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## Oshkosh schools leader named

#### Former West teacher new district superintendent

Oshkosh Herald

Bryan Davis, Shorewood School District's superintendent and a former Oshkosh West teacher, was chosen to lead the Oshkosh Area School District from among three longtime Wisconsin superintendent candidates to replace Vickie Cartwright.



Davis said in a statement that he is excited to return to Oshkosh, where he and his wife met, were married and started raising their family while Davis taught business education at West from 1998 to 2002.

"My wife Dawn and I feel blessed to be called back home to serve with a talented staff to support the academic growth and wellness of all of our kids in Oshkosh," Davis said. "We have always considered Oshkosh a special place for our family."

Board of Education President Bob Poeschl said the board was impressed with the high quality of the candidates and three finalists and felt Davis was the best fit to lead Oshkosh, the state's 11th largest district.

"Dr. Davis embodies all of the qualities

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#### Military honors

Flags flap in the rain at Riverside Cemetery over the Memorial Day weekend in commemoration of those who served.

## Lakeside beer gardens hearken to city's early years

#### Menominee events set for Wednesdays this summer

By Lee Reiherzer HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

It's been 150 years since Oshkosh last had a lakeside beer garden.

Brews on the Bay is about to end that drought with a series of pop-up beer gardens that will begin June 9 at the Kiwanis Shelter in Menominee Park. It will be followed by beer gardens in the park July

14, Aug. 11 and Sept. 8. The monthly beer gardens will run from 5 to 9 p.m. and organized by the Parks Department.

Local beer may be the rally flag for these events, but Jen McCollian of the Parks Department says they're about more than

"We'll have family yard games and live music, and we'll definitely have food trucks," McCollian says. "We try to find things to do that are inexpensive to bring people and families to the park so they can get to know what we have to offer.

Oftentimes, people aren't aware of the Children's Amusement Center or that we rent kayaks, and canoes and aqua bikes, and those facilities are going to be open during that time as well."

But it wouldn't be a beer garden without beer. Oshkosh's Bare Bones Brewery, Fifth Ward Brewing and Fox River Brewing, along with Omega Brewing from Omro, will have their beer pouring at all four of the events.

"They'll each have a line where they can feature whatever brew they choose,"

McCollian says. "We'll also have domestic beers, and water and soda." Members of the Society of Oshkosh Brewers homebrewing club will participate by pouring samples of their homebrewed beers.

McCollian anticipates this year's beer gardens will provide the launch for what will become an annual summer occur-

"We've been approved to have four through the city council this year," she

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## Bus chair access system reviewed

By Kaitlyn Scoville Oshkosh Herald

The Transit Advisory Board got an update about incoming Quantum wheel-chair securement systems on GO Transit buses throughout the city of Oshkosh.

A prototype was installed on one of the buses May 6. Steve Tomasic of GO Transit said the process is done by two people: Once riders center themselves on the platform, they press a button to be lifted in.

From there, the bus driver presses a button to secure and release the rider at the

beginning and end of the ride.

Tomasic said they hope to receive 11 more wheelchair securement systems for the rest of the buses by the end of this year.

City Manager Mark Rohloff said at Common Council's May 25 meeting that the wheelchair securement system additions to the remaining buses will cost about \$164,000 of the city's Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act funding.

Related to transit services, EAA's Air-Venture is expected to see larger numbers than its record 2019 attendance. More than 600,000 people are expected to come in 2021 after experiencing a 40 percent increase in ticket presales.

With this, Tomasic said shuttles to and from the EAA grounds may have to increase the number of trips to follow Federal Transit Administration guidelines.

He said the shuttles will not accommodate standing riders to enforce proper distancing, and masks will still be required unless that policy changes before the weeklong event July 26 through Aug. 1.

## Museum to host powwow

In honor of the Menominee Clans Story exhibit opening at the Oshkosh Public Museum, Menominee Nation tribal members are presenting a powwow event from noon to 5 p.m. Saturday on the museum grounds.

The powwow's grand entry is set for 1 p.m., and visitors are encouraged to bring a chair or blanket. There will be Native American artists and food vendors.

The powwow's arena director will be Gary Besaw and master of ceremonies is Bruce Wilber. Drums will be led by Smokey Town and Wolf River Singers. Male head dancer is Ronnie Bowan and female head dancer is Dawn Wilber.

Carved and painted by the late Menominee artist James E. Frechette Jr., the Little Menominee wood figures on exhibit stand between 12 and 20 inches high carved from Menominee white pine and decorated in acrylic. They represent the stories, legends and ancient lore of the tribe. He observed the craft life of the elders and acquired principles and techniques from them.



Oshkosh Public Museum photo

James E. Frechette Jr.'s Menominee tradtional clan figures are on display at the Oshkosh Public Museum.

## Reading Challenge for all at library

The public is invited to read for fun and rewards during the Oshkosh Public Library's annual Summer Reading Challenge that kicked off this week.

Participants track their reading and reading-related activities at oshkoshpubliclibrary.beanstack.org or pick up a printed reading log at the library's service desks. The challenge runs through Aug. 21.

Young readers can earn a ball chain necklace with level up beads, brag tags and raffle tickets for gift cards. Teens qualify for a grand prize drawing of a \$100 Visa gift card by reading an average of 15 minutes each week. Bonus activities earn chances for additional prizes.

Adults are encouraged to write book reviews, discover new authors, and explore resources and library programs that can earn free books and entry into drawings for gift certificates.

Details are at oshkoshpubliclibrary.org.

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# District map updates promoted by groups

By Sophia Voight HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

As the state prepares for its next round of redistricting, organizations like the League of Women Voters (LWV) and Wisconsin's Fair Maps Coalition are pushing for a nonpartisan system for drawing Wisconsin's political map for the next decade.

"People want to have input into this process and many people feel like we are not represented by the map that we currently have," Wisconsin Fair Maps Coalition organizer Carlene Bechen said.

Redistricting is the process by which congressional and state legislative district boundaries are drawn. District lines are redrawn every 10 years to adjust to changing populations after the collection of U.S. Census data.

The purpose of redistricting is to create equal population regions to ensure every voter has an equal say, but that is not typically the result as districts are vulnerable to gerrymandering as one party tries to gain an unfair political advantage.

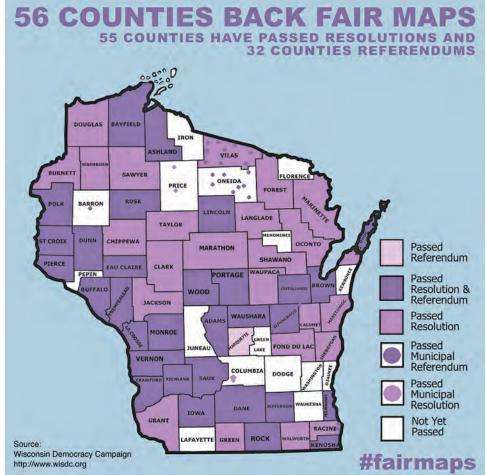
"Gerrymandering happens when there is disproportionate representation," Bechen

She said gerrymandering creates a rigged game where one party is able to push their agendas without concern for what their constituents want.

"No matter what the party does, it doesn't matter if there's no risk that you will not be re-elected because your district is so skewed and it created hyper-partisanship,"

Mapmakers manipulate districts through "packing" or "cracking."

Cracking is the drawing of districts that



spreads out opposing party voters across districts so they never make up a majority in the electorate, while packing is when the opposing party's voters are compacted onto as few districts as possible.

"If you live in a packed district, your vote is relatively worthless and if you live in a district that favors your opponent's party, your vote becomes relatively worthless,"

Gerrymandering is done by the majority

LWV of Wisconsin, said that when Republicans controlled the Legislature in 2011 it was the first time Wisconsin experienced partisan mapmaking.

"In both cases, it's equally wrong because you're not getting the representation as a citizen that you need from your elected officials when gerrymandered maps are the status quo," Cronmiller said.

political party in the state Legislature, but Deb Cronmiller, executive director of the



Fair representational maps need to be compact - not irregularly shaped - and keep cities and counties intact, Bechen said.

"But Wisconsin's districts are odd shapes and have cracked off portions and packed portions," she said.

In the 2011 redistricting cycle, Winnebago County was split into two congressional

Another area affected by the last redistricting was Marshfield and Wood County, which before 2011 had been fairly split between Republicans and Democrats but is now primarily a red area.

Oshkosh and Winnebago County may be safe from gerrymandering this redistricting cycle, according to Susan Curran, who is on a redistricting committee in the LWV of Winnebago County.

With Democrats clustered in Oshkosh and Republicans making up the majority of the electorate in the rest of the county, Curran said it is likely to have the same representatives after 2021 redistricting.

Curran said if the Legislature were majority Democrats, Oshkosh would likely be divided into irregular shapes to give them more representatives in the county, which she said is why it's important to advocate for nonpartisan maps.

Curran has noticed a growing awareness of the issue of gerrymandering since she started researching the issue more than five years ago.

"But we're still not sure they understand what it is or why it's a problem," she said. "We're trying to go to the next step to show how it works and why does it create problems for you."

The Fair Maps Coalition's mission is to educate people on the process and dangers of partisan mapmaking in the hopes legislators draw the maps through a transparent process that includes public input and creates districts that reflect its constituents. The coalition includes organizations like the Fair Elections Project, Wisconsin Democracy Campaign and the LWV of Wis-

The LWV has put together a national effort to end gerrymandering and raise

"The United States LWV has made working towards an end in gerrymandering as its purpose for the last two years," Curran said.

The LWV's Winnebago organization has created a Fair Maps Working Group to work against gerrymandering in this year's process. The group meets periodically to brainstorm ways members can encourage nonpartisan redistricting locally and statewide, and Cronmiller said the group sent more than 5,000 emails to state legislators demanding transparently drawn maps.

Fifty-five counties have passed resolutions asking for a nonpartisan mapmaking process. Winnebago County passed its fair maps resolution in 2018.

According to a Marquette Law School poll, 72 percent of those surveyed prefer redistricting of legislative and congressional districts to be done by a nonpartisan commission. But though the public may support fair maps, Bechen said it's difficult to enact change as Wisconsin doesn't have referendums allowing residents to place new legislation and legislators wouldn't want to pass a law that could minimize their chance of winning elections.

Bechen said they will continue educating people on the process and letting legislators know the public wants nonpartisan maps.

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## Trading card demand heats up to precautions

# Brookfield incident put attention on popularity

By Kaitlyn Scoville
OSHKOSH HERALD

On May 7, four men outside a Brookfield Target store attacked a 35-year-old man for the trading cards he had just purchased inside.

According to the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, the victim brandished his legal firearm but did not shoot the weapon. The four men were later arrested for battery and other charges.

After this incident, Target released a statement – without citing the specific incident in Waukesha County – that they will indefinitely stop trading card shipments to its physical locations nationwide.

"The safety of our guests and our team is our top priority," the statement read. "Out of an abundance of caution, we've decided to temporarily suspend the sale of MLB, NFL, NBA and Pokémon trading cards within our stores, effective May 14. Guests can continue to shop these cards online."

Walmart also issued similar practices, suspending shipments to their store locations across the country.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, trading card prices – specifically Pokémon and sports cards – have significantly risen. While demand increased, supply has remained short.

Amid Pokémon's 25-year anniversary, spiked demand for its new card sets were seen across the nation. While players wanted to add to their arsenal, others were buying to have a quick turnaround on cash for rare cards.



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Flying Phoenix Games in Oshkosh has seen steady interest in trading cards this year.

"The Pokémon card game, first released in 1996, is a strategy game that allows players to battle each other using the beloved characters of the wider Pokémon franchise," according to an article in the New York Times.

"While old cards have jumped in value, the demand now is for new packs, like those sold in mainstream retail stores like Target and Walmart," the Times article continued. "Each pack holds several common cards worth little, but collectors can occasionally get lucky and find a rare card in pristine condition."

While collectors and players seek these

new sets of trading cards alongside their new or returning hobby during the pandemic, local game stores have seen an uptick in customers looking to both buy and sell, even in Oshkosh.

Flying Phoenix Games owner Kevin Peters said he hit record sales in March and April but doesn't fully attribute the new traffic to the increased participation in trading card collectors and players.

It lies among boredom, stimulus money and just wanting to get out again, he said.

"People are bored sitting at home; they want to get out," Peters said. "They have money they normally wouldn't have to entertain themselves. COVID wreaked havoc on social lives so they bought board games, card games or miniatures."

Among Pokémon, Peters also sells Magic: The Gathering cards, YuGiOh and other deckbuilding games such as Star Realms, Ascension and Dominion at his 943 N. Main St. storefront.

He has seen more popularity in Magic gameplayers but noted Pokémon's 25th anniversary being a major factor.

"We are still one of the few stores in the area – whether it's Walmart, Target or gaming stores – that actually have product," Peters said. "Pokémon was difficult (to obtain) because it was being heavily allocated when new sets were released. We had delays but now it's readily available."

Though he hasn't seen any customers seeking a quick profit, Peters estimates nine out of 10 people he's asked describe themselves as collectors rather than players.

"There's always going to be collectors – (Pokémon) is a collectible card game," he said.

Peters also credits YouTube and Twitch livestreams promoting the new sets to trading cards' popularity.

"They've seen videos and want to do it themselves," he said. "People are investing in collectibles and sports cards rather than the stock market right now."

But regardless of where the interest is stemming from, Peters' main focus is the players.

"It's unfortunate for the players who just want to actually play Pokémon with their friends, for them to get products when the

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#### Trading cards

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prices are artificially inflated," he said.

Adventure Games and Hobby owner Charlene Alecos expressed similar sentiments toward younger children who want the cards to play the game.

"It's really hard to turn away the little kids who just want to get cards for the game they love," Alecos said. "With the pandemic, there was a fine line for us."

Since opening in 2012, Magic: The Gathering has been a top seller and was one of the first products they brought in.

Those and Pokémon cards are popular right now, Alecos said. And in 2013, they started a Pokémon league for children to learn and play.

"We see a pretty good mix of kids and adults coming in casually, trading, battling," Alecos explained. "Magic and Pokémon have been really big for us for many years."

However, when the pandemic hit and demand increased, she said shipments were becoming scarce. Magic sales have remained steady while Pokémon "has had

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Trading card game supplies are shown at Adventure Games and Hobby in Oshkosh.

a huge uptick."

"And with that, there's also a supply issue - it's been very hard to get with a big demand," Alecos added. "It's been hard to

fulfill preorders and keep up with our normal, regular players when we've seen a lot of people who are recently into trying to turn around and resell it."

The supply chain has been varied. Dis-

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tributors they order from are having a hard time getting them, including locally. Alecos said a distributor in Middleton is struggling with receiving its own orders.

She said at times she would request 100 boxes of Pokémon cards but only receive a handful. Alecos also anticipates the high market value will not last long after hearing about companies working to print more sets.

"There's been rumors of reprints – they want to focus on the players so they're going to try to get the supply up," Alecos said. "We've had to raise prices and limit purchasing so one person can't come in and buy everything."

With these imposed limitations, she said most of her regular customers are grateful they took that initiative.

"Most of the players that we see are really understanding; they're happy we're limiting (sales) in some capacity," she said.

However, Alecos is excited about the influx of new players and collectors.

"In a way, all of the mainstream media attention we've gotten turns a new light on the gaming industry as a whole. It's no longer nerdy or uncool to be into these hobbies."

Martin. Josef's has been operated by Josef Portelli, who also owns Josef's Motor Lodge near the restaurant. Portelli will continue to operate the motor lodge. The new owner said no definite plans for changes were in order, but the name will be changed to the Chateau. Martin and Bahr were previously with Hesser's Supper Club prior to their purchase of Josef's. They were also previously with the

Left Guard restaurant.

Source: Oshkosh Northwestern, June 3, 1970









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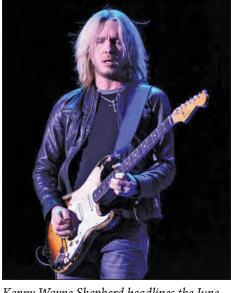
## Waterfest back on track at Leach Amphitheater

The Waterfest music series at downtown's Leach Amphitheater returns to the stage for its 35th season June 17 after last year's pandemic postponement.

Hairball marks its 20th anniversary on the opening Thursday night with early bands Big Mouth, Power Tool Horns and The Presidents. Teachers get in free with a school ID.

Blues rocker Kenny Wayne Shepherd is the following week's headliner along with Chicago soul group Bette Smith Band and a preview of the inaugural Oshkosh Jazz Fest coming in August with Janet Planet and Erin Boheme performing. An annual reception for patrons, sponsors, donors and guests is planned for 6 to 8 p.m. that night.

Concert bookings for July 15 and 22 are still in the works as Mike Dempsey's team looks for Midwest touring bands that could potentially add a stop, then continuing Aug. 5 with America headlining as the classic rock group is marking 51 years. Sly Joe & the Smooth Operators also perform that night.



Kenny Wayne Shepherd headlines the June 24 concert lineup at Waterfest in Leach Amphitheater.

Cornerstones of Rock leads the Aug. 12 show with the Ides of March featuring Jim Peterik, The Buckinghams, The Cryan Shames, The New Colony Six and The Shadows of Knight, with opening band

JJ Grey and Mofro, Alex McMurray Band with Paul Sanchez and The Pocket Kings are on the Aug. 19 lineup; the Music of Boston and Journey headlines Aug. 26 along with Road Trip; and Child's Anthem: The Music of Toto with opener Steely Dane rounds out Waterfest 35 on Sept. 2.

Tickets for the celebration of the quality of life on the waterways of the Fox Valley can be purchased online at waterfest.org, where there is more information on the new season.

#### Oshkosh YMCA hosts family fest, mud run

The Oshkosh Community YMCA will host its first free family fest from noon to 3 p.m. Sunday at the 20th Avenue YMCA that also features the sixth annual Kids Mud Run.

Activities will include bounce houses, balloon twisting, temporary tattoos, lawn games, arts and crafts, youth tennis and pickleball, and music.

The Mud Run is for children ages 4-16 but parents can run along. There are multiple family waves starting at noon with various times on the mile-long route, with more than 15 fun obstacles.

Register at oshkoshymca.org or at the event. All proceeds go to the YMCA Annual Campaign.





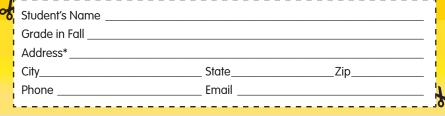


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## Pie on Porch event, Morgan House tours back

The Winnebago County Historical and Archaeological Society (WCHAS) has announced the return of Pie on the Porch to the Oshkosh Saturday Farmer's Market along with public tours of the Morgan House, both starting this Saturday.

Pie on the Porch took last year off due to COVID-19 and the loss of its Main Street home at Crescent Moon Antiques when that business was sold. Their new home will be a few doors south of the old location in front of the NAMI office at 525 N. Main.

"NAMI executive director Mary Lord Janness and the NAMI board of directors kindly offered the use of their building when they heard POTP lost our home at the end of 2019," said Randy Domer, president of the Historical Society. "We are so delighted to bring POTP back in 2021 and look forward to once again serving delicious pie on Saturday mornings."

WCHAS is working with the Winnebago County Health Department to ensure a safe experience. The tented sit-down area will not be allowed this year as it would not adhere to social distancing requirements. All pie will be sold in clamshell containers and served to go. Also, the use of volunteer baked pies will not be allowed until the health department determines it is safe to resume that activity. Pies this year will be provided by locally famous La Sure's.

POTP is the society's largest annual fundraising event.

"Because we will purchase pies this year, our revenues will be less than normal," Domer said. "But the important thing to us is being back in front of the community which we serve and that means a lot to us."

The society will offer an area next to the pie tent with books and historic photos for sale. Memberships to join WCHAS will be available.

"The return of Pie on the Porch is a big deal for our Saturday Farmer's Market," said market manager Michelle Schmid-Schultz. "I'm constantly asked by folks when POTP is returning."

Volunteers are needed to help cut and package pie or work as servers and can contact Domer at rrdomer@gmail.com.

The society is also reopening the Morgan House at Franklin and Church streets for tours beginning Saturday. A special exhibit features artifacts and memorabilia from the Morgan Co. in the upstairs exhibit room. Tours are complimentary and the house will be open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. every Saturday through Labor Day weekend.

## Former astronaut's archives going public

The personal archives and memorabilia of astronaut Joe Engle, the only person to participate in the X-15, Apollo and space shuttle programs, will go on display Friday at the EAA Aviation Museum.

Joe and Jeanie Engle donated the collection to the EAA Aviation Foundation last year. The Engles will participate in a brief dedication and ribbon-cutting for the display, adjacent to the Borman Collection on the museum's main level that honors Gemini and Apollo astronaut Frank Borman.

EAA's museum director said the collection further exemplifies the connection between aviation and the pioneers of spaceflight, who came from the nation's corps of top test pilots and aviators.

"The personal archives donated to EAA by Joe and Jeanie Engle are especially important because of the breadth of experiences they had in the programs that stretched the boundaries of flight," said Ron Connolly, director of the museum.



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Joe Engle donated his space program memorabilia to the EAA Aviation Museum.

"Joe's X-15 experience in the 1960s took us to the edge of space, followed by his experience training in the Apollo program and his leadership in the testing and early missions of the space shuttle that helped create the ongoing manned space efforts that continue today."

Engle's personal archives include memorabilia from his careers in NASA as well as the U.S. Air Force., where he participated in both the USAF Test Pilot School and the Aerospace Research Pilot School. Engle was selected as a NASA astronaut in 1966 and served as support crew and Capcom for Apollo 10 and backup lunar module pilot and capcom for Apollo 14.

Engle later commanded space shuttle approach and test flights and served as commander of the second space shuttle flight, STS-2, in 1981 and the STS-51I shuttle flight of the shuttle Discovery in 1985.

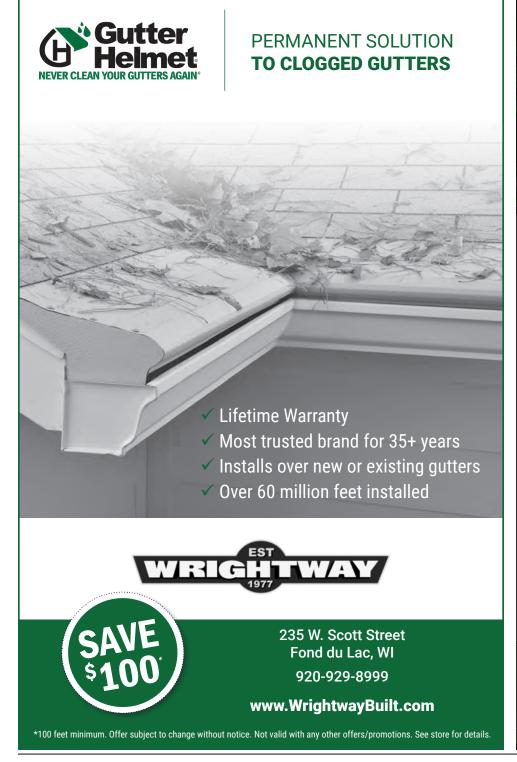
Jeanie Engle has an impressive NASA career as well, having served as the Johnson Space Center's chief knowledge officer for eight of her more than 30 years there. She also served as the center's chief information officer and deputy IT security manager.

# **B&G Club names finance director**

The Boys & Girls Club of Oshkosh has promoted Nicole Kubichka to director of finance and administration. She will lead all finance and accounting operations to ensure the fiscal strength of the club and provide transparency for donors.

"Nicole has been a great asset to the club for many years. She is committed to maximizing the club's budget to ensure the continued growth and success of the club's mission to improve the lives of children and families within its reach," said chief executive Tracy Ogden.

Kubichka has been with the Oshkosh organization for 10 years, starting as the business manager. She has a degree in psychology from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and worked with the Boys & Girls Club of Milwaukee as AmeriCorps and then for nonprofits in the Neenah and Appleton area. She later earned a degree in accounting from UW Oshkosh.





With the longer, warmer days we are all eager to get back to some sense of normalcy in our daily routines. We are noticing that the practices that are keeping people safe from the virus have wreaked havoc on lower back and leg pain. Many people are finding that nagging, annoying Lower Back Pain and Sciatica is now screaming out MORE than ever. It is starting to interfere with the ability to do simple activities such as housecleaning, working in the yard, garden, and ability to enjoy outdoor fitness routines of walking, biking, and running.

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#### **Liberty Tree planting**

The Wisconsin Society Sons of the American Revolution held a dedication ceremony while presenting a Liberty Tree to the city May 22 near the Houden statue of Gen. George Washington in the triangle of New York Avenue, Hazel Street and Menominee Drive. The original Liberty Tree (1646-1775) was a famous elm that stood near Boston Common in the years before the American Revolution.

#### **Pollock Water Park sets its summer hours**

The Pollock Community Water Park will open for the summer June 12 with modified hours and capacity limits in a season that will run through Aug. 18.

The daily time format includes 10 to 11:30 a.m. for lap swim, lazy river walking and tot time; noon to 3 p.m. and 4 to 7 p.m. for open swimming; and 11:30 a.m. to noon and 3 to 4 p.m. for cleaning and sanitizing.

Capacity will be limited to 600 patrons at any given time, which is half of the pool capacity. Staff will continue to evaluate capacity limits and time blocks throughout the season. Changes will be posted on the city's social media sites and at ci.oshkosh.

Season passes are available online, at the Parks Department, 805 Witzel Ave.; or at the pool during operating hours. The city has positions available for pool maintenance workers and lifeguards/attendants.

## Auto service locations gain panel approval

The Common Council acted on developments in the city related to vehicular travel and convenience on Ninth Avenue and Main Street.

The first resolution approved by council was a general development plan for an auto service facility, more specifically a second Jiffy Lube, located in the 1700 block of West 9th Avenue. The first location is at 205 W. Murdock Ave.

An additional resolution was passed in accordance with this development plan to allow for a shared driveway in the same block.

The next resolution, located at 630 and 640 N. Main St. and unanimously approved, will consist of a gas station/con-

venience store and laundromat similar to the BP location at 1424 S. Main.

Residents nearby cited concerns with how the location will be presented, and planning services manager Mark Lyons suggested a similar look to the neighborhood with a mostly brick design. Lyons said to visit the Planning Services website for the full design proposal.

The council also unanimously approved the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee's first recommendation to its standing in solidarity with Asian Pacific Islander Desi American community resolution.

"We encourage all members of our community to denounce any and all acts of hatred and deeply respect on the biases we hold," said panel chairperson Angie Lee.

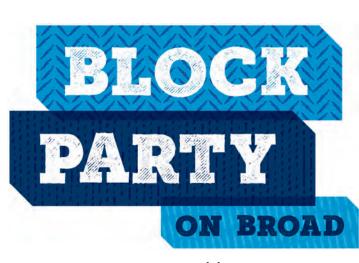
## Elder abuse awareness promoted by county services

World Elder Abuse Awareness Day, launched in June 2006, promotes better understanding of abuse and neglect of older people by raising awareness of the cultural, social, economic and demographic processes affecting elder abuse and neglect.

Winnebago County Adult Protective Services specialists investigate hundreds of reports of abuse, financial exploitation and self-neglect annually. They reported 36 substantiated cases of financial abuse last year, with the average age of the victims at 74 and an average of \$29,256 lost.

The county experienced 70 court actions during that time for those 60 years and older in which guardianship or protective services were necessary.

Winnebago County Human Services will be sharing information through the month on its ADRC Facebook page. Oshkosh Human Services at 220 Washington Ave. will display pinwheels in recognition of those who have experienced elder abuse, and county Executive Jon Doemel will sign a proclamation June 14 for a week of observance in recognition of abuse prevention efforts.



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#### Beer gardens

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says, "but we do want to see this grow and possibly even travel into other parks next year. It's definitely something we plan on doing into the future."

Traveling beer gardens have grown in popularity over the past decade. Oshkosh joins other Wisconsin municipalities such as De Pere, Glendale, Milwaukee and Oak Creek in coordinating public-park-based events. For Oshkosh, it will be the resumption of a legacy initiated in the 19th century.

Throughout the latter half of the 1800s, summer beer gardens were a staple here. Most wards featured an outdoor "beer resort" of some sort. The most ambitious of them was on the lakeshore south of Menominee Park.

In 1869, Oshkosh hotelier Gustavus Bogk established Bogk's Pleasure Garden at what is now the end of Otter Avenue on the shore of Lake Winnebago. Bogk's resort was a sprawling, 10-acre beer garden that featured a bathing house, dance hall, restaurant and a brass band playing every Sunday afternoon.

The beer served there appears to have



been provided by the three Oshkosh breweries then in operation. But it was a short-lived affair. Bogk, a serial entrepreneur who constantly teetered on the brink of bankruptcy, was forced by his creditors to abandon the property in 1871. It was the last of Oshkosh's lakeside beer gar-

Brews on the Bay will revive that tradition with more backing than Gustavus Bogk was ever able to muster.

"There's no way possible that we'd be able to do this without the help of the Oshkosh community," McCollian says "We have some really great sponsors in addition to the breweries and the local restaurants. It's just something we would not be able to do without the support of the Oshkosh area community."

## Free bowling for students returns

Revs Bowl Bar and Grill is bringing back its summer program – Say no to drugs, say yes to bowling - to encourage children to stay away from illegal substances.

Available to graduating high school seniors and younger, Revs will offer free bowling for June, July and August.

Those who have registered for the summer-long event will receive a pocket card to keep. According to the event form,

"each card is valid for two games of regular bowling and shoe rental."

Sign up at Revs during normal business hours. The child does not have to be present but their identification will be required. Child identification includes a student ID card, current report card or a current yearbook with the student's photo.

Registration will be open through June

## Police salute new, retiring officers

The Oshkosh Police Department recently hired three new officers: Andy Baltadano, Austin Wunnicke and Evan Atkinson.

Baltadano, originally from Las Vegas before relocating to Menasha, has a bachelor's degree in criminal iustice from the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh and was hired as an Oshkosh police cadet where he completed his Wisconsin Law Enforcement Certification through Fox Valley Technical College (FVTC) Recruit Academy in May.

Wunnicke, originally from Boscobel, earned his bachelor's degree in criminal justice in May from UW Oshkosh. He was hired as an Oshkosh police cadet, completing his Wisconsin Law Enforcement Certification through FVTC's Recruit Academy in May. He was previously a community

service officer for UW Oshkosh.

Atkinson, from Appleton, completed his certification through Northeast Wisconsin Technical College in May. He was previously a community service officer with the Grand Chute Police Department.

Retired police Capt. Kelly Kent, Detective April Hinke and officer Mike Wissink also were honored for their service to the department.

Hinke, who retired Feb. 5, served for nearly 25 years, the last 16 as a detective. Kent retired Feb. 10 after more than 30 years in the department, the last 12 years as a captain. Wissink retired March 12 after more than 23 years with the department, most recently as a school resource officer at Oshkosh West High School.

#### Calendar of events

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

#### Wednesday, June 2

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

#### Thursday, June 3

Comedy Open Mic, 7 p.m., Bare Bones Brewery, 4362 County S

#### Friday, June 4

First Friday with Jazz in Square, 4 p.m., downtown

Fox Valley Comedy Showcase, Time Community Theater, 445 N. Main St.

Steez, 8 p.m., Fletch's Local Tap House, 566 N. Main St.

#### Saturday, June 5

Oshkosh Farmer's Market, 8 a.m.,

downtown

Menominee Nation powwow, noon, Oshkosh Public Museum, 1331 Algoma

Veterans Benefit and Ride, Marine Corps League, 4715 Sherman Road, 8 a.m. registration

"The Great Muppet Caper," 7 p.m., Time Community Theater, 445 N. Main. Barley & Hops 20th birthday, 5 p.m.,

663 N. Main St. Jeremiah Jams Band, 4 p.m., Fifth Ward Brewing, 1009 S. Main St.

#### Sunday, June 6

Boys & Girls Club Block Party on Broad, 2 p.m., 501 E. Parkway

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

YMCA Kid's Mud Run, noon, 3303 W. 20th Ave.



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# Home talent busy on the diamond

#### Several Oshkosh athletes excel in college softball

By Tim Froberg HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

Oshkosh isn't known as Softball Central - training grounds for the diamond's collegiate stars of tomorrow.

Not yet, but it's getting there.

Eleven athletes who grew up in the Oshkosh area and attended city schools recently finished up college women's softball seasons. Some such as Lake Forest pitcher Shaye Gauthier and UW-Stevens Point catcher Sammy Buerger were firstteam all-conference performers, while others were valuable starters and role players.

"Oshkosh isn't the biggest city, you wouldn't expect so many college players to come from here," said Brie Gauthier,



**Brie Gauthier** 

a sophomore starting outfielder and pitcher at Division 3 Lake Forest College. "It's awesome. We have people playing in Illinois, California, Minnesota. We're all over. It's great to see everyone doing so well."

One of them was former North star Sydney Supple: a pitcher-first baseman who was part of a strong Northwestern University team that made its third straight NCAA Division 1 tournament appearance and went 30-17 over-

"I love how talented Wisconsin softball



Sydney Supple helped NCAA Division I Northwestern University go 30-17 this season.

and Oshkosh softball is," Supple said. "I love being able to show everyone where we're from."

The softball success of the Oshkosh athletes can be traced to a strong feeder system that started with developmental squads such as the Oshkosh Fast Club, the Oshkosh Raiders and the Oshkosh Rebels. The coaches at those youth levels emphasized fundamentals and instilled a sense of team into the young girls. Excellent coaching at the high school level and travel ball levels took them a step further and made them college-ready softball players.

"I played for the Oshkosh Raiders and it taught me a lot about being a part of a team and not really caring about your stats," Shaye Gauthier said. "It was about

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having fun and taught me to care more about group success than individual suc-

Athletes generally have more fun when they are winning. A focus on fundamentals led to both team and individual success for the Oshkosh-raised athletes.

"The coaches at those levels taught us to do the little things you need to do to be successful," Shaye Gauthier added. "A lot of us have extended our softball careers because we learned to do all the

fundamentals and the motions and do them safely."

Brie Gauthier couldn't agree more with her older sister.

"Oh, good fundamentals were definitely stressed when were younger," Brie said. Shaye Gauthier "That along with being



softball smart. The coaches would prepare us for what could happen in a situation and what we should do.

"It all started when we were like 10-yearolds. Our coaches were our parents along with close friends. They helped make us fall in love with the game. They taught us at a young age that softball is more than just softball. It's about the connections, friendships and relationships you make that go way beyond the sport. That's why a lot of us continued on - because we wanted to continue building those relationships in college."

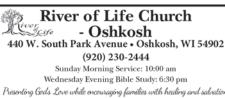
Supple also played for the Raiders pro-

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gram before joining one of the top travel softball teams in the country, the Beverly Bandits of Chicago, in the seventh grade.

"To see so many Oshkosh players in college ball is definitely a credit to the youth program," she said. "All of us played on those



same teams, the Raiders and Fast Club way back in the day. I think a lot of it started when Megan Kleist committed to play for Oregon. I know for me that was a big eye-opening experience that people from Osh-

"I hope players like Libby Neveau, Alyssa Brewer and myself can inspire the next generation of people to play college softball."

as higher level.

Supple, the former three-time state Wisconsin Gatorade state player of the year at North, competed on the largest stage: the Big 10 Conference. The sophomore was one of five pitchers on the Wildcats' staff, compiling a 3-2 record with a save and a

3.73 earned run average in 26 innings and five starts. She also played first base and hit .271 with two home runs, 16 RBIs and a .458 slugging percentage in 59 at bats.

"It's been an amazing experience," Supple said. "I truly feel blessed to be at a school that I always dreamed of. The environment is great, and the staff and my entire team are such incredible people that I really feel at home here. It's a blessing to be able to go to school and play softball here."

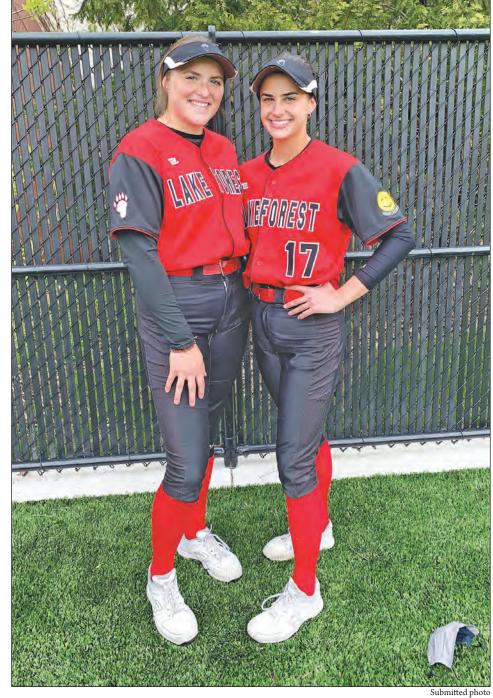
Supple played in 11 games as a freshman before the 2020 season was halted due to the pandemic.

"The biggest difference from high school to college is how talented every single player on the field is - from the people on the field to the people on the bench," Supple said. "They were all the top players on their high school teams and some of the top players in the state.

"Everyone is so talented, and I love that. It brings out a whole new level of competition and I've always been a competitive person."

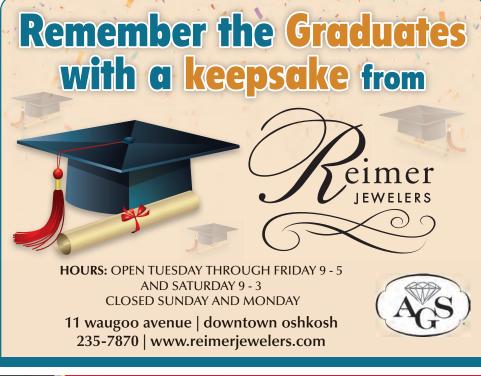
Supple is a broadcast journalism major who hopes to eventually work as a television anchor or sideline reporter. Despite

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Brie and Shaye Gauthier play at Lake Forest College in Illinois and got their start in competitive softball with the Oshkosh Raiders.

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playing the game nearly her entire life, Supple's passion for the game is stronger than ever

"I love playing the game," she said. "If I ever stop loving the game, I'll stop playing. Being at Northwestern has only helped me continue to grow my love for the game."

The Gauthier sisters recently wrapped up excellent seasons at Lake Forest, located about 30 miles from Chicago. The Foresters won the Midwest Conference North Division at 13-3 and finished 25-8.

Shaye is a recent Lake Forest graduate who was a double major in finance and Spanish. She received first-team all-Midwest Conference North team honors and landed second-team honors in two previous years. She was also an all-star in the classroom, receiving academic all-Midwest Conference honors for three years.

Shaye was one of the league's top pitchers, compiling a 6-3 record this spring with a 3.27 ERA and 55 strikeouts in 55 2/3 innings. She played second base when not pitching and hit .387 with a home run and 20 RBIs.

She finished her decorated Forester career with a pitching record of 18-6 and an ERA of 2.85. She was a career .362 hitter.

"It's a program that has excelled and I give credit to our coach (Joe Kinsella)," Shaye said. "We did a lot of fundamental stuff, but he put a focus on the mental game. He wasn't overbearing and treated us like adults. He just made sure that we put our busy lives aside for a few hours every day and concentrated on the game."

Brie Gauthier had an outstanding sophomore season as an outfielder and pitcher. She hit .433 – second best on the team – with 24

#### **Oshkosh softball exported**

Here's how additional Oshkosh athletes fared in college softball this spring:

Alyssa Brewer, UW-Green Bay: The Oshkosh West graduate was the team's starting catcher, playing in 38 of the Phoenix's 44 games. The sophomore hit .288 and tied for the team lead with three home runs, while collecting 16 RBIs. The Phoenix went 23-21 overall and 18-18 in league play.

**Sammy Buerger, UW-Stevens Point:** Buerger was a first-team all-Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference choice at catcher. She tied for the team lead in homers (four) and was second in batting average (.364) and slugging percentage (.589). The Pointers went 23-16 and 8-6 in WIAC play.

**Lacey Cruz, Cottey College, Missouri:** The sophomore pitcher tied for the team lead in wins and went 3-1 overall with a 2.21 ERA and 18 strikeouts in 31 2/3 innings. Cruz also hit .375 in 16 plate appearances with five RBIs. Overall, the Comets went 24-6.

Annika Johnson, Toledo: Johnson was an immediate contributor to the Rockets' pitching staff as a freshman. She had a 2-2 record with a 5:02 ERA in 30 2/3 innings. The Rockets finished 31-22 overall and 21-16 in MAC play.

Lauren Neveau, Trinity International, Illinois: The senior second baseman from North finished her collegiate career as the school's all-time leader in assists (272) and walks (49). She played in 39 games in 2021 and hit .236 with four RBIs and a .931 fielding percentage. Neveau was also an NCAA Scholar-Athlete. Libby Neveau: Winona State: The infielder had a big sophomore season, hitting .380 with two homers, 13 RBIs and a team-high slugging percentage of .767. Winona State, a Division 2 team, had an outstanding year with a 37-12 record.

Mathena Higgins, Carroll University: The former North standout had a strong sophomore season at Carroll, playing in all 44 games as an outfielder and



Submitted photo

Former West player Lacey Cruz has led her Cottey College team in wins overall this season.

hitting .321 with 15 RBIs. Carroll was 23-21 overall and 17-15 in league action.

Morgan Moxon, St. Norbert College: The North graduate had an outstanding senior season. She led the Green Knights with a .457 batting average and knocked in 23 runs, second-best on the team. SNC went 19-9 overall and 12-4 in Midwest Conference action.

RBIs and a team-high 14 stolen bases. Brie also compiled a 3-0 mark as a pitcher with a 5.07 ERA in 19 1/3 innings.

Getting an opportunity to play ball with

her older sister was a rewarding experience.

"It's something I'll always be grateful for," Brie said. "We really didn't get much of a chance to play together when we were younger, but the connection and relationship we had here was awesome. We were not only sisters, but teammates and friends and it helped strengthen our relationship."





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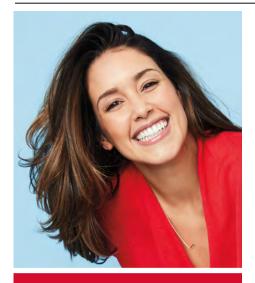
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West pitcher Brianna Bougie delivers during her winning effort last week against Oshkosh North.

## Wildcats blank Spartans in FVA action

By Dustin Riese Herald contributor

Good things come to those who wait, and for the Oshkosh West softball team it has been a long stretch for them to say they beat Oshkosh North.

After having this game rescheduled due to heavy rain last week, North and West met for the first time on the season and face each other again twice in the next two

What has been a one-sided rivalry in recent years appears to be more balanced and the Wildcats look to prove they are a vastly improved team. Led by a strong pitching performance by Brianna Bougie, who allowed just two hits while striking out seven, the Wildcats were able to take round one with a 5-0 win.

"It has been a long time since Oshkosh West beat Oshkosh North," Wildcats head coach Tim Kohl said. "We have given them good battles but have always come up short. Oshkosh North has had a very successful season so far this year, and coming into today's game we both were battling to stay near the top in conference play."

"My compliments to coach Kohl and his

staff for putting together a very complete softball team," North head coach Keith Koslowski said. "The West softball players are very fundamentally solid on offense and defense. I am very proud of our effort tonight. Bougie kept us off-balance at the plate and on defense we didn't play like we are capable of playing."

Opposing Bougie on the mound was Spartans ace Ashely Borowitz as she looked to continue her strong season. Brianna Davis' bloop single in the second accounted for the lone base runner through the first three-plus innings. In the bottom of the fourth the Wildcats picked up a pair of singles from Abigail Curtis and Alyssa Ebel but couldn't cash in for the game's first run.

It took nearly five complete innings for the Spartans to put a runner on base. Noelle Frank led things off with a single ahead of a Mollie Bittner single. Not phased by her first jam of the game, Bougie responded by striking out the next three hitters.

That seemed to be the momentum swing the Wildcats needed as Dominque Bauer led off the bottom of the fifth before coming home to score on a Chloe Tritt sacrifice bunt.

#### **Early deadline**

Sports results are as of Friday afternoon as the Herald had an early holiday deadine.

"We had to rely on small ball to get things going in the fifth," Kohl said. "Freshman Chloe Tritt squeezed in Dominique Bauer to get us on the board. The way Brianna Bougie was pitching, one run was all we needed tonight. Our conference has been a battle in the last few weeks with everyone beating up on each other. Five teams are at the top with two or three losses, and that could change by the end of the week. Every game is a big game."

After another 1,2,3 inning by Bougie in the circle, Curtis set the offense up with a leadoff triple before coming home on another sacrifice bunt off the bat of Braelee Jodarski doubling the lead 2-0. Jodarski reached first on an error and after a Brieann Kitchen walk the Wildcats had a pair of runners on base and one down. With one swing of the bat, Davis put the game out of reach with a three-run homer that sealed the victory.

Even with the loss, Koslowski knew his team gave their all from the first inning to the final pitch.

"Our players are battling at the plate and we are making contact, however it is right at people," he said. "We will hit better as the season goes along. Ashley Borowitz pitched well tonight. Everyone on this team knows how much she means to the team on offense and defense."

# Titans earn WIAC baseball honors

Second baseman Hunter Staniske and outfielder Jarrett Scheelk, both seniors, received first team honors to lead the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh's selections on the 2021 All-Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Baseball Team.

UW Oshkosh senior pitcher Trevor Niedzwiecki and freshman shortstop Matt Scherrman were both named to the All-WIAC Honorable Mention Team.

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# North, West golfers compete in conference meet

By Dustin Riese
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

After seeing unseasonably warm temperatures over the weekend, Mother Nature took a turn for the worse as temperatures plummeted and heavy rain and wind followed. The less-than-ideal conditions made it difficult to play golf but didn't stop the 10 Fox Valley Association teams from taking to Chaska Golf Course for the conference meet.

After a condensed season that saw West land in ninth place with North following up in 10th during the regular season, West landed in that No. 9 spot shooting 385 while North checked in last with 396.

The Wildcats were led by Matt Morell with a 92. After putting together a solid 43 on the front nine, he had some difficulties on the back nine where he posted a 49. Morell was one of three golfers to break

100 on the day and one of four to score 100 or better for the Wildcats. He joined William Vu who was the team's No. 3 coming in as he shot a 96 for second best on the team.

West's No. 2 Max Kuerschner played a consistent round shooting a 49 on the front nine and 48 on the back to come in third for his team. Ryan Gohde finished fourth shooting a 100.

For the Spartans, 2021 was anything but easy as they failed to win a conference match as this year was all about learning and developing as a young team.

"Today the kids had wet and cold conditions, but the boys continue to improve," North head coach Bryan Dorn said. "We have an extremely young team with all golfers returning next year. Our performance this year was not what we wanted but it is certainly something to build off."

The Spartans also had three golfers break 100 with Isaac Geffers leading with a 46 on the front nine and 48 on the back nine. Coming in second was a tie between team No. 3 Christian Geffers and team No. 4 Will Verstagen as they posted a 99 for their rounds.

Verstagen had a strong start to his day

posting a team-best 45 on the front nine. Geffers was consistent with a 50 on the front nine and 49 on the back.

The final two spots on the team were separated by two strokes with No.2 Kevin Lynch posting a 104 and team No. 5 Evan Chopp checking in at 106 after a 50 on the front nine.

## Titans split games in softball finals

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The University of Wisconsin Oshkosh softball team stayed alive in the NCAA Division III Championship finals after defeating Tufts University 7-1.

The Titans took a 3-0 lead in the first inning with hits from Morgan Rau and Amanda Mc Ilhany. The Jumbos answered with a run in the second before UWO generated four more runs in the sixth.

Maddie Fink pitched a complete-game in her 21st win this season that included a rain delay in the sixth. It was the Titans' first championship finals win since 1988.

Results from Saturday's game were after the Herald's print deadline.

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The eighth-seeded Titans lost their opening game Thursday to top-ranked DePauw University in the tournament played in Salem, Va., that was decided in the fifth inning when DePauw scored both of its runs to take a 2-1 lead that held up.

The Titans scored their only run in the first inning in a quiet offensive game – both teams combined for only seven hits.

Hannah Ritter, Gabby Buikema and Amanda Mc Ilhany had the Titans' three hits while Buikema drove in the only run in the first inning.

Despite pitching well, Fink took the Thursday loss after allowing two runs on four hits. She walked one and struck out one.



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#### **Prep sports roundup**

#### **BOYS TENNIS**

#### West pounds Terrors

The Oshkosh West boys tennis team dominated Appleton West on Wednesday night, winning 6-1.

All three doubles teams picked up wins as John Koth and Patrick Gannon won 6-0, 6-2 at No. 1, Anders Larson and Hans Larson won 2-0, 2-0 at No. 2, and Bobby Appleton and Ryan Jorgensen won 2-0, 2-0 at No. 3.

C.J. Counts won at No. 1 singles 6-1, 6-2, Cohen McConnell won 6-3, 6-0 at No. 3 and Turner Wuest picked up a 6-0, 6-0 victory at No. 4 singles.

#### **BASEBALL**

#### Patriots top Wildcats 6-3

The Oshkosh West baseball team led early but Appleton East scored three runs in the sixth to pull away for a 6-3 win Wednesday night.

West scored two of its runs in the first inning before Appleton East tied it up in the third. The Patriots added one more in the fifth before pulling away with three in

Colton Tirpe had two hits for the Wildcats while Aiden Berndt, Brady Block and Cole Krueger all added RBIs.

Xavier Gauthier suffered the loss, allowing five runs in 5.2 innings while striking out two.

#### **GIRLS SOCCER**

#### Lourdes caps off 3-0 week

The Lourdes/Valley Christian girls soccer team capped off a 3-0 week with a 4-1 win over Mayville on Thursday night.

Delilah Hawley had a hat trick in the win while Olivia Hawley had a goal and two assists. Paige Droessler added three saves in the win.

> Compiled by Alex Wolf, Herald contributor









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## Lourdes runner flashes hidden talent in high jump

By Tim Froberg
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

Peyton Kane's identity entering the track and field season was that of a distance runner.

No one knew he had spring in his legs to match stamina.

Predictably, Kane has become Lourdes Academy's top threat in distance events like the 800-, 1,600- and 3,200-meter runs.

But to the surprise of teammates and coaches, the athletic senior has unveiled a serious talent in the high jump.

The latter is a challenging event that Kane hadn't previously competed in since middle school. However, he has taken either first or second in the high jump in the Knights' early wave of meets, while winning the 800 and 1,600 at the team's two Trailways Duals meets

"He started high jumping for us because we needed him to score points to help us win our conference duals meet," said Lourdes coach Tim Moore. "This is his first year doing it and to have already cleared 6-0, that shows he's more than just a distance kid."

Kane's 6-foot mark is the fifth-highest leap in school history. He may have a shot at qualifying for the state track meet in the event along with the three other distance races. Regional track competition starts June 14 followed by sectionals (June 17) and the state meet June 24-26 in La Crosse.

"It (high jumping) is really fun," Kane said. "I don't think it was on the coaches' radar for me at the beginning of the season, but they gave me a shot and I've done OK with it."

Kane ranks fifth on the Knights' all-



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Peyton Kane competes in the high jump for Lourdes Academy in addition to distance running.

time list for the fastest time in the 3, 200 (10:10.08) and is eighth in the 1,600 (4:51.17) and 10th in the 800 (2:10.57). He was a 2019 state track qualifier in the 3,200 as a sophomore (the 2020 state meet was canceled) and placed 10th with a time of 10:18.26.

"My best event is probably the two mile," Kane said. "I just love the competition of it. I run with alumni (Trent Trofka) and he's really good at pacing and preparing me for the meets."

Kane is also an accomplished cross-country runner, who was a state individual qualifier as a junior, placing 17th individually in Division 3 at 17:00.01. He took second individually at the 2020 conference meet but didn't finish the fall cross-country season after coming down

with the COVID-19 virus before sectional competition.

"It was definitely pretty shocking to find out I had to miss those (qualifying) races, but I understand why," Kane said. "It was a big letdown. It (the illness) was pretty

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tough for about a week. My grandma is a nurse and I've talked to her and my coaches a lot about the potential lasting affects about COVID. But so far there's been nothing severe."

Kane has been competitive since he was 10. His father, Adam Kane, was a distance runner in his prep days at Neenah High School

"My grandpa (Roger Kane) is the one who really got me started," Peyton said. "He used to sign me up for all these street 5-Ks and I had fun doing them."

Kane also competed in varsity soccer this spring for the first time. A strong student who carries a 3.3 grade-point average, Kane plans to attend the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee next fall. He's considering a computer science major.

Until then, Kane will focus on making a return trip to La Crosse.

"I'm just trying to be as competitive as I can in the events the coaches think I can make it in," Kane said. "I'm giving it my all and trying to live up to what they think I can do."

#### Game-playing camp offered for summer

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Adventure Games and Hobby will be offering its first Introduction to Adventuring summer camp, encouraging young children and tweens to move out of their comfort zones and explore new realms of role-playing games.

Beginning June 18 for five consecutive Fridays from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. at 408 N. Main St., children ages 9 to 12 are invited to learn about Dungeons & Dragons (D&D), a renowned game with storytelling at its core.

Via the plot of a Dungeon master, participants are encouraged to bring their creativity to life while venturing through fictional universes to complete quests.

"You and your friends tell a story together, guiding your heroes through quests for treasure, battles with foes, daring rescues and much more," according to the official D&D website.

No experience is needed – "you will just need to be willing to learn, be creative and collaborate with your friends as you embark on epic adventures," according to Adventure Games' Facebook page.

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## Basic Needs Partnership awards grants

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Collaborating organizations were granted funds for programs dealing with the root causes of poverty through area community foundations. The Oshkosh Area Community Foundation was awarded \$1,896,571 in new grants and \$1,356,216 for multiyear programs.

Grants are focused on programs that create economic stability, access to education, family support and social connection, and improve health and wellness. Funding is generated by the U.S. Venture Open, the nation's single largest one-day charitable event dedicated to ending poverty.

A grantmaking match of \$800,000 each from the J. J. Keller Foundation and U.S. Venture, \$250,000 from Oshkosh Corp. and \$200,000 from both ThedaCare and the Thrivent Foundation lead the effort.

## **WO** selects nursing dean

The University of Oshkosh Wisconsin named its interim dean of the college of nursing last week after Judith Westphal announced in April her plans to retire in July.

Bonnie Nickash is a faculty member and the director of the Doctor

of Nursing Practice (DNP) family nurse practice program.

After receiving her bachelor's, master's

and doctorate degrees from UWO, Nickasch had been employed at her alma mater since 2009 and is currently enrolled in the psychiatric mental health nurse practitioner certificate program at UW-Milwaukee.

Having been in the practice since 2000 and published peer-reviewed articles since 2014, Koker called her "an excellent teacher" who has served on many committees at UWO and in the college of nursing.

Provost John Koker announced that Nickasch will begin her new venture July 2, and a national search will begin for the next dean this summer.

#### Singing duo bring show to Grand

Natalie Cordone and Shawn Kilgore are bringing their Sinatra-esque stylings to The Grand Oshkosh with a tribute to Steve Lawrence and Eydie Gorme. "The Start of Something Big: The Music of Steve & Eydie" will be performed at 7:30 p.m. June 11 for a select number of duos with a free livestream option.

Cordone and Kilgore met when they were cast as husband and wife in the Tony Award-winning musical, "Baby." They have created and starred in more than a dozen shows together, including The Grand's Holiday ExtravaGrandza.

Cordone has performed with the Colorado Symphony, Orlando Philharmonic, and Greensboro, Fort Wayne and San Antonio symphonies. She has also toured with "Rhapsody & Rhythm: The Gershwin Concert Experience" and "The Gershwin Big Band Experience," both produced by Todd Gershwin.

Kilgore was recently nominated for a BroadwayWorld.com best actor in a musical award. This past year included work on the premiere of a new musical in Nashville, vocalist work with the Orlando Philharmonic Orchestra, and live voice-overs in the Phantoms Unmasked concert event.



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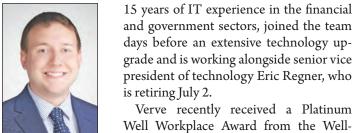
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#### Verve names technology vice president

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Ketter, who has more than 10 years of

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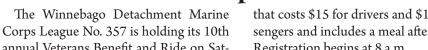
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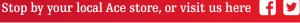


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#### Superintendent

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the community and board were seeking a leader with experience in building positive staff culture, strong community involvement and equitable student growth and achievement," Poeschl said Thursday.

The Board of Education was meeting this Tuesday to vote on Davis' contract. The other finalists for the position were

Aaron Sadoff superintendent of the North Fond du Lac School District since 2009; and Cassandra Schug, superintendent of the Watertown Unified School District since 2011.

Davis has led the Shorewood School District in northeastern Milwaukee County since 2015 and before that was superintendent of the Columbus School District from 2010 to 2015. Before that he served four years each as principal of Green Bay Southwest High School and assistant principal of Green Bay Preble High School.

Davis has a doctorate in urban education from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, a master's in educational administration from UW-Milwaukee and bachelor's degree in education from UW-Whitewater.

## Leadership program graduates 24

Twenty-four students graduated Thursday from the Oshkosh Chamber of Commerce Leadership Program, which was started in 1989 to help people in the community grow and develop.

Leadership Oshkosh is a nine-month program that provides current and emerging leaders with information about the community's opportunities and challenges. Participants serve as adjunct members of various boards and committees and lead a community fundraiser.

The class includes Sherry Lynch of Advocate Aurora Health, Mike Villeneuve of Aegis Financial, Stephenie Hoppa of Alliance Laundry Systems, Alexzandria Wiegand of Amcor; Abby Wilson, Amcor; Jennifer Seering of Ascension Mercy, Mark Lyons of City of Oshkosh, Amanda

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He has been published in the Harvard Education Law Review, graduated from the AASA National Superintendent Certification Program and led a Shorewood district visioning process that included more than 100 staff and community members who helped set the district's strategic plan through 2025. Davis said in his application he would

build trust through demonstrating integrity in decision-making processes and following through on his commitments.

"I am confident we can work together to unify the staff and community and lead the Oshkosh Area School District into the next chapter of educational excellence," Davis wrote.

A Board of Education review and community survey input was used to develop a superintendent candidate profile. A group of 26 district and community representatives - parents, teachers, staff, business and civic partners – interviewed the three finalists last Monday, followed by board interviews later that evening.

Cartwright announced her resignation in March effective June 30 amid a challenge to her leadership style in the form of an anonymous letter from some principals, teachers and administrators that led to an independent survey of district staff.

The district hired Cooperative Educational Service Agency (CESA) 6 to lead the search process with a team that screened applicants and interviewed the top eight to 10 candidates who matched the desired profile, then presented five to the board for consideration.

## Benefit will help support theater director's recovery

Jim Hart is known in the Fox Valley for his theatrical endeavors, particularly working with young people to develop their self-confidence and responsibility through the arts. A life-changing accident in November left him paralyzed and over the past six months he has been to five different facilities and several stages of recovery and rehabilitation.

Now preparing to return home, Hart and his family are working on additional needs and are holding a benefit concert June 19 at the Ballroom at The Reserve in Neenah to help rally community support.

Funds raised from the \$20 ticket and additional donations will be used for equipment and care needs while bringing awareness to home care nursing needs in the Fox Valley.

The Hearts to Hart show will feature a jazz quartet and there will be charcuterie boards available for advanced purchase from Wagner Market, as well as a cash bar. Details are at ballroomatthereserve.com.





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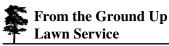
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#### **Obituaries**

#### **Amanda Marie Rose**

Amanda Marie Rose, 29, of Sheboygan passed away on Monday, May 10, 2021 at

her home.



Amanda was born on June 9, 1991 in Neenah a daughter to Ernest James Rose, III and Monica Veard. She attended schools in Oshkosh and graduated from Oshkosh

West High School. She was employed in the optical department of Shopko in Oshkosh and then as manager at Wisconsin Vision in both Oshkosh and Sheboygan. Amanda was a very kind, giving and caring person who loved books and was an avid book reader. She also loved anime and animals.

Amanda is survived by her mother and stepfather, Monica and Lance Ford of Oshkosh; her father and his special friend, Jamie Rose and Kim of Oklahoma; her brother, Zachary Rose of Oshkosh; a niece Braelynn Rose and her paternal grandfather, Jim Rose of Oshkosh. Aunts, uncles, cousins and other relatives and friends also survive. She was preceded in death by her maternal grandparents, paternal grandmother and step-grandparents.

A Celebration of Life for Amanda will be held on Sunday, June 6 at the Time Community Theater, 445 N. Main St., Oshkosh from 11 am until 3 pm.

Memorials in Amanda's name can be directed to the Oshkosh Area Humane

Online condolences may be expressed at www.lakeshorefamilyfuneralhomes.com.

Wittkopp funeral and Cremation Service of Plymouth is serving Amanda's



#### Johanna Raddatz

Johanna H. Raddatz, age 74, of Oshkosh, passed away on Tuesday, May 25,



2021. Johanna was born on March 12, 1947 to the late Harold and Ruth (Gabrilska) Raddatz in Oshkosh. She was baptized and confirmed at New Bethel Church. She attended

Black Wolf School, which was a one room schoolhouse for grades 1-8, and graduated from Oshkosh High School in 1965. Growing up on the family's dairy farm, Johanna acquired a love of animals and the country life. As a young girl, Johanna was gifted with a lamb named Snooper, which led to her raising a flock of sheep and being very active in 4-H; something she was very proud of!

While raising her three children, Johanna worked for the United States Postal Service, Milk Testing Lab, and Oshkosh B'Gosh. She enjoyed living out her Christian values by serving others and her community, such as Treasurer for Bethany UCC and Cerebral Palsy. As her children got older, she moved her family to the Abbotsford area where she owned a dairy farm for the next 30 years. After retirement from the farm life, she carried out her lifelong dream of seeing Alaska. Johanna's hobbies included bowling, fishing, needlepoint, cribbage, reading, Sudoku, and jigsaw puzzles. Johanna treasured time spent with family from holiday gatherings to attending her grandsons' school

Johanna is lovingly survived by her children, David Nicholson, Dawn Nicholson, and Jennifer (Jim) Galow; grandsons, Tyler and Joshua Galow; sisters, Louise Versteegh and Rachel (Brian) Burgoon; nephews, Kirk (Kathie Sina) Versteegh, Gary (Kathy) Versteegh, Bart (Lynette Duggan) Versteegh, and Garrett Burgoon; and niece, Janine Muza. She is further survived by many great nephews and nieces, other relatives and friends. She will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved

#### Kathleen Sauer

Kathleen "Kat" M. Sauer, age 71, passed away on February 4, 2021 peacefully at home with her family by her side. She was born in Oshkosh to the late Michael and Marcella Grabner on October 19, 1949. Kathy married Gene Sauer on June 14,

A visitation will take place on Saturday,

June 5, 2021 from 11am until 1pm at Konrad-Behlman Funeral Home (100 Lake Pointe Drive).

In lieu of flowers, a memorial will be established to the Ascension Hospice and the Oshkosh Area Humane Society.

## KONRAD-BEHLMAN

#### Walter C. Schwartz

Walter C. Schwartz, age 100, passed away at the Courtyard at Oshkosh Assist-



ed Living on Monday, May 24, 2021. He was born to the late Conrad and Anna (Wolfe) Schwartz on July 25, 1920, in Newark, New Jersey. After graduating from East Side High School, Walter joined the

Army Air Corps where he worked on airplanes during World War II. He married Elizabeth Hegedus on September 9, 1950 in New Jersey. They were together until her passing in 2003. Walter spent his career working for the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 825

in New Jersey. Walter was a member at Saint Raphael the Archangel Catholic Church. He enjoyed fishing and boating in his homebuilt boat, Gypsy. He was a founding member of the Howard F. Schwartz American Legion Post 408, Newark, New Jersey.

Walter is survived by his son, Howard (Sharon) Schwartz; grandson, Erik Schwartz (Justine Weber); and his brother, Robert Schwartz.

In addition to his parents and wife, Walter was preceded in death by his brothers, Howard, Arthur, and Wilbur Schwartz, and sisters, Clara Semak and Helen

A mass of Christian burial was held at Saint Raphael the Archangel Catholic Church (830 S Westhaven Drive) on Saturday, May 29, 2021, at 10 AM. Father Kevin Ripley officiated the service. A visitation was held from 9 AM until the time of service. Following the service, a burial took place at Calvary Catholic Cemetery.

The family would like to give a special thank you to all the staff at the Courtyard at Oshkosh as well as Saint Croix Hospice and his Havenwood neighbors for all their loving care and support of Walter.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Saint Raphael the Archangel Catholic Church.

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In addition to her parents, Johanna was preceded in death by her brother-in-law, Antonius Versteegh, and her great-nephew, Michael Versteegh.

A funeral service for Johanna was held at 12:00 pm on Sunday, May 30, 2021 at Konrad-Behlman Funeral Home-Westside, 100 Lake Pointe Dr. Visitation was held from 10:00 am until the time of the service. A private burial was held at Hilltop Cemetery in Saxeville, WI.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial will be established for the Oshkosh Area Humane Society.

#### KONRAD-BEHLMAN

## Model A club sets gathering

Model A Restorers Club (MARC) is holding its 2021 meet June 7-11 in Oshkosh, expecting to bring about 500 people and 150 Model A Ford antique cars to the area.

Many attendees will be driving their Model A's from as far away as California. There is a wide range of styles of the Model A built between 1928 and 1931 coupes, roadsters, sedans and trucks.

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This tale is told all over the world! There are versions from Germany, Poland, Norway and from many of the Native American tribes in the United States. Read the story and look at the pictures. Can you number the pictures in the correct order?



nce upon a time, bears had beautiful long tails. One bear was very, very proud of his tail. Bear would brag about his magnificent tail to anyone who would listen. Fox got tired of listening to bear brag day after day. So, he came up with an idea to trick Bear.

Fox stole a big bunch of fish and waited for Bear to walk by.

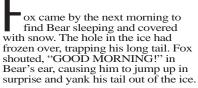
Bear saw the fish and asked Fox, "How did you get so many tasty fish? Can you teach me how to get fish like that?"





"Oh, it is so easy!" said Fox. "Start by going to the frozen pond, cut a hole in the ice and then drop your tail into the hole and wait as long as you can! The longer you wait, the more fish you'll catch. If your tail starts to hurt, don't worry about it," Fox explained. "It means that the fish are biting." Bear did just as Fox said.

Bear waited and waited. His tail started to hurt, but he remembered Fox's advice and he stayed put. After a while, he fell asleep.



Bear's tail snapped right off and that is why bears have stumpy tails to this





#### Fiction or Non-Fiction?

**Fiction** is any story made up by an author. It's a creation of the author's imagination. It is not based strictly on history or facts. The opposite of fiction is non-fiction, writing that deals with facts.

Was the story of how the bear lost his tail fiction or non-fiction?

Why do you think this?

#### **Tales That Teach**

Folktales were often told to teach people lessons. What do you think is

for Homophones! the lesson being taught in tale, "Why the Bear has a Stumpy Tail"? Homophones are words that are

pronounced the same but have different meanings. For example, tail and tale are homophones. T-A-I-L is the rear part of an animal's body that sticks out from the backbone. T-A-L-E is a story. Look through the newspaper for five or more words that are homophones. For example: sun and son • buy and by stair and stare

Hooray

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension

#### <mark>Kid Scoop</mark> Puzzier **(1)** Preyx Fox Help Fox use the preyxes UN and DIS to create new words. Look at each word and write UN or DIS on the line. Can you yind one root word that works with both UN and DIS? safe civil obey true own real hinge .joint sure miss card \_like taste .known .loyal tidy common color plug play gust latch usual

#### Double, **Double Word Search**

**BEAUTIFUL FICTION** HISTORY STUMPY **FROZEN** PROUD **FACTS OFF BEAR TALE** TAIL **BRAG** HURT FISH

YANK

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

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