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'Ed Gein' at Time

"Ed Gein: The Musical" lead actor Dan Davies (left) and producer/director Will Keizer hosted a special showing of the locally filmed cult movie Saturday at the Time Community Theater that featured a musical performance by Keizer and discussion session. The pair has resurrected the 2010 film and the SRS Cinemas chain will be the DVD distributor that will host a national release party.

District sets new path for progress

Superintendent's plan keys on improvement

By Kaitlyn Scoville
OSHKOSH HERALD

The Oshkosh Area School District will continue to monitor its performance through Superintendent Bryan Davis' newly initiated continuous improvement plan.

The plan, set to be updated each year in February, is another step for the district to continue its transparency with the community about overarching goals.



Davis

According to a district staff report, the continuous improvement plan is an evolution of the district's current strategic plan with the goal of more transparency of district-level performance through key indicators.

The core categories of improvement include learning and academics, finance and operations, safe and healthy schools, and engagement and communications, which all have a total of 19 key performance indicators that set a standard of excellence for employees.

District executive team members worked with Ted Neitzke, CESA 6 chief executive, on developing key performance indicators while executive team members received feedback from administrators throughout the district to refine the plan.

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Multifamily housing developer responds to issues

Butte des Morts Drive neighbors oppose plans

By Kaitlyn Scoville
OSHKOSH HERALD

Residents near Lake Butte des Morts Drive are bracing for a decision by Oshkosh's Common Council on whether a 522-unit multifamily development will occur.

Over the past month, people have been attending Plan Commission and Common Council meetings, as well as holding

online and town hall community conversations, to protest the six-phase project. Neighbors have said they were not adequately notified of the plan by city staff.

The Common Council is poised to officially vote on the general development plan (GDP) and specific implementation plan (SIP) for phase one of the development at its 6 p.m. April 11 meeting.

A public hearing will also be held at 5 p.m. April 10 at City Hall to discuss the matter with city officials and developers.

Jake Buswell said he has spoken with several residents about the project and

concerns expressed on its scale, increased traffic and potential environmental impacts. He is the vice president of operations at 3Amigos Property Management, which owns parent company Red Earth LLC, the site developer and property owner.

The 522-unit, six-phase proposal is estimated to cost about \$110,000 to \$150,000 per unit. Specifically, the development is to consist of five 82-unit apartment buildings, two 40-unit apartment buildings, and eight 4-unit townhomes with a centrally located clubhouse.

"The planning process and due diligence period has been long and in depth, but needed," Buswell said. "This plan changed numerous times over the last year, and we settled on the phase one plan, which includes two 40-unit multifamily buildings and a clubhouse with amenities. We have incorporated several suggestions from city staff including high-density housing to townhomes."

Buswell and other team members have also connected with a firm to do an envi-

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Elderly fraud case brings prison

Seven-year term, restitution ordered

Oshkosh Herald

Terry L. Culver, who was found guilty of multiple counts of fraud after stealing more than \$427,000 from an elderly woman's savings after she moved to a nursing home, was sentenced to seven years in prison, seven years of extended supervision and 10 years of probation.

Judge Daniel Bissett in Winnebago County Courthouse Branch 6 also ordered restitution from Culver to the woman's estate in the amount of \$258,997 and \$9,211 to the state Department of Revenue. Any of the woman's property that Culver handled was ordered to be seized.

Culver was arrested in fall 2020 on elder abuse charges after stealing the funds as the woman's power of attorney. She lived in the Town of Utica for several

years preceding the events. Culver took care of her lawn and snow removal, and in February 2013 she was placed in a nursing facility and did not return to her home.

The victim did not have any immediate family, she transferred power of attorney to Culver after he had been caring for her yard work for some time.

The complaint indicates that on July 10, 2013, the county's Human Services Department noted that the victim would not be returning to her home, and that she would be staying at a health care facility. Culver stated he would be renting the property from her. Examination of the U.S. Bank records identified no regular rent payments made by Culver after 2014.

The criminal complaint states Culver had "utilized more than \$427,000 of the victim's money through 'loans' to himself and to his business, through 'cash' payable checks endorsed by him, through

checks for home improvement items, by the purchase of a 2016 Chevrolet Impala, through vehicle expenses, by the purchase of appliances, by the purchase of furniture, and by the purchase of various other personal items."

According to prosecutors, Culver pulled hundreds of thousands of dollars from the victim's bank accounts and spent the money on home improvements and at bars, restaurants and casinos as far away as Las Vegas.

The complaint also states Culver sold multiple pieces of the victim's real estate, took possession of her house through a quitclaim deed and failed to report about \$290,000 in income for 2013 through 2018, evading \$20,896 in state income taxes.

A review hearing has been set for July 24 for an update on the seizure of property. Branch 6 judiciary assistant Kim Stone said a motion for a stay of sentence was also filed by the defense and will have a hearing scheduled in the near future.

The Winnebago County Aging and Disability Resource Center notes that elder abuse cases are often not prosecuted fully or investigated.

Wisconsinites can help identify patient and elder abuse by reporting at reportelderabusewi.org or calling 833-586-0107.

Suicide awareness event to be held on UW campuses

The University of Wisconsin Oshkosh, UW-Green Bay and the Center for Suicide Awareness are partnering again to host the fourth annual Northeast Wisconsin Suicide Prevention Summit, a virtual event from 8:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. May 11.

The event promotes suicide awareness and deepening the understanding of who is most vulnerable and risk factors. According to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), suicide is the leading cause of death in the United States with a death occurring about every 11 minutes.

Keynote speaker will be multi-genre vocalist, guitarist and songwriter Bailey James, who has produced 19 singles and an EP. James' brother took his own life and she has struggled with mental health issues. She copes and shares her journey through her music.

The summit will conclude with a panel discussion of SOS Kaukauna members sharing their challenges after the sudden death of someone close by suicide.

Correction

MARCH 29, PAGE 18: Marilyn Klaus' name was misspelled in a story about her production of "Cocktail Hour: The Show" coming to The Grand on April 15.

Back in the Day



Oshkosh history by the Winnebago County Historical & Archaeological Society

April 7, 1953

Grand Opening of the New Friedrich's Market: Karl Friedrich announced the grand opening of his newly remodeled and expanded store at 1505 Oregon St. Friedrich formerly ran the store as a meat market but

has now added a full line of grocery and food products. Special grand opening prices will be offered during the event and includes Smoked Picnics- 29¢ lb, Home Rendered Lard -5 lbs/59¢, Smoked Carp- 29¢ lb, and 15-lb bag of potatoes for 39¢. The new store offers plenty of free parking and treats for the kiddies. It is said to be the most beautiful and sanitary store of its size anywhere, featuring high-quality foods and everyday lowest possible prices.

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Leach summer concert lands city's approval

Oshkosh Herald

An Aug. 6 concert at the Leach Amphitheater featuring national music acts and sponsored by the Oshkosh Arena is officially on schedule after the city approved a late application to secure the location.

Tickets to the outdoor summer show featuring rock bands Train and Better than Ezra have been advertised and sold by Ticketmaster, the Oshkosh Arena and websites for the bands for several weeks but not through the city-owned amphitheater.



Rohloff

The city informed arena officials and the media last week that it had not been informed of the concert plans.

"The concert organizer, Oshkosh Arena, has not secured the use of the Leach Amphitheater facility for this event, nor has it submitted an application to rent the facility," the city said in a statement Thursday.

The Oshkosh Arena applied for the special event permit hours after that an-

nouncement.

"The Oshkosh Parks Department is working directly with FM Entertainment (promoter) to ensure that all necessary arrangements are set for the event," City Manager Mark Rohloff said in a statement Monday. "The city is pleased to see another event added to a long lineup of events at the Leach Amphitheater."

Rohloff had said that the normal process of organizers applying with the city to use the Leach and get a special events permit had not been followed, and that the first notice of the concert was a surprise to them.

He said another potential hurdle to the concert was the arena owing the city about \$46,000 in fees for police and emergency services that would need to be dealt with as part of any concert agreement.

The Leach features a Waterfest lineup on Thursdays throughout the summer that are separate from the Sunday, Aug. 6, show.

Ticket sales will continue to be handled through Ticketmaster for the concert that has a 6:30 p.m. start time. The city referred other concert information to Frank Mastalerz of FM Entertainment at Frank@FMchicago.com.

Airsoft gun found at West with student

Oshkosh Herald

Oshkosh West High School last week went on lockdown for a brief period after a weapons complaint was called at the start of the school day.

Police responded to the call Friday and

found a student with an "airsoft facsimile" weapon, and said the student was cooperating with authorities. No injuries were reported.

Lourdes Academy was also put on alert during the incident.

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New round of opioid settlement funds proposed

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The state Department of Health Services (DHS) last week submitted its plan to use another \$8 million in opioid settlement funds to the state Legislature's Joint Committee on Finance to support prevention, harm reduction and capital projects related to the opioid crisis.

The money is part of the \$400 million the state is receiving in annual installments through an agreement with major pharmaceutical firms. \$130 million of the total amount goes to the state through the DHS, while the remaining 70% is to be divided among counties and municipalities.

In an online press conference last Wednesday, DHS director of opioid initiatives Paul Krupski said the funding plan was developed with input from more than 4,000 state residents through a survey that he said captured opinions from all professional sectors related to the crisis.

"Individuals who responded to that included people who work across the continuum of care," he said, "from prevention,

harm reduction treatment to recovery, but also those who work in children and family services, law enforcement, first responders, people with lived experience, and also loved ones who support those with substance use disorder."

Krupski said this round of funds would have a focus on law enforcement and first responders that the Joint Committee on Finance had pointed to in the last approval session.

The \$8 million proposal strategy includes \$4 million toward increased availability of Narcan and fentanyl test strips statewide, \$3 million for capital projects and \$1 million for substance use prevention curriculums or programs in K-12 schools.

With Winnebago County being a party to the settlement agreement, the County Board in February approved execution of the agreement with any funds received after attorney fees going into its Opioid Abatement Account. Total revenues from the settlement have not been determined and must be spent on opioid abatement measures.

County Executive Jon Doemel is chairman of the Wisconsin Counties Association's Ad Hoc Task Force on Opioid Abatement Strategies and District Attorney Eric Sparr serves on the panel. Executive assistant Ethan Hollenberger said the county constantly reviews best practices on opioid abatement efforts.

"The county has begun to receive settlement payments and has allocated some of the proceeds for an alternatives to prosecution program called Connect," Hollenberger said in an email. The program launched in 2018 provides substance abuse treatment and recovery services, along with connections to housing, employment and health services in lieu of prosecution. Hollenberger said Connect is now being partially funded with some of the settlement dollars.

The DHS is required to submit a plan to

the Joint Committee on Finance every year with details on the projects. The \$8 million is expected to arrive in June and July.

The state received about \$31 million in opioid settlement payments in the second half of 2022, which went to fund school-based prevention programs, Narcan and fentanyl test strip programs, medication-assisted treatment, room and board costs for Medicaid members in residential treatment, renovation or construction of care and treatment facilities, an overdose alert system, support for tribal nations and support for law enforcement agencies.

Over-the-counter sales of Narcan were approved last week by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, which Krupski said adds accessibility to the lifesaving medication used to reverse opioid overdoses but doesn't impact the Narcan programs supported by the DHS proposals.

Fireworks convention finalized

Oshkosh Herald

A final agreement to bring the Pyrotechnics Guild International (PGI) to Sunnyview Expo Center this summer for its annual international fireworks festival came to fruition this month with a signed contract between Winnebago County and the PGI.

The PGI announced Saturday that the convention is officially confirmed at Sunnyview for Aug. 12-18, and said registration and camping reservations will be available in early May.

The County Board of Supervisors approved an ordinance in December to amend the county code to allow fireworks to be used on county property for the

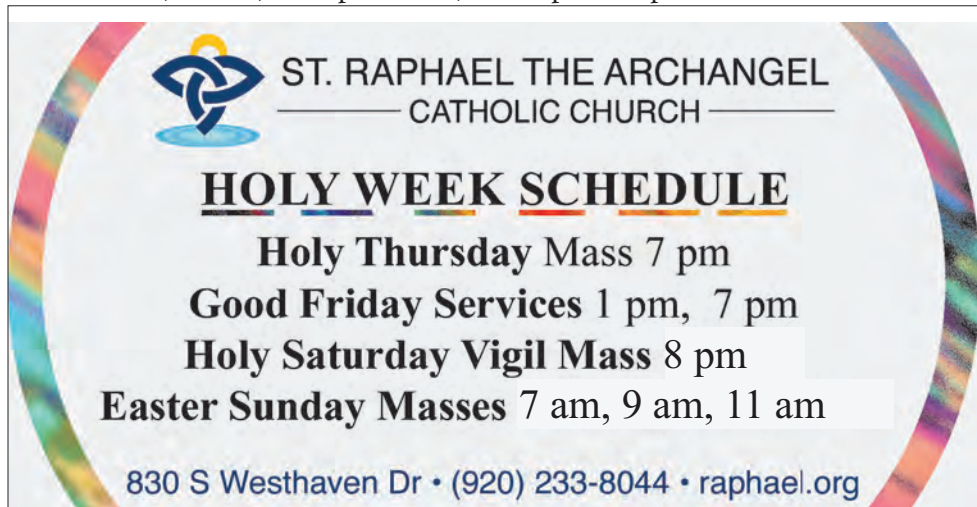
weeklong event Aug. 12-18.

The nearby Town of Oshkosh, on which part of Sunnyview's property is situated, signed off on the event Feb. 13 after reviewing public input from residents, some of whom expressed concerns over fireworks noise during the weeknights.

PGI had initially planned to hold the event in late July at Wisconsin International Raceway (WIR) in Buchanan, where it had been held three other years.

The event will include on-site camping and all festival events will be held on the county expo grounds.

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Childhood weight issues get new detailed guidance

Updated tools offered for eating disorders

By Kaitlyn Scoville
OSHKOSH HERALD

The American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) has provided new guidance in dealing with childhood obesity, which some say is too intense for young people and may lead to disordered eating.

According to National Public Radio (NPR) article "New childhood obesity guidance raises worries over the risk of eating disorders," the guidance recommends intensive health behavior and lifestyle therapy in addition to possible prescriptions of weight-loss drugs or even bariatric surgery.

"In addition to therapy, the AAP now says doctors should offer weight-loss drugs to adolescents diagnosed with obesity at age 12 or older and should evaluate teens who are 13 and older with severe obesity for bariatric surgery," the NPR article states.

The intensive lifestyle therapy, the guidance suggests, is at least 26 hours of in-person treatment including coaching on nutrition, exercise and behavioral changes.

"Supporters of the new guidance acknowledge that it will be a while before this type of intensive therapy is widely available, though there currently are other, more accessible alternatives," the article reads.

In the years 2020 and 2021, Wisconsin was ranked 34th in the nation for its childhood obesity rates at 14.9%. Nationally, about one in six youth are obese.

Aimee Schneiderhan with the Winnebago County Women, Infants and Children (WIC) program in the county's Health Department said healthy feeding begins once

a child is born.

"You, as a parent or guardian, are providing the foundation of a healthy relationship when providing foods for your children. Our job as providers is to offer regular meals and snacks during the day and provide a wide variety of foods from all of the different food groups," Schneiderhan said. "The job of our children is to self-regulate their own hunger and fullness, which means that they get to eat when they are hungry and stop when they are full."

"By allowing children to regulate their own hunger, fullness and independence, you are setting them up for a successful and positive relationship with food."

Dr. Richa Aggarwal with Rogers Behavioral Health is a board-certified psychiatrist and routinely works with children's mental health. She said the new AAP guidance might be trying to target children working on healthy relationships with food and lifestyle changes.

"When they say somebody struggles with this chronic disease, there has to be multiple factors that are involved in this. There could be lifestyle changes, there could be some medical reasons," Aggarwal said. "It depends on how you want to say it; you want to say the glass is half empty, or you want to say the glass is half full, how you word it is going to impact your brain."

She also said these invasive treatments might be necessary because other lifestyles haven't worked for some. However, the concern for disordered eating is still

present as teenagers ages 12 to 19 begin to experience body shaming and other behaviors stigmatizing being overweight.

"That is when they're forming their identity. We all want to attain the maximum benefit of health. But if we're saying, 'Hey, you are obese, you need to lose weight,' that is going to lead to more disordered eating," Aggarwal said. "If we can work on creating a healthy relationship with food so they can attain the maximum benefit of health, then we can take losing weight and all of that out."

Mara Eifolla, who owns Rose Wellness in Oshkosh, is a nutritional therapy practitioner who works with children and adults with a range of issues from infertility, allergies, eczema, weight loss, hormone issues, gut issues and mystery illness through a "whole foods" lens.

Eifolla said the AAP guidance "treating (obesity) like a disease will cause children to possibly have disordered eating."

"We're treating it like cancer or COVID, and they're at an age where they're already influenced by a lot of other things."

Eifolla said obesity generally runs deeper than genetics or socioeconomic status.

"The standard American diet has a huge effect on it; we're eating such unhealthy foods," she said. "What I teach my clients is balanced because I was in a place where I had disordered eating and I had high restrictions, and then you just get into this obsessive cycle. I always remind them to base 80% of their diet off those whole foods

but that doesn't mean carrots and salad every day."

The goal in the end, Eifolla said, is to focus on the child's whole health and not just their weight.

"I know a lot of people go to the doctors who struggle with obesity, and they say, 'The doctor just tells me to eat better and exercise.' There can be other things that are causing these people to hold on to weight that doctors don't necessarily look into," she said.

Aggarwal said she has had children who have experienced so much body shaming that they refuse to eat around their peers in school, and that this avoidance and isolation may lead to depression.

"If they're avoiding meals, they're isolating themselves. They're finding excuses not to eat with the family or keeping themselves busy during the meal, all those are red flags for eating disorders," Aggarwal said. "One thing I would emphasize is to have a healthy relationship with food and to promote the maximum benefits of health."



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Migrating tundra swans take advantage of local waterways

By Rob Zimmer
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

The arrival of strong east winds this past week resulted in a spectacular wave of incoming tundra swans that alighted upon open waters along the shore throughout Neenah, all the way south to Oshkosh and Fond du Lac.

On just about every patch of open water along the west shore, swans could be found, sometimes in spectacular numbers. Just south of the Neenah Municipal Pool, nearly 3,000 tundra swans were counted resting upon the ice edge along Bayview and Lime Kiln roads.

More swans were found on Ricker's Bay, as well as the Paynes Point Hook & Spear Fishing Club, south to Oshkosh at the end of Murdock Street, as well as the Menominee Park area.

Even larger numbers of swans were spotted in areas free of ice all along U.S. 45 south to Fond du Lac.

Tundra swans migrate east to west during the spring. This is quite different from most birds that are traveling south to north. This is because the swans overwintered just to our southeast on Chesapeake Bay.

During spring migration, they travel across Pennsylvania to lakes Ontario and Erie, as well as Lake Huron. Here they wait, gathering in larger and larger numbers over several weeks from mid-February to mid-March. When the winds become favorable, namely out of the east, the swans depart the Lake Huron area in waves, traveling across Lake Michigan into our area.

These flocks train across the sky. Wave after wave form a literal train of birds across the heavens. As they arrive in our



Photos by Rob Zimmer

Tundra swans have been dotting the skies of Winnebago County in recent weeks as they migrate northwest.

area, they seek out traditional, ancestral staging and feeding areas.

Lake Winnebago, especially when the water is open at this time, is a favored spot. Other spots farther inland such as Rat River Wildlife Area, Lake Butte des Morts, Lake Winneconne, as well as marshes and wetlands throughout our area, draw large numbers of swans.

These swans will remain a few days or

weeks, depending on when the next wind arrives to carry them across Wisconsin. When they reach the Mississippi River, the swans begin to turn more northwest, moving along on their journey to the Arctic tundra in northern Alaska and northern Canada.

In Oshkosh, large numbers of swans were seen in the bay at Menominee Park, as well as open water at the end of Murdock Street. South of Oshkosh, visible from U.S. 45 in many spots incredible numbers of tundra swans are patiently waiting the next east wind along the shore,

In addition to the swans along open water, tundra swans were also spotted at Jef-



erson Park in Menasha, Kimberly Point Park in Neenah, as well as small flocks on Little Lake Butte des Morts.

Swan numbers will most likely continue to grow over the next few weeks and may have peaked last weekend.



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The Mystery of Farmer Howe's Cows

Can you find the two identical cows?

Hot. That was the best word to describe May 1842 in New York.

Strange. Farmer Howe's cows were standing out in the sun instead of the shade.

Farmer Howe walked over to his cows. When he got there, he felt cool air. Surprised, he looked around and found a hole in the ground. His cows were standing around the hole. Cool air was coming out of the hole in the ground!

Cool! Farmer Howe looked down the hole and discovered it was an opening to an underground cave.

What is a Cave?
A cave is an opening in the Earth that is large enough to hold a person. Most caves are formed in rocks that dissolve, or get eaten away, like limestone.

When water soaks into limestone, the stone dissolves and holes start to form underground. These holes are called caves. Caves grow very, very slowly.

It takes about 100,000 years for a cave to grow large enough for people to fit inside.

Follow the maze to see what became of Farmer Howe's cave.

Cave or Cavern?
A cavern is a type of cave. They tend to be larger. Caverns can be made of smaller caves connected by tunnels.

A person who explores and studies caves is called a spelunker.

Stalactites
Stalactites hang down from cavern ceilings like icicles made of mineral deposits. As water drips from the cave ceiling, some of it evaporates and the minerals dissolved in the water remain. It takes thousands of years for stalactites to form.

Stalagmites
Stalagmites form on cavern floors and grow up toward the ceilings. Water drops from a stalactite land on the floor of the cave, evaporate and leave behind minerals. As more minerals are left behind, a stalagmite starts to grow upwards.

Columns
Columns form when a stalactite and a stalagmite meet and grow together.

The deepest cave discovered so far is the Voronya Cave in Abkhazia, Georgia. It is 7,208 feet (2,197 meters) deep.

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Standards Link: Use visual cues to understand points of view.

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Write the letter that comes before each letter in the alphabet to reveal another name for sea caves.

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Standards Link: Understand point of view using visual cues.

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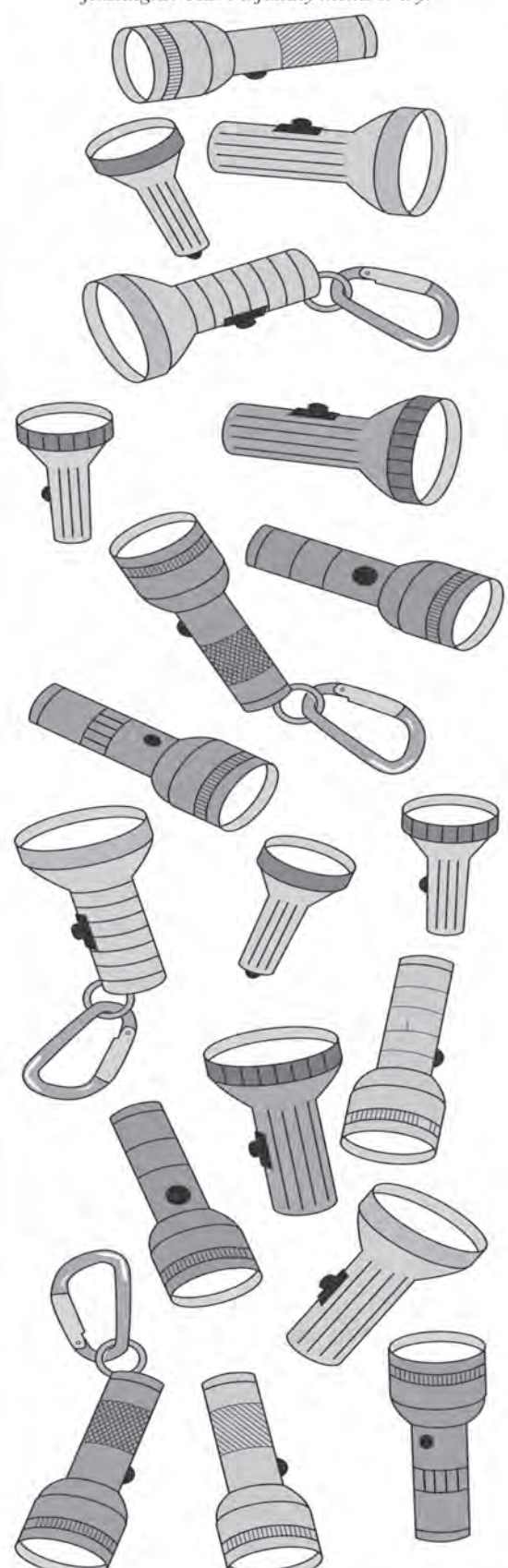
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Nonpartisan local government needs a clearer path

In 1904, journalist Lincoln Steffens wrote: “The misgovernment of the American people is misgovernment by the American people.”

The quote appeared at the front of his book, “The Shame of the Cities,” which chronicled the rampant corruption occurring in cities at the time. During that era political parties dominated local government, weaponizing it to enrich political bosses and amass partisan political power. The needs of the party came first, while everything else (most notably the needs of residents) came second.

Steffens’ work is pointed to as the start of a reform movement that created the local government structures we know today. Nonpartisan elections, at-large districts, professional management, merit-based hiring, open meetings and records – even budgeting – can be traced back to the movement Steffens spurred.

While the rampant corruption bothered Steffens, he was more concerned that so many seemed willing to tolerate the corruption, to look the other way provided it was their political allies in charge.

I have thought a lot about Steffens’ words in recent years as I struggle to understand our country’s ongoing political turmoil. The occurrence and aftermath of January 6th, the use of rhetoric regarding two Americas (i.e. red states and blue states), and the ease at which the slightest political disagreements slide into anger and incivility.

In my opinion, our democratic institutions are being stressed to the point of backsliding. It is tempting to dismiss the backslide as a state or national issue, but



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it is happening at the local level as well.

As anyone who reads this column knows, I am a passionate advocate for nonpartisan local government. But, I am increasingly hesitant to vocalize the reasons behind my advocacy. Why? Mine feels like a minority opinion that many simply do not want to hear.

The calls for explicit partisanship at the local level, calls I could long dismiss as outliers from the far right and left, are now coming from the political mainstream. The horse has left the barn, and I am left only to hope the impact is not as toxic as it proved to be in the early 20th century.

The willingness of reasonable people to work toward reasonable solutions when they disagree over policy and politics is more powerful than any government structure or partisan activity. However, the rising tide of incivility in our political discourse, particularly on social media and in public meetings, suggests reasonableness is at times hard to find. When honest opinions offered in good faith are met with profanity, derision or accusations of ill intent, the chances of a positive outcome on any issue decreases markedly.

Where do we go from here as a community? I often lecture on these pages about the disarming nature of facts, the fragility of government trust, or the rela-

tionship between government structures and performance. Perhaps I am overthinking it. Maybe improving our politics begins with the personal, by looking within ourselves.

When someone shares their opinion, listen to it, consider it, and do not dismiss it because of who they are or what they have supported in the past. When change occurs, instead of reacting instinctively against it, learn more. When you have a disagreement with a person or an entity, seek compromise, and celebrate a successful compromise as a victory.

Is it not better for everyone to support an imperfect outcome they can live with than to have 50 percent of the population celebrating absolute victory while the other 50 percent is embittered against their neighbor? Get to know someone that differs from you politically. Be open to the legitimacy of their beliefs.

You can disagree, you can seek to change

their beliefs, but that kind of change is much more likely to come from a productive dialogue than from conflict and anger. And if you believe existing systems are the problem, learn about those systems, get involved, and be a change agent.

Even as I write this I am thinking to myself, Mike, you cannot just say let’s all get along and expect anyone to take you seriously. I hope this column does not read that way. We do not all have to get along. We do not even have to like one another. But to return to Steffens, we are all in this together.

We all have agency to choose the path of civility, compromise and mutual respect. If we do not make that choice, that is on us.

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Hunter education courses offered, instructors needed

The state Department of Natural Resources (DNR) encourages the public to prepare for the 2023 hunting seasons by enrolling in a hunter safety course as either a new hunter or retaking the course as a refresher.

The DNR notes that most hunting incidents in Wisconsin involve hunters older than 40, decades after learning firearm safety rules. More than 20,000 people take hunter education courses in Wisconsin each year.

Anyone born on or after Jan. 1, 1973, is required to have a hunter education certification to purchase a hunting license unless hunting under the Mentored Hunting

Law. The DNR offers online Hunter Education options for adults 18 and older. If a hands-on method is preferred, there are two other ways to complete courses.

All course options, links to enroll and cost information are outlined on the DNR’s website.

The DNR encourages individuals to consider bringing their education enthusiasm and calling for volunteerism to join the team of instructors. Instructors must be at least 18 years old and graduate from the Hunter Safety student course in Wisconsin. Details are on the DNR’s Volunteer Instructor webpage.

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Local brewers keep pace with regional beer market

By Lee Reiherzer
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

Zach Clark of Fifth Ward Brewing Company is telling a story you don't often hear these days from craft brewers.

"I'm pretty confident that with how this phase of our growth is going that we could hit 2,000 barrels this year," Clark says. That would be a doubling of Fifth Ward's 2022 production. In a market segment beset with uncertainty and sluggish growth, Fifth Ward is becoming an outlier.

The bullishness at Fifth Ward isn't merely speculative. The brewery, which has self-distributed its beer since opening in 2017, recently signed distribution agreements with Triangle Distribution of Green Bay, and the Oshkosh-based Lee Beverage of Wisconsin. The partnerships will result in Fifth Ward's beer being sold in half of the counties in Wisconsin by the end of summer.

"This is the step that's going to get us to the next level," Clark says.

Taking that step required a few years of groundwork. Fifth Ward's approach doesn't fit the model that most beer distributors find attractive. Instead of having three or four core brands going into the broader market, the brewery has built its foundation on a constantly changing selection of beers, releasing upwards of 50 different beers a year.

"That's what kept us from going with a distributor," says Ian Wenger, who with Clark is co-owner. "The distributors were telling us we'd have to narrow it down to a handful of beers. But that's not how we built this. With Lee Beverage, they'd see us around town, going out into the market and talking to retailers and bar owners, so

they sort of realized what we were about."

"And as they started asking around, customers were telling them they wanted to get the new stuff," Clark adds. "We're pushing the boundaries of distribution for sure, but a lot of this is customer driven."

The beers those customers appear most interested in fall under the umbrella of Fifth Ward's Frootenanny series, which accounts for about 30 percent of the brewery's sales. The base for a Frootenanny is a light and tart ale that gets flavored with different combinations of fruits and other adjuncts to produce a unique beer. These were novel concoctions when Fifth Ward began selling them in 2018. The novelty may have worn off, but the customer appeal has only grown.

"The other day I was up in Green Bay at one of those little bars that has just a few tap lines of light beer, and the buyer there told me she wanted to get a Frootenanny on tap," Wenger says. "It's finding its way into places like that now."

The problem for Fifth Ward has been keeping up with the demand. Each beer the brewery produces takes about three weeks from brew day to packaging. Last summer, with their brewhouse pushed to its limit, Clark and Wenger found themselves running out of beer. Clark is adamant when he says, "This summer we are not going to run out of beer."

A \$300,000 expansion of the brewery that began last year has quadrupled Fifth Ward's capacity.

"When everything is in place, we'll be able to get 4,000 barrels of beer out of here," Clark says.

The upgrade includes three, 35-barrel tanks that can both ferment and carbonate



Photo by Lee Reiherzer

Zach Clark (left) and Ian Wenger have co-owned Fifth Ward Brewing since its opening in 2017.

beer, a 30-barrel conditioning and packaging tank, and a new cooling system that helps shorten brew days. In the wings are two 16-barrel fermentation tanks acquired through the dissolution of Ale Asylum Brewery in Madison.

Fifth Ward is now the largest brewery in Oshkosh in terms of capacity. If Clark's projections are correct, the brewery will become the largest in Oshkosh in terms of production in 2023. The brewery and taproom have 10 employees in addition to

Clark and Wenger. Clark says the next step is to hire a full-time salesperson and begin looking toward the Madison and Milwaukee markets.

"It's always going to be a challenge," Clark says. "It's always going to be a lot of work. But I still think this is just the start."

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

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Miles Kimball housing project stalls

By Kaitlyn Scoville
OSHKOSH HERALD

An apartment development at the former Miles Kimball building at 851 S. Main St. has been delayed again because of supply-chain shortages.

The city recently amended its development agreement with Miles Kimball LLC for redevelopment of the building, which began in July 2021. The completion date was set to be this month. This amendment to Tax Increment District (TID) 40 is the second since the project's start, the first of which was in October.

Specifically, the amendment cites difficulties with delays delivering the building's elevator and balconies to the four-story apartment complex set to have 28 units at 851 S. Main St.

Oshkosh's Common Council also approved the installation of a new sidewalk on the east side of Bauman Street from Van Buren Avenue to Tyler Avenue.

According to city documents, at the Feb. 14 meeting, the council rejected a resolution that would have ordered sidewalk along the east side of Bauman Street from Taft Avenue to Buchanan Avenue, and along the north side of Buchanan Avenue from Bauman Street to Josslyn Street.

After that meeting, the owner of the parcel along the east side of Bauman Street between Tyler and Van Buren avenues requested sidewalk be installed in front of the property as part of the street reconstruction project. This single owner owns all property along the east side of Bauman Street between Tyler and Van Buren.



Photo by John Ford

The annual Midwest Crane Count will be held early in the day April 15.

Crane count volunteers sought

Winnebago Audubon is looking for counters to cover 45 designated sites in Winnebago County for the 47th Annual Midwest Crane Count set for 5:30 to 7:30 a.m. April 15.

More than 1,800 volunteer participants statewide and in portions of Illinois, Iowa, Michigan, Ohio and Minnesota participate in the spring survey on the abundance and distribution of cranes in the Upper Midwest.

The International Crane Foundation sponsors the count as a part of its mission to conserve the world's 15 species of

cranes and the natural communities on which they depend.

Winnebago County ranks high in the number of crane sightings.

Go to savingcranes.org to find the site maps for Winnebago County, then contact county coordinator Evelyn Meuret to check availability and secure a site.

An optional in-person meeting is set from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the Oshkosh Food Co-op, 155 Jackson St., Suite 1, where a site can be chosen with other counters. Crane call identification and data entry will be reviewed.

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Early years become the essential learning years

By Amy Geurden
CHILD CARE RESOURCE & REFERRAL

The National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) will be celebrating its annual Week of the Young Child from April 1-7, dedicated to early learning, young children, child care providers, families and communities.

Child Care Resource & Referral and Oshkosh Area United Way view this weeklong celebration as an opportunity to advocate for the importance of early childhood education for local children and families.

Research highlights quality early childhood education experiences as a primary building block of a child's future success in their academic and social life. Children are born ready to learn; they depend on family members to be their first teachers. These families in turn rely on other caregivers for support and guidance.

Close relationships with caregivers formed in early childhood positively impact children throughout their lifetime. These relationships lead to affirmative results in behavior, development and social interactions.

Early childhood education is also

essential to the economy. Enrolling for child care opens the opportunity window for parents to secure employment, further their education or improve their career prospects. These benefits can be



substantial and life-changing to struggling families. Access to affordable and reliable child care gives working families job stability and financial security.

In addition, fewer work-related absences due to difficulties finding child care also means fewer dollars lost by businesses. According to yearly data collected by Child Care Aware of America, 45% of parents report absences from work due to child care breakdowns, resulting in an average of about four days of work missed every six months. That translates to \$28.9 billion in wages lost by families that do not have access to paid time off or alternative care options.

Investments in early childhood education have the highest return rate of any

social investment because it promotes healthy child development. This generates savings by eliminating the need for more expensive interventions as a child grows into adulthood.

Studies show that participation in early childhood education programs can help children avoid special education, teen parenthood, and incarceration – all outcomes that imply large costs for government and for society.

For every \$1 invested in early childhood education, the public return can be as high as \$17. In 2022 there were 9,295 children ages five and under residing in Winnebago County. Public investment of \$1 per day, per child in the days between

their birth and 5th birthday provides an estimated return of \$31,000 per child when they reach adulthood.

During "Week of the Young Child", we call on our local and state lawmakers to ensure early childhood education programs receive the vital funding they need and deserve. When children grow up having their social, emotional, and educational needs met, their communities thrive.

Let us view the Week of the Young Child as an opportunity to advocate for a brighter future for children and families in the Oshkosh community.

For information on Week of the Young Child activities, visit www.naeyc.org.

Basic Needs group takes regional approach

The Basic Needs Giving Partnership, which in January launched a single regional organization to centralize and coordinate its activities, will be distributing close to \$1 million this year in addition to the more than \$3 million being granted to previous multiyear commitments.

In the face of hardships brought on by the pandemic over the last few years, the Basic Needs Giving Partnership released an additional \$5 million of grant funds with flexible guidelines during a critical time for northeast Wisconsin nonprofits.

As the organization works as its own 501(c)(3) nonprofit in 2023, it plans to focus on a new strategy within its grant-making cycle supporting people and places in northeast Wisconsin that advance equity and economic well-being for everyone.

The largest portion of available grant funding is committed to the areas of eco-

nomics stability, education, health and wellness, family support and social connectedness.

The partnership this year will follow through on current commitments to challenges that have been made worse by the pandemic. Those include learning setbacks for young children, exacerbated challenges related to housing access, and had a deep impact on mental health with increases in the rates of anxiety, depression and substance use.

Funding from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) is being invested in communities with many cities and counties focusing on early care and education, and housing. Basic Needs Giving Partnership funding will accompany those funds with general operating support.

To learn more about eligibility, guidelines, and priorities, visit www.bngpwi.org.

Excellence in Leadership panel session set

Excellence in Leadership, a Christian-based local organization that provides networking and educational opportunities for middle and senior managers, is hosting a moderated panel of business leaders at 11 a.m. April 18 at the Oshkosh Convention Center.

Panelists include Dennis TeGrooten-

huis from Small Quantity Boxes Packaging Systems, Linda Van Wyk from Blaze sports management agency, and Anna and Spencer Anvelink of Honeyland Juice Co.

Registration information for the luncheon session, which can also be accessed virtually, is available at www.eil-group.org.

Business news roundup

Bare Bones Brewery, Fifth Ward Brewing Co. and Fox River Brewing Co. have teamed up again to brew a special Oshkosh collaboration beer called **City Wide!** that will be on tap at more than 30 locations and in cans at six locations. The collaboration brew was hopped with Mosaic hops and fermented with Helio Gazer yeast resulting in tropical fruit notes of guava, passionfruit and mango.

Oshkosh Corp. has been named a recipient of Foundry's 2023 CIO 100 Award, the fifth consecutive year the company achieved it for its information technology practices. In addition to the CIO 100 Award, Oshkosh Corp. recently has been named among Computerworld's Best Places to Work in IT and received the inaugural Forrester's Technology Strategy Impact Award.

Insurance Services by Karen LLC is celebrating 10 years as an independent insurance agency representing Erie Insurance Co. and other regional insurance companies. Agents Karen Schibline and Andrea Neitzel have more than 30 years of experience in the insurance industry. Their offices are at 1429 Oregon St. The agency has been the recipient of several Founders' Awards presented by Erie Insurance Co. for quality performance.

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Looking at substance use in our community

By Chloe Strand
UWO CENTER FOR CIVIC AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The Center for Civic and Community Engagement at UW Oshkosh is working with local nonprofits to raise awareness about critical issues our community faces and the groups working to make a positive impact. Through this series, you will learn about the challenges and ways to help.

This month, we take a look at substance use disorder, a disease that goes unnoticed far too often yet destroys many lives, including the lives of individuals in the community. Several organizations in this area including Solutions Recovery, the Winnebago County Sheriff's Department and Winnebago Mental Health Institute are striving to help those struggling with substance use disorder and ultimately support them to full recovery.

These organizations are striving to stay

diligent, and never give up. In order to help these community members receive full recovery and gain their life back, it is crucial to understand the challenges those with substance use disorder are facing, and finally, how we as the community can help.

Many individuals with substance use disorder have no place to go to recover and be free of this life. The closest detox centers to Oshkosh are in larger cities such as Green Bay and Milwaukee. Without adequate transportation, it is nearly impossible to get to a detox center while residing in Oshkosh.

Because of this, these individuals may end up in a hospital; however, hospitals cannot keep them long-term. After their time there, they have little to no place to turn to except the environment they were in in the first place. Often this means returning to a

residence that is not conducive to recovery, either because drugs or alcohol are brought into the home by others or limited funding makes it difficult to meet basic needs.

This becomes a recurring issue, almost like a roller-coaster ride, that is nearly impossible to get off.

It takes both individual and community change to stop this roller coaster and facilitate full recovery. Substance abuse is a silent killer and we as a community can help these individuals find sober living. One source states that the first step is to humanize and understand the challenges each individual is facing.

These are people confined in a lifestyle without much support. This is not a moral failing; this is a brain disease. Humanizing, encouraging and providing opportunities can make such a difference.

A second source says educating the

public on the severity of this disease can help end the crisis. They say this education must start in the schools. Encouraging youth to stay away from these substances can have a positive effect on them in their older years.

Lastly, supporting the organizations that are actively engaging, supporting and empowering individuals seeking recovery can have a major impact. If you would like to help donate any time or money, Solutions Recovery is a great nonprofit to support. Checks can be mailed to Solutions Recovery or people can sign up to make reoccurring gifts online.

For further information check out the "needs list" at <https://solutionsrecovery.org> We are ALL a community. Coming together to help individuals facing challenges is what being in a community is all about.

District plan

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The structure takes the integrity of the strategic plan while bringing the metrics of it out more explicitly, Davis said.

"(Neitzke) has worked with multiple districts on this kind of structure. I think it provides a clearer and more consumable product from a community standpoint," he said. "Many times in school districts we spend a lot of time talking internally about what measures are the best ones. This will provide us with clear targets so we're not spending time talking about those issues but rather how we're lifting students up and supporting them in better ways."

The opportunities for improvement un-

der each core area will be a starting point for continuous improvement processes at the district, department or building level. Leaders in each core area will engage with teams to design and implement strategies and tactics to advance the performance indicators, the staff report stated.

Continuous improvement plans for each school building will be developed with leadership teams in each building during the 2023-2024 school year. This will ensure district wide alignment on the key performance indicators while providing autonomy for each building to take the actions they need.

All buildings will have aligned plans ready at the beginning of the 2024-25 school year.

"This is a plan that will continue to

guide our work," Davis said. "This would allow us to drill in and communicate what we hold most dear and what our measurements are, providing us a standard of excellence in the areas of learning and academics, finance and operations, safe and healthy schools, and engagement and

communications. It's really a culmination of what the board has provided."

School board members expressed their general approval of the plan.

More information on the plan can be found at oshkosh.k12.wi.us/district/continuous-improvement.

Earth Day program scheduled at library

Children and their families are invited to attend an Earth Day program April 22 sponsored by the Northeast Wisconsin American Chemical Society and the Oshkosh Public Library.

This year's theme is the Curious Chemistry of Amazing Algae. The program of hands-on activities for ages 6 and older and their families will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the lower level of the library where participants

can drop in any time during the session.

Free print copies of a special Earth Day edition of "Celebrating Chemistry" will be available.

Chemists Celebrate Earth Week (CCEW) is a community-based program of the American Chemical Society held during the week of Earth Day, which is April 22, and is administered by the ACS Office of Science Outreach.

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How to find out if you live in a historic district

By Shirley Brabender Mattox
OSHKOSH LANDMARKS COMMISSION

As a member of the Landmarks Commission for 20 years, I frequently hear, "Is my home in a historic district?" Since Oshkosh has thousands of houses built before 1940, this is a logical question.

Technically, buildings that are 50 years old can be nominated for the State and National Register.

The National Register is our country's official list of historic places worthy of preservation. A "historic district" includes buildings that are historically or architecturally significant. The city of Oshkosh has eight historic districts listed on the National Register of Historic Places, one historic site (Riverside Cemetery), and a number of individually listed properties.

Each historic district has a name that identifies the area, e.g., Irving Church Historic District. In Oshkosh there are 404 contributing buildings in eight districts. There are markers on the corner street signs identifying historic districts, much like the neighborhood signs.

The Oshkosh map outlines the boundaries of historic districts; so far, all are north of the Fox River. The criteria for a contributing property is based on what is visible from the right-of-way and does not consider the interior of the home.



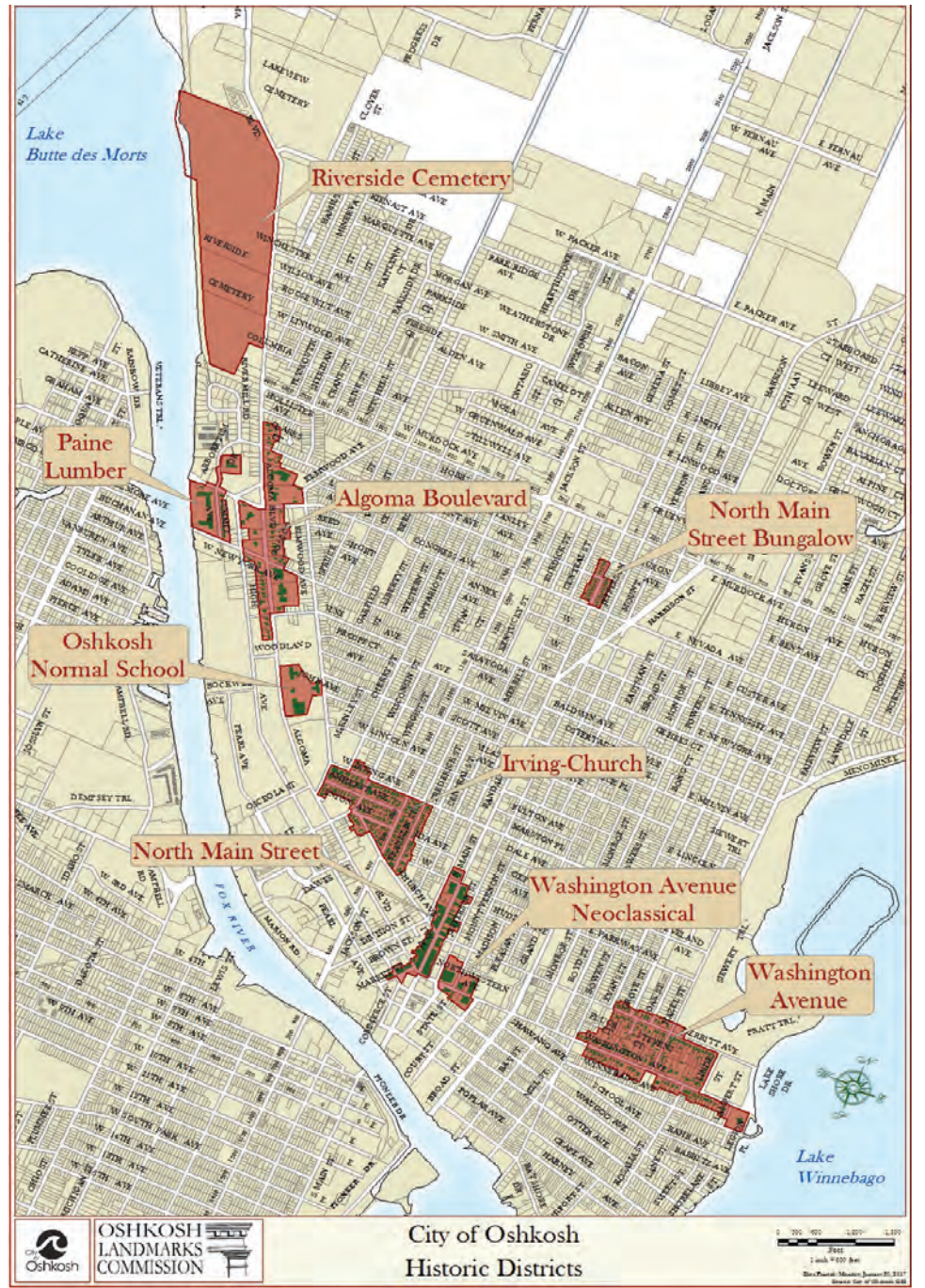
Newly constructed or heavily remodeled homes are considered "non-contributing."

To check if your home is in a historic district, access the WHS website wisconsinhistory.org, type the street address, Oshkosh, and scroll through the information to State and National Register Designation. Also, the Landmarks Commission, the Oshkosh Public Library reference librarians, or the Inspections Department, when applying for a permit, are there to help.

Are there advantages to owning a home in a historic district? The architecture, craftsmanship and unrivaled value of old-growth wood instills owner's pride in Oshkosh's past.

There are 25% historic tax credit opportunities for many projects to preserve and maintain a historic home. (Be sure to apply before the work begins!) It can provide a degree of protection from the effects of federally assisted projects, e.g., road reconstruction of North Main Street Bungalow District.

Historic districts enhance and increase property values. You are fortunate if you own a home in a historic district.



Water rate hearing to be aired online

A Public Service Commission of Wisconsin public hearing on Oshkosh's water rate increase application has been scheduled for 10 a.m. Friday with Zoom or phone access for participants.

City staff will be available in the lower-level meeting room at the Oshkosh Public Library to assist with participation. Join Zoom at us02web.zoom.us/j/...

pshearings or Zoom telephone at 312 626 6799, meeting ID: 809 513 2930. The PSC plans to livestream and record the hearing.

Oshkosh is recommending an 18.14% water rate increase because of increased costs to provide service. An average resident's total utility bill may increase by about 6%, because sanitary and stormwater rates are not affected by the rate increase.

Library staff's artwork to be featured

The Oshkosh Public Library's Art by Librarians exhibition will feature creative works by library staff from April 24 through April 29 under the Dome. Diverse works include photography, ceramics and paintings.

The photographs capture the natural

beauty and spirit of the community, while the ceramics and paintings reflect the unique perspectives and experiences of the artists.

The exhibition's highlight will be a public reception from 6 to 8 p.m. April 27 under the Dome. For more information, visit oshkoshpubliclibrary.org.

Entries sought for 2024 State Park sticker

The state Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is accepting artwork entries from high school students for the 2024 Wisconsin State Park and Forest vehicle admission sticker design contest.

Now in its 33rd year, the annual DNR-sponsored design contest is open to all high school-age students in Wisconsin attending public, private and parochial schools or homeschooled students. Artwork entries should focus on outdoor recreation, animals or plants in Wisconsin.

Materials for the 2024 sticker design contest are now available, and students can submit entries through April 30. More information is available at dnr.wisconsin.gov.



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Calendar of events

Wednesday, April 5

Bingo, 7 p.m., American Legion Hall, 1332 Spruce St.

Thursday, April 6

Diversity Day and Fashion Show, 12:50 p.m., Alberta Kimball Auditorium, West High School

Friday, April 7

Downtown Oshkosh Comedy Night, 7 p.m., Time Community Theater, 445 N. Main St.

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

A Tribute to Jim Hart, 7 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh

Saturday, April 8

Holiday Market & Spring Bazaar, 9 a.m., Oshkosh Convention Center

Oh Snap! Family Discovery Days, 11 a.m., Oshkosh Public Museum

Breakfast with the Bunny, 8 a.m., Sunnyview Expo Center (new location)

Bunny in the Barn, 11 a.m., Sunnyview Expo Center

Cottontails & Cocktails, 100-700

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A Tribute to Jim Hart, 7 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh

Ask Your Mother, 7 p.m., Revs Bowl Bar & Grill, 275 N. Washburn St.

Wednesday, April 12

Bingo, 7 p.m., American Legion Hall, 1332 Spruce St.

Thursday, April 13

Granger Smith featuring Earl Dibbles Jr., 8 p.m., Oshkosh Arena

Friday, April 14

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

Saturday, April 15

Craft Show at the Market, 9 a.m., Oshkosh Arena

Guns N Hoses Charity Hockey Game, 4 p.m., Oshkosh Community YMCA, 3303 W. 20th Ave.

"Cocktail Hour: The Show," 7:30 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh

Mac 'n Brew, 6 p.m., Sunnyview Expo Center

Soup Cook Off, 2 p.m., ThT Tap, 359 W. 17th Ave.

After Dark Eggs in the Park, 7:30 p.m., Winnebago County Community Park

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

Sunday, April 16

Fox Valley Vintage Fest 4, noon, Oshkosh Convention Center



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Credit union support

Winnebago Community Credit Union team members raised \$1,400 to contribute to a community donation fund where each gave a small donation every week to be able to wear their favorite team's apparel throughout the football season. The team of 31 raised \$700 and the credit union matched those funds. The charity of choice was the Boys & Girls Club of Oshkosh in support of a financial education program.

Boys & Girls Club honors staff, board and volunteers

The Boys & Girls Club of Oshkosh last week recognized staff, board members, volunteers and supporters with its 2022 Distinguished Awards.

Elks Lodge No. 292 was presented with the Award of Merit. The lodge has provided school supplies, made Easter baskets, supported young mothers with meals, spent time with teens, and sponsored the Alumni's Golf Outing. Each Christmas, the lodge puts together and delivers 100 Christmas food boxes with toys and for the last five years has been providing winter boots at no cost.

Kris Larson and Becket's was presented with the Kids & Community Award. Larson and the team at Becket's have been friends and champions of the club for more than 14 years. This past summer they provided catering for the club's Afternoon Tea event and made the club the benefactor of

Becket's Grilling with Beer event.

Jeff Trembly was presented with the J.R.

Vette Friend of Youth Award. Trembly has served on the board of directors since 2008 and has served on the finance committee for many years and has taken on an expanded board president role since 2020.

Adam Cummings was presented with the Professional Service Award. Cummings has been with the club for 15 years. For the last three years, he has assisted with the driver's education program by guiding members through classes and helping them get their temps and licenses. He has begun taking on more facilities duties to assist the director of facilities.



Trembly



Cummings



Larson

Apartment fire on Evans displaces 10

Oshkosh Herald

Ten people have been displaced while no injuries were reported after an apartment fire Thursday night in the 2100 block of Evans Street.

The Oshkosh Fire Department responded to the call and found flames and smoke coming from the second level. Officials said the fire was put out within 20 minutes but caused extensive damage to one of the apartments. An investigation to the cause is still underway.

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Housing plan

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ronmental report, which revealed “no evidence of recognized environmental condition in connection with the site.”

Additionally, Buswell said several other organizations have been involved in the site’s assessment of viability over the past two years, including:

- A firm to do a Professionally Assured Wetland delineation, which determined they are not building in wetlands or flood plains.
- An area gas line company that has an easement through the southern portion of the property and received the proper required setbacks.
- Wisconsin Public Service to make sure they can get adequate power and gas to the site.
- UW-Milwaukee to do an architecture and history investigation, which determined the project “will not have an adverse effect on historic properties, as none were identified within the project,” and an Archaeological Survey and Field report, citing “no evidence of archaeological sites.”
- The Department of Natural Resources for a stormwater permit.
- The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers was contacted and it appears since this is not in a wetland or waterway it does not fall under their jurisdiction.
- A professional firm to do soil borings to verify that proper construction conditions existed.

Buswell said the development exceeds city requirements for green space, landscaping and trees as well as quality exterior building products.

“We identified that Oshkosh has a significant lack of housing within our target market. Specifically, the city housing study clearly identified a need for more luxury multifamily housing as well as townhomes and condos,” Buswell said.

“This site has two excellent access points to Highway 45 and I-41. As the city detailed, traffic is a non-issue because current traffic flows are a small fraction of what the roads and roundabout to the south were built to handle. Both the south and north access points are adequate for the amount of housing we are proposing.”

Jessica Schultz, Fox-Wolf Watershed Alliance executive director, said “there doesn’t currently appear to be any immediate stormwater issues with this devel-

opment,” after first hearing of the development earlier in March when concerned residents contacted the organization.

Area resident Brian Bradley said he and other neighbors at a meeting cited concerns for the location on wetlands property affecting the ecological safety of the immediate area next to Lake Butte des Morts, and the archaeological significance as well as artifacts and burials on that property.

At a meeting held in the Town of Oshkosh, some neighbors claimed to have found an ancient ax or arrowhead on the site.

“I know this area is rich in artifacts as I have some from the area that is now Highway 45 and used to be the intersection of T and Highway 110, now the interchange of 45 and T,” Bradley said. “Sunset Point is directly opposite the southern shore, which contains the Bell Site. Most folks don’t realize that whole area is probably the Midwest’s premier historical site. I am convinced that the building property should be professionally excavated for burials and artifacts.”

Another neighbor, Gary Hanson, was also fearful of where the area’s wildlife and stormwater runoff would go.

“I’m concerned about how they’re going to handle the wetlands,” Hanson said. “We didn’t get a lot of time to think anything about this. To put two, four story structures up there certainly is going to make a difference.”

Mary Kay and Robert Vacheresse, who have lived in the area since the late 1970s, also said they were apprehensive about the ecological impact of the project with its proximity to Lake Butte des Morts.

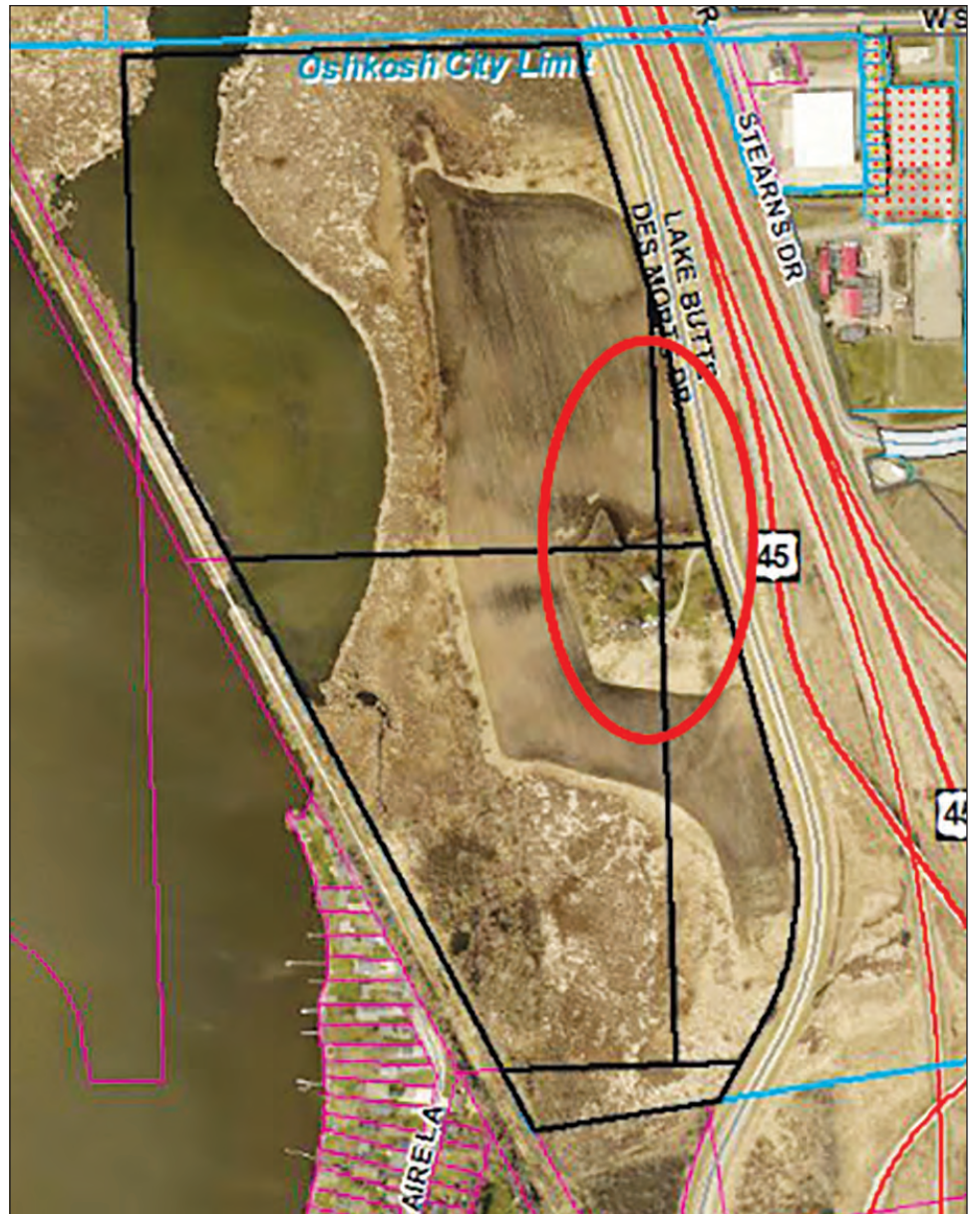
“Duck hunters come here every year, fishermen come out every fall; it’s a major causeway for deer and (other wildlife),” Robert said. “Where will they go?”

The couple also said they were not keen on the incoming traffic from Interstate 41 if this development were to move forward.

“We’re not against it, but we don’t want this to become another Logan Drive,” Robert said. “It’s like going out to Sequoia National Park and building a huge skyscraper right in the middle of it. It doesn’t belong there.”

“Logically, it’s going to be a disaster,” Mary Kay said, “because everything is going to drain away and it’s not going to handle everything in the winter, all the salt from the roads and the parking lots.”

The Vacheresses, Hanson and Bradley said the development is not a right fit for



Map from city of Oshkosh

A map marks where a housing development is being planned on Lake Butte des Morts Drive.

the space it’s being proposed on.

“Keep the fabric of the neighborhood basically the same,” Robert said.

“Nobody gives a rip about what we think except that ecologically it’s going to be a

disaster for that area,” Mary Kay said. “And the city seems to have just thought, ‘Who cares? This is on our bottom line. We need this because we don’t have enough affordable housing.’”



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Early site work is shown at the location of a proposed housing development on Lake Butte des Morts Drive.

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Klinger finds fit throwing shot put for North

By Tim Froberg
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

Throwing the shot put is a matter of muscle meeting movement to propel a heavy metal ball long distances.

It's one of the most technical events in track and field and takes time to master.

Yet, John Klinger figured it out in a hurry.

The Oshkosh North senior has been tossing the shot for only three years, but has emerged as the thrower in the Oshkosh area this spring.

The Spartans senior was a first-time state qualifier in the shot as a junior, placing 12th at the WIAA Division 1 boys' state track and field meet. He's already thrown a personal-best 56-feet, 8 inches – the fifth-best toss in the state this spring – and looks like a good bet to earn a return trip to La Crosse for the WIAA state meet June 2-3.

Klinger also throws the discus and has a personal-best launch of 133-8.

"My first goal is to break the Oshkosh North school shot put record," Klinger said. "Another big goal is to podium at state for both the shot and discus."

Neither goal will be easy to achieve, but Klinger has the size, strength and skills to make a run at both. Brandon Houle, who went on to throw the shot at the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, holds the North school record for the shot with a prolific throw of 62-8. He's actually Klinger's throwing coach at North. As for placing at state, Klinger will need to get there first and improve on last year's state throw of 51-8. But he's off to a terrific start.

"It's going to take a lot of hard work – a lot of extra hours throwing on the weekend," Klinger said. "I'm just trying to refine my technique to be as efficient as possible and I'm trying to get stronger. If I keep doing that, the shot will go farther and farther."

Klinger is relatively new to the shot put, discus and track and field. He didn't start experimenting with the throws until he went out for track for the first time his sophomore year.

"My old high school football coach (Juston Wara) introduced it to me," Klinger said. "He told me it would help me with (football) recruiting if I played multiple sports, so I decided to give track and the shot a try. I kind of fell in love with the shot. It was a unique movement that I had never done before, but it was pretty easy for me to pick up. But overall, yeah, I'm very new at it."

Klinger also enjoys throwing the discus, but the shot is his preferred event.

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"I'm just better at the shot," Klinger said. "They have similarities, but really they're two different technical models. The shot is a lot heavier with a smaller ring. The discus is a lighter implement, but it involves a bigger ring."

Klinger's work ethic and coachability have accelerated his fast progress as a thrower. He has worked on the throwing events - especially the shot - with Dean Matsche, Kimberly's well-respected assistant track coach who works with throwers. Matsche also runs his own personal training business and is an expert on the shot put.

"Honestly, some of the movements you make with the shot put have a resemblance to those of a figure skater," Klinger said. "You're spinning around in a six-and-a-half-foot circle and it's basically three spins to generate as much force as possible to get the shot out as far as you can."

"There is a lot of technique involved, but you also need strength and explosion."

Steve Danza, North's head track coach, has been impressed with Klinger's work ethic and his steady progress in the throws.

"He's greatly increased his focus, work ethic and intensity since he joined our program," said Danza.

The 6-foot-3, 250-pound Klinger isn't just a track star at Oshkosh North. He was a first-team all-Fox Valley Association selection last fall as a defensive lineman. Klinger has accepted a football scholarship to Winona State University and is raring to go. Winona State is a Division 2 football power that plays in the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference.

"I've talked to a lot of their coaches and they have a plan for me that I feel like I'll be able to execute," Klinger said. "It's always been my dream to play at the next level. I feel like all the countless hours I've put into football are about to pay off."

Klinger won't likely have a tough time adjusting academically. He's a top-notch student who carries a 3.65 grade-point average and is interested in majoring in exercise science.

"It's going to take a lot of hard work, but I'm excited about it," Klinger said. "Everyone there is going to have been the best player from the high school they came from. I'm going to have to work that much harder. I'm going to have to work my way up the ladder. I'm going to have to go from being just another freshman to making the travel team...and then to being a starter, making all-conference and eventually all-American."



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John Klinger was an all-FVA football player this past fall who plans to attend Winona State next year but has his focus on returning to the state track meet first.

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Talented, experienced girls group to fuel Knights' success

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The Lourdes Academy girls track and field team once again has head coach Tim Moore smiling.

The Knights have a strong returning presence from the group that tied for 10th at the Division 3 state meet a year ago and that nucleus is likely to lead to more success for Lourdes Academy this season.

Track & field PREVIEW

"We have a really good senior group coming back and those are my primary go-getters that we can build around," Moore said.

Three of the five seniors, Mackenzie Stelter, Molly Moore and Olivia Nielsen, all competed on relays at the state meet a year ago with Stelter and Molly Moore making the podium in the 3,200-meter relay, while Nielsen made the podium in the

800-meter relay. Molly Moore also qualified in the 3,200 meters.

Kate Johnson and Chloe Studinski round out the senior group and will anchor the field events for the Knights. Johnson narrowly missed advancing to state in the throws last year, while Studinski competes in the high jump.

In addition to the seniors, the Knights return sophomore Erin Moore, who placed third in the 1,600 meters at state last year, and sophomores Sabur Machiros, Dasha Averkamp and Natasha Konop, who all were on state-qualifying relays.

In addition, Moore believes that freshman Kylie Rietz will be a factor for the Knights this season as the team looks to challenge in the Trailways Conference after finishing second to DodgeLand a year ago.

"We expect every year to be competing

for a title in the Trailways," Tim Moore said. "This is a team that is capable of that."

The girls program is also bolstered by the Knights success in cross country where Lourdes finished second in state in the fall.

Tim Moore believes there is definitely a connection between success in the two sports.

"It directly correlates in so far as in the events the distance kids are in," Tim Moore said. "They were competitive in the environment of cross country as a group, we expect and they expect they are going to be successful in track."

An influx of freshmen should help the Lourdes Academy boys team in the 2023 season.

Freshmen Quinn Ruark and Isaac Rucinski are expected to have an immediate impact on the squad, but Tim Moore is more excited about the athletes the fresh-

men class brings overall and what it could lead to.

"We're excited with all of the new freshmen," Moore said. "All of these young kids are giving us an opportunity as they grow through the program to be very competitive."

The Knights do boast some proven talent on the roster as well to lead all of the new faces.

Seniors Kyle Ralofsky and Brayden Mecklenburg will compete in the sprints, while Brett Behnke and Owen Konop return as throwers for the squad.

Moore is also counting on juniors Jok Machoiros in the sprints, Dom Bauer in the field events, Josh Rucinski in the middle distance and Kyle Hipple in the middle distance to help round out the Knights potential point scorers.

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Prep sports roundup

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Second-half goals propel Wildcats to win

Oshkosh West scored a pair of second-half goals to upend Winneconne, 2-0, in the Wildcats' season-opener last Thurs-

day night at a chilly Titan Stadium.

Junior Laney Wiebel scored both goals for Oshkosh West, which totaled nine shots on goal in the game.

Junior Hannah Wolf stopped all three shots she faced to earn the shutout in goal.

Oshkosh West will next be in action on Thursday at Green Bay Notre Dame.

Track and field

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Spartan boys, girls look to be improved

Both the Oshkosh North boys and girls track and field teams look to be improved this season.

The Spartan girls look to be strong in the sprints where they have a number of returning athletes.

Seniors Abby Yanacek and Ally Tavernier along with juniors Abby Schlosky, Hanorah Flanigan and Anabel Mitchell and sophomore Sydney Spanbauer give the Spartans plenty of depth in the events, while the group adds senior newcomer Mallory Ott along with freshmen Alai Awak and Brinna Paulson to the mix as well.

Spanbauer and Yanacek will also compete in the jumps, while senior Sarah Penzenstadler will compete in the pole vault.

"Overall, while we are young and have quite a few new girls, we are much more athletic than in the past," girls head coach Michelle Carbiener wrote in an email to the Oshkosh Herald. "... (The girls) are ready to compete. They are working hard in practice and I look forward to seeing them compete."

The North boys boast a trio of returning state qualifiers on this year's roster in senior thrower John Klinger, senior sprinter Hunter Carlson and junior hurdler Pahlavan Sewnam. Klinger finished 12th in the shot put at state last season.

The Spartans also have returning athletes in senior Cashton Frank (200-400), junior Liam Murphy (jumps) and junior Jelani Hernandez (sprints) to add to the nucleus of point getters.

Head coach Steve Danza, who believes he has a well-rounded squad capable of scoring in multiple events, added that senior Quintin Fisher (sprints, jumps) and sophomore Logan Schettle (sprints) will likely be in the mix for the Spartans as well.

Oshkosh West roster loaded with experience

The Oshkosh West girls return a handful of state qualifiers from last year's squad and are focused on having an even bigger impact in La Crosse at the state meet in June.

The Wildcats return their entire 400-meter relay team that ran at state last year in seniors Emily Blaskowski, Olivia Navin, Maggie Kriege and junior Kendall Larson. Navin was also an individual qualifier in the 100-meter hurdles.

Head coach Nicole Foster also sees the Wildcats 1,600-meter relay with juniors Kyana Williams, Carly Salzer, Carrigan Tank and Lily Van De Hey being strong along with the 3,200-meter foursome of juniors Tank and Madison Nesterick and freshmen Rowen Stellpflug and Gwen Liptow.

In the field events, Navin and Blaskowski lead the Wildcats in the triple and long jump, respectively.

"Along with those athletes, many new and returning athletes have been posting season bests and personal bests in the

recent indoor meets," head coach Nicole Foster wrote in an email. "Focusing on the next couple weeks to rest up and get healthy, we hope to make a big push to outdoor and step up our level of competition from last year."

For the boys, the Wildcats have a wealth of returning competitors, including a large group of sprinters to build around.

Jeevan Ambati, Kirean Patrick, Toni Olszewski, Jarret Alger, Carver Cram, A.J. Kohl, Chase Brandl, Damarion Williams, Bryan Stender and Collin Haese, will also compete in sprint events for West while Ambati, Patrick and Olszewski will also run hurdles.

In the distance races, Jerry Sower, Delson Troedel and Celso Collins will lead the way for West.

Garth Martell and Parker Fontaine in the throws and Ethan Pinkerton, Shawn Pinkerton and Matthew Davis in the pole vault are West's top option in field events.

Head coach Stephanie Polak also expects newcomers Brayden Kuefel in the 800 meters, Carter Crowe in the 3,200 meters, Elliott Reed in the pole vault and Carson Gerlach in the sprints to add to the Wildcats' squad.

"I am very excited for the boys team this year," Polak wrote. "We have many athletes returning and the boys have really been working hard off-season getting ready for this season. We have a great deal of depth in many areas and the team chemistry is really strong."

Valley Christian looks to keep building program

First-year head coach Trevor Kehoe said that Valley Christian broke 18 school records a year ago and he is hoping to build on that performance and enhance the program's competitive culture.

The Warriors have only one senior on the roster, but she is a good one. Distance standout Leah Patterson, who qualified for state in the 800, 1,600 and 3,200 meters – taking fifth in the 3,200 meters – will again be a consistent point scorer for the Warriors.

Junior Chloe Mueller returns in the sprints and hurdles for the Warriors, while sophomores Alaina Wojtowski (sprints), Kayliah Humiston (throws) and Lily Wise (400 and relays) are also returning. Wojtowski was a sectional qualifier in both the 100 and 200 meters.

On the boys side, sophomores Ethan Robson in the 400 meters and Nathan Arndt in the 110-meter hurdles were both sectional qualifiers from a year ago. Junior Dennis Thur (sprints) and sophomores Josh Johnson (sprints, jumps), Brady Patterson (sprints, middle distance) and Josh Curtis (throws, hurdles) are also expected to help boost Valley Christian.

In addition, the Warriors have a large freshman class for both boys and girls who will help – and have already scored in the preseason indoor meets – bolster the Warriors' efforts this season.

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Spartans, Wildcats eye higher finishes in tough FVA

By Dustin Riese
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The Oshkosh North Spartans have been consistent under head coach Robert Loeper and that continued to be the case last season.

The Spartans finished 7-10 in conference play last year which led to a sixth place finish. They did finish .500 overall for the season, but suffered an early playoff exit.

Now that the 2023 season is set to kick off, the Spartans are looking for improvements and that starts with rising up in the FVA standings.

“Our goal for the upcoming season is to move to the upper half of the conference,” Loeper said. “We have finished the past two seasons in sixth place with opportunities to finish in third or fourth. We always want to be a team that is going to be a tough game regardless of who we are playing. We have a talented roster with guys eager to prove themselves at the varsity level so I’m excited and looking forward to the season.”

North will have plenty of talent to build around including the return of Jeremiah Housworth and Carson Steinbeck. Both were all-conference players a season ago and will be looking to take on an even bigger role this season.

Cormac Sammons, Ben Boelter, Kagan Schlichting, Logan Frank and Colton Argall are other returning players that have seen multiple years of varsity experience and will be counted on this season.

Joining that group of returning players will be sophomore Zack Kiffmeyer who

will not only be seeing plenty of varsity time this season, but will strengthen the pitching staff.

“We have a lot of talented players returning who have seen multiple years of varsity experience,” he said. “Along with that, we have a group of underclassmen who are eager to get an opportunity to contribute when called upon. It’s going to take a collective effort from all of them to get the team over obstacles and challenges we may face. The goal of this season’s team is to find leaders that can carry the team.”

As expected, the FVA stops and starts with Kimberly who not only won the conference last season, but enters the 2023 season as the top ranked team in Division 1. Hortonville and Appleton North are two of the teams that could make some noise this season, but the rest of the conference is wide open.

As long as North can get great leadership and limit the mistakes against great teams, they are another team that can make some noise in 2023.

“We need senior leadership and leaders to step up,” Loeper said. “We lost a ton of quality seniors from last season’s team so this season’s seniors need to take that challenge on and run with it. We also need to limit the mistakes that cost us a few victories. If we can limit our mistakes I like our chances for the upcoming season.”

Wildcats look to surprise in talented FVA

Things haven’t gone as well as the Wildcats may have liked in recent seasons, but they did show improvement last year.

After getting off to a terrible start, the Wildcats put together a nice run of games

over the final two weeks of the season and finished the season 7-10 in FVA which tied them for sixth place.

The Wildcats enter 2023 as one of the youngest teams in the conference with hopes of surprising a lot of opponents this season.

“The Wildcats hope to be competitive in the always tough Fox Valley Association,” head coach Tony Gerharz said. “We only return a couple starters from last year and have some younger players that we hope will be strong contributors.”

The Wildcats graduated third-team all state player Ben Buehring, as well as starting pitchers Brady Block and Xavier Gauthier, which left holes to fill. However, with eight seniors, six juniors and three sophomores there is depth in the program although the bulk of the roster will have to adjust to the varsity level.

Senior outfielder/pitcher Erik Grey, who was all conference designated hitter last year, returns along with senior short-stop Louis Schumacher to help anchor an offense that would like to score more runs consistently. Starting pitchers Trevor Rice and Kyle Wolf return along with other seniors Alec Berndt, Kyle Krueger, Hank Meyer and Lukas Schroeder to give the Wildcats a strong base to build off of for 2023.

Along with them comes a long list of juniors that Gerharz is hoping can contribute from day one. Juniors hoping to contribute are Trevor Davis, Blake Nikolas, Ricky Ludwig, Lucas McWilliams, Colin Rice and Ryan Williamson. Throw in sophomore outfielders Owen Ervin and Jaxon Prill and infielder Landon Ubrig and you have some talented kids who

might even find time on the mound this season.

Gerharz points to Williamson especially as he pitched some big innings down the stretch last season and will be called upon to do the same this season.

“Williamson did an outstanding job as a short reliever,” Gerharz said. “Playing the role he filled last season doesn’t come easy and not everyone has the mindset to do that. Look for him to fill a similar role this season, but he might also get time as a starter to round out our rotation.”

The Wildcats are hoping they can be competitive in the FVA as long as they can control the things they can control.


“For the Wildcats to be competitive in the FVA, and every other team, solid pitching and defense, consistent and timely hitting are the keys for any team to be successful,” Gerharz said. “We showed that at times last season, but we couldn’t put all three phases together consistently. That is what is going to determine our success this season as consistency matters in this conference.”

Lourdes/Valley program turns to new coach

Coming off another second place finish in the Trailways conference that saw them go 16-9 overall and 15-3 in conference play, the Knights will turn to former Menasha assistant coach Matthew Armatoski as the program’s new coach.

Armatoski will inherit a talented roster, that although may be missing some key pieces from 2022, still has plenty of talent to make another run at a Trailways crown.

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Spartans open season by blanking Shawano

By Steve Clark
OSHKOSH HERALD

One of Oshkosh North girls soccer coach Nicole Palmquist's biggest concerns entering the 2023 season was in regard to her team's ability to put goals in the net and tallies on the scoreboard.

One match in, she was pleased with what she saw.

Gabby Kempf finished with a goal and two assists and the Spartans were able to finish off the shutout in a 3-0 win over Shawano in a nonconference match played in a wintry mix on Oshkosh North's turf field.

"I think it went good, really good," Palmquist said. "Some seasons we struggle to find the back of the net but tonight we found it a couple times and even could have had a few more chances."

Oshkosh North controlled the possession for much of the match and had a couple of opportunities in the opening



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Gabby Kempf (20) is congratulated after scoring the Spartans' first goal of the season in a 3-0 win over Shawano last Thursday.

minutes to get on the scoreboard but were unable to net a goal.

Midway through the first half, Kempf took possession of the ball on the right side of the field about 30 yards away from goal. She pushed the ball forward and moved around one defender to get into the penalty area and then ducked around the onrushing goalkeeper.

That left Kempf staring at an empty net about 12 yards away.

"I was like, 'I better not miss this,' because it was wide open," Kempf said. "It felt awesome. It was a good goal to start off my senior year."

Kempf wasn't done, either.

About 10 minutes later, Kempf pushed the ball up through the midfield creating a lane to shoot. Instead, she sent a cross along the ground into the penalty area where Natalie Kossolapov ran onto the ball and fired a rising shot that found the back of the net.

"I was thinking (shot) at first, but then I saw the defender coming out of the corner of my eye and I realized I should pass it," Kempf said. "It went through (one of my teammates') legs but good thing we had another girl on the backside to finish it."

The Spartans' third goal of the match came in the second half when Kempf sent a long ball over Shawano's back line that Hannah Gregory ran onto and drilled a shot past the goalkeeper into the net.

That would be all the goals North would put on the scoreboard, but Palmquist felt the Spartans could have added more.

"We had a couple of corners that were really nice and I wish we would have put one away," Palmquist said. "I do feel like



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Oshkosh North's Charlie Kempf (13) chases down the ball ahead of a Shawano defender in the first half last Thursday.

we had more chances but I'm happy with the three goals we finished and hopefully we can keep going up from here."

Palmquist was equally pleased with her team's defensive effort in earning the shutout.

The Spartans' defense kept Shawano from getting inside the penalty area much and never let them mount much of a scoring threat.

Shawano's best chance to score came in the second half when the Hawks generat-

ed an open breakaway out of midfield but the Spartans' Ava Duran chased the play down from behind and thwarted the potential scoring chance.

"The backline did really well for us and hopefully it gives us confidence," said Palmquist, who highlighted Hallie Trochinski and Ava Lee as leaders of the defense. "We changed it up a little bit at the start and I was impressed with how they did."

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Experienced Knights aim to challenge top Flyway foes

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Having a successful soccer program combines having great coaching, great skill and a group of players that have a ton of heart.

That is what the Lourdes Academy/Valley Christian girls soccer team had last season as they put forth one of their best seasons a year ago and are now looking to build off that success.

The Knights' success came with most of their roster filled with players who are not soccer-first individuals. Instead, the Knights used athleticism to make things happen and of course, played with more heart than most teams show which will be the key once again in 2023.

"I am very excited for this upcoming season," head coach Juan Gutierrez said. "Although soccer is not the main sport for most of these girls, they are willing to do whatever it takes to win games. Whether it be in practice or in an 80-minute game, we will come ready to compete and will leave it out on the pitch when it matters the most."

The Knights will have to replace leading scorer Cielo Gutierrez, however, the leadership she showed last season should translate well into 2023 where the Knights have plenty of returning players that will lead the program this season.

That is one of the strengths of this team and something Gutierrez is extremely excited about.

"Our captains, juniors Charley Mullen and Ailish Mains, have leadership styles that complement each other," Coach Gutierrez said. "Addy Hafemeister has demonstrated the perseverance this program embraces, as she came in as a freshman whose season was canceled due to COVID, sitting out her sophomore season due to a torn ACL, and is now our senior leader. These three are going to be the leaders of this group and will set the tone for what lies ahead for us this season."

Having three players to lean on is a good thing, but the Knights have far more firepower than just those three. In fact, unlike most teams, this is a team that will be led by underclassmen, especially the sophomore group who showed a lot of promise as freshmen last season.

Hailee Bauer, who is also a standout basketball player at Lourdes Academy, will be back in goal for the Knights after establishing herself as one of the better keepers a season ago. Hannah McDowell leads the way on defense, Allie Huezinga

and Natalie Edwards will help anchor the midfield with Delaney Ruedinger looking to return as a potent scorer.

With Winnebago Lutheran as the clear-cut favorite once again in the Flyway Conference and an improved Omro as the darkhorse this season, Lourdes/Valley is another one of those quality teams that will compete for a top spot in the league.

However, given the talent they have, the Knights have bigger goals in mind than just competing for a conference title.

"This season we want to add the first trip to state and conference championship to our program," Gutierrez said. "Our motto is iron sharpens iron, and with the biggest team this program has ever had, primarily being underclassmen, I expect to see tremendous growth throughout this season, and in following years. I am excited to see how far this season will take us."

Retooled Wildcats aim for season-long success

The Wildcats graduated 18 seniors from a team that finished in the top three in the Fox Valley Association and made a deep WIAA Tournament run.

The 2023 season is going to look much different with a revamped roster and plenty of new faces, but there are always going to be high expectations for this program as they have done their best to meet or succeed those expectations each season.

"My goal is to always finish one place better than last year in conference and to at least get one game deeper in playoffs," head coach Jim Jungwirth said. "My expectations are high for this group. We'll be a younger group with seven seniors and a mix of juniors and sophomores. They are a hard working group and work hard for each other."

Younger or not this season, the Wildcats still have plenty of experience and skill returning where they should be able to make some noise.

Returning this season will be seniors Jenna Brewer and Maddi Choinski along with junior Laney Wiebel, who will be the captains this season. All three have shown the ability to be great leaders, according to Jungwirth. Campbell Grey senior center back is another player who will be returning as she will be tasked with organizing a much younger back line this season.

Sophomores Grace Seinkbel and Elly Noe are expected to contribute to a team that is going to need many contributions across the roster.

Jungwirth is excited to see this mix together on the field.

"I'm excited that almost all of them have

played for me as U10, U12 and U14's at Oshkosh United," Jungwirth said. "Now they are playing for me again in high school. They have all grown for me as players in the Oshkosh United Program and I am excited to see their growth at the next level."

Kimberly and Appleton North are once again expected to have great teams, but Neenah, Fond du Lac and Appleton East could also challenge.

The Wildcats are hoping they can be in the mix at the end, but know one way or another a lot of factors need to happen for them to be playing their best soccer when it counts.

"Organization is going to be the key," Jungwirth said. "Our backline has to be organized to deny penetration in the defensive third. Our midfield has to be organized to win and keep possession and distribute quickly in the middle third. Our forwards need to be organized to penetrate in the final third and make the best of all scoring opportunities."

North girls look to turn hard work into wins

The 2022 girls soccer season was a struggle for Oshkosh North in terms of wins and losses as the Spartans finished 2-11-5 for the year.

The five ties is worth noting as several of those games could have gone the other way which would have made their season look very different. Finding the back of the net more consistently this season is one of the goals for the Spartans as they are looking to build off of last year's struggles.

"Our goal this year is to build off of last

year and hopefully find the back of the net to add to the win column," head coach Nicole Palmquist said. "We need to work as a unit, possess the ball and finish our chances we get. Connecting the dots to get that final piece is an area we have struggled with and it was obvious with the amount of ties we had."

Palmquist knows the losses of last year's leaders are going to be critical to replace, but also knows that North has a new cast of players ready to lead this season.

"We are returning Gabby Kempf in the midfield for us," Palmquist said. We are looking for her to control the tempo and create in the midfield but also find her shot. Hailie Trochinski is returning at center back for us. We are looking for Hailie to help communicate and lead as she sees everything and everyone on the field. Lastly, Hannah Gregory is returning who is versatile for us and plays up top and in the midfield. Hoping to have Hannah be our vocal leader and create opportunities to find the back of the net."

Not only do the Spartans have a strong cast of returning players, but look for freshman Ava Duran to not only make the varsity squad this season, but to be a great asset to the team. With North playing in a conference as tough as the FVA, winning the league may not be a realistic goal at this point, but there are little things the Spartans would love to do in an effort to extend their season this spring.

"We are looking to increase our number of goals scored from last year and hopefully our wins," Palmquist said. "Come play-off time we want to be playing our best ball, and together as a team and hopefully win a game or two."

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The Spartans are scheduled to play at Green Bay East on Thursday before opening up Fox Valley Association play against Appleton North next Tuesday.

And it's always nice to start out with a win.

"I was real excited to get out here," Kempf said. "I mean, the weather is not the best but I think we are going to pick it up a bit this season I feel like. We have some good freshmen coming in and that's really going to help us."

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"Our goal is to work hard and improve each day; practice with a purpose," Armatoski said. "The buy-in from the players has been awesome and I look forward to seeing where we go from here. We have a young team and I'm excited to work with such a great group of players."

Replacing the majority of the roster from last year, makes things difficult for a first-year coach when you know you have to replace a ton of talented kids.

However, unlike most programs, the Knights still have a large chunk of players returning this season and most of them have seen significant varsity time already. Eli Humiston, Hunter Stelzer, Josiah Lehman, Michael Roberts and Wade Lindahl all have varsity experience.

AJ Richardson, Everett Clark and Riley Zernzach may not have much varsity experience, but Armatoski knows they each bring their own element to the team and will be valuable members moving forward.

"We have several players returning this year and I expect each one of them to lead

in one capacity or another," he said. "We have a great group of incoming freshmen, some of which will be called on to start right away and others who will play vital roles down the road. They will need some time to adjust to the speed of the game, but we like where our younger players are at."

As expected, the Trailways conference is expected to be competitive from the top down, but Markesan will likely be the team to beat again. Expect the Knights, Randolph and potentially Oakfield to be some of the teams expected to give the Hornets a run.

The Knights are ready for the challenges ahead and know they need to come ready to play from day one if they want to reach the goals they set this season.

"We will focus on what we can control and hopefully put ourselves in position to compete for the conference," Armatoski said. "We have a lot of work to do before we start having those types of conversations. Having said that, we like where we are at and truly believe this team is capable of meeting lofty goals. We will continue to take it day by day and see how everything unfolds."


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Obituaries

Ginny Carlson

Virginia "Ginny" (nee Sullivan) Carlson passed away peacefully on March 24, 2023 after a short battle with cancer. She was 81.



Her last months were full of stories shared with friends and family. She gave advice, and joked to the end, going as far as convincing people she turned 80 this year.

She grew up in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, the middle child of five and graduated from the University of Wisconsin. Professionally she led as a frontier woman in the computer field and embraced technology her whole life. She grew up in an amazing family that enabled her to become the intelligent curious person she was.

Ginny lived her life voraciously. She lived in: Minneapolis; Chicago; Seattle and Olympia Washington; Romania; Al-

buquerque, New Mexico; prior to moving to Moab, Utah in 2000. She spent her summers in Oshkosh with her family.

Her husband, Jim Carlson, predeceased her in 2013. During their 45 years of marriage, they lived a rich and rewarding life.

After the loss of her beloved husband, Ginny reinvented herself and continued to live life to the fullest with new friends she'd meet nearly on a weekly basis. She loved to help people, hike, and be near the ocean. Ginny traveled the world often months at a time and took great pleasure in meeting people and hearing their stories. She was humble and caring toward all people she met, often sharing meals and time with unique people all over the globe.

Prior to her illness, she spent 2 months in Indonesia snorkeling, which had become her favorite thing to do over the past years. She told everyone new and old after learning of the illness, "don't wait, explore and do things you want now, because you never know."

Ginny is the beloved mother of John (Jen) and Sharon Mason (John). Grandmother of Zack and Rachel Mason. She is also survived by her sisters Nancy Klobas (the late John), Barbara Walker (the late Bob), Peggy (Bill) Riemer and brother Jack. Numerous nieces and nephews along with their spouses and children will miss their "Aunt Ginny."

There will be celebrations of Ginny's life held in Moab, Olympia and Oshkosh over the course of the next few months.

A special thanks to their many friends and relatives who helped both Ginny and John navigate the past few months. Hats off to all the doctors and staff at the Huntsman Center; nursing staff and aides at Canyonlands Care Center in Moab, Utah; and her extraordinary Doctor Ken Williams.

Please remember Ginny by writing or etching her name on a rock and leaving it on a hike or someplace that has special meaning to you.

Memorial contributions may be made to: Moab Multicultural Center <https://moabmc.org/>; Life Net Nature, <https://lifenetnature.org/>; Global Pearls <https://globalpearls.org/>; Canyonland Care Center <https://canyonlandscarecenter.com/contact/>; or any of your local food banks.

Gloria Elkins

Gloria Elkins, 82, of Brooksville, passed away March 30, 2023. She enjoyed travel-



ing with her husband, Harry, gardening, visiting flea markets and swap meets, and local fish fries.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Adam and Cecile Gulan, husband, Harry, and her sister, Joyce Bloechel and her husband, James.

She is survived by her children, Dan Tershner (Lynn), Terri Smith, Tami Peterson (Jeff), brother, Raymond Gulan, stepson, Robert Elkins. She is also survived by 5 grandchildren, and 8 great-grandchildren.

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Fern R. Kargus

Fern R. (Hildebrandt) Kargus, age 92, passed away on April 2, 2023. She was born to the late Louis and Ester (Manzke) Hildebrandt on August 28, 1930. Fern graduated from Oshkosh High School in 1948. On May 24, 1952, she married Harold A. Kargus at Grace Lutheran Church in Omro. She was a member at Christ Our Saviors Lutheran Church.

Fern is survived by one daughter, Jean Kargus, and three sons, Gerald, Kargus, Steven Kargus and Brian (Amy) Kargus; seven grandchildren, Ethan (Bridget) Thorpe-Kavanaugh, Brigham (friend Betsy) Kargus, Brian (Angela) Kargus, Aar-

on (Brittany) Kargus, Stephanie Kargus, Michael Kargus, Sam Kargus; three great grandchildren, Palek, Thaddeus, and Winnie Thorpe-Kavanaugh.

In addition to her parents, Fern was preceded in death by her husband, Harold and one brother Robert "Bob" Hildebrandt

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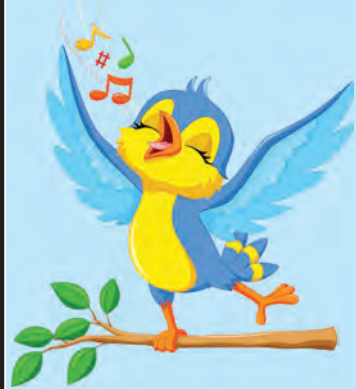
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