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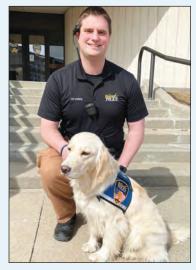
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## Council also backs mix of development projects By Kaitlyn Scoville

Oshkosh Herald

Oshkosh's Common Council paved the way for some large developments throughout the city and gave direction to staff for projects moving forward.

#### Clearwells to get review

After public discourse urged the council to explore all possibilities regarding replacement of the city's water storage tanks near the lakefront, city staff came forward with the possibility to keep the current structures in use.

The clearwells are buried, cast-in-place concrete structures deemed out of code by the state Department of Natural Resources. In a meeting last month with the DNR, however, it was indicated they would be willing to entertain an option that would allow the existing underground tanks to remain in service.

At the previous council meeting, the group was presented with the option of moving forward with a complete replacement of the tanks, which would last anywhere from 60 to 80 years, or upgrading the current filtration equipment, which is said to extend the clearwells' life by 20 to 40 years.

With the option to keep the existing groundwater tanks in service though, the state DNR requires further testing to ensure the viability of the structures. The inspection would take six to eight months and cost an additional \$140,000 to be done by Jacobs Engineering.

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Photo by Michael Cooney

# Supporting Ukrainians abroad

People of the Oshkosh area gathered at Opera House Square Saturday to rally for the people of Ukraine and collect donations. University of Wisconsin Oshkosh student Raiden Montero partnered with university staff and Wisconsin Ukrainians to organize the event after visiting the country in 2019. Several boxes of supplies including bandages, first-aid kits, clothing, shoes, nonperishable foods and feminine hygiene products were collected to be sent to Poland.

# YouTube creator, wargaming fanatic inspires hobbyists

By Tom Antrim HERALD CONTRIBUTOR An Oshkosh YouTube creator with

pect of tabletop gaming because he has enjoyed art for many years. He started a club for tabletop gaming

and the strategy that is being used in the game. "If you're going to be playing against an



205,000 subscribers creates informational videos about wargaming and has won awards for his involvement in the tabletop

gaming community. "It's (wargaming) best described as a strategy war game played with toy soldiers that you paint yourself," Adam Loper explained. "There's dice, tape measures, hills, trees and buildings."



Loper said tabletop gaming sparked his interest when he was in elementary school.

"I've been interested in tabletop gaming since fifth grade; I got into Dungeons and Dragons with a friend," he said. "I didn't get heavy into painting these models until probably the mid-2000s."

Loper said he enjoys the painting as-

in Oshkosh in 2009 and the club became "Tabletop Minions" on YouTube.

"The channel on YouTube started in 2009 – it was initially a club I was trying to start of people painting miniatures and playing miniature war games," Loper said. "As it is now, me teaching people stuff, technically started in March of 2013."

Loper received awards for best hobby advice in 2016 and 2017 for wargaming and a Silver Play Button from YouTube in 2018. And he said tabletop gaming requires more building and strategic thought than other hobbies.

"People see this hobby as difficult because you buy the stuff and you have to put it together like a model airplane," Loper said. "You have to paint it like a model airplane, there's all these techniques."

He said the point system in tabletop gaming is dependent on your opponent

opponent, the two of you agree upon a certain point system," he said. "You build your forces based off of that."

Loper said players must meet objectives like winning a certain area of the board or destroying the leader of the other force.

"Generally, there are objectives you have to obtain," he said. "It depends on the game and even the scenario, there is a lot of different ways to play the games."

Loper said people interested in pursuing wargaming should look into Flying Phoenix Games and Adventure Games on Main Street.

He said Games Workshop, the creator of Warhammer, is a good company for beginners to dive into tabletop wargaming.

"Warhammer is designed so you buy their rule set, and you use their models," he said. "It's kind of a closed ecosystem." Loper started a gaming company with

Photo by Tom Antrim Adam Loper's tabletop gaming enterprise has drawn an international audience.

his friend Vince Venturella last year called Snarling Badger Studios. He and Venturella created the tabletop game "Reign in Hell" in May.

The rule book can be purchased as a soft copy book or PDF format and any miniature figures can be used to play the game.



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# Event will turn spotlight on recovery

They were two peas in a pod. Best friends from early elementary school. Her parents were high school sweethearts, and I was a single mom. We were great friends.

I coached them in volleyball. They had sleepovers every weekend. I treated the best friend like one of my own, and her parents did the same for my daughter.

High school hit. Different friends entered their long-term friend circle. Boys became important. I saw less and less of her, and my daughter began spending more time with others in the friend circle.

Soon my daughter had no idea what her former bestie was up to and eventually her family moved to another state after the father retired from the Air Force.

The girls were on different paths - neither perfect.

Mine went off to college and experienced an awful freshman year. She came home to go to the hometown college. Drugs found her friend. Meth took over.



Schneider Oshkosh Herald publisher

So much that when released from jail for possession, her first stop was her dealer and she was back in jail the same day.

What do you say to her mother? Your friend?

It has been a long, hard road for everyone in her family; but as this teen girl now enters her thirties, she is alive, doing well and in recovery. We're grateful for every day that she lives in recovery. We know recovery is fragile.

It's human nature to want to put a title on everything. To say x happened because of y. However, substance use breaks that rule because it is a disease. That means there is no equation with a nice pat answer.

Winnebago County has seen an increase in fatal overdoses over the last few years. Local organizations are collaborating to break the silence, reduce stigma and save lives.

A free community event, We Heart You: Recovery in our Community, is taking place at the UWO Culver Center on March 30 from 12:30-5pm. This event will highlight the amazing work that the recovery community is doing and connect the broader community with resources to educate and raise awareness about addiction. Help our community reduce the stigma of substance use and being in recovery, and inspire the community to be part of the change.

Who knows what would have happened to our friend if it wasn't for the recovery community?

To register for this event and to learn more about other resources visit https:// breakwaterwi.org/events/

# Palmeri, Wojciechowski to vie for assembly seat

After a recent announcement, two members of the Oshkosh Common

Council are running for the Democratic Party nomination for State Assembly in the 54th district following a vacancy by Rep. Gordon Hintz. Oshkosh May-

or Lori Palmeri announced her candi-

dacy shortly after her colleague Aaron Wojciechowski, who is

running for the same seat as Democratic Party nominee. "Oshkosh citizens have made it clear

time and time again that they want their state government to be focused on job creation, tax fairness, fully funding our schools, preserving our environment and



protecting our right to vote," Palmeri said. She announced that her top priori-

> ties included bringing high-wage, family supporting jobs to Oshkosh, improving the state's healthcare options and advocating for environmental protection.

Palmeri was elected twice to the city's common council in

2016 and 2018, as mayor in 2019 and 2021 and serves on the city's redevelopment authority. She also serves on the East Central Regional Planning Commission and was co-founder of the city's Middle Village neighborhood association.

Wojciechowski ran for State Senate



in 2020 and lost to Dan Feyen and announced his candidacy for State Assembly district 54 on his Facebook page.

"When I ran for the State Senate in 2020 I knew the odds were stacked against me," Wojciechowski said, "but despite that, I took on the challenge because I know every fight is important regardless of the outcome. This time is no different."

Wojciechowski won a seat on the city's common council in 2021. In his announcement, he stated some of his top priorities as affordable and accessible healthcare, properly funded education, sustainable infrastructure and environmental justice.

The primary election will be held Aug. 9 and the general election is Nov. 8. More information will become available closer to these dates on myvote.wi.gov.

# Correction

MARCH 9, PAGE 3: In a photo caption accompanying a story about federal funding for Winnebago County, Lynnsey Erickson should have been identified as a community health strategist for the county's Health Department.



Palmeri Wojciechowski

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# Oshkosh animal shelter dealing with packed facility

By Steve Clark Oshkosh Herald

There are some cramped quarters at the Oshkosh Area Humane Society as the facility is dealing with an increase in animals, according to director Jessica Miller.

As of late last week, a total of 34 dogs were under the care of the humane society, including a large number of chihuahuas. The facility has a total of 31 kennels for dogs, meaning the staff at the shelter has been forced to find ways to come up with living quarters for the animals.

""Having 34 dogs isn't normally a comfortable number for us at all," Miller said. "When we are at our 'capacity,' what we do then is we get creative. We try to push out our wall with foster homes, and we have six dogs that are in foster care now which does help free up a few kennels."

The shelter does offer alternatives to surrender when it can – such as a rehoming board on their website and directing out of town surrenders to their local shelters - but they aren't going to turn away any animals either.

"We pride ourselves on not turning people away because we want to be that shelter that helps everyone we can," Miller said. "We have a reputation for doing that."

Having so many dogs in their care does put a strain on the resources at the shelter.

From food and medicine to having enough staff to attend to the animals, when the numbers of residents climbs, the strain is felt by everyone at the facility.

"There is a direct cause and effect with the more animals we have, the costs go up.





In addition to everything is going up in cost right now. We are definitely seeing our bills increase," Miller said. "Staffing is the largest component that it affects. The less staff we have and the more dogs we have, it's harder to shelter on a daily basis. Everybody is wearing multiple hats and helping out in multiple areas. On a daily basis, we have to figure out who's here, who's trained in any given area and where can we all pitch in and get everything done that needs to be done."

Miller said there is no one underlying cause for the increase in dogs at the shelter but she has seen some contributing factors.

The shelter is seeing a number of special needs dogs right now as well as some animals that are under socialized after being born during the COVID-19 pandemic. Dogs born during the time when a lot of the country was shut down, didn't get the normal socialization experience as a puppy and that has affected them as they have gotten older.

Dogs who may be under socialized will then sometimes have to have guidelines for adoptions for the well-being of the dog and the safety of the family adopting them.

In addition, the shelter has been the landing spot for dogs whose owners have been evicted from their homes after being safe from that during the pandemic.

"We have seen an increase in impounds directly related to evictions. That has been real since the onset of 2022," Miller said. "We have been collectively trying to brainstorm what is going on with our dogs. We aren't seeing a lot of our dogs going home right now but a lot more coming in."

Unlike dogs whose population in the facility isn't necessarily tied to specific timetables, Miller said the cats and kittens housed at the shelter have regular times of increase and the staff is currently gearing for a spike.

"We have kitten season coming up, too. We should see that shortly after the weather warms up," Miller said. "For cats, it does run more in cycles. It is extremely predictable when we are going to see the litters of kittens coming in and the pregnant mamas. But the dogs do not follow that same cycle."

Miller also added that the shelter has an expanding small mammal program, however, the numbers of those animals are currently manageable.

There are different ways for the community to provide help for the humane society, with the most needed being financial donations. Those type of funds can be addressed to what specific needs the shelter is facing on an immediate basis.

"Honestly, general financial support (is what we need most) so we can best decide on any given day where it would be most needed," Miller said. "And it really doesn't change depending on who comes to our door on a daily basis."

Miller also urged anyone interested in adopting a dog to visit a shelter while also expressing a need for more foster homes for the dogs, preferably pet-free.

"We would love to have a larger pool of foster homes. So many of our dogs, the longer they are here, the more stressed out they get. Then we will start to see behaviors that are simply a result of stress. The dogs get to a point where they can't deal with life in the shelter anymore," Miller said. "The greatest thing we can do, aside from finding them a permanent home, is get them some time out of the shelter in a foster home where they can exhibit normal dog behaviors instead of always being stressed out. Our shelter is wonderful, but truth be told, it is a stressful environment for animals."





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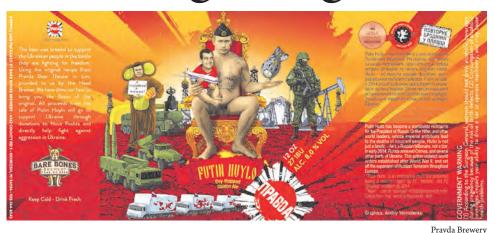
# Ukraine resistance getting local brew boost

By Dan Roherty Oshkosh Herald

Bare Bones Brewery has joined an international project to support a Ukrainian beer-maker at a time when the Lviv microbrewery is too busy defending its country to carry on its regular business.

Head brewer Jody Cleveland noticed the online request from Pravda Brewery, which offered five recipes from its Victory Beer Series that other breweries could create and donate a share of sales profits toward specific relief efforts.

Bare Bones owner Dan Dringoli said a neighbor and friend whose family is originally from Ukraine – four of his older brothers were born there – has kept him aware of the conflict long before it escalated into the recent Russian invasion. He said Pravda, which started in 2013 and is



This label was provided by the Ukrainian brewery Pravda in Lviv for use with the fundraising project.

one of the country's few microbreweries, has been brewing the Victory series for some time now.

"We really wanted to brew their style

## Winnebago County parks officials honored

Two Winnebago County parks officials were recently honored at the Wisconsin Park and Recreation Association's annual convention.

Retired Parks Director Rob Way and retired Sunnyview Exposition Center manager and acting parks director Vicky

# Entries sought for state park sticker contest

JUNE 12TH VS. DETROIT

The state Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is accepting artwork entries from high school students for the 2023 Wisconsin State Park and Forest vehicle admission sticker design contest.

Now in its 32nd year, the annual DNR-sponsored design contest is open to all high school-age students in Wisconsin. Artwork entries should focus on animals, plants or outdoor activities in Wisconsin. Redlin both received Lifetime Achievement Awards at the convention in February.

They were honored for years of active service to the organization, including belonging to and chairing committees and championing association initiatives.

The vehicle admission stickers provide access to more than 60 state park, forest and recreation area properties. All motor vehicles entering state parks and recreation areas must have a vehicle admission sticker. Some state forest and trail parking areas also require a sticker.

Materials for the contest are now available at dnr.wisconsin.gov, and students can submit entries through April 30. of beer," Dringoli said. "They aren't able to make their own beer because they're making Molotov cocktails instead. We're stepping up for them while they're trying to save their country."

The dry-hopped golden strong ale was selected as something distinct from what Bare Bones usually offers.

"We didn't have all the ingredients we needed until Tuesday," he said.

Participating brewers took part in a



Zoom event to launch the effort, and Bare Bones had its brew session Thursday morning.

"It's about breweries helping breweries," Dringoli said. "We're keeping their beer alive and it's happening all over the world. It's their beer and their recipe."

A March 25 release on draft and in cans is planned and will be made available at the brewery and Menasha taproom, along with Dublin's Irish Pub and Wagner Market. Dringoli said 100% of profits will go toward Ukrainian humanitarian relief efforts found at pravda.beer/victory-beer-series.

"We invite prominent craft breweries to join us for on-line brewing sessions," Pravda Brewery said on its website. "As peaceful craft brewers, we want to return to the normal life ASAP and enjoy brewing and drinking. But first we must kick the cockroaches out of our land."

Other brewers nationally and statewide are taking part in other forms of support and fundraising with special labels aimed at Ukraine relief efforts.



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# Banned bookshelf has its way with words

By Kaitlyn Scoville Oshkosh Herald

After a rise in banned or challenged books around the nation, one Oshkosh business is broadening the community's accessibility to some of them.

Over the past decade, several titles have been considered for banning or restricting in cities nationwide, including "Hunger Games" by Suzanne Collins, "The Perks of Being a Wallflower" by Stephen Chbosky, "To Kill a Mockingbird" by Harper Lee, "Of Mice and Men" by John Steinbeck and "The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn" by Mark Twain.

Kenneth Osmond, owner and operator of Planet Perk coffeehouse at the City Center and the Algoma Beach



Building, dedicated his bookshelves at the front of the store for visitors to borrow from.

He said he expects the bookshelf to function as a "take to read, return when finished and donate when you can" basis. On a recent post to the Facebook business' page, he said he gets the pleasure to hear some conversations others are having over a cup of coffee.

"They can be highbrow, lowbrow, passionate, muted, spirited, heated, humorous, compassionate, reasonable, unreasonable, colorful, pedantic and free," Osmond said. "Unfortunately, the recent trend of banning, burning and censoring books has hobbled our ability as human beings to have the conversations we should be having."

According to the American Library Association, there are more than 400 books that have been challenged, banned or burned in the United States. A comprehensive list is at ala.org/advocacy/bbooks.

The announcement on social media has garnered a large response, with some already discussing what titles they would like to bring in. Mayor Lori Palmeri commented on Facebook that she would like to donate one of her favorites, "The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-time Indian" by Sherman Alexie.

Amanda Kabat also wrote on the Planet Perk page, noting her appreciation for Osmond's openness.

"Keep books and ways for us to continue to talk and discuss our views and stories," Kabat wrote.

Of recent attention is the series "Maus" by Art Spiegelman, a graphic novel about the Holocaust. School districts across the nation are considering restricting Spiegelman's work and several other titles for having topics such as sexuality, gender identity or race involved, according to an Associated Press story.

"Over the past year, book challenges and bans have reached levels not seen in decades. This controversy arose again in late December as nationwide efforts have pushed for the removal of objectionable books from school libraries," the AP story reads.

Osmond has seen book banning as an issue for most of his adult life.

"When you look at the American Library Association's list, I bet you most kids have seen movies of these; a lot of these books I was required to read in high school," he explained. "I don't think kids should be prohibited from reading anything. I think what they need is guidance as they do it to get some perspective.

"My experience in this coffee shop is that when people truly talk to each other, they agree on most things," he continued. "But unfortunately, most of



us allow ourselves to get escalated by jingoistic views, and we get our feathers ruffled over some of the most mundane things that shouldn't be controversial."

Other books that have been challenged or banned in the last decade include "Goosebumps" by R.L. Stine, "The Catcher in the Rye" by J.D. Salinger, "The Color Purple" by Alice Walker, The Holy Bible, "Anne Frank: Diary of a Young Girl" by Anne Frank, "1984" by George Orwell and "The Walking Dead" series by Robert Kirkman.

Osmond said the first book he received as a donation was a copy of "The Handmaid's Tale" by Margaret Atwood. And since his announcement in early March, most of the 200 books on the shelves have already been borrowed out.

They had several copies of "Maus" and "Fahrenheit 451," as well as the entire "Harry Potter" series. Osmond said more are on the way.

As a veteran himself, Osmond was also bothered by some of the banned or challenged books being written by veterans.

"Their sole purpose is trying to convey to the rest of society the horrors of war," he said. "There are so many more books that are banned that teach about indigenous history, about the experiences of people of color in this country."

Osmand has noticed that people are limiting themselves to social media.

"People limit their discourse to 280 characters to be superficial rather than say or hear something of substance. That's why reading is so important, because people who read a lot tend to be very empathetic individuals who can be understanding and forgiving," he said.

"We live in a technological world where our information bubbles are so tight, so reaffirming that you never hear any opposing thoughts or ideas. The self-reaffirming echo chambers that we've created are so strong. I think that's why people want to ban books; they're so adverse to anybody else's thought, idea or representation of anything."

He plans to expand the bookshelf to use all of its space, but he's proud that most of the books are in circulation so soon after the announcement. A list of specific titles is available at the City Center location.





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Phase 2 has the top 3 nominees per category and is a new wave of voting. Again, only one vote per name and address. This does mean that if you and your honey don't agree, you both can vote. Voting is just limited to one vote per person per phase. No ballot stuffing. In the appearance of ballot stuffing the person, place, thing or business may be disqualified. The Oshkosh Herald reserves the right to determine if ballot stuffing has transpired. And yes, you can nominate vourself or your own business.

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#### Winners will be announced in the April 13, 2022 Oshkosh Herald.

# Chamber cites individuals for efforts at annual meeting

of Hope, a board member of Winnegamie

Home Builders Association and secretary

Jon Doemel received the Distin-

guished Service Award. Doemel was

elected to the board of directors in 2015

and selected as chairman of the board in

2018. He was elected Winnebago Coun-

ty executive in April and is owner of Za-

Wilson Jones received the Lynne Web-

ster Leadership Award. As the past chief

executive of Oshkosh Corp., Jones was

chosen for his leadership of the long-term

structural change within Oshkosh Corp.

and positive impact on the community.

He was a major driver in the inception of

Oshkosh Kids, chairman of the chamber's

board of directors and leader in other non-

Bob Burnell received the Alberta S.

Kimball Community Service Award. As

the former morning show host on WOSH

radio, Bob helped in the promotion of lo-

of West Side Association.

Roni's restaurant.

profits.

The Oshkosh Chamber of Commerce recognized individuals for their contribution to the chamber and community during its 114th Annual Meeting and Recognition Program last week at the Convention Center.

Nine individuals were recognized:

Rachel Hansen received the Outstanding Chamber Volunteer Award. Hansen, of Oshkosh Corp., serves as president of Propel-Oshkosh's Young Professional's Network, president of West Side Association and sits on the chamber's board of directors and executive committee.

James Price received the Propel Young Professional of the Year Award. Price is director of marketing and digital works for the Wisconsin Herd. He uses his marketing knowledge and experience to help Propel as he serves on the marketing committee to help with all social media efforts. He also volunteers with the Community Church Oshkosh and the Food Pantry.

Patti Langkau received the Ambassador of the Year Award. She has been a chamber ambassador for the past five years and also serves as the vice president of DC Villars



• Jasmine Glass



Both holding their award plaques, James Price of the Wisconsin Herd was named the Propel Young Professional of the Year and Rachel Hansen was named Outstanding Chamber Volunteer by the Oshkosh Chamber of Commerce.

#### The University of Wisconsin Oshkosh received the Horizon Award. 2021 marked the 150th anniversary of UW Oshkosh and the long tradition of excellence and opportunity. UWO now prioritizes strengthening all three of its campuses.

The Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) received the Enterprise of the Year Award. EAA brought the aviation world's enthusiasm back to Oshkosh in 2021 with the return of AirVenture after a one-year hiatus. Total attendance reached 608,000, a level that nearly matched the record at-

tendance in 2019. EAA also started its first addition to the Aviation Center in more than 20 years.

Muza Sheet Metal received the Small Business of the Year Award. Muza has been in business since 1928. Starting with about 15 employees between 1998 and 2000, Muza now has more than 120 active employees and has expanded from 10,000 square feet to 110,000. The company has expanded into architectural sheet metal design products with a focus on numerous other areas.

# WomenVenture back at EAA to 'Be Bold'

"Be Bold" is the theme and focus of WomenVenture activities as EAA AirVenture Oshkosh 2022 celebrates the 15th year of programming that encourages and supports women in aviation.

New this year is a dedicated EAA WomenVenture Center throughout the week of July 25-31.

The center in Aviation Gateway Park will feature exhibitors and networking events as well as other resources for women currently in aviation fields or seeking to

be a part of them.

"In 2022 we are bringing back many of the activities that are most popular with attendees, from the group photo on Boeing Plaza to the power lunch and evening programs on Wednesday, July 27," said Margaret Brill of the EAA Aviation Foundation. "As we celebrate 15 years of this program, the heart of it remains the same: encouraging women to find their place in the aviation world and be bold with their ideas, dreams, and talents."



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# Police add therapy dog to the team

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The Oshkosh Police Department recently welcomed a therapy dog to the department, a female golden retriever by the name of Magic.

The professionally trained 2-year-old will provide emotional support to members of the community and to officers, a release from the department says. She will be working alongside the department's behavioral health officer Scott Sopata, who has been responding to behavioral health calls since October, relating to highly sensitive and emotional topics.

"She is a very friendly dog, loves to be pet and always has a smile on her face," the release states. "The OPD continues to be proactive in seeking various strategies to help officers deescalate situations and bring them to peaceful resolutions. Magic will work her magic by bringing a sense of calm to high-stress situations and will be an asset to both the department and the City of Oshkosh."

Magic was trained through a program called Journey Together, a nonprofit organization in the city whose mission is to provide highly trained service dogs to people diagnosed with post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD). Dogs are placed at no charge with qualified state residents who are over age 18.

Journey Together dogs reside at the Oshkosh Correctional Institution where inmates help train them, significantly decreasing the cost of training service dogs.

Magic holds several certifications as well, including Canine Good Citizen, Advanced Canine Good Citizen, Urban Canine Good Citizen and Trick Dog. Journey Together typically trains dogs from the get-go from 8 months to 2 years.

"The ability to add a therapy dog to our programming ... is another step forward that the department has taken to respond to our community members in need," Chief Dean Smith said.

Through donations from the Oshkosh Area Community Foundation, Magic has



sensitive incidents.

# **Mental health** specialist will work with police

The Winnebago County Human Services department is partnering with Oshkosh police to add a mental health crisis specialist who can co-respond with officers in providing assessments and guidance with those experiencing a mental health emergency.

The position, posted by Human Services, describes seeking the best intervention measures for those in an emotional crisis. Funding for the position is provided by both the county and city.

"The Oshkosh Police Department feels that mental health wellness is a priority for both its employees and community members," a press release states. "By incorporating a mental health crisis co-responder to our team as well as having a mental health and resiliency program for employees, we are striving to promote this wellness in our community."

For more information and how to apply, visit co.winnebago.wi.us and click on the "Employment Opportunities" tab.

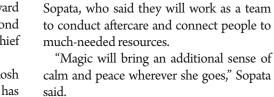


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School board member Kristopher

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echoed his sentiments but said that in

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VFW Commander Dave Steinert presented Patriot Pens awards to (from left) Lyla Marchetta, Beatrice Schmidt and Lydia Hardy at Valley Christian School.

## VFW presents essay awards at Valley Christian

The VFW Florian-Lampert Post 1908 presented Patriots Pens awards recently to students at Valley Christian School who participated in the annual essay contest open to sixth-, seventh- and eighth-graders.

The essay question was, "What makes me a good American?" First-place winner was Lyla Marchetta, second place went to Beatrice Schmidt and Lydia Hardy took

third place. The winners received a certificate, medal and monetary awards.

Dave Steinert, post commander, also presented the VFW/Verve \$1,000 scholarship to Taylor Ramer, daughter of Tim and Jenny Rammer of Oshkosh and a student at UW-La Crosse. The annual scholarship is available to seniors in the Oshkosh Area School District region.

### Program engages students in early state inhabitants

In a partnership with the Oshkosh Area School District, the city's Community Foundation and the Oshkosh Public Museum, third-graders in the district have been using new hands-on history kits to help learn about Wisconsin's first inhabitants.

The Community Foundation gave the two organizations a grant for the project, providing students with tools and other items typically used by Wisconsin tribes for their social studies classes.

Items such as shells, a scapula for gar-

dening, a woven basket, spear points, awls for sewing, buckskin and an atlatl for games and competitions were included in one of the kits.

"My students have been so engaged in the learning of the First Peoples of Wisconsin, especially the tools and technology used and how it changed as new groups came," a teacher from Webster Stanley Elementary School said. "This kit makes the learning come to life with its tangible items and helps students understand more about the first peoples of Wisconsin."



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# School board listens to referendum plan updates

#### By Kaitlyn Scoville Oshkosh Herald

The Board of Education heard the first of many referendum updates as final plans are being discussed for the new Vel Phillips Middle School.

The November referendum passed by Oshkosh voters not only includes the construction of a new elementary and middle school but also the consolidation of other schools district-wide.

The district currently has 20 schools, including 13 elementary, five middle, two high and several 4K centers. Through phase two of the referendum plan, Deputy Superintendent David Gundlach said the consolidation efforts will bring the count to 14 facilities, including nine elementary, three middle and two high schools, and a 4K center.

The board voted to approve Miron

# Community can support schools through Give Education Day

#### Oshkosh Herald

The community will come together for 24 hours of giving March 23 to support the work of teachers and students in the Oshkosh Area School District.

The district's Education Foundation is looking to raise at least \$10,000 during the annual event. There is a \$5,000 matching gift through the JEK Foundation, which means supporters can double their donations by participating in the fundraiser.

Early giving has already started and will continue through the end of the day March 23. Funds will be used to make projects a reality in the next school year, such as materials and supplies for classrooms that cost beyond the building budget, grants supporting new classroom projects, and basic needs items for vulnerable students clothing, hygiene items and supplies.

To donate, visit give-education.com/ organization/oasd-Education-Foundation.

Additional updates and reminders will be posted on the OASD Education Foundation's Facebook page during the 24-hour campaign.

"Give Education Day provides a terrific opportunity for us to come together as a community to support our students, teachers and schools," stated Theresa Duren, Education Foundation director.

Foundation funds are managed by the Oshkosh Area Community Foundation.



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# **Friday servers**

Sara Kaminski serves visitors at St. Raphael The Archangel Catholic Church during one of the Lenten fish frys being offered Fridays through April 8. Kaminski and her husband, Craig, are parish members who have volunteered their services for the past six years.

# Credit union president to step down

Winnebago Community Credit Union president Anthony "Tony" Tiede has announced his retirement effective June 1 after working there for nearly 25 years and as president since 1997.

During Tiede's tenure, the credit union went from \$12 million in assets with 3,417 members to \$155 million and 8,291 members. He oversaw the credit union serving the counties of Winnebago, Outagamie and Fond du Lac, merging with another credit union and adding an additional Oshkosh branch.

Changing the charter to a community-based credit union, then changing the name to reflect this and expanding the reach to all three counties, were some of the highlights in his career.

"In guiding the credit union forward, our successes would not be possible without Winnebago Community Credit Union's loyal membership base," Tiede said in a statement.

The board of directors announced that Tiede will be succeeded by Derek Groth, currently the president of another credit union, on March 23. The credit union has locations on Snell Road and Witzel Street in Oshkosh, and South Commercial Street in Neenah.



## Alro Steel names new CEO, chairman

The Alro Steel board of directors elected Randy Glick as its chief executive officer and chairman of the board, succeeding his father who was CEO and chairman for the past 74 years before his death Feb. 8 at age 95.

Alro Steel, based in Jackson, Mich., has Oshkosh operations at 3970 Poberezny Road where it specializes in stainless steel, tool steel, carbon steel, alloys, aluminum, brass, bronze, copper and cast iron.

Randy Glick started his career with Alro in 1981. He was named corporate operations manager in 1993, vice president-operations in 2004, and senior vice president in 2013. Since 2016, he has served as executive vice president.



## Jiffy Lube location on 9th opens for business

Jiffy Lube, a national automotive maintenance specialist, has opened a new service center in Oshkosh.

The new building is owned by Jiffy Lube franchisee Stonebriar Auto Services and opened late last week at 1719 West 9th Ave. next to Kwik Trip. The location is open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday.

"We are excited to be part of the Oshkosh community and be able to provide another option for car care in the area," said Bob Cahill, vice president of operations for Stonebriar.

Stonebriar also operates Jiffy Lube locations in Grand Chute and Appleton.



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#### Wednesday, March 16

Gaelic Storm, 7:30 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh

Tundra Swan Migration program, 10 a.m., Oshkosh Seniors Center, 200 N. Campbell Road

#### Thursday, March 17

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

Aviation Adventure Speaker Series:

#### Back in the Day



Oshkosh history by the Winnebago County Historical & Archaeological Society

## March 12, 1976

Fred Waring Show Sellout: A sellout house got a taste of 60 years of musical entertainment when the Fred Waring Show closed Broadway 41's Oshkosh series Thursday night at the Civic Auditorium. Waring, celebrating nearly 60 years in show business brought a patriotic theme to the stage. A group of 21 singers, plus five accompanists, closed the show with "Battle Hymn of the Republic,"

Randall Cunningham: U.S. Navy Ace, 7 p.m., EAA Aviation Museum, 3000 Poberezny Road

St. Paddy Weekend begins, 11 a.m., O'Marro's Public House, 2211 Oregon St. St. Patrick's Day at the Ground Round, 11 a.m., 1 N. Main St.

Bingo, 7 p.m., American Legion Cook-Fuller Post 70, 1332 Spruce St.

#### Friday, March 18

Nobody Famous, 8 p.m., O'Marro's Public House, 2211 Oregon St.

Marine Corps League bingo, 5:30 p.m., 4715 Sherman Road Father Carr's Place 2B drive-thru food

pantry, 10 a.m., 1062 N. Koeller St.

#### Saturday, March 19

Downtown Saturday Night series: Open Tab, 7:30 p.m., The Grand

Venue 404 Grand Opening, 3 p.m., 404 N. Main St.

Crankin Yankees, 8 p.m., Revs Bowl Bar & Grill, 275 N. Washburn St.

then returned to a standing ovation to introduce "America is a Beautiful Word," a song Waring had written. First Waring spoke the words, then they were sung. The program was a blend of old and new as they performed a fast-paced medley of country music hits, then the arrangement shifted to a medley of hit movie tunes. (Known professionally as "Fred Waring and the Pennsylvanians," Waring was a musician, bandleader and radio and television personality sometimes referred to as "America's Singing Master" and "The Man Who Taught America How To Sing").

> Source: Oshkosh Northwestern, March 12, 1976



Dublin's St. Patrick's Tent Party with Star Six Nine band at 1 p.m., 2070 W. 9th Ave.

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

Ruby's Pantry, 9:30 a.m., St. John's Lutheran Church, 419 Old Oregon Road

#### Sunday, March 20

La Sure's Wedding Open House, 1 p.m., 3125 S. Washburn St.

#### Tuesday, March 22

Winter Warm-up community meal, 11:30 a.m., Trinity Lutheran Church, 370 Bowen St.

#### Wednesday, March 23

Wisconsin Herd vs. Raptors 905, 7 p.m., Oshkosh Arena

#### Thursday, March 24

Bingo, 7 p.m., American Legion Cook-Fuller Post 70, 1332 Spruce St.

#### Friday, March 25

Steem, 7:30 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh

## Sturgeon pendant supports organization

Oshkosh artist Paul Spanbauer, Reimer Jewelers designer, has created a 14-karat yellow gold sturgeon pendant for the 34th annual Sturgeon for Tomorrow banquet set for this Saturday at the Oshkosh Convention Center.

The pendant is being donated to raise funds for the west-central chapter of Sturgeon for Tomorrow. Funds support sturgeon habitats, education and youth programs. Tickets are available from Pat Braasch at 920-231-4708.

## UWO summer youth programs offered

The University of Wisconsin Oshkosh Continuing Education is offering two youth programs this summer.

Tech Titans is available to youth entering grades 6-12 and teaches the basics of cybersecurity. Participants work in small teams using cybersecurity tools to deal with authentic situations. The full-day program runs from June 27 to July 3. For more information visit uwo.sh/techtitans. Grandparents University invites grand-

parents and their grandchildren (ages 8-12) for two days of education and exploration July 14 and 15. Attend one of five "majors," including Animal Adventurers, Awesome Artists, Roaring Rockets, Spectacular Scientists or Tech Titans. Participants can stay overnight in Horizon Village Residence Hall, eat meals together at Blackhawk Commons, learn together, and end the two days with a Titan-themed graduation. For more information visit uwo.sh/gu.

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## March 16, 2022

Wisconsin Herd vs. Raptors 905, 7 p.m., Oshkosh Arena

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

Father Carr's Place 2B drive-thru food pantry, 10 a.m., 1062 N. Koeller St.

Marine Corps League bingo, 5:30 p.m., 4715 Sherman Road

#### Saturday, March 26

Altrusa's Art in the Garden Art Show and Sale, 10 a.m., Hilton Garden Inn, 1355 W. 20th Ave.

Intercepting Perspective, 2 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh

#### Sunday, March 27

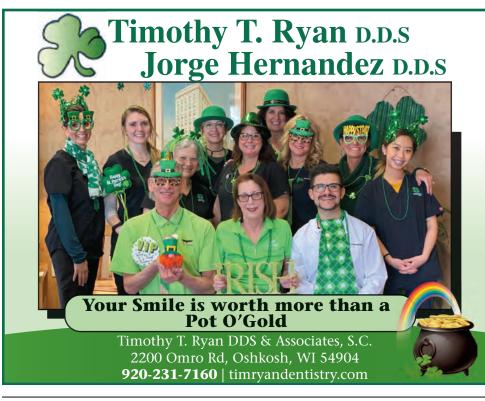
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# **City council**

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While Deputy Mayor Matt Mugerauer applauded community members in previous discussions for expressing interest in the project, he said the option with a longer life expectancy may be the clearer choice.

"It's a nearly similar investment, and we lose 60 years or more," Mugerauer said. "If we were buying a piece of machinery and you told me I was going to spend the same amount but one was going to last 20 to 40 years and the other is going to last 60 to 100 years, that'd be a 7-0 vote telling you which one we're buying.

"But because it's a water tank on the water, it's a different conversation."

Mayor Lori Palmeri asked Jacobs project manager Linda Mohr what technologies they may be looking at that could change the decision from building the new structures.

"I would be remiss if (technology) remained static in the years to come," Mohr said. "I have seen things change on this project; it's different today than it was several years ago."

Council member Michael Ford said though he agrees with Mugerauer, this is what the group and the community asked for.

"It's an investment in due diligence and allows us to say we've pursued every option," Ford said. "We probably couldn't all agree on the way to quantify the value of our lakefront but there's no doubt it's an asset."

The group passed the resolution 7-0 to invest in reviewing the viability of the clear-wells.

#### Farmington mini lots OK'd

The council gave a unanimous vote in favor of zone change for Wildflower Develop-



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ment Group to build single-family housing in a higher-density area.

In a memo from city staff, the plot of land "will be a higher density single family subdivision with smaller lots not typically found in new residential subdivisions."

In 2014, a developer approached the city with a proposal to connect Farmington Avenue and Christian Drive from north to south through this plot of land but it did not come to fruition.

The plot, situated west of Jackson Street and south of West Snell Road, is proposed by Wildflower Development to become 28 single-family home lots. Neighbors in the area, according to the memo, were supportive and relieved it wasn't a more intense project.

The council's approval of the development followed the Plan Commission's recommendation.

#### Plaza hits roadblock

The council voted to reject the sole bid for a gazebo at the William Waters Plaza at 105 Washington Ave. A staff report shows that the bid came in at a significantly higher cost than first estimated.

Mayor Palmeri said nearly \$300,000 has been raised by private donations through the Oshkosh Area Community Foundation. The bid was just above \$400,000.

In 2016, the River East Neighborhood Association received a grant of \$88,550 through the city to renovate the existing plaza across from the Oshkosh Public Library, according to the association's plan. Planning services manager Mark Lyons said those funds were used to help the neighborhood engineer and implement a plan for the plaza.

In 2019, the neighborhood association proposed and received approval for implementation of a plaza master plan. Through the neighborhood and Community Foundation, donations have been granted in sup-

#### port of the project. **Cell tower approved**

AT&T came forward with a proposal to construct a cellular telecommunications tower at 0 Stillman Drive in the Northwest Industrial Park in an effort to upgrade coverage from existing towers as well to build new facilities.

The proposed development, though 0.2 miles away from another tower, would extend coverage for up to four providers.

In a memo from city staff, it is reassured that the tower "would not result in a substantial or undue adverse impact on nearby property, the character of the neighborhood, environmental factors, traffic factors, parking, public improvements, public property or rights-of-way or other matters affecting the public health, safety or general welfare."

Plan Commission member Kathy Propp said at the panel's last meeting that the group received an objection to this. She said it was frustrating because "the state ties our hands and really gives us little leeway for saying yes or no on a new cellphone tower and we have no background to discern whether the objection is correct or not."

While objectors also attended the council meeting, the council unanimously approved the development.

In other action:

• City Manager Mark Rohloff will be bringing a resolution to next Tuesday's council meeting to officially end the city's state of emergency related to the pandemic after discussion with community partners and reviewing what similar communities have been doing.

• City boards and commissions have returned to all in-person sessions. Applications to be on any of them are available at ci.oshkosh.wi.us as some terms are ending at the end of May.

### State of City event set

The city of Oshkosh's State of the City address will air at 6 p.m. March 28 after being pushed back from its originally scheduled March 14 date.

This year's event will be virtual, much like last year's. It can be streamed on Oshkosh Media's Gov TV, on the Oshkosh Media YouTube channel, on OshkoshMedia.org and the Oshkosh Media channel on Roku, Amazon Fire TV and Apple TV.

For more information, contact communications coordinator Andy Radig at 920-236-5269.



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# **Crucial response**

Paxton Schlenske, a sixth-grader at Martin Luther Church and School, was issued the Stroke Hero Award from Aurora BayCare for taking initiative when his teacher, Greg Martin, was experiencing a stroke during class in September. "Paxton's quick thinking saved his teacher's life," a statement from the Oshkosh Fire Department reads. "We're so proud of you." Martin has made a full recovery and has returned to teaching full time.

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#### March 16, 2022

# aguars' 3-point shooting too much for North

By Dustin Riese HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

Things haven't been easy for the Oshkosh North boys basketball team come playoff time, but they managed to win a pair of games to reach the sectional round. At this stage of the season, all teams want to do is win which is exactly what this Spartan team has done for the better part of the season.

Coming off a 17-win regular season before topping Green Bay Notre Dame for the WIAA Division 2 regional championship, the Spartans were looking to keep their season alive as they took on Ashwaubenon.

Just like their first two playoff games, Saturday's game was another physical contest, but it was the 3-point show that proved to be the difference as the Jaguars knocked down 16 triples en route to a 68-58 win.

"Ashwaubenon played well tonight," North head coach Brad Weber said. "Their two senior guards were the difference. I am proud of the way our guys battled. We kept taking their punches and kept getting off the ground and making our runs. We just never got our big run tonight. I guess we ran out of time."

North kept a small lead throughout a close first half, but a 9-0 run made it 28-17



# **City champs**

Oblio's team was the winner of the 2022 City Basketball Tournament, defeating Team Manila in the final by a score of 89-49. Pictured from Oblio's are (from left) Mike Johnson, Frank Seckar, Andy Kretsch, Paul Wojahn, Jacob Mosling and Matt Sonnleitner. Not pictured are John Flanigan, Ryan Wolf, Bryan Clark and Ashtin Busching.



as the Jaguars knocked down nine threes in the first half.

Hoping the Jaguars would eventually cool off from deep, North continued to do what was working for them which was getting the ball inside to Xzavion Mitchell and Steven Clark. The problem was two points wasn't as good as three points as the shooting of Matt Imig and Marcus Tomashek continued into the second half with Ashwaubenon stretching the lead to 39-28.

That lead only continued to grow with Jayden Schoen and Imig keeping the party rolling as North found themselves in a massive 45-30 hole. Even though there was still plenty of time left, things were not looking good as Ashwaubenon couldn't miss from deep and North didn't have many looks.

It was at that point in the game when North started to make a run and a comeback bid appeared to be on. After Clark and Mitchell did their thing in the paint once again, Reed Seckar was left wide open for a deep three and just like that North pulled within 45-37 courtesy of an 8-0 run.

That would be as close as things would get as the Jaguars answered with a couple big shots to improve their lead to double digits once again.

Although Ashwaubenon went cold toward the end of the game, they built such a big lead that it didn't matter icing the game from the free throw line to end the Spartans season with a 68-58 win in the sectional semi final round.

While that loss may sting right now, the bottom line is North had a great season and Weber loved the effort his kids gave all season long.

"We did well this year and improved our record by nine wins from last year," he said. "In the process we earned another Regional title, finished 4th in the toughest conference in the state and gave ourselves a reasonable chance to advance to the state tournament. More importantly, we had great kids on this team. I love these guys. Our six seniors were consistent and energized every day of practice. Our bench was the most spirited group. Our young kids grew up in front of our eyes. Our program's culture became stronger this year - that's their legacy."

Mitchell led the way with 26 points while Clark had 15. Cooper Juedes added nine in the loss.

# **Recreation programs set for spring**

Running through May 11, the Oshkosh Recreation Department is working with IBS Fusions to offer cardio-drumming, a fitness class that combines drumsticks, an exercise ball and an exercise ball stand to create a special workout for all levels of ability.

Cardio-drumming will take place from 8 to 8:45 a.m. Mondays and 11 to 11:45 a.m. Wednesdays at the Rec Gym at 425 Division St. The fee is \$2.50 per session and is paid for by purchasing a punch card at the Recreation Department office.

Spring Bean Bag League team registrations are being accepted through April 25. The team fee is \$35.

League play will take place at the Winnebago County Park Softball Field at 6 p.m. Monday evenings from May 2 through June 27.



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# Lemcke captures national title to lead Titan wrestlers

Jordan Lemcke became the second University of Wisconsin Oshkosh wrestler to claim a national title when the senior captured the heavyweight title at the NCAA Division III championships held this past weekend in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Lemcke was one of three Titans to qualify for the national tournament along with Beau Yineman, who placed third, and Preston Morgan. The trio lifted the Titans to a 10th-place finish, which is the highest finish for a UWO program since taking 10th in 2014.

Lemcke highlighted the weekend for the Titans, by winning four decisions on the way to the title. He beat Palmer Rodenhaber of Alvernia University, 5-0, to open the tournament and then scored a 2-0 decision win over Thomas Marretta of The College of New Jersey.

A second period escape and a point for riding time carried the fifth-seeded Lemcke to a 2-0 win over Rob-

by Bates of North Central College in the semifinals and then used the same recipe to top seventh-seeded Donovan King of Olivet College in the title match.

Lemcke

Lemcke finished the season with a 28-3 record.



He was one of two WIAC champions at the tournament along with UW-Whitewater 184-pounder Jaritt Shinhoster.

Yineman posted a 4-1 record to finish third at the tournament with his lone loss coming in a tight

7-4 match in the semifinals to top-seeded and eventual champion Cody Baldridge of North Central College.

Yineman dominated Jarrod Setliff of Otterbein University 10-0 in his first match of the tournament and followed it with a 3-1 win over Donovan Corn of Luther College. He followed his loss to Bates with a pair of decision wins, including a 10-4 victory over Camden Farrow of York College in the third-place match.

Morgan did not place at the national tournament but did register a pair of victories and finished 2-2 on the weekend.

After losing his opening preliminary round match, Morgan responded with a 6-4 win over Isaac Mathews of SUNY-Oswego and then topped Dalton Leightner of Baldwin Wallace University, 4-2, in a sudden victory period. Morgan was then ousted by UW-Eau Claire's Chase Schmidt, who ended up placing third.

Wartburg College won its 15th NCAA Division III team title with 79 points, edging Wabash College by one point. The Titans were the highest finishing WIAC school at the tournament.

# Titans can't hold off Warhawks, fall just short of Final Four trip

The UW-Oshkosh women's basketball team's season came to an end on Saturday night, as UW-Whitewater used a big fourth quarter to sneak by the Titans, 68-62, in the NCAA Division III Elite Eight game played at UW-Whitewater.

The Titans (22-7) had the lead throughout most of the game – including a 28-22 halftime lead and a 50-47 lead going into the final quarter, but the Warhawks (27-4), ranked 12th in the country, outscored the Titans 21-12 in the final quarter – including the final nine points to advance to the Final 4.

The Titans knocked off three straight ranked teams to reach the program's first Elite Eight appearance since 1999.

UWO led 62-59 with 2:51 left in the game, but the Warhawks hit a 3-pointer to go up 64-62 with 1:59 left and never lost the lead. UW-Whitewater, the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference regular season champion, advances to play eighth-ranked Amherst College (Mass.) in the national semifinals Thursday in Pittsburgh, Pa.

UWO made its sixth appearance in the Elite Eight and the first since back-to-back trips in 1998-99. The Titans, who earned one of 20 at-large berths into the 64-team NCAA field, reached the quarterfinals by knocking off 18th-ranked Wisconsin Lutheran College during the first round, fourth-ranked Simpson College (Iowa) in



the second round and 10th-ranked Baldwin Wallace University (Ohio) during the sectional semifinals.

Nikki Arneson led the Titans with 21 points, going 7-for-13 from the field and 3-for-7 from 3-point range. Jenna Jorgensen, who shot 3-for-6 from beyond the 3-point line, had 13 points off the bench while Leah Porath added 10 points, five rebounds and three assists.

Julia Silloway chipped in nine points ad three assists.

The Titans advanced to the Elite Eight with a 74-63 win over Baldwin Wallace on Friday night, behind 27 points from Porath and 21 points from Arneson, including an 11-of-12 performance at the free-throw line.



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# Academic resource director works with persistence

**By Natalie Johnson** UW Ознкозн Тодау

University of Wisconsin Oshkosh's Jessica Spanbauer knows about the power of persistence.

"It's so important for students to learn how to get through something hard like a tough class or test and to gain confidence in themselves. It's huge," she said.

As the director of UW Oshkosh's Center for Academic Resources (CAR), Spanbauer works to provide students with the support necessary to succeed academically, including free tutoring and supplemental instruction (SI) services provided by trained peers. In fall 2021, she received an Outstanding Service Award for her efforts.

Spanbauer said she knows of students who may try to pass a class or get into a program a second or even third time yet end up reaching their goal by being persistent. "Every course you take, you can benefit from in some way. Every class helps to expand your mind," she said.

CAR staff recruit, hire and train a large contingent of student employees every year to provide the tutoring and SI services. Spanbauer said the biggest bonus for these students is they become



UW Oshkosh photo

Senior Rachel Blatz works in the Center for Academic Resources with director Jessica Spanbauer to provide student support services.

even more confident in their own study skills and knowledge in their major.

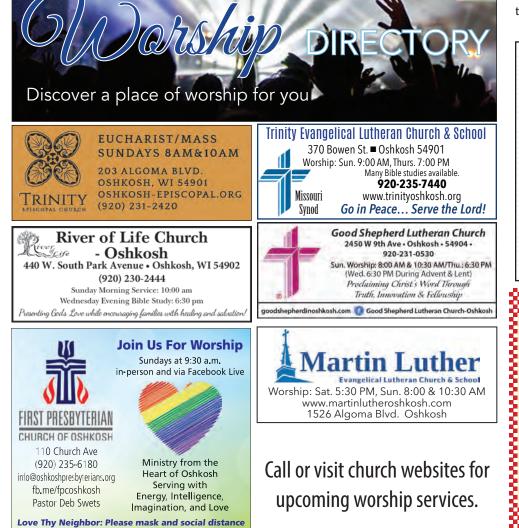
"Teaching or facilitating learning enhances their own learning experience," she said.

That's just what senior kinesiology major Rachel Blatz, of Kiel, discovered

during her time serving as a math tutor for CAR.

"Tutoring was built to help reinforce course teachings, but it ended up teaching me some valuable lessons when it came to study skills, interpersonal communication and professionalism," Blatz explained. "My time as a tutor slowly progressed into new opportunities through CAR."

Blatz later was hired as an office assis-





tant for CAR and most recently began leading SI sessions.

"As an SI leader, I have acquired skills like public speaking, reading nonverbal cues and presenting professionally," she said.

Spanbauer also has played a significant role at UWO in implementing the student success management system known as Navigate. The comprehensive communication tool, which has been in use at the University for the past five years, brings administrators, faculty and advisers together to holistically track each student's academic journey.

The Navigate platform also informs Spanbauer's efforts to reach out to students who have received multiple early alert emails at the five-week mark each semester, indicating they are at risk for failing a class.

She lets the students know about the resources available through CARS and other offices that can help them get back on track.

Spanbauer demonstrates her own ability to be persistent in her efforts to share information about all the ways students can get help academically at UWO. She gives presentations to students in Quest I courses, academic recovery and study skill classes, as well as to parents and families at Titan Takeoff and other events.

"I take as many opportunities as I can to provide information and training to others about the valuable resources on our campus and the benefits to students who utilize them," she said.

CAR is in Suite 102 of UWO's Student Success Center, 750 Elmwood Ave.

Spanbauer has a bachelor's degree in psychology and a master's in counseling. She was the associate director of Student Support Services and the Mc-Nair Scholars Program at Ripon College for nearly 10 years prior to joining UWO in 2012.



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#### **Roy Nussbaumer**

Roy Nussbaumer, 70, passed away March 6, 2022, at Brewster Village, Apple-



ton, after struggling much of his life with physical and mental illnesses.

Roy was born on May 12, 1951, and was baptized at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Winneconne on June 24,

1951. In the first years of life, he was hospitalized often for high fevers and convulsions. He stabilized in his middle grades and enjoyed family trips to eight states. At age 13, Roy was diagnosed with schizophrenia and spent Eighth and Ninth Grade receiving treatment at Winnebago State Hospital. He returned to Omro High School for his Tenth Grade, then worked at the UW-Oshkosh Food Service, Westhaven Golf Club, and at other companies. He was confirmed at Omro's Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church in June of 1966, and completed a G.E.D. on July 21, 1978.

During his lifetime, Roy lived in Omro, Oshkosh, Green Bay, and in Appleton, where he resided in several apartments, at the Villa Phoenix group home, at ManorCare and at Brewster Village.

Roy is survived by his brother Ralph (Maribeth) Nussbaumer of Oshkosh, nephew Blake Nussbaumer of Waukesha, niece Courtney Nussbaumer of Minneapolis, cousins and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Marvin and Bernice Nussbaumer of Omro, and a stillborn sister, Rose Ann. Roy had many fine caregivers, including Outagamie County HHS social worker Kathy Nyman; ManorCare social worker Summer Heil Standke; Brewster Village employees Amber S. (retired), Amber H., Sam H., Abby P., Megan P., and Steph; and ThedaCare At Home Hospice employees Christina, Melissa, Hope, Joan and Larry; and Scott Johnson from Optum.

A visitation will be on Saturday, March 12, 2022, from 11:00 a.m. until Noon at Mueller Funeral Home 904 E. Main St. Winneconne. A funeral service will be held on Saturday at Noon at the funeral home. Burial will be on Monday, March 14 at 1:00 p.m. in Lake View Memorial Park, Oshkosh.

Instead of flowers, the family recommends donations made in Roy's name to NAMI Oshkosh, 525 N. Main St., Oshkosh WI 54901.

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# **Obituaries**

#### **Carol Jennerjohn**

Carol Jean Jennerjohn, age 83, of Oshkosh, WI passed away with her son and



daughter by her side holding her hands at Parkview Health Center on Friday, March 11, 2022. Carol was born to

the late Herman and Esther (Salzsieder) Cornell on July 17, 1938 in Oshkosh,

WI. Carol joined this world with her loving twin Karen, who claims to be the oldest twin, only because Carol didn't have enough room and pushed her out. The twins joined their older brother Robert on Frankfort St. where their father owned Miles Company Florists for many years.

Carol attended Washington Elementary School where she and her twin Karen became life-long friends with Barbara, Jackie, Nancy, and Karen. Carol graduated from Oshkosh High School in 1956. Once "The Group" reached high school they added Judy and Emily to their fun. They remained friends for life meeting for lunch, shopping, playing dominoes and taking trips to Door County as long as their health permitted. After high school Carol worked at Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance in Appleton. She married Reginald Jennerjohn at Peace Lutheran Church on March 7, 1964, then moved to Madison, WI, where in 1965 Baby Jody was born. After returning to Oshkosh a few years later son Randy joined what was then a perfect family of four.

Carol was a homemaker throughout her children's childhood. Once they were older she became a Prange-Way employee where she was a sales associate from the day it opened, until the day it closed. While fighting breast cancer and enduring chemotherapy, Carol was proud of the fact that she never missed a day of work.

Carol and Reg celebrated their 58th anniversary just four short days before her passing. During their 58 years together they actively participated in Winnebagoland Barbershop Chorus activities, and the Oshkosh North Booster Club. They loved the many trips they took with their children during their youth, and enjoyed being snowbirds in Arizona for many years. Carol was a life-long member of Peace Lutheran Church where she was baptized, confirmed and married.

The best part of Carol's life was by far her grandkids. Carol treasured ev-

ery moment she spent with Nick, Libby, Madeline and Isaiah. Carol & Reg tried to attend every sporting event and dance recital they could. They enjoyed countless football, basketball, baseball, volleyball, softball, Lacrosse games and gymnastic meets to support their grandchildren. She was known as Grandma J by Nick and Libby, and Nonny by Madeline and Isaiah. Her amazing gift of being "Christmas Carol" made the holiday season come alive for her grandkids. She loved them to the moon and back and they loved her more.

Carol was preceded in death by her parents, Herman and Esther Cornell, her brother Robert, nephew Jeffrey Cornell, her loving in-laws Leo and Gert Jennerjohn who thought the world of her and many aunts and uncles.

Carol is survived by her husband of 58 years, Reginald Jennerjohn, daughter Jody (Joe) Borgardt, son Randy (Sarah Pflasterer) Jennerjohn, grandchildren Nick Borgardt, Libby (Cody) Kruger, Madeline Pflasterer-Jennerjohn and Isaiah Pflasterer-Jennerjohn. She is also survived by her best friend and sunshine, Twin Karen (Al) Neubauer, nieces Tori, Wendy, and Kim who she loved like her own daughters, sister-in-law Marilyn Cornell and nephews and niece Timothy, Tom, Sue and Steve.

Visitation for Carol Jennerjohn will be held from Noon until 2pm on Friday, March 18th at Konrad-Behlman Funeral Home-Westside, 100 Lake Pointe Dr. A service will immediately follow at 2:00. The family will proceed to Lake View Memorial Park for internment. A celebration of Carol's life will be held from 3:30-5:30 at LaSure's Banquet Hall. Please come and share stories of Carol's wonderful life and help us celebrate her joining of family and friends in Heaven.

A memorial for Peace Lutheran Church is being established in her name.

Our family would like to thank the loving nurses and CNA's at Parkview Health Center who took such wonderful care of our wife and mom during her last few weeks. We would also like to thank the Green Lake School District and the Waunakee Community School District for understanding our need to be with our mother during this time.

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#### Virginia Behling

Virginia Ann Behling, age 74, passed away with her family by her side at Auro-



ra Medical Center in Oshkosh on Tuesday March 8, 2022. She was born to the late John and Iris (Gadtke) Smith on May 27, 1947, in Port Washington, WI. Ginny graduated

from Grafton High School in 1965 and graduated from Patricia Stevens Career College in 1966. On November 11, 1966, Ginny married Greg, the love of her life and soulmate.

During the years of 1978 - 1982 the Behlings owned and operated the Open Pantry convenience stores in Oshkosh. After that and for the rest of her working career she was employed at Georgia-Pacific. She be-

gan as a receptionist and later transitioned to the payroll position at the company.

After retirement, Ginny and Greg rarely spent a minute apart. They enjoyed going to plays, concerts and watching movies together. Ginny was a huge movie buff. She also loved antiquing, always hoping to find that special treasure. The Behlings also delighted in travel. Some of Ginny's favorite vacations were a couple of visits to England, a celebratory 25th anniversary trip to Maine, as well as adventures to NYC, Washington, DC and Boston. Some of her happiest times were visits to Mackinac Island and annual fall vacations to Minocqua where she was able to embrace her joyful memories from childhood.

The Behlings have been members at St. Andrew's Lutheran church for over 21 years. Recently they have been worshipping at St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church on Main Street. Ginny is survived by her loving hus-

Geraldine Roman Geraldine Germaine Roman ("Shon-

ner") passed comfortably in her home



7 October 2021 surrounded by her loving family. Shonner was preceded by her husband of 66 years Captain Paul D. Roman (USN Ret) on September 2015. Born March 3, 1929, she was the daughter

of Minnie Carolina Shultz and Albert Frank Laedtke of Oshkosh, Wisconsin and twin to Gerald Gerome Laedtke (Gerry) who preceded her by five months. Shonner was preceded by her parents and six siblings Delilah Viola (b1916), Joseph Evers (b1919), Russell Lee (b1922), Fern Mae (b1924), Joyce Elaine (b1927), and Gerald.

Geraldine, a graduate of Oshkosh High School, met her husband, a graduate of Manawa High School and the U.S. Naval Academy (1949), on a blind date. The story goes, when the young Lieutenant was walking up to her house to pick her up for their first meeting wearing his uniform, Shonner was standing next to her mother Minnie looking through the front window and said, "That's the man I am going to marry!" She did in July 1952 and the two were inseparable for 66 years.

Shonner was a quiet, strong and independent girl who packed her bags and drove across country to CA and became a telephone switchboard operator while Paul was stationed in Japan. Upon his return they married in Oshkosh and she commenced a life as a Navy pilot's wife.

Mother to three, Shonner made a house a new home for us over 15 times with moves from CA to RI, from VA to WA, from HI to Iceland and more. Several times she did this all by herself while Dad was deployed.

She always tried to engage in local traditions like muumuus and hula and loved to entertain guests. She was a singer at heart who enjoyed singing in her church choirs and we recently discovered a secret poet. Throughout our lives everyone that met her has said she was the sweetest and nicest lady ... what a wonderful legacy to have touched so many in one's life time. She will be dearly missed.

Shonner is survived by her three children Melissa Anne (Lancaster, PA) married to Christopher Patterson, Barclay Evans Roman (Clifton, VA) married to Gail Arnold, and Shawn Douglas Roman (Atlanta, GA); and her eight grandchildren Timothy, Elizabeth, Moira, and Marian Patterson, and Barclay II, Bradford, Russell, and Chance Roman; and two great-grandchildren Beckett Knox Roman and Ridley Nova Roman.

Shonner will once again be reunited with the love of her life as she is placed to rest at Arlington National Cemetery on 21 March 2022 at 1300. Service at Fort Myers Old Post Chapel with burial to follow. Flowers accepted or donations in Geraldine's honor to Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research (www.michaeljfox.org). For additional information on memorial service and burial at Arlington visit www.fmfh.com.



band, Greg, and daughter, Kristin (David) Ehlke. Also, by her extended family of in-laws that include Mark Behling, Joan (John) Nolan and LeeAnn Behling. She is also survived by four nephews and beloved kitty, Molly.

A memorial service for Ginny will be held at Konrad-Behlman Funeral Homes Westside (100 Lake Pointe Dr.) on Saturday, March 19, 2022, at 11:30AM. A visitation will take place from 9:30AM until the time of service.

The family would like to thank Brooke in the Emergency Department; Cassidy in 3 West; Josh, Kristina, Zach, Jeff, and Abby in ICU. Additionally, Chaplain Kelly and the rest of the staff at Aurora Medical Center for the compassionate care they showed to Ginny and her family.

Kristin and her dad would like to add a footnote to her story...Greg and Ginny hadn't been married long before he was

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After graduating from Oshkosh High School in 1954, Lillian began work as a secretary for Oshkosh Paper Company and later at ALS printing where she worked until retirement. Her interests included playing piano, bowling, travel, and spending time with friends. She especially loved her two nephews.

She is lovingly survived by her sister, Kathryn Larson; nephews, Zane (Jorie) Larson and Chris Larson; great nephew and niece, Zachary and Alexandra Larson. The family extends a very special thank you to Jim LaFontaine for his kindness and support over the years. They would also like to thank Dorothy Ruedinger for

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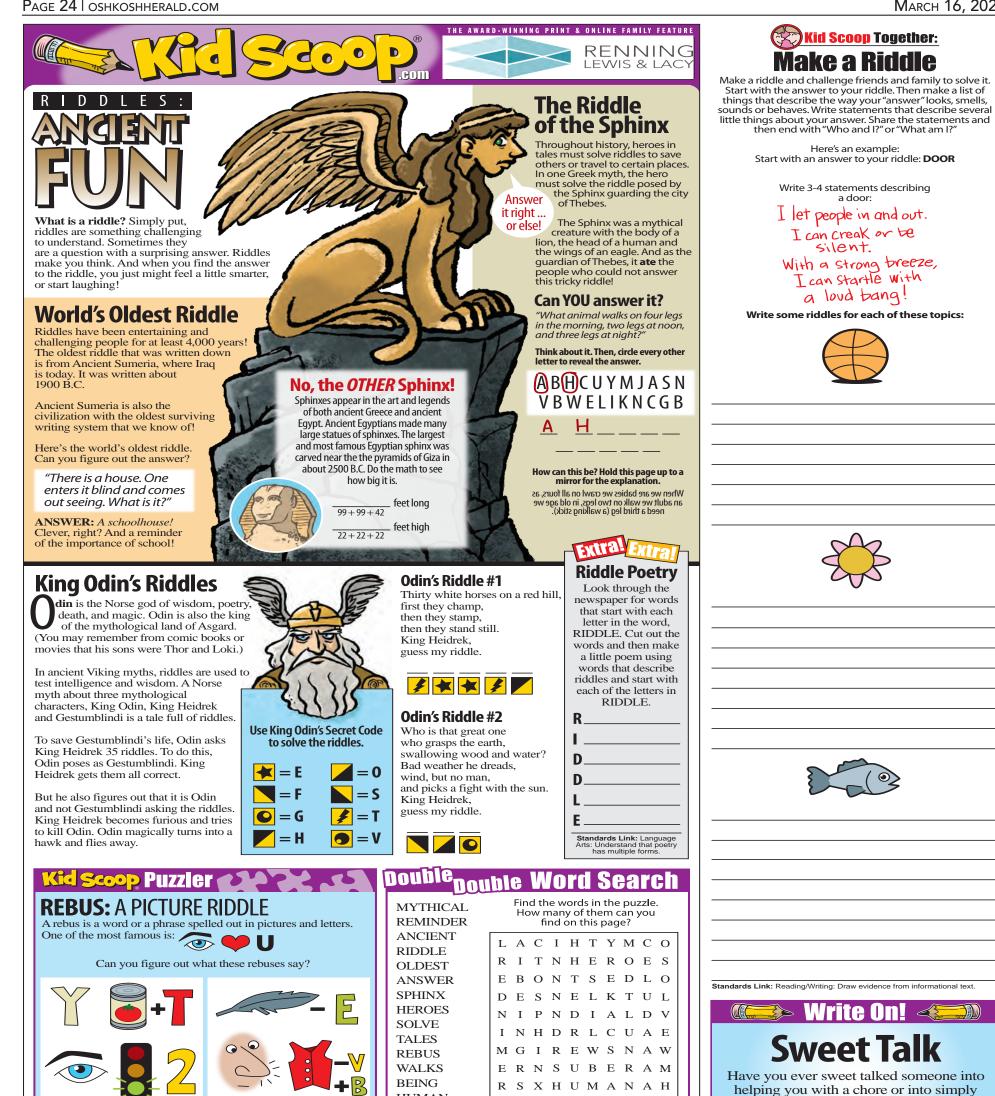
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