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## UW Oshkosh announces staff cuts

### \$18 million deficit prompts layoff plans

Oshkosh Herald

The University of Wisconsin Oshkosh is projecting a record deficit of up to \$18 million in its current fiscal year that will require laying off about 200 of its non-faculty staff and administrators this fall while requiring furloughs for others.

"For years, we have adjusted and made investments to address the enrollment trends. Regrettably, they have not reversed the course of declines, even

though preliminary indications portend some potential for stabilization in fall 2023," UW Oshkosh Chancellor Andrew Leavitt said in a statement Thursday.

"UWO is expected to finish the coming fiscal year in the red even after we apply our remaining available reserves. It is no longer sustainable for us to operate without dramatic reduction in expenses."



Leavitt

A statement from UW Oshkosh chief communications officer Peggy Breister said about 1,100 employees are subject to the layoffs and furloughs.

The university cited "a perfect storm" of financial challenges it is facing: declining higher education participation rates and an aging demographic; declining state legislative support; and increased reliance on tuition revenue amid a decade-long tuition freeze kept in place by the state.

UW System president Jay Rothman

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The row of residences at the Tiny House Village on West Packer Avenue allows families to have a safe place to live for up to 18 months as they learn the skills needed to become self-sufficient.

## Families find a place to call home

### Tiny House Village taking full shape on north side

By Jonathan Richie  
OSHKOSH HERALD

The Tiny House Village on the edge of an industrial park on the north side of Oshkosh is continuing to grow with construction set to be completed by the end of the month. The goal of the village is to get homeless children in a home.

The village, made up of 32 furnished homes on West Packer Avenue between Jackson Street and North Main Street,

provides a short-term, safe and stable house for children and their family that have been homeless. The Oshkosh Kids Foundation and Wisconsin Partnership for Housing Development have teamed up to build the houses.

Oshkosh Kids Foundation president Will Deppiesse gave the Herald a tour of the Tiny House Village (THV) last week as construction continues on the last few houses. Deppiesse said the site has been open since February when the first family moved in and since then 15 families have joined the community.

There are 16 houses completed at the

THV with another nine set to be completed this week. Construction is scheduled to be finished on the final seven at the end of August.

Some potential residents have applied through Advocap and others have been referred to Advocap through school social workers. There is a need for helping children that are homeless in Oshkosh with the state Department of Public Instruction estimating 175 homeless children in the city.

Julie Dumke, executive director for the

SEE **Housing project** ON PAGE 17

## Fireworks pros set to display their goods

By Jonathan Richie  
OSHKOSH HERALD

As the Winnebago County Fair wrapped up festivities at Sunnyview Expo Center last weekend, the event space quickly shifts to host lots of bright lights and big booms with a pyrotechnics convention next week.

The Pyrotechnics Guild International (PGI) will be holding its annual convention at Sunnyview starting Sunday through Aug. 18. The convention is open to any PGI member but closed to the public except for a pair of pyrotechnic shows to bookend the schedule.

The two public shows Aug. 13 and 18 will feature multiple fireworks displays as PGI members from around the world as-

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# Florida man found guilty of fraud theft

By Jonathan Richie  
OSHKOSH HERALD

A Florida man pleaded no contest in Winnebago County court in a case where he stole \$10,000 from an elderly woman in Oshkosh last year while pretending to be a bail bondsman.

Alejandro J.D. Garcia, 32, is facing one count of theft-false representation between \$5,000 and \$10,000. The felony charge has two modifiers – party to a crime and increased penalty for elder person victim.

He pleaded no contest in court and Circuit Judge John Jorgenson found him guilty after reviewing the complaint. A sentencing hearing is scheduled for next month.

Garcia faces up to three years of prison followed by three years of extended supervision. The elder person victim modifier could add up to four years to his sentence. He is out of custody on \$10,000 cash bond.

By pleading no contest last week, Garcia avoided a jury trial that was set for last

Tuesday. Garcia's attorney Ryan Van Ells said the plea agreement asked for no jail time and recommended 24-30 months of probation.

According to the criminal complaint, the 92-year-old victim reported to an Oshkosh police officer on May 3, 2022, around 4:45 p.m. that she believed she was the victim of a fraud scheme. The victim told the officer she received a phone call from who she believed to be her daughter. The caller told the victim she was in jail. The caller gave the phone to a man that said he was a lawyer, and the victim would need to provide \$10,000 for bond.

The man told the victim a bail bondsman would stop by her house that day to pick up the \$10,000. The victim went to the bank and withdrew the funds and sometime between 11:45 a.m. and noon, a man who identified himself as a bail

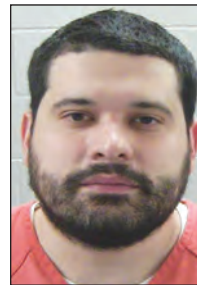
bondsman arrived in a silver car and collected the money.

The victim contacted her daughter, who was not in jail, then contacted police. Oshkosh police reviewed camera footage near Perry Tipler Middle School hoping the silver car would be on video footage, but no video showed the man interacting with the victim.

Oshkosh police then learned of a similar incident in Marathon County on May 10 where Garcia was taken into custody. The victim was unable to pick Garcia out of a photo lineup. However, authorities traced the car back to a rental company. The car's GPS tracking system showed the vehicle was in the vicinity of the victim's house on May 3 between 11:42 a.m. and 11:58 a.m.

A sentencing hearing is scheduled for Sept. 25. During the plea hearing last week, Van Ells mentioned that by September he and Garcia will know more about a pending federal investigation.

Online court records show Garcia is facing similar charges in Marathon, Keewaunee and Shawano counties.



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*Oshkosh history by the Winnebago County Historical & Archaeological Society*

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An undated postcard image shows the Evelyn loaded with passengers for an excursion.

**Aug. 5, 1905**

**Terror On A Steamer:** Over 300 excursionists on the steamer Evelyn Friday evening were given a bad scare early this morning when the boat was overtaken by a fierce electrical storm that swept through Oshkosh. Some of the young ladies were so frightened they donned life preservers in fear of the vessel going down. The Evelyn was returning from an excursion in Winneconne and had just reached the river in Oshkosh after crossing Lake Butte des Morts when the storm approached. Vivid thunder, lightning and fierce winds rocked the boat sending passengers fleeing for the cabin and protected cover, unfortunately there was not room for them all so some were obliged to stand out in the driving rain and were soaked from head to foot. Many a nice summer gown was ruined as a result. Fierce winds carried the vessel into a raft of logs and terror-stricken passengers believed the boat was going to the bottom. Finally, the storm subsided, allowing the boat to pull away from the logs and finish its route downriver to the landing dock. News around town reported trees blown down, along with downed power and telephone lines during the storm which struck between one and two o'clock. The newspaper article finished with "Dancing was enjoyed at Winneconne."

Source: *Oshkosh Northwestern*  
August 5, 1905

# Funds approved to launch Dragon Boat Race Festival



Oshkosh Media

Angie Lee discusses the upcoming N.E.W. Dragon Boat Race Festival.

Oshkosh Herald

The Common Council voted to allocate just under \$5,000 to the N.E.W. Dragon Boat Race Festival scheduled for September.

The city's Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee recommended allocating the funds to the festival earlier this year. The committee decided this festival was of its mission to hold a multicultural event in the city. The lone opposing vote came from Mayor Matt Mugerauer, who disagreed of using the Unity in Community funds for the event.

Event director Angie Lee said the event is being held to support diverse communities in Oshkosh. It is also aiming to support vendors from marginalized communities. Lee was the chair of the DEI committee until her term expired at the end of May.

The Northeast Wisconsin (N.E.W.) Dragon Boat Race Festival partnered

with the N.E.W. Chinese Association for the event scheduled for Sept. 16 on the Fox River. It is free to attend and will include live music and a global vendor market.

The initial request was for the funds to be used for supporting dragon boat racing teams, specifically for people that wanted to participate but didn't have \$1,000 to register their own teams. Lee said those teams could potentially be made up of firefighters or police officers. Dragon Boat teams are made of 20 rowers, a drummer and a steerer.

Lee said the goal of the festival was to have more than 40 teams and currently about 15 teams have shown interest or committed to participating.

Deputy Mayor Lynnsey Erickson asked how the funds could be used if they weren't restricted to sponsoring teams. Lee said the group initially wanted the funds for general purposes but that pro-

posal was rejected.

Lee said if the funds were approved for the festival the group would replenish the Unity in Community fund from which they were allocated.

City Manager Mark Rohloff said there is \$4,649 in the fund that DEI recommended are from a previous Unity in Community event and are not tax dollars.

"I don't know what the right use of these funds is, but I just don't think that this is the right use of these funds in this manner," Mugerauer said after a discussion by the council with festival organizers.

This would be a return of the dragon boat race festival previously sponsored by the Oshkosh YMCA and University of Wisconsin Oshkosh from 2005 to 2015 on the Fox River.

More information on the festival can be found at [newdragonboat.com](http://newdragonboat.com) or by emailing [info@newdragonboat.com](mailto:info@newdragonboat.com).

# AirVenture 2023 surpasses record attendance set last summer

Oshkosh Herald

AirVenture 2023 broke attendance records that had been set the previous year, with about 677,000 at the weeklong aviation event in Oshkosh compared with 650,000 who attended in 2022.

The Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) released facts and figures related to the world-renowned show based at Wittman Regional Airport, including more than 10,000 aircraft arriving at Wittman and other airports in east-central Wisconsin. At Wittman alone, there were 21,883 aircraft operations in the 11-day period from July 20-30.

"We had record-setting totals of camp-

ers, exhibitors, volunteers and more," stated EAA chief executive Jack Pelton. "It was also a challenging year at times with weather, logistics, and other factors, which makes me even more proud of the efforts by our volunteers and staff to organize an outstanding event."

There were 3,365 showplanes at the event, including a record 1,497 registered in vintage aircraft parking, along with 1,067 homebuilt aircraft, 380 warbirds, 194 ultralights, 134 seaplanes and amphibians, 52 aerobatic aircraft and 41 rotorcraft.

International visitors included 2,372 attendees registering the International Visitors Tent from a record-tying 93 countries

outside the U.S.

Camping on the grounds involved more than 13,000 sites in aircraft and drive-in camping that accounted for an estimated 40,000 visitors.

## Invasive species monitoring seeks volunteers

Residents of all ages are invited to join the statewide search for aquatic invasive species (AIS) on Aug. 19 in an effort organized in the region by Winnebago Waterways, a program of the Fox-Wolf Watershed Alliance.

The hands-on effort called AIS Snapshot Day relies on participants to monitor streams, lakes and wetlands at designated

AirVenture's economic impact, based on a 2017 UW Oshkosh study, is estimated at \$170 million for the five counties in the Oshkosh region (Winnebago, Outagamie, Fond du Lac, Calumet and Brown).

sites for signs of non-native plants and animals that pose risks to Wisconsin waterways and wildlife.

Volunteers can register at one of more than 20 locations hosted by local conservation groups. Recommended for ages 8 and older, minors must be accompanied by an adult. Learn more and register at [wateractionvolunteers.org/events](http://wateractionvolunteers.org/events).

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# Woman set to plead to lesser charges in stabbing case

By Jonathan Richie  
OSHKOSH HERALD

An Oshkosh woman appeared in court by video Monday in Winnebago County to plea to lesser charges after stabbing her ex-boyfriend multiple times. The plea deal allows her to avoid a potential life sentence attached to attempted homicide.

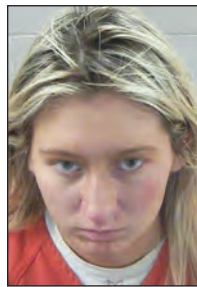
Morgan T. Lund, 22, is now facing one count of aggravated battery with intent of great bodily harm and second degree recklessly endangering safety. Both counts include a modifier of domestic abuse assessments, and the aggravated battery count includes use of a deadly weapon modifier.

Lund did not enter a plea during the hearing as her attorney Scott Ceman and Assistant District Attorney Amanda Nash did not agree on what the maximum term could be with the modifiers in the case.

Online records show the charges were changed Friday. Instead of a class A felony charge, Lund is facing two lesser felony class E and G charges. Court records show the state is recommending 7.5 years of initial confinement followed by five years of extended su-

pervision for aggravated battery and five years of probation for recklessly endangering safety.

The criminal complaint alleges the victim was stabbed 19 times with scissors in front of the pair's child.



Lund

Lund faces up to 15 years in prison followed by a maximum of 10 years of extended supervision for both felony counts, but the modifiers could lead to lengthier sentences. In March, she pleaded no contest by reason of insanity to attempted homicide. She remains in custody on \$250,000 cash bond.

In court on Monday, Ceman outlined the terms of the plea deal. Then Judge Bryan Kerberlein explained to Lund that he does not need to follow the terms of the deal with sentencing and could sentence her to the maximum prison time. He said on count one Lund could receive 15 years of imprisonment, which includes prison time and extended supervision, but could be up to 20 years with

the modifiers. Ceman objected and discussed the matter with Nash for some time before it was decided that a new plea hearing date would be set to clear up the confusion of maximum imprisonment with Lund appearing in person. The new plea hearing is scheduled for Aug. 21.

the modifiers.

According to the criminal complaint, Oshkosh police were dispatched to a disturbance in the 500 block of Jefferson Street just before 8 a.m. Feb. 18. An officer was directed upstairs by a man exiting the home. The officer reported when he was inside he saw a woman at the top of the stairs wearing a sweatshirt and looked to be covered in blood on her legs, feet, forearms and hands.

The woman, later identified as Lund, was applying pressure to a shirtless man's right shoulder area. The officer reported the victim, Lund and their child live in the home.

Lund spoke with the officer and told him she had been seeing a "figure" that was dark but not a person for between six months to a year. She told the officer she thought she saw something, was afraid and that there was something wrong with her head.

Lund said she was dreaming and saw the figure attack the victim, then she got a pair of scissors and tried to kill the dark figure.

Lund didn't realize she was attacking the victim until he began screaming and fighting back. She said she then tried to give first aid to him.

The victim told police he fought back and got the scissors away from her. He had stab wounds to his back, right shoulder, chest, face and both hands. After being transported to a hospital staff counted 19 stab wounds and the victim received stitches or staples.

Police believe the stabbing was done with scissors that had the maximum blade width just over a centimeter and blades of about 5 centimeters long.

The couple had been together for about three years but had ended their relationship a month or two before and he had been sleeping on the couch.

The victim reported the relationship with Lund was abusive before the stabbing and that she had threatened him in the past, but never threatened to kill him.

## UW Oshkosh accused of mishandling public records

Oshkosh Herald

A former UW Oshkosh professor has accused the school of improperly withholding public records and is seeking an investigation of what he calls the university's "arbitrary and capricious" release of information.

Miles Maguire, who also operated the Oshkosh Examiner news website for five years, said UW Oshkosh stood out among other public institutions that he covered for how it applied the public records law.

Maguire's complaint includes examples of mishandling public records requests, including one case in which the university withheld records from him that it had already released to another news organization.

In another instance Maguire was able to show that the university redacted information on one page of a document that was virtually identical to language released on a different page.

"There is no reasonable explanation, and certainly none asserted, for redacting essentially the same language on one page and then releasing it on another," Maguire said in his complaint, which he filed with Wisconsin Attorney General Josh Kaul and Winnebago County District Attorney Eric Sparr.

The attorney general and district attorney's offices have not indicated whether they will be investigating the claims.

Maguire's complaint grew out of two public records requests. One request related to information about human remains held by UW Oshkosh that was reported to the federal government under the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA). The other related to a short-lived fundraising effort called the Oshkosh Football Factory that led to the resignation of the school's head football coach.

"At this point I still do not know about all the information that has been withheld or whether exceptions have been reasonably applied in either of these cases," he said in an email.

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The Winnebago County Historical & Archaeological Society (WCHAS) is dedicating a new historical marker in the area that once was home to a series of institutions that provided social care and services for the community.

During the mid-19th century, several institutions resided a few miles north of the city – four miles north to be exact – where social services and care were founded locally to treat those suffering from mental illness and tuberculosis, as well as those needing care due to aging, poverty, or those simply not able to care for themselves.

Those institutions were known as the Winnebago County Asylum, Sunnyview

Sanitarium and the Winnebago County Poor House and Poor Farm.

WCHAS has placed a historical marker on the grounds where these institutions once existed. A public dedication of the site will take place at 4 p.m. Aug. 17 with keynote speakers Winnebago County Executive Jon Doemel, local historian Shirley Brabender Mattox and WCHAS president Randy Domer.

The public is invited to attend. The site is on Butler Avenue just west of County A near the entrance to the Parkview Health Center. There is a brown sign on County A and Butler that directs drivers to the marker.

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# Education budget draws more questions than solutions

## State funding shortfall keeps schools guessing

By Patti Lee  
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

About 832,000 students – more than 84% of all Wisconsin children – attend public schools. The demographics are a daunting mix of general education, gifted, economically challenged and special needs, including physically, intellectually and emotionally challenged youth.

Each of these students enters their school doors with every hope for a quality education, with their hopes inexorably linked to the state's education budget.

Public education advocates, school district leaders and other Fox Valley educators gathered in Neenah in mid-May to encourage their legislators to pass a Blue Ribbon School Budget. The rally was part of a vast, coordinated effort to put forward well-researched and bipartisan recommendations to help districts tackle the immense challenges facing public schools.

Opening the rally, Neenah Joint School District Superintendent Mary Pfeiffer explained that public schools are constitutionally obligated to accept all students.

"We serve all kids every day and we need the funding to serve all of these kids," she told the crowd. "We need to lift up our staff, recognize their profession and have the funding to support them."

Most, if not all, Fox Valley school districts have been frozen below the state average for decades. Emphasizing that point, Neenah School Board President Brian Epley said "Wisconsin's current public education funding system is based



Oshkosh Area School District Board President Beth Wyman speaks at a rally for special education funding held May 18 at Washington Park in Neenah.

Photo by Fox Valley Advocates

on a decision 30 years ago to freeze funding at arbitrary levels and continues to disadvantage districts across the state. We must increase funding for low-spending districts."

"This should not be a partisan issue," said Oshkosh Area School District Board

President Beth Wyman. "This is a student issue. We have a choice. Will we show our support for this state and keep Wisconsin a strong public school state? Or will we accept the funding policy, not increase the funding and see our performance slip away?"

Local state legislators were invited to the rally and presentation, with those in attendance including District 19 Sen. Rachael Cabral-Guevera and Assembly District 55 Rep. Nate Gustafson, both Republicans, along with Rep. Lee Snodgrass, an Assembly District 57 Democrat. Cabral-Guevera and Gustafson departed early, citing previous commitments.

Throughout the budget process, representatives of the Fox Cities Advocates for Public Education (FCA4PE) met individually with every local legislator to discuss the longtime challenges facing their public schools. FCA4PE contacted members of the Joint Finance and Education committees and testified at a statewide Joint Finance Committee budget listening session during which 40% of all testimony expressed the dire need for increased education funding.

On June 27, FCA4PE representatives visited legislative offices in Madison with a plea for legislators to speak with their district school leaders before casting their budget vote.

During a July 20 Zoom meeting with FCA4PE's Amy Nasr and Carol Lenz, the two expressed frustration.

"We've testified in front of budget listening sessions, we've reached out to them, we've presented them this huge (more than 100 pages) resource guide – but we felt coming out of the budget that a lot of that fell on deaf ears," Nasr said. "None of the bipartisan recommendations from the Blue Ribbon Panel (eight Republicans and three Democrats) were implemented in the education budget."

The education budget can be beyond formidable even for seasoned budget wonks because so much of it is caught up in the rabbit hole of vouchers, charter, private and public schools. Assigning reimbursement has a loose methodology based upon headcounts with accounting deadlines of the third week of September and the second Friday in January.

Questions on how and when monies are allocated to the school to which a child transfers do not have a clear answer. "I'm not sure," "I don't know," and "Let me get back to you" are common responses to budget queries.

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# Education budget

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State Sen. Chris Larson, a Democrat representing District 7, put forth nine amendments to SB330, all of which dealt with budget transparency. Of particular interest to taxpayers are Amendment 8, which requests monies to follow the child should they return to a public school district, and Amendment 9, which calls for disclosure on tax bills of public school spending. All nine amendments were voted down along party lines.

Under the approved budget, Wisconsin will be operating for 16 years under arbitrarily frozen spending with no adjustments for inflation. In response, district administrators and education advocates have submitted these queries to the Legislature.

**\$1.2 billion total education budget increase:** Please itemize what funding is included in the \$1.2B increase (i.e. public schools, vouchers, property tax credits). We request a LFB (Legislative Fiscal Bureau) analysis to outline the total funding allocations for public schools and for private schools. In that estimate, please outline the impact for school districts that are in your legislative district. Specifically confirm whether the added \$590 million school levy tax credit is part of the \$1.2 billion education increase and if this is in addition to the last budget's \$1+ billion already allocated for the school levy tax credit.

**Property tax implications:** Please clearly outline what the property tax increase is for local taxpayers, and identify any potential tax increases triggered by both public and private schools. Please pass legislation to itemize both public and private education spending on tax bills. Taxpayers deserve to know how their money is being spent.

**Revenue limit adjustments:** For low-spending districts, will state general aid pay for their adjustment to \$11,000 per pupil? Or will there be more tax increases for local taxpayers? Please request a LFB analysis that outlines the impact per school district, so that school districts can make educated choices when preparing their budgets.

Even though the low revenue limit will be \$11,000/pupil, there are a significant number of districts allowed to spend over \$14,000/pupil. This budget created an additional disparity where voucher students now will receive more funding per pupil than many public school students. What are your plans to resolve this disparity? (All school districts in the Fox Cities and Oshkosh fall into the low-paying district category).

For high revenue districts, will state aid cover the \$325/pupil per year increases? Or will this result in increases in local property taxes? Please request a LFB analysis that outlines the impact per school district so that school districts can make educated choices on what to do with their budgets.

**Special education reimbursement:** Justify the disparity between the 33.3% sum certain reimbursement rate for public school students, while providing a 90%+ sum sufficient reimbursement rate for voucher students, especially considering that special education is a mandatory service in public schools. Not only do public schools service more students with special needs, they service students that require higher cost services. This can require an approximate average of 10-15% of their general funds in order to fill the funding gap, which impacts all programs and all students.



Photo by Fox Valley Advocates

Those attending a June 27 meeting in Madison with state legislators from districts in the greater Fox Cities area including (from left) Marcia Engen, Patti Clark-Stojke, Jackie Nider, Claire Whelan, Ann Muenster, Jim Bowman, Natalie Bowman and Carol Lenz.

(Underfunded special education totals as of 2019 include Neenah, \$7.6 million; Menasha, \$7.5 million; and Oshkosh, \$18.8 million.)

**Transparency and accountability:** What are the requirements of public schools that are optional for voucher schools? All schools that receive public funding should be equally accountable and transparent. The use of public taxpayer funds requires this. Children must be safeguarded and protected. Students of all religions, sex, gender identity, socio-economic status, race, ability or disability deserve their constitutional rights in any school receiving public funding. The same school standards, rules and regulation, curriculum guidelines, testing requirements, teacher licensure, certifications, etc. should be required of all schools receiving public funds. Only the public school system is fully accountable and transparent for children and taxpay-

ers. Only the public school is codified in Wisconsin's Constitution.

Snodgrass' office responded the same day as the Fox Cities Advocates' letter went out but she deferred the first answer to Cabral-Guevara, a member of the Senate Education Committee. Cabral-Guevara's office sent a reply a week later with limited information. Fox Cities Advocates are drafting a response letter requesting clarification.

There has been no other communication from members of the Legislature regarding the queries. As expressed by Nasr and Lenz, "We get nothing but crickets," while noting that more than 71% of Fox Valley residents voted to pass local referendums in recent years in support of adequately funding public education.

Freezing the reimbursements to high-paying districts, some of which receive \$24,000 or more per student, would

help sustain low-paying districts such as Neenah, which is currently receiving \$10,000 per student. Another suggestion is using a portion of the general fund surplus to give every district inflation and cost-of-living increases, and fully fund districts in an equitable manner.

Republican concerns over the tax implications of the budget and incremental assistance provided by Gov. Tony Evers' line-item vetoes are countered by Democratic legislators pointing to a general surplus of more than \$4 billion in the General Fund and \$1.8 billion in the Rainy Day Fund to help solve the education funding shortfall.

Blue Ribbon School Budget advocates hope that with their research and policy documents that transparency issues be at least considered by the Legislature to determine what happens to the money and how it impacts students.



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# Homie Hub bringing supplemental education to kids

By Jonathan Richie  
OSHKOSH HERALD

A new business is open in Oshkosh that is part learning space for young people to learn life skills and part adult day care site – allowing parents to potentially drop off their children and parents for the day.

The Homie Hub opened its doors as an intergenerational learning space and care facility Monday and will be open from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. on weekdays.

Quinta Caylor has a background in nursing and owns several businesses that run online and is director/owner/operator of The Homie Hub, 2211 Oregon St. Suite 2. She came up with the idea because her children are homeschooled and she noticed other homeschool children lack some of the life skills that come with a traditional education.

The business is also open to children going to school as an after-school space to supplement their education outside the classroom.

Her original plan was for the Homie Hub to be a place for ages 7 to 17, but then she noted she could not find a facility in Winnebago County devoted to adult care.

“I decided it would be good to have an intergenerational facility for life enrichment for all ages,” Caylor said.

The name Homie Hub is an acronym based on values Caylor hopes to teach - Heart (kindness), Open-mindedness (inclusivity), Motivation (growth mindset and self-motivation), Imagination (creativity), Ethical Transparency (honesty), and Stewardship (responsibility and accountability).

For kids, there are classes offered that will focus on health and wellness, tech-



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Quinta Caylor has been busy getting everything ready at the Homie Hub in the strip mall at 2211 Oregon St. The business opened this week as an intergenerational place for people to meet and learn.

nology, entrepreneurship and life skills.

One thing the establishment is looking to accomplish is teaching young people the value in respecting their elders. With the adult day care and children learning space under one roof, Caylor said there is an opportunity for young and old to learn

from each other.

“We’re going to be teaching kids about how to respect elderly people in our society because they can learn from them,” she said.

August is Black Business Month and Caylor, originally from Cameroon in West Africa, said it is important for Oshkosh to have black business owners to bring more diversity to the community and for young people to see people who look like them successfully running a business.

“It’s about diversity – we want everyone to feel welcome,” she said. “Cultural diversity is important in Oshkosh. We want kids to see how people with different backgrounds can succeed here in Oshkosh.”

Caylor noted the importance of having the community exposed to different cultures.

“Everyone has varied experiences and those can be a lesson on accepting others and understanding each other.”

When asked about what other people looking to start a small business in Oshkosh can do, she had a simple answer: Contact the Oshkosh Chamber of Commerce.

“(The Chamber) helped me find this

place and were very helpful with making sure it was a good place for this business. So many people that I’ve talked to just don’t know the resources they have,” Caylor said. “They have not just one person, but lots of staff to help guide you with whatever you are looking to do.”

The Homie Hub has a library, computers, games like foosball, a large gathering space with comfy chairs and couches, and a workshop in the back where kids will be creating.

Caylor’s husband will be teaching life skills such as basic car maintenance, things Caylor said kids just don’t know how to do for themselves. He will also be making crafting things like wooden snowmen, hand crafted pens, and holding a candle-making class.

The Homie Hub is also currently collecting clothing for a clothing giveaway later this year with a focus on winter.

“Winter coats are expensive and not everyone can afford this basic piece of winter clothing,” she said.

Caylor is also planning a grandparents day celebration in September. More information on the Homie Hub can be found at [thehomiehub.org](http://thehomiehub.org) or by calling 920-744-3355.




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## Chalk artistry

Karissa Forrest works on her colorful artwork for the Downtown Oshkosh Chalk Walk last weekend, where almost 3,500 votes were cast for more than 50 artists who spent the day creating chalk pieces around Opera House Square.

# County building named for longtime supervisor

### Albrecht has served on board for 37 years

By Jonathan Richie  
OSHKOSH HERALD

Winnebago County's Administration facility is now called the David W. Albrecht Administrative Building on 112 Otter Ave. to show appreciation for the county board supervisor's almost 40 years of service.

Supervisor Paul Eisen submitted the resolution through the Facilities and Property Management Committee, which backed the resolution and was then passed by voice vote at the Feb. 28 board meeting. There was a small ceremony held for the renaming earlier this year.

The resolution outlines several of Albrecht's accomplishments on the board, including leading the way to get supervisors tablets and bringing the board into the digital era.

"He's always been very forward thinking in getting the county to go digital," Eisen said about Albrecht.

Eisen's resolution also highlights projects that went through the board with Albrecht as chair and supervisor, including construction of the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh-Fox Valley Performing Arts Center and expanding Sunnyview Expo Center.

Albrecht played a role in the county purchasing the Oshkosh B'Gosh building that



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The Winnebago County Administration building at 112 Otter Ave. was recently renamed after longtime County Supervisor David Albrecht.

now bears his name.

"I've always found him very fair when dealing with supervisors," Eisen said. "He's very good at getting things through the board, including big projects."

Eisen said the county has the Orrin King building next to the Winnebago County Courthouse and James P. Coughlin Center on County Y as part of UW Extension Winnebago County.

"David deserves to be remembered in the same way," Eisen said.

Albrecht serves District 11, which consists of the north side of Oshkosh along Lake Butte des Morts. He has served on the board since 1986 and from 2004 to 2018 served as board chairman.

## Annual drinking water report available

The state Department of Natural Resources (DNR) recently published its 2022 Annual Drinking Water Report, which shows most public water systems met all the Safe Drinking Water Act regulations last year while facing challenges from emerging contaminants, aging infrastructure and nitrate contamination in some wells.

The report also shows that more than 99% of Wisconsin's public water systems met all health-based contaminant standards. Wisconsin has more public drinking water systems than any other state with more than 11,000.

Throughout 2022, the DNR worked with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), county health officials, community-based organizations and public water system owners and operators.

"This report demonstrates that the health of our drinking water resources is important to everyone and clearly connected to a healthy environment and economy," said Steve Elmore, DNR Drinking Water and Groundwater Program director.

The department has revised its funding

criteria for safe drinking water projects to better identify communities in need and determine eligibility for principal forgiveness funding. Fifty-seven communities received \$34.9 million in principal forgiveness funding for private lead service line replacement last year.

The DNR also awarded more than \$105 million in financial assistance to 31 communities through the Safe Drinking Water Loan Program, to help them make needed improvements to their drinking water infrastructure.

In 2022, the state established drinking water standards for two PFAS at 70 parts per trillion (individually or combined). In addition, the DNR sponsored a voluntary project to help municipal water systems statewide learn whether their water supplies contain PFAS. Almost a quarter of Wisconsin's municipalities took advantage of the opportunity and participated in this project.

The report can be seen on the DNR website or by calling 608-266-1054 to request a printed copy. A new interactive map displays communities that were awarded funding for projects.

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## Grandstand fans

Cheyenne Herbert and her son Karter watch a tractor pull last week at the Winnebago County Fair at Sunnyview Expo Center.

# Train, Better Than Ezra bring energy to Leach

By Chase Millam  
OSHKOSH HERALD

Iconic rock bands Train and Better Than Ezra delivered an uplifting and powerful show Sunday night at the Leach Amphitheater.

Both groups featured hit after hit from their respective discographies. San Francisco-based band Train, formed in 1993, are known for massive hit songs “Hey, Soul Sister,” “Drive By,” and Grammy winning “Drops of Jupiter.” Better Than Ezra, formed in 1988, are known for songs such as “Good” and “Extra Ordinary.”

Better Than Ezra started the night playing an energy-filled set seamlessly mixing fan favorites and a wide range of covers.

“Oshkosh, you look amazing,” lead singer Kevin Griffin said as the band opened. They took a moment in the middle of their set to give a customized drumhead to a fan who has been to 100 of their shows.

The group closed its set by playing a new song set to be released in September.

Train knew how to immediately win over the audience walking out to House

of Pain’s “Jump Around.” The band carried this lovable energy throughout the rest of the show.

Lead singer Pat Monahan was interactive with the crowd. Several times fans would toss him their phones so he could take an on-stage selfie.

During “Save Me, San Francisco” the band unleashed dozens of beach balls on the crowd, adding to a joyful environment.

“Oshkosh, can you feel the love?” Monahan said, to which the crowd responded with an agreeable roar.

Train played a few covers during their set as well, including the Journey classic “Faithfully.”

The last leg of the show featured many of their biggest hits back-to-back. The crowd sang along to every word.

Train closed with an impressive rendition of The Eagles “Hotel California” and finally “Drops of Jupiter.”

“Thank you, Oshkosh, Wisconsin,” Monahan said before taking a bow with the band. “Thank you for a beautiful night; we can’t wait to come back.”



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Train turned in an entertaining show along with Better Than Ezra at the Leach Amphitheater on Sunday.

## Oshkosh Arena opens after fire inspection

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The Oshkosh Arena opened to the GWBA championship tournament last weekend after issues that led to a weeklong shut down following a fire inspection.

Another issue the arena was facing was not paying property taxes before a liquor license could be issued for the venue on South Main Street.

Last Friday, the remaining fire code issues were resolved and arena officials thanked Oshkosh Fire Department personnel for helping get the arena back open. Those issues included a fire alarm system not being monitored and sprinkler system inspections not up to date.

“The Oshkosh Arena takes patron safety and fire safety very seriously. Oshkosh Arena has complied with the City of Osh-

kosh’s Fire Code regulations and has corrected all issues cited,” the Oshkosh Arena said in a social media post Friday.

There was a chance the liquor license would not be reissued due to an outstanding property tax bill before the fire inspection issue arose. The Common Council unanimously approved the license at its July 11 meeting. City Manager Mark Rohloff said the arena paid its outstanding property tax bill before the council vote.

The main tenant for the Arena is the Wisconsin Herd, the G-League affiliate team for the Milwaukee Bucks, and the season starts in November. There are several concerts planned at the arena in the coming weeks, including a rescheduled Foghat concert Nov. 4.

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52-oz. **FLORIDA'S NATURAL ORANGE JUICE**

**2/\$13** WITH CARD

**FINAL COST When You Buy 2**

11 to 12-oz. or 10 to 12-Count Cups - Select **DUNKIN' OR FOLGERS COFFEE**

QUANTITIES LESS THAN 2 ARE \$7.49 EA.

**\$7.99** WITH CARD

**FINAL COST When You Buy 3**

24-Pack, 12-oz. Cans **PEPSI OR MTN DEW**

QUANTITIES LESS THAN 3 ARE \$10.99 EA.

**3/\$8** WITH CARD

**FINAL COST When You Buy 3**

8 to 9.25-oz. **CHEETOS OR FRITOS**

QUANTITIES LESS THAN 3 ARE \$4.49 EA.

**2/\$7** WITH CARD

**FINAL COST When You Buy 2**

4-Count Turnover or 19.6-oz. **PEPPERIDGE FARM CAKES**

QUANTITIES LESS THAN 2 ARE \$4.49 EA.

**2/\$6** WITH CARD

**FINAL COST When You Buy 2**

7.9 to 15.35-oz. **OREO COOKIES**

QUANTITIES LESS THAN 2 ARE \$3.99 EA.

**\$6.99** WITH CARD

4- Double Rolls or 6- Mega Rolls **BRAWNY PAPER TOWEL**

**QUILTED NORTHERN BATH TISSUE**

**Inflation Buster Coupons**

Offer expires 8/15/23 PLU 27206

**McCain Frozen Potatoes or Onion Rings**

**3/\$7**

12-26 oz.

Must buy three. Limit three with separate \$25.00 purchase

Good at Red's Piggly Wiggly in Omro and Oshkosh only

Offer expires 8/15/23 PLU 27207

**Food Club Ice Cream**

**2/\$5**

48 oz.

Must buy two. Limit two with separate \$25.00 purchase

Good at Red's Piggly Wiggly in Omro and Oshkosh only

Offer expires 8/15/23 PLU 27208

**Food Club Sugar**

**2/\$4**

4 lb.

Must buy two. Limit two with separate \$25.00 purchase

Good at Red's Piggly Wiggly in Omro and Oshkosh only

Offer expires 8/15/23 PLU 27209

**Brawny Paper Towel or Quilted Northern Bathroom tissue**

**\$5.99**

4-6 rolls

Limit one with separate \$25.00 purchase

Good at Red's Piggly Wiggly in Omro and Oshkosh only

**Giant Campfire Roasted Marshmallows**



**\$1.49**

PRICE GOOD AT OSHKOSH LOCATION ONLY

**OSHKOSH ONLY DEALS**

**From the Meat Department**

**CAB T-Bones**



**\$9.99** per Pound

**Klements Brats or Italian Sausages**



16 oz.  
**\$3.99** each

**From the Deli**

**8-Piece Chicken**



**\$7.99** each

**Sandwich Spread**



**\$4.99** per Pound

**From the Bakery**

**Cream Puffs**



**99¢** each

**OSHKOSH ONLY DEALS**

**MELON MANIA!**

<p>Sugar Sweet Jumbo California Cantaloupe <b>\$1.99</b> ea.</p>	<p>Extra Large Honeydew or Mini Watermelon <b>\$2.99</b> ea.</p>	<p>Fresh Cut Seedless Watermelon <b>99¢</b> lb.</p>
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<p>2-lb. Sweet Seedless Clementines <b>\$3.99</b></p>	<p>California Summerripe Peaches, Nectarines or Plums <b>\$3.49</b> lb.</p>	<p>9.7-11.75-oz. - Fresh Express Caesar or Chopped Salad Kits <b>\$3.99</b></p>	<p>1-lb. Bolthouse Farms Baby Carrots <b>2/\$3</b></p>
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<p>Fancy Lemons ..... <b>2/98¢</b></p>	<p>Washington State Cherries <b>\$3.99</b> lb.</p>	<p>Large Avocados <b>4/\$5</b></p>	<p>Garden Fresh Green Onions <b>89¢</b> Bunch</p>	<p>8-oz. Giorgio Whole White Mushrooms <b>2/\$4.50</b></p>
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**Fresh Locally Grown Specials**

<p>Bi-Color Sweet Corn <b>4/\$2</b></p>	<p>Garden Fresh Green Beans <b>\$1.29</b> lb.</p>	<p>Wisconsin Green Cabbage <b>69¢</b> lb.</p>	<p>Garden Fresh Yellow or Zucchini Squash <b>\$1.49</b> lb.</p>
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<p>Summer Time Roses Bouquet <b>\$15.99</b></p>	<p>Cotton Candy Bouquet <b>\$14.99</b></p>	<p>Bright Side Bouquet <b>\$12.99</b></p>	<p>4-Inch Pilea Plant <b>\$8.99</b></p>
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**MOZZA PALOOZA**

**BELGIOIOSO**  
FRESH MOZZARELLA SUMMER FESTIVAL  
"Classic Italian Cheese Made In The USA."

<p>8-oz. Fresh Mozzarella Pearls, Balls &amp; Sliced Logs <b>BOGO</b> Save at Least \$4.49!</p>	<p>1-lb. Sliced Mozzarella Log <b>\$5.99</b></p>	<p>8-oz. Burrata <b>\$5.99</b></p>
<p>Pint Grape Tomatoes or Basil <b>2/\$5</b></p>	<p>12-oz. Focaccia Bread <b>\$1.99</b></p>	<p>16.90-oz. Extra Virgin or Pure Food Club Olive Oil <b>\$4.49</b></p>

**DIGITAL e-COUPON**

SCAN FOR YOUR DIGITAL COUPONS. SEE COUPON FOR OFFER DETAILS.

<p>4-Double Roll That's Smart Bath Tissue or Single Roll - Simply Done Paper Towel <b>5/\$5</b> WITH CARD</p>	<p>3-oz. Pouch Paws Cat Food <b>3/\$2</b> WITH CARD</p>	<p>14.6 to 18-oz. Dawn Dish Soap or 12.2 to 14.7-oz. Dawn EZ Squeeze <b>\$2.49</b> WITH CARD</p>
<p>14 to 24-Count - Gallon or Quart Simply Done Zipper Freezer or Storage Bags <b>\$1.49</b> WITH CARD</p>	<p>14 to 20-lb. Arm &amp; Hammer Cat Litter <b>\$8.99</b></p>	<p>31-Count Flings or 88-oz. Gain Laundry Detergent <b>\$7.99</b> WITH CARD</p>
<p>13.50-oz. Herbel Essence Bio Renew <b>\$5.99</b> WITH CARD</p>	<p>48-Count Simply Done Plastic Cutlery <b>\$1.29</b> WITH CARD</p>	<p>120-Count Sheets or 51-oz. Gain Fabric Softener <b>\$4.49</b> WITH CARD</p>
<p>13.5-oz. Old Spice 2-in-1 Shampoo &amp; Conditioner <b>\$4.99</b> WITH CARD</p>	<p>18 to 32-Count Tippy Toes Diapers or Training Pants <b>\$6.99</b> WITH CARD</p>	<p>11 to 25-Count Cascade Dishwasher Detergent <b>\$4.99</b> WITH CARD</p>

**piggly wiggly Beverage Headquarters** Some items may not be available at all locations.

<p>6-Pack Blast Splash Flavored Water <b>\$2.99</b> WITH CARD</p>	<p>2-Liter Bottles Pepsi or MTN Dew <b>2/\$4</b> WITH CARD</p>	<p>12-Pack, 12-oz. Cans and 8-Pack, 12-oz. Bottles 7UP, Dr. Pepper or RC Cola <b>3/\$15</b> WITH CARD</p>
<p>2-Liter Bottle Coke, Diet Coke or Sprite <b>2/\$4</b> WITH CARD</p>	<p>8-Pack, 20-oz. Bottles Powerade <b>2/\$10</b> WITH CARD</p>	<p>2-Liter Bottle 7UP, Dr. Pepper or RC Cola <b>3/\$6</b> WITH CARD</p>

**DAIRY & FROZEN**

8-oz. Land O Lakes Shredded Cheese **2/\$5**  
WITH CARD

24-oz. Greek Gods Greek Yogurt **\$3.99**  
WITH CARD

**DIGITAL e-COUPON**  
SCAN FOR YOUR DIGITAL COUPONS. SEE COUPON FOR OFFER DETAILS.  
4/6 SALE PRICE -1.00 Less Digital Coupon Offer  
5-oz. Yoplait OUI Yogurt **4/\$5**  
FINAL COST Limit 1 Offer Per Customer WITH CARD

4 to 5-Count Pillsbury Biscuits, Crescents or Cinnamon Rolls **2/\$3**  
WITH CARD

16-oz. Prairie Farms Sour Cream **2/\$4**  
WITH CARD

16-oz. Food Club Cottage Cheese **\$1.79**  
WITH CARD

25.10 to 33.75-oz. Brew Pub Deep Dish or Stuffed Crust Pizza **\$8.99**  
WITH CARD

27 to 33-oz. Gino's East Deep Dish or Home Run Inn Pizza **\$6.99**  
WITH CARD

40-Count Mini or 5 to 12-Count - Select Eggo Waffles **\$2.69**  
WITH CARD

8-Count The Laughing Cow Cheese Wedges **\$2.99**  
WITH CARD

10 to 12-oz. or 8-Count Frigo String Cheese or Snack Sticks **\$3.49**  
WITH CARD

6-Count Crystal Farms English Muffins **2/\$4**  
WITH CARD

12-oz. - Select Old Orchard Juice Concentrate **2/\$3**  
WITH CARD

3 to 14-Pack - Select Dove, Snickers, Twix, or Milky Way Ice Cream Bars **2/\$8**  
WITH CARD

4-Quart Dean's Ice Cream **\$6.99**  
WITH CARD

12-Pack Kemp's Ice Cream Sandwiches **\$3.99**  
WITH CARD

8-Pack Crav'n Flavor Ice Cream Cones **\$5.99**  
WITH CARD

9.25 to 13-oz. - Select Healthy Choice Café Steamers or Marie Callender's Bowls **2/\$7**  
WITH CARD

24 to 31-oz. Marie Callender's Meals to Share **\$6.29**  
WITH CARD

**YOUR EVERY DAY GROCERY ESSENTIALS**

13 to 16-oz. Select Great Grains, 15-oz. Cocoa or Fruity Pebbles or 20.5-oz. Grape Nuts Post Cereal **\$3.49**  
WITH CARD

24-oz. Syrup or 32-oz. Pearl Milling Company Pancake Mix **\$2.99**  
WITH CARD

20-oz. Cheerios, 27-oz. Cinnamon Toast Crunch or 27.2-oz. Honey Nut Cheerios General Mill's Cereal **\$4.99**  
WITH CARD

6-Count Thomas' Bagels or English Muffins **\$3.79**  
WITH CARD

8-Count - Gourmet, Hamburger or Village Hearth Hot Dog Buns **\$2.89**  
WITH CARD

20-oz. - Piggly Wiggly Honey Wheat, Split Top Wheat or White Bread **\$1.89**  
WITH CARD

64-oz. Indian Summer Apple Juice or 100% Apple Cider **2/\$5**  
WITH CARD

64-oz. Old Orchard Juice **\$1.99**  
WITH CARD

2.6 to 4.50-oz. Starkist Pouches **4/\$5**  
WITH CARD

9 to 13-oz. Old Dutch Crunch or Tortilla Chips **2/\$6.50**  
FINAL COST WHEN YOU BUY 2 WITH CARD

6.6-oz. Pepperidge Farm Goldfish **\$1.79**  
WITH CARD

8 to 10-Pack Sunbelt Bakery Bars **2/\$5**  
WITH CARD

8 to 8.20-oz. Box Idahoan Potatoes **2/\$5**  
WITH CARD

10-Pack Kool-Aid Jammers **\$2.69**  
WITH CARD

6.20 to 8.30-oz. Suddenly Salad **2/\$4**  
WITH CARD

8 to 10-Pack Quaker Instant Oatmeal **\$3.49**  
WITH CARD

12-oz. Werther's Original Riesen Chocolate or Werther's Original Candy **\$3.49**  
WITH CARD

16-oz. Lawry's Season Salt **\$3.99**  
WITH CARD

14-oz. That's Smart Yellow Mustard **79¢**  
WITH CARD

16-oz. Olive Garden Salad Dressing **\$3.49**  
WITH CARD

**You'll never have to choose between great food and saving money!**

46-oz. Can Food Club Tomato Juice **\$1.89**  
WITH CARD

16-oz. Food Club Deluxe American Singles **\$3.29**  
WITH CARD

24-oz. - Select Food Club Frozen Vegetables **\$1.99**  
WITH CARD

5-lb. Bag Food Club Flour **\$2.49**  
WITH CARD

18-oz. Food Club BBQ Sauce **2/\$3**  
WITH CARD

22.6 to 30.5-oz. - Select Food Club Coffee **\$7.99**  
WITH CARD

28 to 29-oz. Food Club Tomatoes or Tomato Sauce **2/\$3**  
WITH CARD

6 to 8-Pack Food Club Chewy Granola Bars **2/\$4**  
WITH CARD

1.62-oz. Food Club H2O To Go **2/\$5**  
WITH CARD

4-Pack Food Club Pudding Snacks **3/\$3**  
WITH CARD

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food club since 1945  
**dollar days!**  
16-oz. Food Club Chunk or Shredded Cheese **2/\$7**  
WITH CARD  
6 to 8-oz. Food Club Sliced Cheese **2/\$4**  
WITH CARD  
8-oz. Food Club Cream Cheese **2/\$3**  
WITH CARD  
48-oz. Sherbet or Food Club Premium Ice Cream **2/\$6**  
WITH CARD  
14.5 to 15.25-oz. - Select Food Club Vegetables **5/\$4**  
WITH CARD  
4-lb. Food Club Sugar **2/\$5**  
WITH CARD  
8-oz. Food Club Tomato Sauce **3/\$1**  
WITH CARD  
128-oz. Food Club Vinegar **\$2**  
WITH CARD

**SAVE \$5**  
ON ONE SELECT PARTY SIZE LAY'S CHIPS WITH THE PURCHASE OF ONE BUDWEISER OR BUD LIGHT 24-PACK OR LARGER.

24-Pack, 12-oz. Cans  
**Budweiser or Bud Light**  
**\$20.99** LOWEST LEGAL RETAIL

**SAVE \$3**  
ON ONE 24-PACK, 16.9-OZ. BOTTLES, PIGGLY WIGGLY WATER WITH THE PURCHASE OF ONE MICHELOB ULTRA 18-PACK, 12-OZ. CANS.

18-Pack, 12-oz. Cans  
**Michelob Ultra**  
**\$17.89**

**\$3 INSTANT SAVINGS** ON ONE 2.85-OZ. OR LARGER JACK'S LINK'S JERKY WITH THE PURCHASE OF ONE BUSCH 18-PACK, 12-OZ. CANS.

18-Pack, 12-oz. Cans  
**Busch or Busch Light**  
**\$14.49**

**AFTER \$2 INSTANT SAVINGS**

8-Pack, 12-oz. Cans  
**Nütrl Fruit Seltzer**  
**\$15.99**

**BUSCH LIGHT**  
30-Pack, 12-oz. Cans  
**Busch or Busch Light**  
**\$20.99** LOWEST LEGAL RETAIL

**STELLA ARTOIS**  
12-Pack, 11.2-oz. Bottles or 12-Pack, 12-oz. Cans  
**Stella Artois**  
**\$14.79**

**CUTWATER LIME MARGARITA**  
4-Pack, 12-oz. Cans  
**Cutwater Cocktails**  
**\$12.49**

**AFTER \$2 INSTANT SAVINGS**

12-Pack, 12-oz. Cans  
**Bud Light Lime**  
**\$11.29**

**Our Meat Department Welcomes You**

**PRAIRIE FRESH** **GREAT ON THE GRILL!**  
**FAMILY PACK!** Boneless  
**Pork Rib Chops**  
**\$2.99** lb.

**The Best Dressed Chicken** Antibiotic FREE!  
**Whole Fryer Chicken**  
**\$14.9** lb.

**CERTIFIED ANGUS BEEF**  
**Sirloin Tip Steaks**  
**\$5.99** lb.

**PRAIRIE FRESH** 18.4-27.2-oz. - Assorted Flavors  
**Seasoned Pork Fillets or Tenderloins**  
**\$6.49** WITH CARD

**PRAIRIE FRESH** **Bacon Wrapped Pork Ribeye Chops**  
**\$3.49** lb.

**PRAIRIE FRESH** Previously Frozen  
**St. Louis Style Spare Ribs**  
**\$2.99** lb.

**CERTIFIED ANGUS BEEF** Fresh  
**Cubed Steak**  
**\$5.99** lb.

19-25.5-oz. - Assorted Varieties - Frozen  
**Tyson Breaded Chicken**  
**\$9.99** WITH CARD

7.2-12-oz. - Assorted Varieties  
**Klement's Summer Sausage or Snack Sticks**  
**\$4.99** WITH CARD

12-oz.  
**Bar-S Classic Franks**  
**\$1.59** WITH CARD

16-oz. - Fresh - 93% Lean  
**Butterball Ground Turkey**  
**\$4.99** WITH CARD

12-oz.  
**Piggly Wiggly Pork Sausage Links & Patties**  
**\$2.99** WITH CARD

2.52-oz. - Assorted Varieties  
**Oscar Mayer Fully Cooked Bacon**  
**\$3.99** WITH CARD

8-oz.  
**Sugardale Sliced Pepperoni**  
**\$2.99** WITH CARD

12-oz. - Assorted Varieties  
**Rosina Meatballs**  
**\$3.99** WITH CARD

**Scrumptious Seafood Specials!**

**SHRIMP** 26-30-Count - 16-oz. - Whole  
**Cooked Shrimp**  
**\$9.99** WITH CARD

**SHRIMP** 8-12-Count - 16-oz. - Whole  
**EZ Peel Raw Shrimp**  
**\$9.99** WITH CARD

**TILAPIA** 32-oz. - Whole  
**Tilapia Fillets**  
**\$11.99** WITH CARD

**FARM RAISED** Fresh  
**Salmon Fillets**  
**\$8.99** lb.

**Deli • Homemade Taste** Some items may not be available at all locations.

Assorted Varieties - Kretschmar  
**Turkey & Chicken Breast**  
**\$8.99** lb.

**PATRICK CUDAHY**  
**Patrick Cudahy Virginia or Honey Ham**  
**\$5.99** lb.

**Pork Carnitas**  
**\$6.99** lb.  
Spanish Rice with Vegetables... \$3.99 lb.

5-oz. - BelGioioso  
**Italian Cheese Cups**  
**\$3.99** WITH CARD

8-oz. - Assorted Varieties  
**Wood River Artisan Cheese**  
**\$4.99** WITH CARD

5.3-oz. - Assorted - Sartori  
**BellaVitano Wedges**  
**\$5.99** WITH CARD

**Cady Creek**  
**Mild Cheddar**  
**\$6.99** lb.

**Deviled Egg Potato Salad**  
**\$3.49** lb.

**Creamy Cucumber Salad**  
**\$6.99** lb.

**Garden Pasta Salad**  
**\$3.99** lb.

**Steakhouse Coleslaw**  
**\$3.49** lb.

**Bakery • Homemade Fresh** Some items may not be available at all locations.

**Fresh Baked** 8-Count  
**Hamburger or Hot Dog Buns**  
**\$2.49**  
16-oz. Farmer's or White Bread... \$1.99

**Fresh Baked** 12-Count - Assorted  
**Strudel Bites**  
**\$2.99**  
3-Count Filled Croissants... \$4.49

**Fresh Baked** 8-Inch  
**Dutch Apple Pie**  
**\$6.99**  
8-Inch - Rich's Cookies & Cream Cake... \$8.99

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24-Pack, 12-oz. Cans or Bottles  
**Coors Banquet, MGD, Miller 64, Miller Lite or Coors Light**  
**\$20.99** LOWEST LEGAL RETAIL

30-Pack, 12-oz. Cans  
**Pabst Blue Ribbon**  
**\$18.92** LOWEST LEGAL RETAIL

12-Pack, 12-oz. Cans or Bottles or 15-Pack, 12-oz. Cans  
**Blue Moon Craft**  
**\$15.29**

12-Pack, 12-oz. Cans or Bottles  
**Mike's Hard Lemonade**  
**\$15.69**

**AFTER \$6 INSTANT COUPON WHEN YOU BUY TWO BOTTLES**  
1.75-Liter Bottle  
**Bacardi Rum**  
**\$19.99** ea.

1.75-Liter Bottle  
**Seagram's 7 Crown Whisky**  
**\$20.99**

750 ML Bottle  
**Rum Chata**  
**\$22.99**

1.75-Liter  
**Mr. Boston Vodka**  
**\$9.99**

**AFTER \$3 MAIL-IN REBATE**  
1.75-Liter Bottle  
**Chi Chi's Cocktails**  
**\$7.99**

750 ML Bottle  
**Meiomi Red Wines**  
**\$19.99**

5-Liter Box  
**Franzia Wines**  
**\$15.99**

750 ML Bottle  
**Dark Horse Wines**  
**\$8.99**

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# Calendar of events

**Ongoing**

“Rodin: Contemplation and Dreams” exhibit, Paine Art Center & Gardens

**Wednesday, Aug. 9**

Music on Main with Janet Planet, 5:30 p.m., Opera House Square

The Grand’s 140th Anniversary Celebration with the Shari Lewis Legacy, 7:30 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh

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

**Thursday, Aug. 10**

Live at Lunch: Taylor Jacobson, noon, Opera House Square

Waterfest: Warrant, Lita Ford and Firehouse, 6 p.m., Leach Amphitheater

**Friday, Aug. 11**

Winnebago County Blood Drive, 10 a.m., Coughlin Center, 625 E. County Y

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

Oshkosh Food Truck Rally, 4:30 p.m., South Park

Wayne Neumann, 5:30 p.m., Fox River Brewing Co.

**Saturday, Aug. 12**

Oshkosh Farmers Market and Alley Art Market, 8 a.m., downtown

Pedal Out Hunger, 9 a.m., Salvation Army, 417 Algoma Blvd.

pdsFusion Triathlon, 8 a.m., Oshkosh North High School

Fitness at the Park, 6 p.m., Winnebago County Community Park Shelter No. 3

Family Discovery Days, 11 a.m., Oshkosh Public Museum

Blue Collar Blues Band, 3 p.m., Fifth Ward Brewing Co.

“Ed Gein: The Musical,” 7 p.m., Time Community Theater, 445 N. Main St.

Warriors on the Water Benefit, 8 a.m., Skipper Bud’s Marina, 1351 Egg Harbor Lane

Mike Sullivan, 5:30 p.m., Fox River Brewing Co.

**Sunday, Aug. 13**

Lilie Fouts, noon, Parker John’s BBQ

& Pizza, 30 Wisconsin St.

Kenny James, 5:30 p.m., Fox River Brewing Co.

Pilates in the Park, 6 p.m., Winnebago County Community Park Shelter 3

Pyrotechnics Guild International fireworks show, dusk, Sunnyview Expo Center

**Tuesday, Aug. 15**

Scotty Meyer, 8 p.m., The Hangar, 1485 W 20th Ave.

**Wednesday, Aug. 16**

Brews on the Bay, 5 p.m., Menominee Park

Music on Main with Kyle Megna, 5:30 p.m., Opera House Square

Waterfest: Tower of Power, Alex McMurray Band with Paul Sanchez, The Pocket Kings, 6 p.m., Leach Amphitheater

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

**Thursday, Aug. 17**

Live at Lunch: Brigade Music and Tech Ensemble, noon, Opera House Square

Mike Grasso, 5:30 p.m., Fox River Brewing Co.

**Friday, Aug. 18**

Taylor Jacobson, 5:30 p.m., Fox River Brewing Co.

Outdoor Movie Night: “Vivo,” 6:30 p.m., Leach Amphitheater

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

Spectacular Game Night, 4 p.m., Fox Valley Physical Therapy, 909 S. Washburn St.

Cherith International benefit concert, 6:30 p.m., Calvary SonRise, 222 Church Ave.

Pyrotechnics Guild International fireworks show, dusk, Sunnyview Expo Center

**Saturday, Aug. 19**

Oshkosh Farmers Market (with Alley Art Market and Square Fare), 8 a.m., downtown

Town of Algoma Fire Department Car Show & Pig Roast, 8 a.m., Skipper Buds, 1351 Egg Harbor Lane

Sundae & Mr. Goessl, 11 a.m., Oshkosh Public Library

Mandy Mae, 5:30 p.m., Fox River Brewing Co.

“The Princess Bride,” 7 p.m., Time Community Theater, 445 N. Main St.

**Sunday, Aug. 20**

Mathew Haeffel, 2 p.m., TJ’s Harbor, 7098 U.S. 45



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## Neighborly sign

Midtown Neighborhood Association, which the city added as an official neighborhood group in late 2019, recently had street sign toppers installed in its area that member David Rucker said adds a more visible status. The geographic boundaries are New York Avenue, East Irving Avenue, North Main Street and train tracks on the east side. St. John’s Evangelical Lutheran Church on Main Street has been hosting meetings and neighborhood events, and the association’s annual get-together is Sept. 15. Midtown resident and Common Council member Joe Stephenson said, “Midtown is a shining example of how a handful of people can bring a sense of place and belonging to a neighborhood.”

## Music concert to benefit Cherith International

An Oshkosh-based ministry that serves those in need in Myanmar, Sri Lanka and the United States is holding a benefit concert Aug. 18 at Calvary SonRise, 222 Church Ave., as a fundraiser.

Cherith International, which also provides free clothing and household items

to Fox Valley residents referred to them, will feature singer Dan Sanchez along with other local performers for the concert that begins at 7 p.m.

For more information on the organization, go to [www.cherithintl.org](http://www.cherithintl.org), or contact [info@cherithintl.org](mailto:info@cherithintl.org) or 920-527-1002.



Available at Amazon, Barnes & Noble and Outskirts Press in soft and hardcover, soon in Kindle and Nook editions. Planned audio version soon.

**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.*

The **JOCKEY CLUB**



**24 E. Gruenwald Ave., Oshkosh**  
**920-385-4036**  
**OPEN DAILY: 11 am**

**Saturday, August 12th**

JASON MOON

2 to 6 pm





T-Bone Steaks

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Mexican & American  
after 3 pm

FRIDAY FISH FRY

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# Warrant returning to Oshkosh to rock Waterfest

By Chase Millam  
OSHKOSH HERALD

American heavy metal band Warrant, set to play the Leach Amphitheater alongside Lita Ford and Firehouse on Aug. 10, has a long history in Wisconsin and the Fox Valley, most recently at the Oshkosh Arena last year.

“We go where we’re wanted. We’ve always had a great relationship with the area; it’s beautiful,” said longtime lead guitarist Joey Allen, who has family in De Pere.

“My uncle was a professor at St. Norbert’s,” he said. “My cousins live there so when we come anywhere close it’s a good time for me to visit my family and see people. As a young boy I used to come up. I remember going on the rapids of the Fox River back in the day.”

Allen said some of his favorite memories from Wisconsin shows include the first and last time they played the Brown County Arena in Green Bay.

“The first time was with Poison and the last time was with Bret Michaels; it was the day before they tore it down,” he said. “Just some really fond memories. Always fantastic people and fans. It’s just never been anything but a good time up there – to paraphrase Bret Michaels himself.”

The band’s Oshkosh Arena show in 2022 also featured Lita Ford and Firehouse.

“We’ve been on the road with Lita and Firehouse throughout our career,” Allen said. “Both of those bands are fantastic people, they’re fantastic to tour with. We’re all friends, so I mean the experi-



Warrant returns to Oshkosh with a Waterfest concert lineup Thursday that includes Lita Ford and Firehouse.

ence of that gig was just a good time.”

Warrant gained the national spotlight with its debut album “Dirty Rotten Filthy Stinking Rich” and the single “Heaven” in 1989, which reached No. 1 in Rolling Stone and No. 2 on the Billboard Hot 100. The band’s success continued with the double platinum “Cherry Pie” in 1990.

Allen has been in the music business for nearly 45 years. In that span he has learned to appreciate things a lot more.

“I think with any tenure, job or profession as you get older you get wiser,” he said. “Warrant is my passion, it’s my love; but I’ve also been in the music industry for the last 18 years working with a musical instruments manufacturer so I work between 70 and 80 hours a week when I’m on tour.”

Allen said the band takes every show they play seriously, in contrast to some they played in their 20s and early 30s.

“We were just nuts and young, not that we were less appreciative but it means a lot more now that we’re still out here doing it and people still dig it,” he said. “It’s 110% live. There’s no magic tape running in the background like we’ve heard about lately. It’s not as glamorous as everybody thinks, it’s a job but we take it seriously and enjoy it. The sense of responsibility

is probably a little deeper than it used to be.”

Allen followed an unusual path for a rockstar. He took a break from the band starting in 1994 that lasted until 2004. During this time away from the spotlight he went back to school and worked in database administration for Microsoft.

“Sometimes people need to rethink what’s going on,” he said. “It had nothing to do with my brothers in the band. It really had to do with just me getting away and looking at what was important, making sure that when I came back I came back for the right reasons. It’s been 19 years now that I’ve been back with the band. I’ve been doing it for the right reasons because I love it.”

Lead singer Robert Mason has been with the band since 2008 when he took over for the late Jani Lane. Allen says they couldn’t ask for anybody better to fill that role.

“Robert takes it very seriously; he’s the guy in the band that probably takes it more seriously than anybody else because he feels like he has something to prove every night,” he said. “He just tears it up every night and we’re lucky to have him.”

Warrant has been working on new material, according to Allen, having written full songs for its next release

“In the next 12 months we’ll have a record out there one way or the other,” he said. “What happens is that we will write music and then share it amongst ourselves. I might play a riff to a drum beat and then throw it up for Robert and Jerry, who are the wordsmiths of the band, to start digging in to see if they could come up with a song.”

Allen says Warrant is looking forward to playing Waterfest.

“We can’t wait to see everybody in Oshkosh. You’ve always been so kind to us,” he said. “We are guaranteed to put a full show on; all three bands are fired up.”

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# Housing project

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Oshkosh Kids Foundation, said they are getting as many as 10 referrals a week. Those referrals go through Advocap to see if the family qualifies to live there. Advocap also employs the case manager that works directly with the families and provides coaching, resources and sets up programming.

Residents can apply for tenant-based rent assistance that helps with the cost of rent, that way the residents only pay 30% of their income in rent. Rent at the village includes all utilities including internet and there is an ice melt system beneath all the parking lots and sidewalks. Deppiessie said all this is done so residents can focus on their goals while living at the village.

Dumke said there are a few things that have led to families not being able to live at the village, with the big one being the family is too large. The village allows up to four people in a tiny house, so when a family with six children applies there is no place to put them in the THV.

She added they currently have a wait list with four families on it who could be moving in as early as this week as six new homes are set to have construction completed.

Each home is 392 square feet with two bedrooms and a bathroom. All floor plans are the same but painted in a handful of different colors, so they all don't look identical. They have standard appliances – refrigerator, oven and stove – TV and a telephone landline.

The phone line is to ensure residents have a way to make calls in case they don't have a cellphone, but also so the school can contact the parents, Deppiessie said.

One comment Deppiessie continues to hear from residents is that the homes are much bigger on the inside than they expect. He said part of that is the high ceilings and the white paint on the walls.

"We often hear from residents that this is the nicest place they've ever lived," he said. "These are people coming from generational poverty. This might be the first time they've ever had their own space."

Furniture in the tiny homes include a couch for the living room and beds. Residents are provided bed sheets, other linens and silverware that they can take with them when they move out after 18 months.

There is a large community building on site that has offices for the case manager and property manager. The building has a kitchen – where cooking classes will take place in the future – a classroom and a meeting room. There are four washers and dryers on site that residents can access at any time.

"Some of these people have gone from



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A playground was installed and available for children living in the Tiny House Village.

living in tents and in cars. They don't have all those life skills and part of our purpose is to teach them those skills while they're living here," Deppiessie said.

The building also has a large multipurpose area that looks out on the newly installed playground area donated by the Smith School.

"We're very excited about the playground; it's only four and a half years old," Dumke said. "The kids are also really excited about the playground."

Deppiessie said they are working with more than a dozen other nonprofits to provide well-rounded services for residents.

The case manager helps residents reach their goals in the 18 months they will be living at the village. Those goals include

finding a job with a livable wage, obtaining transportation and making sure their children are going to school.

"We know that kids going to school consistently achieve more," Deppiessie said. "It's one of our goals with the village at the foundation to help these kids be in the classroom more."

The village is walking distance from the food pantry and a bus stop. Dumke and Deppiessie discussed other transportation opportunities they are looking into with nonprofits.

"Just by having conversations with other groups, we learn about new opportunities to share with our residents," Deppiessie said.

THV officials have given tours to other

groups and companies about mimicking the village to get this type of housing in other communities.

These groups are working together to help families achieve their goal and getting families self-sufficient despite whatever setbacks they have experienced.

"THV provides safe, beautiful housing for families that would otherwise be living in their car, motel, tent, or moving from couch to couch. In addition, services are provided to help with mental health, finances, employment, relationships and healthy living," he said. "The goal is to help these families become stable self-sufficient members of our community. This is directly in line with several organizations in our community."



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A 'welcome' sign sits in one of the tiny houses.

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# Criminal justice researcher tracks racial disparities in policing

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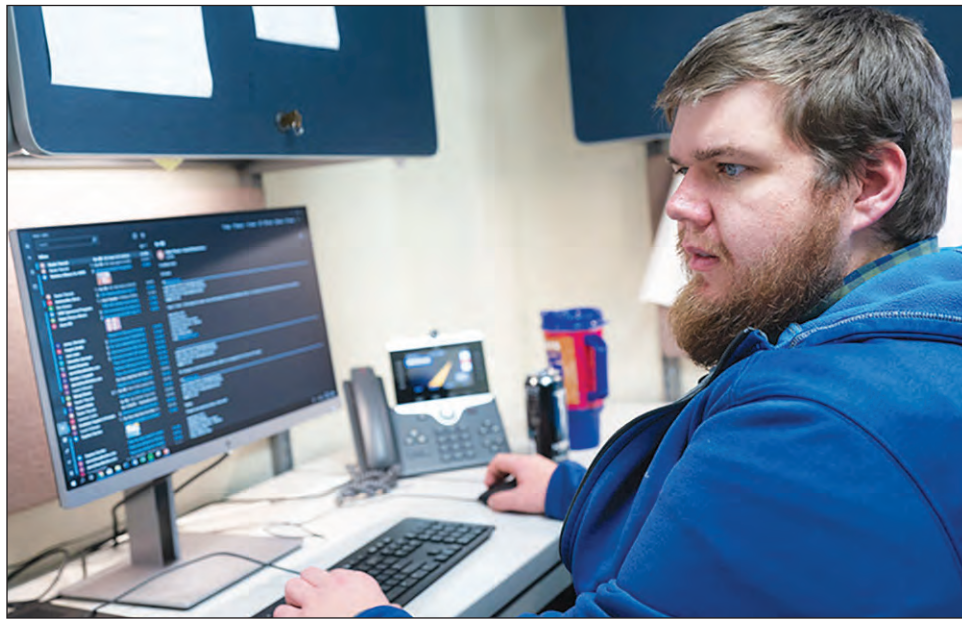
An assistant professor at the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh is playing a key role in a research project that could result in better day-to-day lives for many residents in Outagamie County.

Addressing Front-End System Inequities to Promote Change is one of 25 projects underway nationwide that make up the 2023 cohort of the Catalyst Grant Program, a collaboration from the Urban Institute and the Microsoft Justice Reform Initiative. The program supports projects designed to leverage data and technology to advance racial equity in policing, prosecution and prevention.

Matt Richie, a member of the UW Oshkosh criminal justice faculty and a 2012 UWO graduate, helped bring together the Fox Valley nonprofit People of Progression and Outagamie County law enforcement to get the project off the ground.

People of Progression, a Black-led organization that launched in 2020, offers advocacy, support and other resources for the local Black community. The grant supports an effort that will include both a deep dive into law enforcement data and input from the community in the form of focus groups and surveys.

"I was brought on to do the data," Richie said. "They had this idea that they wanted to look at police data and they wanted to do listening sessions and surveys in the community. When I heard this idea we sort of worked it so it would be this mixed methods, qualitative-quantitative study that would look at the disparities in Out-



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UW Oshkosh criminal justice faculty member Matt Richie has spearheaded a research project that could result in better lives for Outagamie County residents.

agamie County."

Richie collected the calls for service data for all of Outagamie County in 2021—meaning information related to more than 200,000 calls to police.

His work includes a close look at suspicious person calls made to police and their outcomes.

"One thing I keep hearing from friends that are officers, colleagues that are officers, former students that are officers is this notion that a lot of calls on suspicious people turn out to not be that suspicious—things like a guy is standing outside Pick n Save and he looks suspicious, but the guy is just waiting for the bus," Richie said. "All

of these really strange instances of hopefully well-meaning people calling the cops on minority youth and adults that just seem out of place."

Grand Chute Police Chief Greg Peterson, who has helped Richie with research in the past, said for several years it's been his opinion that interactions between citizens and police are often influenced by explicit or implicit biases by the person making the report.

"In an effort to avoid bias by proxy, we have created a department policy that requires officers to evaluate the nature and circumstances of each call for service to determine if they exhibit indicators of po-

tential reporting bias," Peterson said. "Unfortunately, my opinions are based largely on anecdotal or experiential information. When Professor Richie shared his idea for this research project, I was eager to participate and learn whether my viewpoint can be empirically verified."

The service call data Richie obtained doesn't include information on the race or ethnicity of anyone involved, so a qualitative approach also is necessary. That's why members of the research team will distribute surveys and hold listening sessions to learn if certain slices of the public are more often the subject of these calls. As Richie put it, he's hoping to be able to triangulate what's learned from the data and what's learned from the community input.

"What I really wanted to find out with this is how can we drill down to figure out the scope and extent of racial disparities in Outagamie County and how can we solve some of these problems, how can we educate the public to not be calling all the time on the kid waiting for the bus or the kid waiting outside Pick n Save for a ride," he said. "That is my real concern."

Listening sessions will be held in late summer or early fall and give residents an opportunity to talk about their experiences. Then by December—with the takeaways from the data, surveys and listening sessions—there will be a full report on the findings, which could inform law enforcement and community behaviors and strategies moving forward.

"We want to know the good, the bad and the ugly," Richie said. "That's how we make things better."

## UWO cuts

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echoed those factors in his response to the announcement, noting there was a gap of almost \$250 million between what the system asked for in state funding and what was approved.

"All of the chancellors are actively engaged in reducing those deficits, and there will be different paths to resolving those deficits over time," Rothman said of the other 12 UW campuses. "I don't think you can assume that simply (because) UW Oshkosh has taken its path that it will necessarily follow (at) all of

the other universities."

The Republican-led Legislature voted to cut state funding for the UW System by \$32 million in the 2023-25 state budget. Gov. Tony Evers had proposed a \$305 million increase.

State Rep. Lori Palmeri, a Democrat representing Oshkosh in the Assembly, said there has been a systematic underfunding of the UW system and public education in general, most recently in the state budget, that led to UW Oshkosh's financial situation along with its steady enrollment decline.

"Both public K-12 and UW systems have struggled to make ends meet with state funding that does not match inflation rates all Wisconsinites are facing today," Palmeri said in a statement. "Unfortunately, if this pattern of underfunding in education continues, UW Oshkosh will not be the only university forced to make sacrifices like those announced."

Among the three steps announced to deal with the deficit challenges:

Intermittent furloughs will start with September pay periods and expected to remain in effect through June. The number of furlough days will be tied to employees' salary level. Those enrolled in the Voluntary Retirement Incentive Options Program will be exempt until their retirement, no later than January.

Layoffs and nonrenewals will be announced later in the fall semester after more analysis on the balance between the changing size of the student body and employee numbers. "Early analysis indicates UWO's faculty ranks are in alignment with current student enrollments," the university stated. "While that lessens the need for faculty workforce reductions, we do still plan on the average teaching load of faculty members increasing."

Additional budget reductions and re-

structuring could include discontinuing any self-supporting programs that do not recover costs and looking at separate university divisions, units and departments for cost savings. Newly named provost Ed Martini will lead those efforts.

"We will continue to be that place of teaching, learning, research and service our community, our region and the state needs; but we must operate differently than we have in the past," Leavitt said in a statement. "Our approach will face this new reality head on, reorganizing and reducing our payroll and operational expenses, and shielding our classrooms and student experiences to the fullest extent possible."

AFT-Wisconsin, a state chapter of the American Federation of Teachers, issued a statement Friday that labeled the university's problems "a shameful failure of our state to provide educational resources in line with what our students need and what our state needs. When we have billions of dollars in surplus and our university system receives a cut in funding to advance the ideological agenda of far-right Republicans in the Legislature, that's a political decision to strip away the resources working people across Wisconsin need to ensure they can meet their goals through higher education."

David Siemers, president of United Faculty and Staff of Oshkosh, AFT local chapter 6506, added that "the point of a university is not to save money. It is to help the state thrive and have its graduates contribute great benefits to their communities. That requires a level of investment in higher education that the state is currently unwilling to make."

More details on the cost-cutting process will be given at the university's Aug. 31 convocation from Martini and Leavitt and at Chancellor's Town Halls through the school year.

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# Pyrotechnics

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end on Oshkosh.

“People are going to see pyro devices that they would never see in any local Fourth of July fireworks display,” Connie Widmann told the Herald. She is chair of communications for the PGI.

The PGI is a group of pyrotechnic enthusiasts that span from hobbyists to professionals. The event usually draws in people from all over the world and in the past had been anywhere from six to eight countries represented.

Although the event is closed to the general public, anyone interested in pyrotechnics and fireworks can show up at Sunnyview and pay their dues to attend the convention to learn more about pyrotechnics and experience all the convention has to offer.

The convention is usually held in different locations, which has included Wisconsin International Raceway in Kaukauna, and this will be its first in Winnebago County.

“It’s a teaching week where hobbyists can learn about different types of pyrotechnics,” Widmann said.

She said safety is always a priority when making pyrotechnics. People will be learning about how to utilize pyrotechnics properly, how to make them legally and responsibly, and will be manufactured under strict guidelines.

“We have to keep safety in mind – we’re dealing with explosives,” Widmann said. “We’re strict with safety. There’s a safety team on sight as well as our fire and medical team. There is a lot of oversight to ensure safety at the convention.”

All PGI members are licensed through



Photo by PGI

The Pyrotechnics Guild International is bringing its annual convention to Sunnyview Expo Center starting Sunday.

the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF). The organization is driven by volunteers with a board of directors and even a junior association for children that are under strict supervision for the safety of the builders.

Throughout the week there will be classes and seminars where members will build pyrotechnic devices that will be showcased during the Aug. 18 show that will close out the convention.

Sunday’s show will include a display for the national anthem. The show will also include pyro-musicals, which are highly choreographed shows that sync pyrotech-

tics with sound. These are usually set off with digital systems.

Parking for the public shows will be at the Sunnyview grounds. There will be no carry-ins allowed as food and drink will be available for purchase.

There will be private shows for PGI members every night of the week.

Oshkosh Fire Department assistant chief and fire marshal Brian Bending will be monitoring activities on the grounds throughout the event.

The convention includes an art show, auction, collectors corner and trade show. Online sales of tickets ended July 27.

Tickets are available at the Winnebago County Parks Department, 625 E. County Y – suite 500, or at the Oshkosh Convention & Visitors Bureau, 100 N. Main St. – suite 112.

If it rains on either night of the public shows, they will be moved to Aug. 14 or Aug. 19.

“People will really be missing out on something spectacular if they don’t come to the public shows,” Widmann said. “If anyone is really into fireworks they should definitely join the PGI and become members to experience the week-long event.”

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# Valley Christian players happy to have own program

By Dustin Riese  
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With the start of football practice this week, having its own program has officially become a reality at Valley Christian.

Under the direction of head coach Dan Birr, Valley Christian is looking forward to return to the field and have its own 8-player team since the 2016 season.

“There is a ton of excitement here at Valley Christian as we bring the great game of football back to our school,” Birr said. “I was fortunate enough to be here the last time we had a program, but when I returned the school no longer had a team. This has been an ongoing topic the past few seasons and the enrollment finally got to a point where we could field a team.”

Birr was part of the program when it played 11-player football through the 2002 season, when the Warriors posted their lone WIAA playoff appearance which included a win over Tigerton.

Now he will lead a program that had 34 players participate in contact days over the summer, some of whom aren’t strang-

ers to playing 8-player football.

Six players on the roster played in Valley Christian’s co-op with St. Mary Catholic last season, including seniors Jackson Martin and Caedmon Golackson. Juniors Ethan Millar, Aiden Ziegler and Ian Kuhlow and sophomores Mathias Behling and Dereck Wallace also spent last season playing with the co-op program.



Martin

“To have a team at Valley means so much to me for many reasons,” Martin said. “One reason is that for my senior year, I get the privilege of playing for my school and hopefully helping create more of a community for our school culture which is amazing. Secondly, playing for a Valley team this year means that I get to play alongside my fellow classmates as well as my brothers in Christ, who will always be there for me and have my back.”

The unity is something that those who played last year will bring with them.

“My football experience over at St. Mary Catholic was great, and something that I will always look back on,” Ziegler said. “(There was) the feeling that the whole team was one big family – we never let anyone get down on themselves. The team spirit within (the St. Mary Catholic co-op) was unmatched to any other team we competed against.”

Birr likes the fact that he will have some experience on the roster.

“It’s nice to have several players with 8-(player) experience as they will be some of the guys we count on this season,” Birr said. “However, our senior class will be the glue of this group. While some of them may not have the same experience as others, most of them have played football before with other schools and that experience can’t be taught. Ultimately, their experience and leadership will help us reach the goals we want to get to this season.”

Although not all of his roster will be new

to 8-player football, Birr will be. However, he believes his overall experience as a coach will make for a smooth transition.

“Having an 8-(player) team will be new for me, but football is football,” Birr said. “I have had a great support group and several coaches that have made this transition before helping me right now which is going to come in handy this season.”

## Lourdes/Valley golf team earns academic honor

The Lourdes Academy/Valley Christian boys golf team was honored for its academic achievement in the 2023 season by the Golf Coaches Association of Wisconsin.

The Lourdes/Valley squad earned the silver medal for having the second-highest grade-point average in Division 3.

The honor is based on the combined grade-point averages of the five golfers who represent the team at its respective WIAA regional meet and all teams with at least a 3.25 GPA are honored. The Lourdes/Valley squad consisted of Cooper McLaughlin, Chas Muhlbauer, Lucas Schettle, Garrett LaMore and Donovan Hemminghaus.

Lourdes/Valley is one of only eight schools in Division 3 to be honored with Chetek-Weyerhauser earning the top spot, followed by Lourdes/Valley and Luck/Frederic.

Waukesha North earned top honors in Division 1, while Berlin was the top academic team in Division 2.

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# GLO work overtime to reclaim GWBA crown

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The last time the Wisconsin GLO took the court against the Flint Monarchs, things didn't go so well.

The GLO were dealt the largest loss in franchise history, suffering a 37-point defeat on the road in late June. Sunday afternoon at the Oshkosh Arena, the GLO got their revenge.

Despite trailing nearly the entire game, Wisconsin was able to push the game into overtime and went 14 of 16 from the free-throw line in the extra period to pull out a 104-97 win to claim their third Global Women's Basketball Association title in the past four seasons.

"It is so incredible to get this win on our home court with our fans and family supporting us," said tournament MVP Taylor Wurtz-Purifoy. "We got beat badly in Flint, so to come back and get a banner on the wall is amazing."

The GLO, which beat the St. Louis Surge 78-51 in the semifinals Saturday, won the GWBA title in its inaugural season of 2019 and then – after the 2020 season was canceled because of the COVID-19 pandemic – repeated as champions following the 2021 season.

Last year, the Monarchs knocked off the GLO in the title game and then won both regular-season meetings in 2023, including the 101-64 rout June 24. So, the GLO knew exactly what was in store for them after Saturday's semifinal round when both teams advanced to the finals.

Despite the three straight losses to the Monarchs, the GLO wanted the rematch.

"Honestly, we have been waiting for this," Wurtz-Purifoy said. "They are a great team and we got our butts kicked over there. We knew it was going to be a battle and I'm just so incredibly proud of my teammates because they just stuck with it."

Things didn't look good for the GLO early on.

The Monarchs led by as many as 13 points in the opening quarter, held a dou-



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Wisconsin GLO players (from left) Taylor Wurtz-Purifoy, Laken James, Jessica Kelliher and Rowie Jongeling celebrate after beating the Flint Monarchs 104-97 in overtime to claim the 2023 GWBA tournament championship.

ble-digit lead nearly the entire third quarter and were up 77-68 with less than five minutes to go in regulation.

Sam Logic's three-point play started a run of seven straight points for the GLO, while her 3-pointer from the right corner with 2:13 left in regulation capped a 13-2 run and gave Wisconsin its first lead of the game at 81-79.

"It felt good and I felt pretty good about our chances at that point," Logic said. "Obviously we took it to overtime, but I liked how we were executing."

Logic's two free throws with 11 seconds left tied the game at 86 and forced the extra period, where Wurtz-Purifoy's steal-and-layup with just less than three minutes to play put the GLO ahead to stay.

Wisconsin finished 13-of-14 from the free-throw line in the final 2:21 with



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Taylor Wurtz-Purifoy scored 26 points in the title game and earned tournament MVP honors.

able to come back and win it here together is just an amazing feeling."

Wurtz-Purifoy led five players in double figures with 26 points, while Laken James added 19, Logic and Amanda Cahill chipped in 16 points apiece and Wojta – who was added to the roster for the playoff weekend – scored 12.

"It feels good. Any championship always feels good," Logic said. "It feels good when you are fighting the whole game. We needed some extra time to get done, but we'll take it for sure."

Wurtz-Purifoy's two foul shots with nine seconds left all but clinching the win.

Julie Wojta scored nine points in overtime, while Wojta, Logic and Wurtz-Purifoy combined for 16 of the team's 18 points in the extra period. The trio – along with Gaby Bronson – have been a part of all three GLO championship teams.

"Sam and Julie, we have been here from the start," Wurtz-Purifoy said. "We lost last year and we took that personal so to be

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# Rec softball results

## July 31

### MONDAY REETZ SOUTH

Community Church def. Jerry's 1312  
 Wyldeewood Baptist Church def. Kelly's 13-5  
 Oshkosh Trophy def. Molly's 15-6  
 LeRoy's def. Oshkosh Trophy 16-15  
 LeRoy's def. Wyldeewood Baptist Church 23-6  
 LeRoy's 13-0  
 Oshkosh Trophy 9-2  
 Molly's 7-5  
 Jerry's 5-7  
 Wyldeewood Baptist Church 4-8  
 Kelly's 2-9  
 Community Church 2-10

### MONDAY VETERANS

Ratch & Deb's-Francour def. Ratch & Deb's-Fredrick 13-6  
 Ratch & Deb's-Henshaw def. Trails End 6-5  
 Ratch & Deb's-Francour 9-1  
 Ratch & Deb's-Fredrick 5-6

Ratch & Deb's-Henshaw 4-6  
 Trails End 3-8

### MONDAY WOMEN'S

Evil Roy Slades def. Lyons Den 4-3  
 T&O Lanes def. LeRoy's 14-9  
 Jerry's Bye  
 Evil Roy Slades 12-1  
 Lyons Den 10-2  
 Jerry's 6-5  
 T&O Lanes 2-11  
 LeRoy's 1-12

## Aug. 1

### TUESDAY REETZ SOUTH

Jerry's def. Trail's End 25-8  
 Jirschele Insurance def. Houge's 15-5  
 Terry's def. Players 16-6  
 Terry's def. Ultimate Towing 22-6  
 Jerry's 12-0  
 Trails End 9-3  
 Jirschele Insurance 8-3  
 Ultimate Towing 6-6

Terry's 4-8  
 Houge's 2-10  
 Players 1-12

## Aug. 2

### WEDNESDAY REETZ SOUTH/COUNTY PARK NORTH

The Fountain def. Terry's 13-5  
 SNC Manufacturing def. The Grounds Guys 17-2  
 Evil Roy Slades def. Associated Appraisal Consultants 21-6  
 Turtle Suits def. Players 15-5  
 Oblio's def. Exletics 25-2  
 The Fountain 11-1  
 Oblio's 11-1  
 Evil Roy Slades 11-1  
 SNC Manufacturing 7-5  
 Terry's 6-6  
 Turtle Suits 4-8  
 Associated Appraisal Consultants 3-9  
 Exletics 3-9  
 The Grounds Guys 2-10  
 Players 2-10

### WEDNESDAY VETERANS

Camera Casino def. Terry's 9-8  
 Fletch's def. Wally Schmid Excavating 18-13  
 Houge's def. Pioneer 19-3  
 Winkler's Westward Ho def. Pioneer 11-10  
 Camera Casino 10-2  
 Houge's 10-2  
 Fletch's 7-4  
 Terry's 7-5  
 Winkler's Westward Ho 5-6  
 Wally Schmid Exc 1-10  
 Pioneer 1-11

## Aug. 3

### THURSDAY COED

Revs def. LeRoy's 13-3  
 Big Daddy's-Miller def. Oakbrook Church 14-8  
 Revs 12-1  
 T&O Lanes 11-1  
 Big Daddy's-Miller 10-3  
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 Oblio's 8-4  
 Fifth Ward 5-7  
 Dublin's 5-7  
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 Oakbrook Church 1-12

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## Family competition TV show has local visits

"Relative Race," an ancestry search competition program on BYUtv, will feature Oshkosh in three episodes where four teams travel cross country competing in a 10-day road trip to find long-lost relatives and win \$50,000.

This season, Janesville's Callie Schouten and Patrick Johnson, siblings who were both adopted, are searching for their biological relatives.

They support each other as they com-

pete to find their families.

While only one team will win the grand prize, each pair gains knowledge of their genealogical history and family members to reconnect with.

The television channel was founded in 2000 and is owned and operated as a part of Brigham Young University. It is available through cable and satellite distributors and produces a number of original series and documentaries.

## Correction

**Aug. 2, Page 22:** The Valley Christian 8-player football team will be playing its home games at Xavier Middle School.

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# Obituaries

## Janice M. Anderson

Janice M. Anderson, 68, passed away on August 2nd, 2023. A 50-year resident



of Oshkosh which began with her studies at the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh.

She was born to Rita (Oppermann) and the late Robert Anderson in Evanston, Illinois.

Jan was a social butterfly. She had a love for people -- it was impossible for her to meet a stranger. She loved jazz and blues music.

Jan will be fondly remembered for making Halloween a special holiday for her kids and grandkids.

Jan is survived by her two daughters Alison (Joshua) Abbott and Jaci (Chris) Sigl, son Jesse Paulick, grandchildren Eva, Sofia, Bobbi, and Tessie; brothers Jim (Sharon) Anderson and Mike (Cathy) Anderson.

Per Jan's wishes a private family prayer service took place.

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## Franklin H. Forrest

Franklin H. Forrest, 80 years old, of Oshkosh WI passed away at St. Elizabeth Hospital June 10, 2023.



All family and friends are invited to Franklin's celebration of life will be held on August 19, at Fox Cities Funeral & Cremation Services, 3026 Jackson Street, Oshkosh WI 54901. Visitation will be held from 11am until 1pm, with service to follow at 1pm.

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# Military aircraft activity noted with exercises

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Winnebago County residents are among those in the state than can expect to see increased flight activity in the airspace between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. during that time. Residents with noise complaints related to Northern Lightning are asked to call 608-427-1260.

According to Col. Matthew Eakins, commander of Volk Field, the two-week-long exercise will increase military readiness by providing participating units a tactical level, joint training environment emphasizing user-defined objectives.

"The goal of the exercise is to provide tailored, cost effective, and realistic combat training for participating units in a joint and multinational environment."

Eakins said. "The specific exercise scenario focuses on opposed air interdiction against a highly integrated air defense network composed of relevant surface-to-air and air-to-air threats."

More than 1,000 participants and 60 aircraft, representing a broad range of military assets, are participating in the exercise.

There are Air Force, National Guard, and Marine assets participating from units based in Arizona, Florida, Ohio, Minnesota, Virginia and Wisconsin.

## Matthew L. Hostak

November 11, 1962 - July 23, 2023

I first met Matt Hostak when I started working as the Archivist at the Oshkosh Public Museum over 20 years ago. Matt wanted to donate some items to the museum. He and I started talking and found that we shared a mutual interest in, and passion for, historic preservation. We were both concerned about the loss of historic buildings in Oshkosh. This led to many conversations, and Matt started volunteering for me in the Archives. He digitized dozens of historic maps of Oshkosh and Winnebago County. After stepping away from volunteering, he later returned and scanned thousands of historic photographs, more than I could possibly catalog! His work was an invaluable piece of the preservation process at the museum.

His interests led him to become an energetic amateur archaeologist. He discovered thousands of historic artifacts, many of these he donated to the Oshkosh Public Museum.

His love of local history also led him to serve as a board member for the Winnebago County Historical and Archaeological Society.

The Oshkosh community has lost a dedicated advocate for the preservation of local history. Matt contributed to a better understanding of life in our community. He helped tell the story of Oshkosh and his loss will be greatly felt.

Scott Cross, BS, MA  
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How did it make you feel?

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**Do you remember a time you were kind to someone else?**

Who was it?

What did you do that was kind?

How did it make you feel?

Draw a picture or write about that memory.

**Standards Link:** Language Arts: Discuss/write about a personal experience in detail.

## Kindness Bingo

Read each of the acts of kindness on this Bingo card.

Try to do each of these simple acts of kindness in the coming week. Color in a box every time you do one. Can you color in the entire Kindness Bingo card in a week?

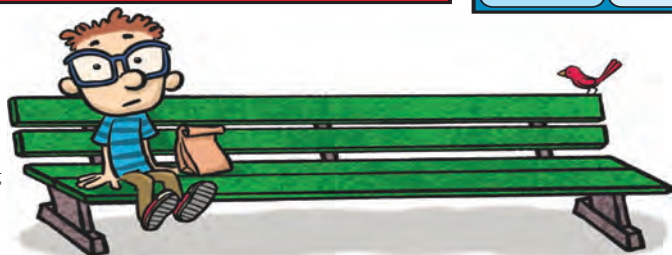
Send a cheerful letter to a family member	Help pick up litter at school	Read a story to a younger kid	Say "Thank You" to at least three people
Share your favorite book with a friend	Help clean up at home	Draw a picture for an elderly neighbor	Clear the table after a meal
Compliment a friend or family member	Thank your teacher for all they do	Be a good sport, no matter if you win or lose	Help set the table for dinner
Invite a younger kid to play a game with you and your friends	Compliment your school custodian	Pick up your toys without being asked	Listen to a friend who seems sad or upset
Talk to a child who seems lonely	High-five your principal at school	Make a list of five great things about a friend	Make a list of five good things about you

## Create Your Own Kindness Bingo Card!


## Buddy Bench

This is Trevor. He is new at school. He's eating lunch all alone because he doesn't know anyone yet.

Draw some new friends sitting with Trevor on the bench. It's kind to introduce yourself and your friends to someone new!



**Standards Link:** Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

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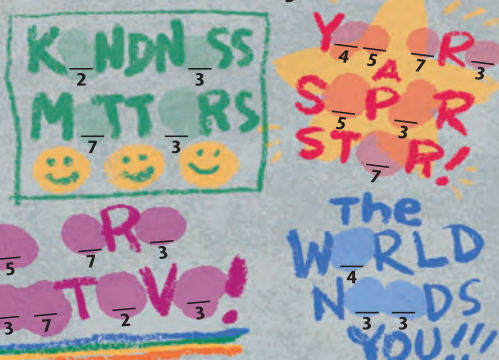
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**Standards Link:** Use the newspaper to locate information.

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**Standards Link:** Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

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C	T	U	M	F	E	P	A	G	R
H	Q	J	P	I	X	R	N	N	Y
O	E	R	N	C	L	I	H	W	K
O	S	T	E	Z	B	Y	O	S	D
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