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Postal workers' food drive set to deliver again

Oshkosh Herald

Oshkosh mail carriers and supporting sponsors are getting ready to revive their participation in the Stamp Out Hunger nationwide food drive this Saturday that will help restock the shelves at local food pantries.

Conducted by the National Association of Letter Carriers, the largest one-day food drive in the country has weathered pandemic restrictions and was suspended in Oshkosh after the 2019 effort.

"I am hoping for a really good turnout this year because it has been so long since we have had one," said food drive coordinator Ginny Klein of the National Association of Letter Carriers No. 173. "The food pantries are excited this is taking place again. It has helped restock their shelves in the past. I am impressed by all the food pantries' willingness to work together to make sure expired food doesn't get tossed out."

Klein said mail carriers collected 43,472 pounds of food in 2019 compared with 65,285 pounds in 2018, which she partly attributed to donation bags not being distributed. J. J. Keller sponsored the bags the next year and while COVID stalled that



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Kalbus planting party

Carolyn Uhi (left) and Avery Garcia take part in a wetland restoration planting project recently at Kalbus Country Harbor on Lake Road south of Oshkosh that included more than 2,000 native plants. Volunteers from Zebra Technologies in Greenville, Kalbus Country Harbor and Team SNW staff worked with Fox-Wolf Watershed Alliance staff after the alliance's Winnebago Waterways Program was approached with the idea of incorporating the restoration project into development plans for the property.

Complaints made over judge actions

Attorneys say Woldt lacking impartiality

By Bethanie Gengler OSHKOSH HERALD

A month after voters re-elected Winnebago County Circuit Court Judge Scott Woldt, who was suspended for judicial misconduct two years ago, he is facing another complaint after he allegedly threatened to retaliate against an attorney who supported his opponent in the Branch 2 judicial race, unless the attorney paid him \$28,000.

Woldt was appointed to the Branch 2 bench in 2004 and was re-elected four times. This year was the first election he faced opposition after the Wisconsin Supreme Court suspended him for a week without pay in 2021. He retained the Branch 2 position, defeating LaKeisha Haase by about 1,300 votes.

The latest misconduct complaint, filed last month by attorney Matthew Goldin of Oshkosh, requests that Woldt be investigated for threatening to retaliate against Goldin for supporting Haase's Branch 2 election campaign.

On April 25, Goldin attended a get-together for attorneys and other legal professionals at Ruby Owl Tap Room in Oshkosh, where he encountered Woldt and his wife, Missy, who is a judicial assistant for Branch 3.

Documents say Woldt pulled Goldin over

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Drug deaths, prevention efforts reviewed

Winnebago supervisors hear overdose concerns

By Bethanie Gengler OSHKOSH HERALD

Fatal drug overdoses continue to rise, with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention now ranking overdoses as the third leading cause of death in the United States and fentanyl as the primary threat.

County Medical Examiner Cheryl Brehmer provided an update on overdose deaths in Winnebago County so far this year at a Judiciary and Public Safety Committee meeting last week.

At the end of April there were 11 confirmed fatal overdoses countywide for the year, with 10 involving fentanyl. An additional six pending cases are awaiting toxicology results, with preliminary testing showing four of those as positive for fentanyl.

The county recorded 41 fatal overdoses in 2021 and 38 in 2022.

There was a seizure of about 600 grams of fentanyl earlier this year and the Winnebago Area Metropolitan Enforcement Group reported the county has experienced a 360% increase in fentanyl seizures this year compared with all of 2021.

Between 2016 and 2021, overdose



Photo capture from Oshkosh Medi

Winnebago County Medical Examiner Cheryl Brehmer reports to the county Judiciary and Public Safety Committee last week on overdose deaths.

deaths in the U.S. involving fentanyl increased by 279% to 21.6 per 100,000 people, according to the National Center for Health Statistics.

Brehmer said there also has been an increase in overdoses involving xylazine, a non-opioid, large-animal tranquilizer often used in conjunction with fentanyl. The drug is so prevalent in Pennsylvania that 90% of street opioid samples contained xylazine in 2021, according to its Public Health Department.

"The last I heard Milwaukee had 17 fatal overdoses in less than seven days in this last month and they believe that those will

probably show xylazine as well," she said.

Narcan, a drug that reverses opioid overdoses, does not work on xylazine.

"The only thing you can do is protect their airway," Brehmer said, adding that xylazine slows down heart rates and respiration and is not meant for human consumption.

Sheriff John Matz said that just when officials find ways to mitigate certain drugs, a new one comes out.

In March, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration approved the sale of Narcan

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Shelter, recovery facilities progress noted

By Kaitlyn Scoville Oshkosh Herald

Two area organizations updated the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors last week on what's been going on with its Neighborhood Improvement Fund

County Executive Jon Doemel issued a statement last March that divided its \$10.35 million allocation from the state to several groups, including the Day By Day Shelter, Oshkosh Kids Foundation, Solutions Recovery, Covey, Habitat for Humanity and Winnebago County Human Services.

At a previous meeting, Habitat and Oshkosh Kids Foundation presented their up-

Trevor Fenrich, executive director for Solutions Recovery, said its \$1.5 million has been going toward a continued incentive to provide housing for those in recovery. A big portion of the grant allowed the organization to expand, get the next step going for individuals in their recovery, grew from 18 to 38 beds and recently submitted a letter of intent to purchase the Christine Ann Domestic Abuse Services building.

Previously, Christine Ann had announced its intention to move out of its current location at 206 Algoma Blvd. and into the Beach Building next door.

"I'm really grateful that you allowed us to get this grant, and that we are able to make such an impact on the lives of the individuals, the families, that we serve," Fenrich said. "It's something special to see the transformations I get to see on a daily

Day By Day Shelter director Molly Yatso-Butz also spoke with the group, noting that all the nonprofit's allocated \$3.5 million was spent toward construction of the new year-round shelter at 420 Ceape Ave.

Upon completion of the building and its official opening set for Monday, services will be available year-round at any time of the day. The space has essentially doubled its capacity and is ADA-compliant, unlike its current spot in the basement of Most Blessed Sacrament church.

There is also adequate storage and private meeting space that was not an option previously, Yatso-Butz said.

With this change, she said the nonprofit's operating budget will grow to be just shy of \$1 million annually, and expects that donations and grants will continue to exceed it as it has in previous years.

This update came a few months after the county took over its operations for three weeks due to a staffing shortage. Doemel's assistant, Ethen Hollenberger, said he has faith that it has been resolved.

Over the course of the county's emergency order holding the shelter's operations intact, more than \$120,000 was spent on labor and \$48,000 on operations and vouchers - such as transportation, laundry and security - for the 381 guests served, totaling approximately \$170,000. Security, additionally, was close to \$50,000."

One of the things we want to make clear is that mass sheltering is a function of county government," Hollenberger said. "I know there was a lot of debate about this, but in our emergency response plan, (it) is a function of human services that we do sheltering."

Washburn, Osborn Ave. construction begins

Asphalt paving projects on South Washburn Street and Osborn Avenue were set to begin this week, which will close both South Washburn and Osborn to through traffic except for those going to businesses within the construction zone.

The limits of work on Washburn are from Dickinson to West 20th avenues, and on Osborn Avenue are from Knapp Street to the driveway entrance of the National Guard Armory site.

The projects will pulverize the existing

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pavement, stabilize the ground and install new asphalt.

No major changes are planned for location or grade of the streets and does not involve utility work.

Existing bike lanes on Osborn will be restored.

Both projects are being funded by the Federal Bipartisan Infrastructure Law signed into law in November 2021. The funding provides the city the ability to resurface some streets that would otherwise wait several years for a reconstruction project.

Back in the Day



Oshkosh history by the Winnebago County Historical & Archaeological Society

May 7, 1935

Prominent Oshkosh Woman Passes:

Mrs. Jessie Jack Hooper, prominent Oshkosh citizen, died at her home on Algoma Boulevard today following a lengthy illness of several months. Her passing took from Oshkosh one of the community's ablest and best-known women. An ardent advocate of world peace, she was known over the United States for her work toward that ideal. A brilliant thinker and speaker of ability, she traveled widely as a lecturer including Europe and Central America. She was prominent in Democratic state politics and through her ability to lead obtained cooperation of the

community to completely equip and finance the first kindergarten in this city. Mrs. Hooper became interested in the women's suffrage movement and as a member of the Board of the National Women's Suffrage Association, carried much of the burden of carrying on the work in Wisconsin. She was elected to the state presidency of the Wisconsin League of Women Voters and also ran against Robert LaFollette for a seat in the U.S. Senate. She lost the election but achieved her main objective to make it easier for women in the future who wished to run for public office. Locally, Mrs. Hooper was active in the Twentieth Century Club and the Oshkosh Business Women's Club. Funeral services will be held on Friday. Following the services, the body will be taken to Milwaukee for cremation. Services and burial will be at the Forest Home Cemetery.

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UW Oshkosh closing child care center

The University of Wisconsin Oshkosh announced that it will be closing its Children's Learning and Care Center at 608 Algoma Blvd. effective June 30.

'The decision to close has not been made lightly," Robert Roberts, university interim vice chancellor for finance and administration, said in a letter to parents. "After much deliberation and thoughtful consideration, we have come to understand we can no longer provide a high-quality service while ensuring fiscal responsibility, adhering to the rigorous compliance standards in this industry and maintaining consistent staffing levels needed to ensure a dynamic operation."

The Children's Learning and Care Center was established in 1971 to provide care for children of UW Oshkosh students, employees and the general public.

Nikki Stoll Olthoff, a parent who uses

the partnerships and support she has built, and the strong foundation she has

laid for the future success of this program."

the Children's Learning and Care Center,

the resources it needs to be sustainable.

Not only is there already a child care ep-

idemic in this city and in the nation, now

they're just adding to that," she said. "Part

of the reason we are in crisis mode in

this nation is due to the profession being

grossly underpaid, under-supported and

This need for child care employees was

exacerbated by the pandemic and contin-

ues. Parents using the center have until

June 30 to find a new care center. Stoll

Olthoff said she has called around for a

new option since the news and said she

The university has directed parents to

the Child Care Resource and Referral pro-

gram and WorkLife Services for assistance

was not able to be put on a waitlist.

"They've been depriving the daycare of

said the news was "unreal."

underappreciated."

during the transition.

Katie Reed will continue as Winnebago Waterways coordinator, and she will work in partnership with the rest of the Fox-Wolf staff to ensure a smooth transition as it begins to look for the next director.

For organizational questions, contact jessica@fwwa.org. For information specific to Winnebago Waterways, contact Reed at katherine@fwwa.org.

Winnebago Waterways director stepping down

Fox-Wolf Watershed Alliance's Winnebago Waterways director Korin Doering will be leaving the organization to take a new position.

Doering has spent the last six and a half years as Winnebago director Waterways and has been dedicated to building the program, FWWA executive director Jessica Schultz said.



Doering

'The level of outreach and education she has provided has given many individuals a greater understanding of the Winnebago System," Schultz said. "We are grateful for the many successful projects that she has managed,

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County supervisor compensation options reviewed

Self-organized method would allow pay update

By Bethanie Gengler

The Winnebago County Board of Supervisors is expected to vote on an ordinance to move to a self-organized county in an effort to adjust supervisors' compensation.

Earlier this year, the board authorized a task force to examine per diem pay for committee and board meetings.

County supervisors are reimbursed \$50 per committee meeting they attend and \$75 for each board meeting. The per diem reimbursement adds up, with some supervisors claiming thousands more than others.

Supervisor Jacob Floam said the goal of the task force is to reduce county spending in a responsible way.

Chairman of the per diem task force Jim

Wise said the group has met three times since late February and found that any compensation changes must be voted on at the annual meeting, which isn't until next April. The changes would apply to new members in 2026.

The other option is to move to a self-organized county, which is considered more flexible in how it operates.

Without self-organization, the board is bound by state statutes regarding the compensation of supervisors. Fifty-two of Wisconsin's 72 counties are self-organized.

There are three primary policies that would be affected by moving to a self-orga-

- The county could use staggered terms for supervisors and elect half of them each year rather than electing all supervisors each even-numbered year.
- Supervisors' per diem compensation and mileage could be changed.

• The county could adopt its own policies for filling supervisor vacancies rather than using current policy, which requires the board chair to fill vacancies with approval from the board.

Approving the move to a self-organized county does not mean the three policies are immediately dealt with. Changes would require the board to adopt a separate resolution for each proposed policy change.

Corporation counsel Mary Anne Mueller said if the board votes to move to a self-organized county, the legislation would then go to Wisconsin's secretary of state.

It was noted at the May 2 meeting that the board does not intend to move forward on changing policy related to staggered terms and county supervisor appointments. The primary focus of the change is to deal with supervisor per diem compensation.

"The reason this whole self-organization came into play is because becoming self-organized would allow the board to perhaps be more creative regarding the per diem piece," Mueller said.

Supervisor Ralph Harrison said he supports the move to a self-organized county.

"This doesn't hurt you," he said. "It brings us more flexibility as a task force to bring suggestions to you."

The Judiciary and Public Safety Committee deliberated on moving to a self-organized county last week, with the discussion becoming heated.

Supervisor Paul Eisen accused Supervisor Bryan Stafford of demeaning him in a public forum. The altercation was quickly ended when the committee decided to call the question and vote on the proposal.

The final vote was 4-1 in favor of approving the move to a self-organized county, with Eisen voting against the change. The proposal is expected to be presented for a final vote at Tuesday's County Board meeting.

Conrad recommended for new assistant superintendent post

Oshkosh Herald

Current director of curriculum and assessment Julie Conrad is being recommended to serve the newly created position of assistant superintendent of operations, the Oshkosh Area School District announced last week.

The board in March approved a 2023-24 organizational chart with an assistant superintendent of operations that replaces the deputy superintendent position, currently held by Dave Gundlach, who is retiring June 30.

The appointment will be considered at today's (Wednesday) Board of Education Meeting and with approval will begin July 1.

Conrad began her educational career as a science teacher at Oshkosh West High

Conrad

School before becoming a curriculum support specialist for the district. In 2007, she became an assistant principal at West and in 2010 was named Webster Stanley Middle School principal before assuming her

current role in 2012.

In her new role, she will oversee strategic planning, facilities planning, enrollment and staffing.

Conrad has a bachelor's degree in education from Auburn University, a master's in educational leadership from Marian University and received her superintendent licensure from the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh.

"Julie is a transformative leader whose growth mindset has positively impacted countless learners and educators," Superintendent Bryan Davis stated. "Beyond her exceptional qualifications and expertise, Julie's connectedness and deep understanding of our school district and community will provide us with the stability to strategically move forward while continuing to inspire us to do and be better for the success of our students."

School officials said Conrad is known for strong leadership and a commitment to improving educational experiences for all students. She is a results-oriented, equity-driven educational leader.

"I am excited to expand and strengthen the work that is taking place across our district," Conrad said. "Over the past 30 years, I have developed trusting relationships with students, staff, families, community members, and business leaders. I look forward to deepening those relationships and developing new ones to strengthen our schools and community."





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Woldt

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to talk to him, with the exchange witnessed by Missy and two other attorneys.

Woldt allegedly told Goldin that the attorney was dead to him for allowing Haase to put a campaign sign on his property in Omro and there would be ramifications for his support of Woldt's opponent.

"He said I now needed to advise my clients of this new situation with the judge and that from now on there would be consequences as a result of my allowing the Haase sign," Goldin wrote in the complaint.

Documents say Woldt indicated he would take out his "anger and fury" on Goldin

"Then he said I could write him a check for \$28,000 to pay for the contested judicial campaign and then we'd be square," Goldin wrote. "I told him that would be unethical."

Under Wisconsin law, a judicial candidate may not personally solicit or accept campaign contributions. Judges are also prohibited from accepting gifts, favors or loans from attorneys if they have appeared or are likely to come before the judge.

The complaint alleges that during the conversation Woldt confirmed that comments he made to a group of students visiting his courtroom a week after he was re-elected were directed at Goldin.

Woldt allegedly looked at Goldin while telling the students that the worst part of his job was campaigning for election and anyone who supported his opponent in the judicial race was "fully responsible for all of the mudslinging that occurred during the campaign."

"Judge Woldt was on the bench, in robe, and essentially scolding me for being somehow disloyal," Goldin wrote.

During the conversation at Ruby Owl,

Goldin defended his support of Haase, who is a Black woman, by stating the importance of having a minority on the bench for diversity.

Documents say Woldt responded by pointing to his leg and stating he's the only disabled judge on the bench.

Media reports indicate Woldt's leg was amputated in 1980 due to injuries he sustained when he veered his motorcycle into an adjacent lane and collided with a vehicle. Woldt's passenger, 18-year-old Susan Berndt, died due to injuries from the accident.

Goldin wrote that he acknowledged Woldt was the only disabled judge and congratulated him on re-election. Woldt wasn't receptive, instead blaming Goldin for the contentious judicial race.

dicial race.
"He said, 'I'm 61
years old, what am I



Woldt

supposed to do if I lost an election?" Goldin wrote. "I told him I did not understand his anger towards me."

Documents say Goldin has been a practicing attorney for 32 years and has never filed this type of complaint against a judge, but the circumstances necessitated it.

"Throughout the conversation at Ruby Owl, Woldt appeared threatening that he would utilize his judicial power to punish me, my clients and my practice for some sort of perceived entitlement to loyalty," Goldin wrote. "I was disgusted by his statements and left Ruby Owl."

Attorney Nicole Morley was at Ruby Owl that night and said Woldt verbally accosted her before he started in on Goldin. She confirmed that she witnessed part of the interaction and began taking notes due to Woldt's unprofessional behavior.

Attorney Ty Gasparek confirmed that he

witnessed the events outlined in the complaint. Woldt did not respond to a request for comment.

The Wisconsin Judicial Commission evaluates complaints against judges. Last year, 588 complaints were made in Wisconsin. Of those, the commission evaluated 34 new requests for investigation and authorized 11 new investigations.

Sanctions for misconduct include reprimand, censure, suspension and removal from office.

A judicial misconduct suspension is uncommon, with only 15 judges suspended in the state from 1978-2022. Woldt is the only judge in Wisconsin suspended in the past two years.

A Reuters examination of judicial misconduct cases nationwide from 2008 through 2019 revealed that 9 out of every 10 judges sanctioned for misconduct are allowed to return to the bench.

The Judicial Commission first filed a complaint against Woldt with the Supreme Court in 2020, based on six incidents of misconduct that occurred from 2009-2016.

The most egregious offenses included referring to a 13-year-old sexual assault survivor as a "so-called victim" while referring to her assailant as a "very smart man" with a low probability of re-offending; displaying a gun at a sentencing hearing for a developmentally disabled man and to a group of visiting high school students.

The state Supreme Court wrote in 2021 that an unpaid suspension was necessary "to impress upon Judge Woldt the seriousness of his misconduct and the need for him to change how he treats the jurors, lawyers, litigants, witnesses, victims, and staff with whom he interacts."

A recent suspension for misconduct puts a judicial candidate at a disadvantage during a contested election. Woldt ran for election in 2011 and 2017 unopposed.

This year's race for Branch 2 became heated, with the candidates clashing on social media and at a public candidate forum.

Woldt mocked Haase for failing to be re-elected or secure a court commissioner position.

Haase fired back by pointing out that 30% of Woldt's sentences are overturned and bringing up his repeated incidents of judicial misconduct.

Haase told the Herald she didn't publicly list any of the attorneys that endorsed her campaign because speaking up against Woldt is career suicide.

"As a judge, seeing what is going on in our county, especially in the justice system, it's disgusting," she said.

Woldt's campaign committee included attorneys Edmund Jelinski, Patrick Seubert and District Attorney Eric Sparr.

Sparr said prosecutors and attorneys frequently choose to support candidates in judicial elections.

"It is important for everyone in the criminal justice system that judges not show favoritism or bias towards attorneys or participants in the court process, based on support during an election, or based on any other factors," he said.

Judicial complaints are not released publicly until the commission has investigated and found probable cause to make a recommendation to the state Supreme Court, who issues the final disciplinary decision. The lengthy complaint process may take years.

The recent complaint against Woldt became a public record when it was filed as an exhibit in a motion to have him substituted with a different judge in a case he was presiding over, where Goldin is representing the defendant. Woldt recused himself from the case one day after the misconduct complaint was filed.



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Group works on solutions for post-prison life

Group helps reintegrate incarcerated into society

By Kaitlyn Scoville OSHKOSH HERALD

You have the right to not remain silent. Ex-Incarcerated People Organizing (EXPO) of Wisconsin members recently visited the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh as part of a project for an applied sociology course. The focus was recidivism, or the tendency for formerly incarcerated individuals to reoffend.

Since 2014, EXPO has worked to end mass incarceration, eliminate all forms of structural discrimination against formerly incarcerated people and restore formerly incarcerated people to full participation in their communities. It then became a 501(c)(3) organization in 2021.

EXPO functions as an extended family, a community where every member helps others as both a giver and receiver in an "each-one-teach-one" process. The group stresses work ethic, mutual restitution, personal and social accountability, integrity and caring for others with a mutually beneficial approach.

Among the group in attendance was EXPO's Fox Valley chapter president and executive assistant Marianne Oleson. She served seven years in state prison and is on supervision until 2040.

"It's all just analytics to shed some light on what's going on in our criminal justice system and hopefully move the needle a little bit for some change," Oleson said.

Her first contact with the justice system was at 12 years old when she ran away from home. By the time she was 15, Ole-



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Dante Cottingham, Marianne Oleson and Jeffrey Watson participated in a panel discussion at UW Oshkosh to discuss their experiences being incarcerated in the state prison system.

son had escaped her abuser with her first daughter.

"I didn't escape unscathed; he broke my jaw in three places, broke my cheekbone and broke my neck," Oleson said. "By the time I was 19, I had been married and divorced twice to two very abusive men and had three children."

Despite contact with the judicial system at a young age, she was not incarcerated until she was 47 years old with an eighthgrade education.

"I was convicted in 2012 for misleading statements and omissions in stocks and securities," Oleson said. "Someone who went to school with my oldest daughter came to me talking about Facebook stock and I failed to do due diligence."

Halfway through her time incarcerated, Oleson said she couldn't take it anymore.

"You're reduced to your last name or a number," she said. "Who among us isn't more than our worst choice? I made a dumb, bad choice. Did I deserve to be someplace where I wanted to die? I almost succeeded."

Only 20% of Wisconsin prisons provide college courses and 44% provide vocational training. Forty percent of people released from prison return within a year; Wisconsin ranks 23rd in the country with a recidivism rate of 31%.

In addition, courts and the Department of Corrections have made it clear a person who has been sentenced for a felony conviction loses the right to vote. The state-wide organization strives to help formerly incarcerated people regain their rights after completing a sentence.

Since 1980, according to the Vera Institute of Justice, Wisconsin has increased the incarceration rate of women by 897%. The Sentencing Project also notes that Wisconsin, for the second time in 10 years, has incarcerated black men at a higher rate



per capita than any other state.

"They can keep you forever, and they typically do," EXPO member Jeffrey Watson said. "The fact that we sit here is a miracle. There's a lot of men and women who benefit from being connected to people who understand. I absolutely love doing what I do and I'm extremely thankful for that."

Watson's home life was, as he said, through a rose-colored lens. Despite this and being among the top 1 percent of students in Milwaukee at age 10, he embraced the streets and succumbed to a gang lifestyle.

"All of a sudden, the families all around in this middle-class neighborhood were wondering what is wrong with that boy. Why is he fighting all of a sudden? Why does he have this mask of anger on his face?" Watson said. "I didn't see the other people around me that were trying to reach out to help. Once that trauma happens, the vision skews."

As a child that needed security and nurturing, that's what he gravitated toward.

"Then they put a gun in my hand," Watson said.

At one point in his journey, Watson was due to serve 63 years, eight months and 15 days, during which he had 60 days of no-contact visits.

One day his oldest son – 6 at the time – visited him with his then-wife. He says, "Daddy, how come I can't hug you?"

"My mind is swirling. I look back at him and I say, 'Daddy was bad.' What does the child say? 'What'd you do?' And I said, 'Don't worry, I'm not going to do it again.'

"That was the first time in my life when I realized what I did affected other people."

The organization also continues its work fighting bills that further penalize incarcerated individuals, such as one last year that said if someone with a child under age 12 was incarcerated for four years or more, they would permanently lose custody.

"EXPO killed that monstrous bill," Oleson said.

Oleson said Wisconsin's length of sentences are third highest in the Midwest, sixth highest in the nation.

"It doesn't feel like rehabilitation, it feels more like a setup," she said.

They have also begun a Safe Housing Network out of Madison that will help formerly incarcerated people resettle safely into society.

"We are all more than our worst choices," she added. "Safe communities are good communities. You want to talk about stopping recidivism? Start treating people, currently and formerly incarcerated people, with dignity and humanity."





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Photo from NACL 173

Bags with food donations should be left near mailboxes this Saturday and not placed inside.

Food drive

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campaign they still have the bags and will be delivering them to every house in Oshkosh.

The post office is working with pantries at the Salvation Army, Father Carr's Place 2B, Lutheran Food Pantry, Oshkosh Area Community Food Pantry, Emmanuel Church, St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church and Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church. Klein said First Congregational Church will be helping get food to the Christine Ann Center and filling the Hope Fridge.

Food should be placed by the mailbox and not at the door unless the mailbox is situated there. Donations can also be left by cluster boxes at apartment buildings.

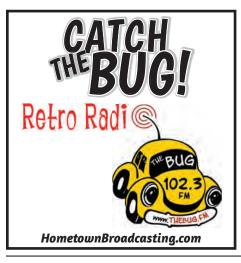
Klein said that with it being her first year leading the drive, she looked into some of the issues from previous years.

"A lot of our customers think people have stolen their food. This is not the case. The food pantries get volunteers to help the mail carriers on their routes the day of," she said. "They try to pick up any food before the mail carrier gets there. We leave a thank you card if a donation is left."

She said another issue, especially on curbside mail routes, is people leaving the food inside their mailboxes. Most rural carriers have Metris vans that are not convenient for picking up a lot of food so they rely on volunteers taking care of those pickups.

4imprint has supplied carriers with T-shirts that have the Stamp Out Hunger logo on them, Image 360 donated car magnets for the trucks that will go on volunteers' cars the day of the food drive, and Park n Print donated new food drive yard signs.

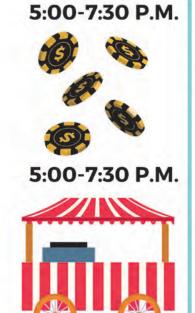
Among the local volunteer groups that help are the United Way, Salvation Army, Catholic Charities, National Guard units, veterans groups, Boy/Girl Scouts, Rotary clubs and AARP groups. Contact a local letter carrier representative, email fooddrivesocial@nacl.org or Stamp Out Hunger on social media for more information.





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Greetings Tour will be using this space on the side of The Roxy at 571 Main St. to create a "Greetings from Oshkosh" mural later this month.

Downtown mural bringing 'Greetings from Oshkosh'

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Downtown visitors will get a "Greetings from Oshkosh" in the form of a colorful mural later this month similar to dozens of the popular postcard-style art displays found around the country.

Greetings Tour is a traveling husbandand-wife team - Victor Ving and Lisa Beggs - who with a team of local artists will be installing the mural on the south side of The Roxy supper club at 571 N. Main St. beginning May 18.

The pair have completed more than 60 murals in dozens of states, with Oshkosh being the first in Wisconsin to get the signature Greetings Tour mural. The mural incorporates landmarks, cultural references, history, nature and local artist collaborations specific to the area.

The mural also will feature the work of indigenous artist Cainen Shooter, who was commissioned to create one of the letters on the mural.

Progress of the project will be part of the Oshkosh Into the Night event May 25 that will feature live art, performances and music from 5 to 9 p.m. throughout the Downtown Oshkosh Business Improvement District.



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City approves new summer art market

Jambalaya Arts Inc. will hold a Summer Art & Crafts Market to coincide with the Oshkosh Summer Farmer's Market this

The Alley Art Market will take place in the alley behind the businesses at 401-419 N. Main St. from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. June 10, Aug. 12, Sept. 9 and Oct. 14. Access to the Alley Art Market will be either from Main Street, through the Jambalaya gallery or from the public parking lot behind the west side of Main Street.

"Our board and members came up with these events to give all types of artists a chance to showcase their creativity," said Jambalaya Arts president Amie Brownfield. "Spaces are open to any type of artwork or artistic business as long as the products being shown are handmade or assembled by the person in the booth. We welcome artists and artisans at any stage in their journey."

Artists under 18 are encouraged to participate but must be accompanied by a guardian. Artists can sell their work or promote their art-based business. Registration will open online a month before each market and cost \$5 per space.

For more information, visit the Jambalaya Arts at jambalayaartsinc.wixsite. com/artfromwisconsin.

Quality-of-life survey open for residents

The city of Oshkosh is conducting a quality-of-life survey for residents designed to provide a baseline of how the city serves those residents, gauge perceptions of the city and make comparisons with peer cities.

City residents are invited to complete the survey at polco.us/oshkosh23op through May 19. Some residents have received the survey by mail as part of a sample group.

City staff have been working with the National Research Center at Polco to develop the survey, which includes questions about quality of life, policies, demographics, ratings of government services and use of services. The survey takes about 15 minutes to complete and responses are confidential.

Questions about the survey can be made at City Manager's office at 920-236-5002 or at citymgr@ci.oshkosh.wi.us.

Business news roundup

MToxins Venom Lab, 717 Oregon St., announced that it will close at the end of May. The last day open to the public will be at 3 p.m. May 28. Hours until then will be from 4 to 7 p.m. Fridays, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays and 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sundays.

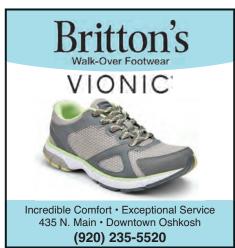
The Experimental Aircraft Association's new Barnstormer Boutique will have its grand opening from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. May 20. The Roaring '20s-era barnstormer-themed gift shop at 3000 Poberezny Road will serve as the admission counter for the museum. The boutique will feature EAA-branded products including clothing, aviation products, books and supplies.

Seven emerging leaders from the New North region have been selected to the statewide cohort of the Forward 48 leadership program. New North Inc. last fall partnered with Forward 48, a leadership development program, as it continues to expand into the region. The experience-based program connects emerging young talent with high-profile leaders. The seven-person cohort from New North, who will join 73 other leaders from across Wisconsin, includes Andrea Aurigue from the Greater Oshkosh Economic Development Corp.



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Calendar of events

Ongoing

Spring Tulip Showcase, 11 a.m., Paine Art Center & Gardens

Wednesday, May 10

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

Thursday, May 11

EAA AirVenture hiring event, 4 p.m., EAA Aviation Museum, 3000 Poberezny Road

Genealogy & Local History Acquisitions 2022, 6 p.m., Oshkosh Public Library

"Nancy Jean Doleysh" Band Room Dedication, 7 p.m., South Park Middle School, 1551 Delaware St.

Friday, May 12

Red Cross blood drive, 11 a.m., Downtown YMCA, 324 Washington Ave.

Oshkosh West Forensics Fundraiser, 5 p.m., Copper Hall, 3162 Oregon St.

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

Larry Mueller, 7 p.m., Angie's Bar, 413 Ohio St.

Saturday, May 13

Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive, 6 a.m., citywide

Lourdes Spring Craft Fair & Flower Sale, 9 a.m., Lourdes Academy, 110 N. Sawyer St.

BikeOsh, 9 a.m., (BikeOsh on Facebook for details)

Andy Braun, noon, Game Time Sports Bar, 2836 Fond du Lac Road

Richard's School of Dance 74 Years of Entertainment, 1 and 7 p.m., Alberta Kimball Auditorium

Spring Wine Walk, 2 p.m., downtown Oshkosh

New Generation Singers, 6 p.m., Peniel Welsh Chapel, W9644 Zoar Road

"Sandlot," 6 p.m., Time Community Theater, 445 N. Main St.

Andy Gross: Comedy and Magic, 7:30 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh

Sunday, May 14

Paine Art Center & Gardens on Mother's Day, 9 a.m., 1410 Algoma Blvd.

Their Majesties Film Fest, 5:30 p.m.,

Time Community Theater, 445 N. Main St.

Tuesday, May 16

Dark Nights: Trivia Tuesday, 6 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh

Wednesday, May 17

Nature Series: Native Plants for Birds and Butterflies, 10 a.m., Oshkosh Seniors Center

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

National Tennis Month Celebration Event, 5 p.m., Oshkosh North High School

Thursday, May 18

Laurie Kilmartin Comedy Show, 7 p.m., Time Community Theater

Friday, May 19

Bike to Work Day event, 7 a.m., Opera House Square

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

Selena Tribute Los Chicos Del 512, 8 p.m., Oshkosh Arena

Saturday, May 20

Oshkosh Garden Club Plant Sale, 8 a.m., Oshkosh Public Museum

Festival of Spring, 9 a.m., Paine Art Center and Gardens, 1410 Algoma Blvd. Shred Event, 9 a.m., Oshkosh Seniors Center

Ruby's Pop-up Pantry, 9:30 a.m., St. John's Lutheran Church of Nekimi, 491 Old Oregon Road

Formal High Tea, 10:30 a.m., The Howard, 405 Washington Ave.

Strike Out Kelly's MS, 3 p.m., Revs Bowl Bar & Grill, 275 N. Washburn St.

Oshkosh Alleycat Race, 6 p.m., Opera House Square

Close to You: The Music of the Carpenters, 7:30 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh Johnny Lee and the Urban Cowboy

Band, 7 p.m., Oshkosh Arena "Backdraft," 7 p.m., Time Community Theater, 445 N. Main St.

Sunday, May 21

King Veterans Home Care Drive, 10 a.m., Oshkosh Masonic Temple, 204 Washington Ave.

Carl Traeger Golf Outing, 7:30 a.m., Lake Breeze Golf Club

BBQ Competition, 11 a.m., Jeff's On Rugby, 1005 Rugby St.

Distinguished Gentleman's Ride, 10 a.m., downtown

Local Children's Author Book Fair, 1 p.m., Caramel Crisp & Cafe, 200 D City Center

Basic Needs Giving Partnership launches new grant cycle

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The Basic Needs Giving Partnership, which transitioned into a single regional organization this year to centralize its activities in support of people and places in northeast Wisconsin, is launching its first grant cycle this summer.

Executive director Lynn Coriano and director of grant-making Stephanie Gyldenvand hosted a virtual information

session in late April with details about its grant process that drew 75 participants representing nonprofits in the region.

An Intent to Apply Form needs to be completed by Monday as the first phase of the process, with applications due by June 15 and recipients announced at the end of July.

Coriano said the organization's move to its own 501(c)(3) nonprofit allow an added strategy within its grant-making cycle

to support efforts that advance equity and economic well-being.

Originally funded through the U.S. Venture Open golf event in Appleton since 1986, the Basic Needs Giving Partnership has a 10-county footprint that includes Winnebago County.

Close to \$1 million will be distributed this year in addition to the more than \$3 million being granted to previous multi-

year commitments.

The partnership will follow through on current commitments to challenges that have been made worse by the pandemic.

The largest portion of available grant funding is committed to economic stability, education, health and wellness, family support and social connectedness.

Additional questions can be sent to s.gyldenvand@bngpwi.org.





A psychological thriller which KIRKUS Reviews describes as 'engrossing tale of deception with a worthy payoff.'

Set in an opulent background of the privileged few, it shows humanity at its lowest and at its most human element. Unlike books of the same genre, readers know who the serpent is from the beginning. The crux is how each of the three protagonists - a famous writer, his personal chauffeur and the unwitting biracial sex worker - manipulate each other. Like a game of chess, a charade, a cat and mouse game. A cliff hanger to the very last page, it keeps the readers guessing what happens next: who wins, who lives, and who dies.



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Oshkosh's annual Bird Fest featured presentations on live birds of prey by Aves Wildlife Alliance.





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Bird Fest 2023 delights participants of all ages

By Rob Zimmer
Herald Contributor

Despite periods of rain throughout the morning and early afternoon, Oshkosh Bird Fest 2023 was a smashing success over this past weekend.

This year, the annual event celebrating International Migratory Bird Day and the birds of our area moved to a new location. The festivities were held at Rainbow Park and the birds did not disappoint.

In addition to bird walks throughout the morning, as well as a bird banding demonstration where migratory birds were banded for future tracking, Oshkosh Bird Fest featured excellent activities for bird lovers and nature lovers of all ages.

A special presentation of live birds of prey presented by Aves Wildlife Alliance was a big draw, as it is every year. Numerous educational birds were on display for visitors to get up close and personal. Eastern screech owl, barred owl, red-

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There were many great activities for young nature lovers and budding bird watchers. Visitors could plant a sunflower seed, as sunflowers are one of the best sources of food for birds late in summer and fall.

Families could also enjoy a story book trail all about purple martins, as well as learn about migrating birds and songbirds through several crafts and activities.

Conservation organizations dedicated to birds and habitat were also available for information and questions. The Winnebago Audubon Society and Bird City Oshkosh sponsored the event and each had excellent information and available staff for questions.

The Bluebird Restoration Association of Wisconsin was also there with excellent information on attracting and strengthening bluebird numbers in our area.

Morning birding activities included the Big Sit, a fun and unique opportunity to watch and listen for birds. Volunteers count birds that they see or hear from within the boundaries of a standard circle. Anything that flies over or flies past or can be seen or heard is counted. With a location along the shore, it was a great time to enjoy both songbirds in the treetops, as well as water birds out on the open water.

This free, family friendly event is a wonderful way to celebrate the return of spring and summer songbirds, as well as those that with us year long.







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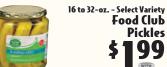


















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West's Brewer loves aggressiveness of soccer

By Tim Froberg
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

Futbol isn't football, but soccer is far more physical than most people realize.

Jenna Brewer enjoys the aggressive side of the game.

The Oshkosh West senior forward is a team captain and one of the Wildcats' top scoring threats. She is tied for second on the team in goals with three, including a game-winning shot earlier in the season against Neenah.

"My role is to play up top and either score goals or assist others in getting them," said Brewer. "I've always played up



Brewer

top. That's kind of been my go-to spot ever since I started playing." Brewer has been

Brewer has been playing soccer since the age of five.

"I started out athlet.

"I started out athletically with dance and soccer," said Brewer. "Dance is a little more girls-having-fun kind

of activity, but I always had an aggressive side to me and being able to do that through soccer has been awesome."

Brewer grew up in an athletic family. Her older brother, Jordan, played youth soccer before becoming a baseball standout at West where he landed all-conference honors.

"I definitely looked up to my brother while I was growing up," Brewer said. "It was fun watching him play soccer and he was an aggressive player, too. So that kind of got me out there to play and then I just loved soccer. "

Brewer appreciates the game not only for its aggressiveness, but its level of difficulty.

"I think it's way more difficult than a lot of other sports because you're using your feet and not your hands," she said. "I always thought it was so cool to be able to dribble around people and score. When someone starts out playing soccer for the first time, they don't even really know how to move a soccer ball. You play on such a big field and there's not a lot of points scored. So when you score, it's pretty cool."

A second-year varsity player, Brewer takes her captain's role seriously.

"I'm glad I was chosen for that," she said. "It feels nice to be able to lead people. Sometimes we goof off a little and need someone to get everyone straight and on task. But I always try and make things fun for everyone."

West coach Jim Jungwirth appreciates Brewer's leadership and the ball skills she brings to the field.

Senior Spotlight

"Jenna leads by example and is a great mentor to her younger teammates," said Jungwirth.

Brewer has helped the Wildcats gain flexibility, improve balance and recover from tough practices and games through yoga. She routinely leads team yoga sessions.

"It's not something I do all the time, but I've done some yoga and it's a role I've taken on and I'm fine with it," she said. "I think it really helps with ankle mobility and balancing. Plus, it's something that's just fun for the team. Everyone enjoys it and it gets people laughing, so I really think it helps us bond as a team."

Brewer is happy to be playing her final year of prep soccer following a major injury in club soccer. Brewer broke her left arm in October during her final club soccer game of the fall season. But she rehabbed the injury over the winter and hasn't experienced any problems this spring.

"I was a little worried at first, but it's healed and I haven't had any difficulties with it," she said. "I work out and lift and have been able to take care of it pretty well."

Brewer – a single sport athlete – gets it done in the classroom, too. She's a high-honors student who carries a 3.95 grade-point average.

"When I'm at school, I really focus," she said. "I really don't go on my phone much throughout the day and I try and take advantage of the time I have during the day."

Brewer will attend college next year and has narrowed her choices to either the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh or UW-La Crosse.

"I'm not 100 percent sure I'm going to play soccer," she said. "I may take a year off and if I decide I want to get back in it, both schools have great soccer programs."

Brewer expects to pursue a degree in a business-related field.

"I'm considering accounting or marketing," Brewer said. "I'm really good with math, so I may be good at accounting."

In the meantime, Brewer is focused on helping a solid West team finish the season strong and perhaps make some noise in the postseason.

"A lot of us played together at some point while we were growing up, so we have a good feel for one another," Brewer said. "We've had some obstacles when it comes to injuries, but hopefully we'll be healthy when it matters. There's tough competition in front of us, but we'd love to get to state."



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Senior Jenna Brewer is one of the co-captains on the Oshkosh West soccer team and one of the offensive leaders on the squad.







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Wildcats make early lead stand up against Spartans

By Steve Clark
OSHKOSH HERALD

Oshkosh West's strong start was too much for Oshkosh North's impressive finish.

The Wildcats scored six runs in the first two innings to take the lead and then withstood a seven-run, sixth-inning rally by the Spartans to pick up a 9-8 win on a chilly, windy Thursday night at EJ Schneider Field.

West ended a five-game losing streak to North with the win and gained a split in the season series after the Spartans won the first meeting, 7-0, earlier this season.

"Getting this win is big because North has gotten us the last (five) times," Oshkosh West head coach Tony Gerharz said. "Hopefully that gives us some momentum."

The Wildcats had all the momentum in the early innings against the Spartans, starting with a four-run first inning before taking a 6-1 lead after two. West then tacked on one more run in the fourth and scored two in the top of the sixth to take an 9-1 lead.

In the bottom of the inning, the tide changed.

The Spartans loaded the bases with nobody out with Cormac Sammons delivering a three-run triple to center field to cut West's lead to 9-4. Zach Kiffmeyer drove in a run later in the inning as North scored five runs without the Wildcats recording an out

Collin Rice relieved West starter Kyle Wolf but surrendered two more runs and left with two outs in the inning and the bases loaded. Eddie Schroeder got the final out of the inning as West was able to retain the lead.

"I was just trying to throw strikes and let them hit it to our fielders and let it happen," Schroeder said. "I was confident, a little nervous. Having the fielder's I know who can make the easy plays and the hard ones really changes the game."

West was unable to extend the lead in



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Above, winning pitcher Kyle Wolf prepares to deliver one to the plate against Oshkosh North last Thursday.

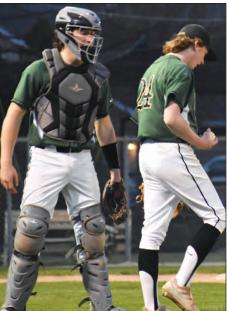
At right, Spartans' catcher Zach Kiffmeyer gives some words of encouragement to pitcher Shaun Gavin.

the top of the seventh and Schroeder got the first two outs in the bottom of the inning before North threatened again.

This time, though, the Spartans were unable to score as Schroeder got the final out with the winning runs on base.

"I was proud of the way we battled and did what we had to do. Gave ourselves a chance to win a couple of times late in the game, so that's what we are hanging our hats on," North head coach Robert Loeper said. "We put ourselves behind the 8-ball. When you are down 6-1, that's a pretty big hole against anybody to come out of."

West registered just two hits in the first inning but were able to score four runs



with the help of a couple walks and an error.

The first four hitters in the Wildcats' lineup reached base and all came around

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Trevor Rice and Erik Grey had singles in the second inning and scored to make it 6-0, chasing North starter Jeramiah Housworth in the process.

"We know that Jeramiah is a good pitcher and getting on him early was nice. It's good to get runs early," Gerharz said. "We put the ball in play and took advantage of a couple of their mistakes. We know North is a good hitting team, so we wanted to keep tacking (the runs) on."

Schumacher – who reached base in all five plate appearances and scored three runs – scored an unearned run in the fourth inning and then was hit by a pitch and scored on Ubrig's single in the sixth. Alec Berndt later scored on a wild pitch to give the Wildcats the eight-run lead.

That's when North – who saw Shaun Gavin finish 3-for-4, Jackson Hill go 2-for-3 and Jackson Anderson drive in two runs – got its bats to come alive.

"All game, we were just telling them to keep battling, stay positive and something good will happen," Loeper said. "Hitting is contagious so once one guy can get on, it just kind of steamrolls. If you can gum up the bases as much as possible, hopefully it works, it plays in your favor and that's what happened. We hit the ball – they weren't booting it around – and we earned what we did, but the hole was just too big."

Grey and Schumacher each finished with two hits for West. Kyle Wolf – who stranded the bases loaded in the bottom of the second inning - was the winning pitcher allowing five hits and striking out four in five innings of work, while Schroeder earned the save with 1 1/3 scoreless innings.

"It was a big game for our seniors and it was huge that we jumped on them, got those early runs and carried it through the game," Schroeder said. "It can definitely start our team on a roll. It's a huge win and we are out to keep it going."





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Lourdes/Valley pounds out victory over Montello

By Steve Clark OSHKOSH HERALD

Michael Roberts and Josiah Lehman ignited the Lourdes Academy/Valley Christian offense in an 8-2 win over Montello on Friday afternoon at UW Oshkosh's Tiedemann Field.

The duo, who fill the No. 1 and No. 2 slots in the Knights' batting order, combined for five hits and a walk to reach base six times in eight total plate appearances and stole four bases. Roberts and Lehman also combined to score four of the team's eight runs.

"They played awesome," first-year Lourdes/Valley head



coach Matt Armatoski said. "Michael getting on, he was able to utilize his speed at the top of the order and Josiah was able to get some nice hits and drive in some runs." Lehman said it felt

Lehman

good to provide the

offense a lift.

"It really helps the team rally and come together when there are already guys on base and we're quick, too, so we can get around the bases and get runs on the board," Lehman said. "That's a big swing of momentum for us."

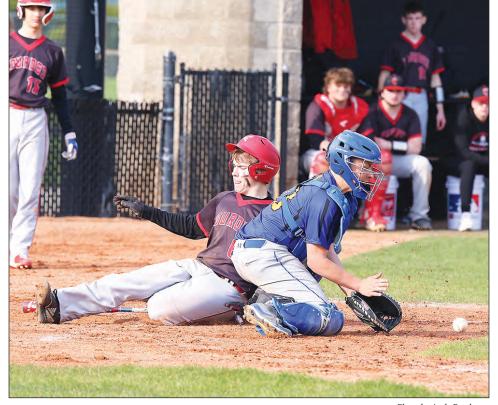
The duo didn't waste any time getting things going, either.

Roberts led off the first with a single, stole second base and got to third when Lehman singled. After Lehman swiped second base, Eli Humiston's groundout plated Roberts, while Lehman then darted home on a wild pitch.

But the Knights weren't done.

Parker Slusarski doubled and scored when Adam Dinnegan reached on an error two batters later and Tristan Gomez capped the inning with a two-out, tworun single for a 5-0 lead.

"Getting runs in the first really brings



Lourdes Academy/Valley Christian's Riley Zernzach slides into home plate ahead of the ball to score a run against Montello on Friday.

down the stress and pressure," Lehman said. "You don't want to be too comfortable, but at the same time you are sort of laid back (with the lead)."

Gomez added a sacrifice fly in the third inning to answer Montello's two runs in the top of the frame, before the Knights tacked on single runs in the fourth and sixth innings for the final margin.

"We always talk about starting off strong and continuing to build off of it. Get some of that momentum and play with a little more confidence," Armatoski said. "At any given point, one through nine, I have confidence in those guys to come up and work the count, get on base. All of the guys did a nice job of that it."

Not only did Lehman help spark the offense, but he also picked up the win on the mound.

The right-hander pitched three innings of scoreless relief, allowing just two hits and a walk, while striking out three.

"When I'm on the mound, its all about having fun and I felt very comfortable out here today," Lehman said. "My curve ball was working well today. I was really getting it out there."

Combined with a win over the Hilltoppers earlier in the week, the Knights posted consecutive wins for the first time all season, which is something the team hopes to build on.

Lourdes/Valley is now 5-5 on the year heading into this week's action.

"It's about improving and learning and getting better. We had a couple of things tonight that if they happened two weeks ago, we don't know how things would have played out. It might have been that downward spiral but we were able to overcome that," Armatoski said. "We are going to continue to see these guys grow. We are in a much better place than we were a couple of weeks ago and we're only going to get better from here

Lehman also believes the team – which does not have a senior on the roster - has also continued to improve throughout

He expects that to continue.

"Every game, I feel like we keep getting better and better. These freshmen are settling into the game and starting to get the gist of high school baseball," Lehman said. "Tonight, it looked really good out





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Defense delivers for Knights in Flyway showdown

By Dustin Riese HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

In a battle of Flyway Conference unbeatens, the Lourdes Academy/Valley Christian soccer team turned to its de-

Hailee Bauer stopped all eight shots she saw and Mary Husman shadowed Omro's top offensive player as the Knights played to a 0-0 tie with the Foxes last Thursday.

"This was an incredible game from two very good and evenly matched programs," Lourdes/Valley head coach Juan Gutierrez said. "We found ourselves in a difficult spot early, but Bauer came away with a huge stop on a (penalty kick). She was outstanding for us all game long and

gave us an opportunity to put one on frame, we just couldn't find the back of the net."

Throughout the first 10 minutes of the



Husman

game, neither team was able to get much of anything going, but once the Foxes started to open things up, the Knights were caught napping on the defensive end. That resulted in a foul inside the penalty area and gave the Foxes a penalty

kick with a chance to strike first.

Bauer stood tall and made a remarkable save to keep the Foxes off the board as that was the momentum swing the Knights needed.

The Knights finished the first half strong and continued to control play after intermission. Lourdes/Valley finished with a 17-11 advantage in shots.

"We had to move some girls around in the second half with some of our players having some prior commitments to acknowledge," Gutierrez said. "However, we were not going to let that change our style of play. The girls did a great job making the adjustments and for the most part took a lot of the good looks away from their offense."

One of the changes was shifting junior Charley Mullen to the back line to fill in for Katie Wallace, while senior Mary Husman was given a specific task early in the game and it paid off for the Knights.

Husman was saddled with the task of shadowing Omro standout Lindi Boeck, a multi-time all-conference selection and one of the Foxes' top offensive threats.

"Coach took me out within the first five minutes and told me that my only job was to shadow Boeck," Husman said. "I didn't question him and I am glad that is how I got to contribute in this game. Shutting down a scorer like her is like scoring itself. I knew I had a speed advantage over her and I listened to my teammates to help me out. It took a team effort to fulfill the task given to me."

Gutierrez highlighted Husman's contribution to the tie.

"Mary did a phenomenal job on defense tonight and played an important role for us," Gutierrez said. "She was tasked with guarding one of the premiere players in this conference and did a great

job getting in her head and taking her out of the game. It was her effort that made things easier on our defense."

Senior Addy Hafemeister had the Knights' best offensive chance late in the second half but had her shot glance off the crossbar to keep the game scoreless.

With four games remaining on their schedule, and two ties with fellow unbeatens Omro and St. Mary Springs, the conference race will come down to the final game of the season. Gutierrez knows how tight the race is and that it is still anyone's for the taking.

"Our season is coming to a close and we are in a great position to win this league," he said. "The race for the Flyway conference is going to be very close and it is a three-team race at this point. Hopefully, we can take care of what we can control and let the rest of the pieces fall into place."

Husman has especially taken this season to heart as this is the first time she has played soccer after competing in track and field the past two springs.

"I think as a team we played great. We really came together and communicated well to maintain possession. That was crucial during the second half as we were missing some key players so communication was key," Husman said. "I think the team has played great all season. Coach G knows that we can always be a better team and that is what our goal is every game. In these types of games when we know things will be intense, we always work well together and play great soccer. We just need to keep moving forward and there is no telling where this team can go."

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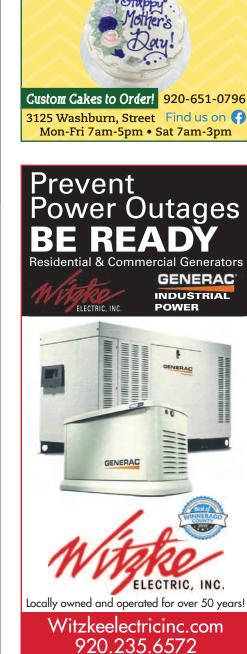
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BASEBALL

Wildcats knock off Rockets in 10th inning

Alec Berndt singled home Erik Grey with the winning run in the bottom of the 10th inning to lift Oshkosh West to a 3-2 win over Neenah at Peppler Field on Friday evening.

Grey reached base in the 10th with a one-out double and then advanced to third on Louis Schumacher's groundout. Berndt then beat out an infield single to allow Grey to scoot across the plate with the game-winner.

Eddie Schroeder singled home Grey in the eighth inning to extend the game after the Rockets scored in the top of the frame. The Wildcats took a 1-0 lead in the third inning when Owen Ervin scored when Grey reached on an error.

All of West's runs scored when there were two outs.

Ervin picked up the win in relief, pitching the final five innings on the mound. He did not allow a hit and surrendered only an unearned run, while striking out five. Jaxon Prill pitched five scoreless innings and had seven strikeouts to start the game.

Earlier in the week, the Wildcats fell to Appleton East, 4-1, with Schroeder and Ervin collecting the only hits for West and Prill driving in the only run.

Tough weekend for Oshkosh North

The Spartans' rough stretch continued last weekend as North lost three games in two days as their losing skid reached five games.

On Friday, Oshkosh North pounded out eight hits but couldn't push a run across the plate in a 5-0 loss at Appleton North.

Kegan Schlichting and Jackson Anderson each had two hits for the Spartans, while the Lightning took the lead with a four-run third inning.

The Spartans then dropped a pair of games on Saturday, falling to Medford, 6-4, and then to Fox Valley Lutheran, 9-7.

Against Medford, the Spartans struck for a run in the bottom of the seventh to send the game into extra innings, but the Raiders came back with two runs in the eighth to hand North the loss.

Jeramiah Housworth finished 3-for-4 to pace the Spartans' offense, while Shaun Gavin, Logan Frank and Zach Kiffmeyer each chipped in two hits. Gavin and Schlichting each scored two runs in the game.

The Spartans then jumped to a 7-0 lead after the top of the fourth against Fox Valley Lutheran but couldn't hold off the Foxes.

Gavin paced North with three hits in the game and scored three runs, while Kiffmeyer chipped in two hits, while driving in three runs. Housworth also had two hits for the Spartans.

SOFTBALL

Knights top Tigersharks on Senior Night

Lourdes Academy took the lead for good in the bottom of the third and Reagon Proud had a perfect night to lead the Knights to a 7-2 win over Princeton/ Green Lake at home on Thursday.

Proud finished 3-for-3 with a double

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and two triples. She also had a pair of RBIs and was hit by a pitch to reach base in all four plate appearances.

Rylee Kuklinski finished 2-for-4, while Allie Doemel also had a pair of hits, including a two-out, two-run single that capped a three-run rally in the bottom of the fifth inning to give the Knights a 6-2 lead.

Kuklinski also got the win on the mound, striking out six.

Tritt fuels Wildcats' outburst against Terrors

Chloe Tritt went 4-for-4 with three doubles and three runs scored to highlight Oshkosh West's 15-0 thumping of Appleton West on Friday.

The Wildcats erupted for 11 runs in the second inning to break the game open before tacking on three runs in the third and one in the fourth.

Tritt was the only player with more than one hit in the game, however, the Wildcats also benefitted from 10 walks. Kathryn Bergin, Colleen Fitzpatrick, Tritt, Brianna Bougie and Emmy Reichenberg each drove in two runs.

Earlier in the week the Wildcats also picked up a 10-2 win over Neenah with Bergin finishing 3-for-4 with a home run, two doubles, three runs scored and three RBIs and Kadence Saladin going 3-for-4 with a pair of doubles. Bougie also chipped in a pair of hits.

The Wildcats trailed 2-0 after the first inning, but took the lead with a six-run third inning and then tacked on two runs in both the fifth and sixth innings.

Alayna Sadowska threw the complete game, striking out eight, while scattering eight hits.

In between the two wins, the Wildcats lost a hard-fought 1-0 decision to top-ranked and defending state champion Kaukauna.

Bougie struck out nine without walking a batter and allowed just three hits but the Ghosts were able to push across a run in the bottom of the sixth inning and that would be enough.

Bougie and Reichenberger tallied the only hits in the game for West.

Spartans can't hold off Appleton East

Appleton East used a six-run sixth inning to overtake Oshkosh North and held on for an 8-7 win on Friday.

The Spartans rattled off three straight two-out singles in the top of the sixth to highlight a three-run outburst. Olivia Borowitz capped the rally by driving in two runs with a base hit for a 7-2 lead.

North opened the scoring with a run in the first and then regained the lead at 4-2 with a three-run fourth inning.

Borowitz, Emma Niemczyk and Anna Borst each finished with three hits in the game, while Borowitz and Borst each drove in a pair of runs.

The night before, the Spartans fell to Kimberly 14-7. Oshkosh North trailed 8-1 before scoring two runs in the third and three in the fourth inning to pull within two, but the Papermakers scored three runs in each of the next two innings to hold off North.

Niemczyk, Borst and Lauren Geer each had two hits in the game, while Borowitz hit her first high school home run and finished with two RBIs.

SOCCER

Second-half goals lift Oshkosh West to win

The Wildcats scored three goals in the

second half to upend Hartford, 3-0, on Friday.

Kathryn Posanski tallied the first goal about five minutes into the second, while Laney Wiebel scored off a long shot in the 60th minute for a 2-0 lead. Brenna Gehri capped the scoring with about seven minutes left.

Hannah Wolf made two saves in goal to earn the shutout.

GOLF

Lourdes/Valley finishes fourth at invitational

The Knights put up a team score of 362 to finish fourth at the Adams-Friendship Invitational held at Northern Bay Resort last week.

Lourdes Academy/Valley Christian finished two shots behind Cochrane-Fountain City and seven shots behind Wautoma. Hartford won the team title with a score of 323.

Cooper McLaughlin led the Knights and tied for seventh overall with a score of 83. He was one shot out of a top-five finish and came in eight shots behind medalist Owen Kuepper of Hartford.

Lucas Schettle was the next Knights' golfer with an 90, with Chas Mulhbauer adding a 94 and Garrett LaMore with a 95.

Wildcats fall in meet against Patriots

Jaxen Lloyd carded a 44 to lead Oshkosh West but the Wildcats came up short against Appleton East in a Fox Valley Association dual meet at Reid Municipal Golf Course.

West finished with a total of 184, while Appleton East carded a 161.

Max Kuerschner added a 45 for the Wildcats, followed by Ethan Tsai with a 46 and Fred Moorhead with a 48.

Spartans come up short against Ghosts

Christian Geffers shot a 42 and Owen Weber added a 44 but Oshkosh North lost a close dual meet against Kaukauna at Westhaven Golf Course on Friday.

The Spartans finished with a score of 176, while Kaukauna posted a 171.

Keegan Moore and Dan Chopp each shot 45 to round out the Spartans' scoring golfers.

TRACK AND FIELD

Knights compete at Freedom Invitational

The girls 3,200-meter relay team of Dasha Averkamp, Molly Moore, Mackenzie Stelter and Erin Moore finished second at the Freedom Invitational to highlight the meet for Lourdes Academy.

Kate Johnsen picked up a third place in the discus and a fourth place in the shot put for the Knights, while Mackenzie Stelter in the 400 meters and Natasha Konop in the 300-meter hurdles added thirdplace finishes.

Molly Moore was also fourth in the 3,200 meters and Erin Moore was fifth in the 1,600 meters for the Knights.

Lourdes also placed third in the 800-meter relay, fourth in the 1,600-meter relay and fifth in the 400-meter relay.

The girls finished seventh among the 12 teams at the meet.

Kyle Ralofsky had the top finish for the boys with a sixth place in the 100 meters, while the Knights also took sixth in both the 400-meter relay and 800-meter relay.

Patterson paces Warriors at Deerfield invite

Leah Patterson finished in the top four

in three different events to lead Valley Christian at the 19-team Deerfield Classic last Friday.

Patterson earned the Warriors' top finish with a second place in the 1,600 meters. The senior also placed third in the 800 meters and fourth in the 3,200 meters.

Alaina Wojtkowski was the only other Valley Christian girl to place in the top 10 with a ninth-place finish in the 200 meters.

For the boys, Jonah Menet registered the team's top finish with a fifth place in the 3,200 meters, while Nathan Arndt took eighth in the long jump and ninth in the 800 meters for the Warriors.

Alger, Blaskowski collect wins at Bay Port

Jarrett Alger and Emily Blaskowski each posted wins to lead the Oshkosh West track and field team at the Bay Port Invitational on Friday.

Alger won the 300-meter girls to lead the Wildcat boys to a second-place finish among the seven teams at the meet.

Oshkosh West had multiple top-five finishers in five different events, led by the long jump where Jeevan Ambati took second, Carver Cram finished fourth and AJ Kohl placed fifth.

In the discus, Garth Martell took second followed by Parker Fontaine in fourth, while Ethan Pinkerton tied for second in the pole vault with Matthew Davis placing third.

Other top field event finishes had Martell taking third in the shot put, while Antoni Olszewski tied for third in the high jump.

On the track, Reid Polak and Chase Brandl finished third and fourth, respectively, in the 200 meters while Celso Collins was third and Carter Crowe fifth in the 3,200 meters.

Ambati also added a second place in the 110-meter hurdles, while the Wildcats best finish in a relay was a second place in 400-meter relay.

Blaskowski won the long jump to lead the Wildcat girls, who placed sixth among nine teams. She also added a fourth place in the 200 meters.

Olivia Navin placed in the top five in two events as well, taking second in the triple jump and third in the 100-meter hurdles.

Other top finishes for West were: Henna Kaiser, second in the high jump; Sydnee Nelson, fourth in the 300-meter hurdles; and Ja'niyah Ford, fifth in the 100 meters.

The Wildcats finished second in the

400-meter relay and third in both the 800-meter and 1,600-meter relays.

North boys have strong showing at Seymour

Logan Schettle and Caston Frank each won individual events while the Spartans won three of the four relays to take seventh in the large school division at the Seymour Invitational last Thursday.

Schettle finished first in the 100 meters, while Frank was first in the 400 meters and second in the 200 meters to lead the Spartans.

Pahlavan Senam and John Klinger joined Frank in placing in the top five in two events for North. Senam was third in the 300-meter hurdles and fifth in the 110-meter hurdles, while Klinger took second place in the shot put and third in the discus.

Liam Murphy took second in the triple jump, Joshua Zietlow was third in the 400 meters and Harrison Bell took fourth in the 110-meter hurdles.

The Spartans also finished first in the 400-meter relay with a team of Schettle, Jelani Hernandez, Hunter Carlson and Devon Williams. The quartet of Hernandez, Frank, Williams and Zietlow won both the 800-meter relay and 1,600-meter relay.

For the North girls, Mallory in the shot put and Jen'nycia Haynes in the discus each placed fifth, while Lehna Mitchell was sixth in the 1,600 meters.

TENNIS

Spartans split pair of matches at invite

Oshkosh North beat Sheboygan South, 4-3, but lost to Hartford Union, 7-0, at the Beaver Dam Invitational on Saturday.

Brannick Larson at No. 2 singles and Ari Giannopoulos at the No. 4 flight posted singles wins against Sheboygan South. The Spartans got doubles wins from Anjal Adhikari and Payton Rockteschel at No. 2 doubles and Gavin Poquette and Koji Allan at No. 3 doubles.

In the loss to Hartford, Allan and Poquette had a strong showing losing in a close third set super tiebreaker.

On Thursday, the Spartans lost a close FVA dual meet to Kaukauna, 4-3. North got all three of its wins in singles, including a 6-0, 6-0 win from Giannopoulos at No. 4 singles. Kallum Larson-Poeschel lost only one game at No. 3 singles, while Konrad Bowlus-Jasinski won at the No. 1 flight.

Obituaries

Robert E. Krasniewski

Robert "Bob" Edward Krasniewski, 74, of Oshkosh, WI passed away peacefully at



home on May 1, after a courageous battle with cancer.

Bob was born in Green Bay, WI on October 26, 1948, to Frank V. and Dorothy (Vanark) Krasniewski.

Bob had many jobs, including a stint in 1967 as security with the Green Bay Packers. He even had a brief interaction with Vince Lombardi, a story he retold to many he met. He was a salesman for Northwest Engineering/Terex and Martin-Marietta.

Bob never expected to be a grandpa, but he was a natural. He will be remembered for his amazing hot-dog grilling skills, as a storyteller extraordinaire and all-around diabolical leader of his minions.

Bob married Sandra Nigl in Oshkosh, WI in January 2011. Together, they enjoyed gardening, traveling, good whiskey, booyah, and family time with their grand-daughters. Bob was a bicycle enthusiast and enjoyed his new tera trike for several months before his illness took away that option. He named it Huzzar!

Bob had a life-long love of learning and attended UW-Oshkosh in retirement to audit political science classes. He had a passion for history and political strategy, and thoroughly enjoyed the student and instructor interactions.

He is survived by his wife Sandy; sister Sue (Evan) Abrahamson of Waupaca, WI; stepchildren Kristine Nigl of Yoder, CO; Katherine (Koen) Desmet; grandchildren Emma and Nora of Stoughton, WI; James Nigl (Amanda Luck) of Oshkosh, Brother-in-law Ronald Moss, Sister-in-law Barbara (Terry) Vanden Bosch, nieces Jenny (Kyle) Coughlin of Urbandale, IA and Amy (Jason) Dailey-Schmidt of Stevens Point, WI. He was preceded in death by his parents.

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Overdoses

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over the counter. Milwaukee became the first in Wisconsin to install Narcan vending machines, offering fentanyl test strips and Narcan at no cost.

"The only thing I'll say about Narcan vending machines, I've heard that they want to put them in high schools possibly," Matz said. "At some point, we become complicit. It's perpetuating drug use. We've got to be careful that we're not doing that, that we're not making it easy."

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Obituaries

Jean Zimmerman

Jean passed away on April 28, 2023, at the age of 101. She had been currently re-



siding in Libertyville, IL at StoryPoint Assisted Living. ShewasborninOsh-

kosh at Mercy Hospital on February 14, 1922, the daughter of Irma (Loos) and Herbert p. Fink. On July 27, 1946 she married

Roy H. Zimmerman who preceded her in death on May 8, 1994.

As a lifelong resident of Oshkosh, she graduated from Oshkosh High School in June 1939. She was active in retailing for more than 64 years beginning her career at Dickson's Ladies Ready to Wear from August 1939 to February 1970. Then in 1970, she joined Pranges Department Store as an area manager in Ladies Ready to Wear. She continued when Younkers acquired the business, retiring in 1994. Beginning in 1998, she volunteered at the Oshkosh Seniors Center as manager of The Gift Shop for 9 years and then continued to volunteer there in many other capacities.

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Survivors include her daughter Kay (Stephen) Fredrick of Mundelein, Illinois, her son William (Christina) Zimmerman of Carmel Valley, California, three grandchildren, Jeffrey (Kate) Fredrick of Antioch, Illinois, Matthew (Beth) Fredrick of Menomonee Falls, Wisconsin, Parker Grey of Colorado Springs, Colorado. Three great-grandchildren, Lainey Fredrick, Menomonee Falls, Avery Fredrick of Menomonee Falls, and Andrew Fredrick

of Antioch, Illinois.

She was preceded in death by her brother, Richard Fink, of Oshkosh.

Funeral services will be on Friday May 12, 2023 at Fiss & Bills-Poklasny Funeral Home, 865 S Westhaven Drive, Oshkosh, at 1:00 PM. Burial will be in Lake View Memorial Park. Family and friends may call at the funeral home on Friday from 12:00 PM until the hour of services.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Friends of the Oshkosh Seniors Center Endowment Fund in Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

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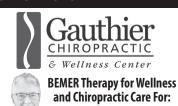
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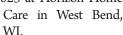
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Obituaries

Phil F. Day

Phil Franklin Day, 83, passed away Tuesday, February 28. 2023 at Horizon Home





Phil was born the oldest of four children to Marcella (Tavernie) and Duane Day on March 22, 1939. After graduating Oshkosh High School, he

enlisted in the US Army and was assigned as a medic, and then later transitioned to the Army National Guard of WI. In 1964, he began work as a typesetter at the Daily Northwestern Newspaper and continued until 1973, when he started as a machinist at Mercury Marine. He retired from Mercury in 2001.

He met his wife, Judith Brink, in high school and were married in 1964. In 1968, Phil and Judy had their first child, Jeffrey. Three years later, they welcomed their second child, Scott, into the world. Phil worked hard to make sure they were taken care of.

Throughout his life, Phil wore many titles: husband, dad, grandfather, brother, son, uncle, and friend. He was an avid sportsman all his life, growing up on the shores hunting and fishing on Lake Butte des Morts. He instilled that same love for the outdoors in his two sons. He enjoyed traveling with his wife, boating, and snowmobiling with family and friends. In his retirement, there was nothing Phil liked more than spending time at his cabin in Rhinelander, WI, accompanied by his last German Shorthaired Pointer, Libby.

He also enjoyed spending time at the Van Dyne Sportsman's Club, and having lunch with his friends.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Judith Day, his brother Kenneth Day, his father, Duane Day, his mother, Marcella Day, his sister-in-law Diane Day, and his beloved German Shorthair Pointers, Peggy, Dixie **Thomas Donald Raddatz**

Thomas Donald Raddatz, age 75, of Oshkosh passed away on Friday, May 5, 2023 at Mercy Medical Center. Tom was born in Oshkosh on December 26, 1947 the son of Leo and Regina (Polowski) Raddatz. Tom was employed at Jeff's on Rugby for many years.

He is survived by his sons, Jeffrey (Heidi)

Noonan-Day, and Scott (Erika) Day; his

grandchildren Daniel Noonan-Day, Con-

nor Day, Michael Day, Mason Day, brother

Doug Day, and sister Cheryl (Robert Noe)

A visitation for Phil will be held from

10:00 am to 11:00 am, with a memorial ser-

Tom is survived by one sister, Barbara Angonie of Bakersfield, CA. Two special friends, Pete and Mike Miller. Nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Tom was preceded in death by his par-

vice at 11:00 am on Saturday May 13, 2023, at Konrad-Behlman Funeral Home, 100 Lake Pointe Drive, Oshkosh, WI. Burial will follow at Lake View Memorial Park.

The family asks that all memorials be directed to Wounded Warrior Project - Donate.

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datz ents, three sisters and one brother.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, May 11, 2023 at 11 am at the Fiss & Bills Funeral Home at 865 S. Westhaven Drive. Father Tom Long will officiate. Visitation will be held on Thursday from 10 am until the time of service.

Committal services will be held at Calvary Catholic Cemetery.



James A. Delikat

James A. Delikat, age 75, passed away on Monday, May 1, 2023. He was born on



April 10, 1948, the son of the late Allen and Dorothy (Schweitzer) Delikat. In 1970 he married Mary Powers in Maple Park, IL. Jim owned and operated Delikat Oil Company for many years in

Spooner, and the South Main Dairy Queen in Oshkosh for 10 years. He enjoyed watching football, especially the Packers, and could be seen wearing something "Packers"

every day. He enjoyed the outdoors, hunting and fishing. His family and friends will miss his wonderful cooking. Jim will be remembered for the love he had for his work.

Jim is survived by his wife of 52 years, Mary; children: Thomas (Jahra Juech) Delikat and Kathy Delikat; sisters: Diane Falk, Sharon Delikat and Lois (David) Van Dien; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; and brother-in-law, David Falk.

It was Jim's wish to be cremated with no services.

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James R. Reichenberger

James R. Reichenberger, age 64, passed away on Wednesday, April 26, 2023. He was born to the late Ralph and Emmy (Pertmer) Reichenberger on January 28, 1959. Jim attended school in Oshkosh and graduated from Oshkosh West High School. He went to college at UW Oshkosh and UW Stout where he earned a Bachelors degree in Science and Education, and a Master's degree in English. Jim worked as an English teacher at the High School level at various locations throughout Wisconsin. In addition, he taught English as a Second language in Japan for a year. In more recent years he tutored college students at UW Stevens Point. In his younger years he worked for the Oshkosh Recreation Department as a playground and ice rink director. Jim thrived as a leader and teacher, at his happiest when helping his students learn and grow. Jim was a talented guitarist and songwriter, playing in bands through the mid 70's, 80's, and into the 90's. He recorded music with his bands, The The's, The Housebreakers, and Second Childhood, the latter gaining an enthusiastic following in the Fox Valley, Madison, and Milwaukee. He will remain vibrant in our individual and collective memories...his character, his intelligence, generosity, sense of humor, and love of English Literature, music, and all forms of art ... he saw the relationship of literature and poetry of the past, as informing his own creative writing. He enjoyed reading, nature, gardening, and animals. He loved dogs and took in strays and made them his pets. Jim loved his family and enjoyed correspondence through cards and letters.

Jim was preceded in death by his father Ralph, mother Emmy, sister Carol, and stepmother Mary Jo. He is survived by his brothers David and Jeff (Julie), nephews Kale, Aaron, and Eli Reichenberger, nieces Allison McLeod and Emmy Reichenberger, and stepbrothers Mike and Mark (Chris) Troudt. A visitation will be held on May 26th at 10am with service to follow at 11am at Fiss and Bills Poklasny Funeral Home, 865 S. Westhaven Ave.

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Judith Jean Felker

Judith Jean (Nigl) Felker, AKA Jud, age: 82 years young, passed away unexpected-



ly on May 3rd, 2023. She was born Jan. 29, 1941 to Betty and Albert Nigl. Judy will be missed by many. She was the best Nana, Mom, Sister, Aunt and friend you could have asked for. Judy loved

to shop and never let any grass grow under Her feet. She was so active, she was still working full time at Remedies in Oshkosh. Judy is survived by her Children Kelly Nigl, Scott (Shelly) Felker and Sean Felker. Her brothers and sisters; Jim Nigl, Mary Nigl (Joey Purtell), Caroline Nigl, Tubby (Alan) (Barb) Nigl Grand Children Jared(Katie) Agan, Sam (Travis) Felker, Colten Felker. Plus two great grand children Levi and Elizabeth Agan. All of these she loved and touched deeply. Judy is proceeded in death by her parents Betty and Albert Nigl, Sister; Betty Marie (Art)Fried, Joyce (Dennis) Scheriber and Patsy Nigl.

As a Wish and request of Judy there will be no funeral service.

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According to Sharon's wishes the Celebration of Life will be a Tailgate Party. Those attending are strongly encouraged to wear their favorite team apparel. However, there are a few exceptions: no Vikings, Cowboys, Buckeyes, or Husker's volleyball gear. Traditional tailgate fare will be provided.

The celebration in Oshkosh will take place on Sunday, May 21, 2023: at Spanbauer Field (formerly known as South Side Lighted Diamond) located at Sawyer St. and 8th Ave., from 1:00-4:00pm. A presentation will take place at 2:00pm. A pick-up softball (slow pitch) game will follow. Game On! Bring your glove.

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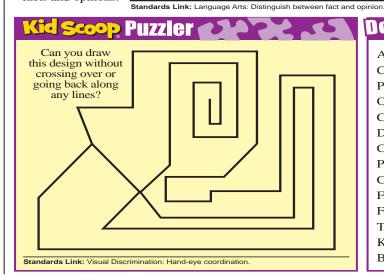
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