionals but claimed a state championship on their way to nationals.

Expecting another great season in 2020, the pandemic forced head coach Brian Burgert to make the toughest decision of his life to cancel the Legion season. With other coaches around the state doing the same, that decision seemed obvious but it still wasn't any easier.

"It was really tough for us to cancel the season last year especially with the team we had coming back," Burgert said. "Not only did we want to defend our state championship, but we had a great chance to make it back to nationals as 13 players returned from 2019. That is who I feel the worst for as most of those kids never played another game after that summer as they are now in college. It was just a tough pill to swallow for everyone."

The Legion season is set to get under-

way as teams will take to the field on June 20 to begin their summer campaigns. For Oshkosh, things will look a lot different as they don't have very many players back from 2019. That doesn't change the fact that Burgert has high expectations for this group and when you look at the roster you can see why.

"Our expectations remain the same from one year to the next for our program," he said. "Over the past few years, we have put less focus on winning our league and more focus on winning regionals and state. Obviously, you still want to win your division at the end of the day, but it isn't the focus given how things constantly change. We have a much different team this season but still have five players returning from our national team in 2019. They will help us focus on our goals to win conference, win regionals, win state and return to the national stage."

Losing an entire season is never easy on a program, especially one that could have used the development. However, Oshkosh is in a better position than most as a lot of their kids not only saw 40-plus games of summer action in 2020 but they are returning five players from 2019 who know what it takes to make it to the national stage.

Charlie Stenson, 2019 state tournament MVP and Winona State pitcher, will look to anchor the Oshkosh staff while also seeing time at infield. He will be joined by Blake Roach who will be doing only pitching this season as he is coming back from Tommy John surgery. Another pitcher/infielder is Kayden Wright to go along with Brendan Krumrei and Colby Gibson. These five players are going to be the lead-

ers of the team in 2021 as they will look to finish what they started two summers ago.

However, it will take more than just five players for this team to be successful and Burgert has a plethora of talent ready to go. Look for Wright, Dominic Kane, Carson Krumrei and Collin Ryan to handle a lot of the infield duties with other players seeing action. Colorado State recruit Noah Berndt will handle the primary catching duties with Max Bittner, Alex Stini and Spencer Gassere patrolling the outfield. Ben Buehring, Chase Bauer, Peyton Wright and Jeremiah Housworth are some other names to keep an eye on this summer.

Along with all that comes pitching. Stenson will anchor the rotation with Wright and Roach set to eat innings, but they are bringing in three more arms aimed to give them much more depth. Colton Tirpe, Andrew McCoy and Jaden Peppler will all see action on the mound providing this team with as much talent as possible.

"Unlike a lot of programs across the state, we want to bring the best players into our program and keep them here for Legion Ball," Burgert said on his culmination of talent. "Success matters to a lot of kids and the more success we have as a team, the easier it is to bring players from high school to our team as opposed to academy ball. As a coach, I feel Legion ball can be easier than high school if you have the players and talent to work with."

Oshkosh will need every player on their roster to step up as they are set to play around 25 games this summer. Most of those games will come within their division in which they see some of the toughest competition across the state. Teams

like Hortonville, Appleton Post 38, Kimberly, Sheboygan, Marinette and Bay Port make up a large chunk of their division so this team needs to bring their A game to the park every day.

As expected, Oshkosh is going to be one of the favorites this summer and rightfully so when you look at what they have accomplished the past three seasons. Favorites or not, it won't come easy as Bay Port, Appleton and even Hortonville all have the talent to put together great seasons and challenge this group of kids. Burgert knows his team is talented enough to make another deep run this summer. However, if they are not healthy, it won't matter how talented they are.

"For us to achieve the goals we set this season, health is our top priority as we need to avoid injuries and stay healthy," Burgert said. "If we can avoid the injuries and remain healthy our next task at hand is to get better not only each week but each day. We want to be playing our best baseball come July so we can start focusing on regionals and how to line up our pitchers. We may not have the experience we had in the past, but we pride ourselves on pitching and defense. If they can hold up on that side of the diamond, the offense should take care of themselves as the season goes on."

Oshkosh Legion kicks off its season Sunday at Menasha as they begin the year with four consecutive road games in five days. June 27 will be the home opener as they will host De Pere for a double header.

Their season will culminate on July 21 during regionals with state the following week in Plover.

## Correction

**JUNE 9, Page 18:** The Oshkosh West doubles tennis team of John Koth and Patrick Gannon went 2-1, not 1-1, in No. 1 doubles at the Fox Valley Association conference tournament to take second plane.

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This year's roster includes UW Athletic Hall of Fame member Jolene Anderson and last season's championship game MVP and UW-Green Bay alumna Jessica Lindstrom, along with Julie Wojta, Mehryn Kraker, Kelly Moten, Janel McCarville, Taylor Wurtz, Alex Cohen, Angela Rodriguez and Steph Kostowicz. New players include UWGB graduate Frankie

Wurtz, Marquette's all-time leading scorer Allazia Blockton, Nebraska alumna Hannah Whittish and Lewis University graduate Jessica Kelliher.

The game will mark the debut of head coach Lauren Busalacchi, head coach at Ripon College, and the raising of the championship banner in the arena. Check wisocglo.com and menomineenationarena.com for details and ticket information.



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## Taking the plunge

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## Rec league results

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Lyons Den def. Jerry's ..... 7-0  
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### June 8

#### TUESDAY COUNTY PARK NORTH

Houge's def. Terry's ..... 13-7  
Trails End def. Terry's ..... 14-4  
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#### WEDNESDAY COUNTY PARK

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#### WEDNESDAY VETERANS

Red's def. Terry's ..... 10-3  
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Houge's def. Winkler's Westward Ho ..... 9-7

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Bees Knees ..... 9-3  
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Kinders of the Corn ..... 7-5  
Ebony & Ivory ..... 6-6  
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# Frank evolves into top hitter behind aggressive strategy

By Tim Froberg  
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

Patience at the plate is a positive, but production is even better.

That's precisely the way Noelle Frank sees it. She's an aggressive hitter and one of the best at swinging the bat in the Fox Valley Association.

The slugging senior first baseman is closing out a stellar softball career at Oshkosh North. A fourth-year varsity player, Frank is among the FVA's elite hitters and carried a .412



Frank



Submitted photo

Noelle Frank connects at the plate for Oshkosh North.

## Senior Spotlight

North's first state championship softball team in 2019, receiving all-FVA honorable mention. She's one of just three seniors on a rebuilding 2021 Spartans squad and has enjoyed filling a leadership role. Frank also played tennis her first two years at North.

"I love being able to help people learn a little bit more about the game," said Frank. "Hopefully, it will help them love what I love about the game. It's definitely fun watching them grow up - from their first practice to now. It's amazing how much each girl has individually grown. They're so different from their first practice."

Frank has been playing softball since kindergarten. She started playing fast-pitch softball in the fourth grade with the Raiders silver team. Her father, Dan, was a baseball player in his prep days.

"I started out playing slow pitch, but the Raiders needed a catcher, so I offered to be a catcher for them," said Frank. "That's how I got into fast-pitch softball and I fell in love with it."

Frank will be taking her athletic and academic talents to the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point in the fall. Frank - a high honors student - carries a 3.72 grade-point-average in the classroom. She is considering a career in speech therapy and plans to major in communication sciences and disorders. She will also play for the Pointers' rock-solid women softball program.

"Balancing both (sports and academics) is definitely a challenge, but I really like school, so I think that makes a difference," Frank said. "I just try and find a balance with the two. I've already taken a couple college courses this year and I'm extremely excited to play at Point. I love that school and I love the coaching staff."

Point is led by head coach Ryan Konitzer, a former prep softball coach at Lourdes Academy. The Pointers went 23-16 last season and 8-6 in conference play.

batting average heading into weekend play.

"I feel like I can hit every pitch that's thrown at me and tend to go with the mentality that if the pitch is somewhere near where I want to swing, yes, I'm going for it," Frank said. "I'm more of a first-pitch type hitter. I attack early in the count rather than sitting and waiting."

The bat doesn't stay on Frank's shoulders very long. In her first 17 games, Frank drew just two walks.

The simple see-ball, hit-ball approach has worked for Frank. She hits for both average and power, and has smacked six doubles - second-best on the team. Frank leads the Spartans with 13 RBIs and is also a slick-fielding first baseman.

"Noelle is one of the top hitters in the FVA," said North coach Keith Koslowski. "She's played an important role in our victories this season by coming up with clutch hits. She also has a very good glove at first base. She knows the game well and anticipates on defense. We have an inexperienced team and she's kept us competitive defensively."

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## Wednesday, June 16

NEW Food Truck Mashup, 4:30 p.m., 1600 S. Koeller St.

## Thursday, June 17

Waterfest, featuring Hairball, 5:45 p.m., Leach Amphitheater

Menominee Park Drag Race, 11 a.m., Hazel Street and Merritt Avenue

## Friday, June 18

Billy Strings, 8 p.m., Leach Amphitheater

Geoffrey Asmus Comedy Show, 7 p.m., Time Community Theater, 445 N. Main St.

Rachel Nehring, 7 p.m., Dwelling 2:22, 222 Church Ave.

Feed the Dog, 11 p.m., O'Marro's Public House, 2211 Oregon St.

## Saturday, June 19

Billy Strings, 8 p.m., Leach Amphitheater

Feed the Dog, 11 p.m., O'Marro's Public House, 2211 Oregon St.

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

Otter Street/Battle on Bago Walleye Tournament, Menominee Park

## Sunday, June 20

Otter Street/Battle on Bago Walleye Tournament, Menominee Park

Jazz Orgy, 9 p.m., Fletch's Local Tap House, 566 N. Main St.

## Tuesday, June 22

Benny Benack III in concert, 7:30 p.m., The Howard, 405 Washington Ave.

## Wednesday, June 23

NEW Food Truck Mashup, 4:30 p.m., 1600 S. Koeller St.

## Thursday, June 24

Waterfest, featuring Kenny Wayne Shepherd and Bette Smith, 5:45 p.m., Leach Amphitheater

## Saturday, June 26

Wisconsin Glo vs. Detroit Dodgers, 7 p.m., Menominee Nation Arena

# Oshkosh United Way co-chairs selected

The Oshkosh Area United Way has named Bryan Brandt and Brenda Haines as co-chairs for the 2021 fundraising campaign with its theme: Be the Game Changer. The campaign kicks off Aug. 17.



Brandt

Bryan Brandt, senior vice president and chief marketing officer at Oshkosh Corp., will return as co-chair for his second year.

"I knew COVID was going to create an even greater need in the community this past year," Brandt said. "I am proud of how the community came together to make a positive impact during a challenging time. I look forward to assisting OAUW in a campaign that continues to showcase our community's team spirit."

Haines, co-founder and consultant at Blue Door Consulting, joins Brandt to

lead the campaign.

"We've learned a lot over the last year," Haines said. "We need one another – we need connection – and this directly aligns with the United Way's theme of Live United. Oshkosh Area United Way fights for health, education and financial stability of every person in our community."



Haines

Mary Ann L. Dilling, United Way president and chief executive, praised the two community leaders for supporting the campaign.

"Now, more than ever, we need to come together for our community so we don't leave anyone on the sidelines. Having game changers like Bryan and Brenda will truly benefit the Oshkosh area," she said.

# Oshkosh Media cited frequently in Midwest competition

Oshkosh Media won 11 awards at the Wisconsin Community Media (WCM) Best of the Midwest Fest ceremony, including two of the highest-ranking awards given out by the program.

The WCM Media Fest is a Midwest-expansive competition, and this year featured nearly 200 submissions in several categories from community media centers in nine different states.

Announced at the first council meet-

ing of June, City Manager Mark Rohloff thanked Oshkosh Media staff Andy Radig, Jake Timm, Scott Williams and other producers for their work, especially during the pandemic.

An award of excellence, a gold-medal status, was presented for a public service announcement on absentee voting for the city clerk's office, and a best of show award in meeting coverage was granted for their submission of the Aug. 25 Common

Council meeting.

The Best in Show award was earned for coverage of the Aug. 25 council meeting that integrated WebEx virtual participation into a hybrid council meeting format, according to Jake Timm, Oshkosh Media operations coordinator.

Oshkosh Media also earned seven "silver-level" awards for programs, some that collaborated with other city departments such as the library, fire department, com-

munity development, police department and museum.

"Congratulations to Scott Williams, Jake Timm, Andy Radig, and everybody who puts all of our productions together," Rohloff said. "We are widely recognized, in my opinion, as the best community media division in the entire state if not the entire Midwest."

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# Obituaries

## Virginia Davis

Virginia Kaye (Garside) Davis, age 74, passed away on Friday, May 21, 2021. She was born on September 18, 1946 in Norman, Oklahoma to Klella Moriene (Gabbart) Garside and James Leonard Garside. Gini and her parents moved to Platteville, Wisconsin where she grew up, attending the UW-Platteville Laboratory School and graduating from Platteville High School in 1964. Gini married M. Charles Davis on August 27, 1966 at Platteville United Methodist Church. They moved to Evanston, Illi-



nois, where Gini attended the University of Illinois Medical Center Campus, graduating with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing in 1969. In 1970, her oldest daughter, Kristi Renee was born. The family then moved to several locations in Wisconsin and Minnesota. Daughter Kari Lisette was born in Baldwin, Wisconsin in 1972 and Keali Nicole was born in Oconomowoc, Wisconsin in 1975.

Gini worked at a number of hospitals in Wisconsin, Minnesota, Nebraska and Iowa. She earned her Master's of Science in Nursing from the University of Nebraska at Omaha in 1981. The family moved to Oshkosh, Wisconsin in 1984, where she and Chuck have lived since. She was a nursing instructor at UW-Oshkosh for two years and then worked at Mercy Hospital in Oshkosh for 15 years. Following Mercy, she was Director of Nursing at Bay Area Hospital in Marinette, Wisconsin for two years. She returned to Oshkosh in 2003 to become Director of Quality at Aurora Hospital. Gini worked at Aurora for the next eleven years, retiring on June 1, 2014. Following her retirement, she enjoyed volunteering weekly at Aurora in

the emergency department. Throughout her career and life, she lived out her values of faith, honesty, truthfulness, fairness, and above all compassion.

Gini had been a member at First United Methodist Church in Oshkosh, where she taught Sunday School for more than a decade. She was a member at Algoma Blvd. United Methodist Church for the past five years. Her faith has sustained her throughout her life and especially throughout the past 16 years of numerous cancer diagnoses and treatment and the last year of Covid isolation.

Gini loved being with people, but especially being with her family. She enjoyed gathering together with her loved ones particularly on holidays and vacations. She was looking forward to time together in Florida on the beach this coming August.

She will be missed greatly by her family as well as friends.

Gini is survived by her husband, Chuck;

her daughters Kristi (Doug) Baker, Kari (Adam) Meszaros, and Keali (Mike) Winchell; her grandchildren Anthony (Jenny) Winchell, Alex Baker, Andrew (Madi) Winchell, Charlie Baker, Autumn Winchell, Avery Winchell, Reese Meszaros, and Max Meszaros; and her three great-grandchildren, Colt and Everett Winchell and Reagan Winchell. She was preceded in death by her parents and her brothers, Leonard Garside Jr., and Robert Garside.

A visitation will be from 9:00 a.m. until the time of the memorial service at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, June 19, 2021 at Algoma Blvd. United Methodist Church, 1174 Algoma Blvd, Oshkosh. Burial has taken place at Riverside Cemetery, Oshkosh.



## Arlene Huelsbeck

Arlene A. Huelsbeck, age 89, passed away at Evergreen ShareHaven on May 18, 2020. She was born to the late Joseph and Louise (DeDecker) Shebilske on June 20, 1930, in Appleton, WI. She married Gilbert Huelsbeck on November 24, 1951; and together they shared almost 58 years together until his passing on May 25, 2009. They lived in Appleton until 1962 before moving to Oshkosh. Arlene spent her career as a waitress for many years then working at the Gas Hut and then Evergreen Manor until retiring at age 65. Arlene enjoyed dancing and singing whenever she could. She also enjoyed playing cards, especially Sheepshead.

A celebration of life will be held at St John's Evangelical Lutheran Church (808 N Main St) on Saturday June 19, 2021, from 11AM until 1PM.



## Beverly Hassel

Beverly Hassel, former professor of applied piano at UW Oshkosh and concert artist (piano), died on June 8, 2021, at New York Presbyterian Hospital after an extended chronic illness compounded by a three-month lock down caused by the coronavirus. She was the daughter of Elenor and Carl Hassel with a surviving sister, Susan Hassel (singer), who resides in New York City. There will be no memorial services and her ashes will be interred in Wisconsin at a later date. www.suehassel.com.

## Rose Widzinski

Rose Frances Widzinski (Mrs. Gerald W.) McEvoy, age 97, a lifelong Oshkosh resident, died May 5, 2021 in Kingwood, TX, while being cared for by her daughter Joni McEvoy and Gayle Noll.

Born in Oshkosh April 14, 1924, to Jacob and Valeria Widzinski, she grew up there, graduating from Oshkosh High School in 1941. In June of 1943 she married Gerald Wallace McEvoy in St. Josaphat Catholic Church, Oshkosh. Shortly thereafter, Gerald was deployed by the U.S. Army to serve in Europe during World War II, while Rose awaited in Oshkosh, his return after 2 years. Jerry preceded her in death on September 5, 2005. Along with nurturing her family, Rose worked at Victrylite Candle Co. before beginning at AT&T, where she was a telephone operator before ending her career as secretary to the manager. She was a member of the Telephone Pioneers Club.

A lifelong member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, she enjoyed many years of service, worship, and friendship. Because time with others was important to her, Rose treasured her bus trips with friends playing bingo and slot machines. Rose not only cherished her family time,



but also fun with the Telephone Girls, who shared luncheons and birthday celebrations. Rose led a happy and giving life, sharing her joy with her family and friends, whom she easily gathered under her loving wing.

Rose is survived by and her memory will be cherished by her four children: Sandra (Bill) Fierke of Eagle Point, Or.; Susie (Don) Taylor of Huntsville, Utah; Pat McEvoy of Oshkosh; and Joni (Gayle Noll) McEvoy of Kingwood, TX. Other surviving family are 6 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren, a niece and nephew Sally and Tom Widzinski of Oshkosh, and special Oshkosh neighbor, Tom Goddard.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated for Rose on Thursday, June 17, 2021 at 3:00 pm in St. Jude Parish, Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Oshkosh, (corner of Knapp and 6th Street), the Rev. Matt Simonar as celebrant. Interment will be in Calvary Catholic Cemetery. A time of visitation will be held at the church from 1:30 pm until the time of Mass.

Rose requested that memorials be directed to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Memphis, Tenn.; St. Jude Catholic Church, Oshkosh, or the charity of choice.



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## Gary W. Gritzmacher

Gary W. Gritzmacher was born July 27, 1934 and passed away on May 29, 2021.

Funeral services for Gary were held on Friday, June 4, 2021 at St. Mary's Church

in Oshkosh with Father Jerry officiating followed by a military service and internment at Lake View Memorial Park.

In the 1950s, Gary was drafted in the United States Army and served his country with pride.

Gary married Janet Burns (the love of his life) on June 9, 1956. They were 9 days short of 65 years of marriage when God

called him home.

A life member of the Knights of Columbus, when living in Appleton, he was an active member. He made many lasting friendships and was an active bowler on their league.

Gary will be remembered for his understanding and kindness toward others. He was always willing to share his knowledge

with them. He enjoyed teaching younger generation how to fish and hunt. Gary enjoyed fishing and hunting when his health permitted, he made annual fishing trips to Canada and annual hunting trips to Neillsville with cousins.

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