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## School board OKs 6% levy hike

### Higher, lower increases had been considered

By Jonathan Richie  
OSHKOSH HERALD

After lengthy conversations and input from the public, the Oshkosh Area School District's Board of Education approved a 6.17% tax levy increase for the 2023-2024 school year.

This tax levy was approved after 4% and

12% tax levy increases were proposed by administrators. The mill rate will be \$9.08, which is a 32-cent drop from the previous year.

The tax levy is the total amount the school district collects from taxpayers within its borders. The mill rate is the amount a homeowner owes per \$1,000 of assessed property value. At a mill rate of \$9.08, a house with a property value of \$200,000 would pay \$1,816 in school-proposed property taxes when tax bills arrive

later this year. The school property tax rate will be slightly different across the seven municipalities within the district.

Last week there was one opposing vote for the approved 6.17% tax levy, which came after an initial proposal of 12% and then a follow-up proposal of 4% after a handful of public concerns.

Drew Niehans, OASD director of business services, said since the district in-

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Photo by Michael Cooney

### Lifting spirits

Ballet Folklorico Xanharati dancers from Milwaukee were one of the colorful performances offered at the Oshkosh Public Museum on Saturday during its Dia de los Muertos celebration. The event invites spirits of the deceased to return home with feasts of their favorite foods, music and being close to friends and family.

## Community Pantry working to assure food access

By Jonathan Richie  
OSHKOSH HERALD

The Oshkosh Area Community Pantry shelves are getting a little bare as the seasons shift. This is an issue because the pantry is seeing a dramatic rise in usage and estimates they will provide 1 million more pounds of food this year than in 2022.

Ryan Rasmussen, executive director at OACP, said the food pantry is on pace to provide up to 2.5 million pounds of food to Winnebago County residents this year. That food will provide meals for about 2,200 families. Last year the pantry provided 1.5 million pounds of food to about

1,500 families, with a number of circumstances forcing that number up drastically this year.

Rasmussen told a story that emphasizes the pantry is important and necessary in the community. He said there was a student with a social worker at the pantry when an order of fresh oranges was delivered. The student had only ever had canned oranges and didn't recognize the fruit.



Rasmussen

When the student was told they were fresh oranges, Rasmussen said the student held one up and said, "This is the most beautiful thing I have ever seen."

Rasmussen said, "That right there is the power of what we do and why we do it, in making sure that even at that young age everybody has access to food."

The OACP sits inside the St. Vincent de Paul building on Jackson Street, serving people from all over southern Winnebago County. Residents of Oshkosh, Omro, Winneconne, Picket, Eureka, Butte des Morts, Rush Lake and Fisk have access to the pantry.

The pantry does not have income requirements. A person needs to show a photo ID and proof of residency in Winnebago County. The OACP does not provide guests with a pre-packed box of food. They can walk around the pantry and pick what they want.

Rasmussen said the grocery store model allows people to get the food they want and recognize. He said with packaged boxes people will often use half of it and not like or know what to do with the rest of the food in the box.

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## Making their beds

*Sleep in Heavenly Peace's mission to build beds for children and families in need was supported Oct. 21 by the Oshkosh Southwest Rotary Club, Oshkosh Southwest Rotary Satellite Club and Oshkosh Rotary Club through Rotary district grants that funded building 30 beds. Rotarians brought friends and family and various skill levels to support the effort. Donations to Sleep in Heavenly Peace stay in the community and are used to build and deliver fully furnished beds. Expenses include tools, lumber and hardware for build days and new mattresses, bedding and pillows for deliveries. More information is at [shpbeds.org/chapter/wi-oshkosh](http://shpbeds.org/chapter/wi-oshkosh).*

## Back in the Day



Oshkosh history by the Winnebago County Historical & Archaeological Society

### Nov. 4, 1967

#### Johnson Foods Holds Open House:

Johnson Foods will hold an open house on Saturday, November 4 from 1 to 4 p.m. at 2815 Oregon Street Road. The new plant houses the complete production facilities of the firm which began in 1928. A new potato chip assembly line has been added and can produce up to 1,200 pounds of chips per hour. Johnson Foods processes and packages private label potato chips for 12 different companies. In addition to potato chips, the firm supplies many other quality food



Johnson Foods is shown in this photo from 1964.

products including potato salad, chili, baked beans, gelatin salads, salad dressing and a complete delicatessen line. Orin Elmer is president of Johnson Foods and has approximately 55 employees on its payroll. The plant services the area within a 65-mile radius of Oshkosh.

Source: *Oshkosh Northwestern*, Nov. 3, 1967



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# Hotel, bar plans outlined by Rodgers

By Jonathan Richie  
OSHKOSH HERALD

The Oshkosh Northwestern building could soon be a hotel with a restaurant, bar and a couple of shops.

"It will be the biggest and grandest bar in Oshkosh," T.J. Rodgers said at a Rotary Club meeting at the Oshkosh County Club, where he unveiled his plans for a hotel among other ideas for the building.

Rodgers, a Silicon Valley venture capitalist, is an Oshkosh-native who owns the former newspaper building at Waugoo Avenue and State Street. The renovated building will become home to the Truffle Pig Ristorante with a bar and a former board room available for private parties.

"We will turn it into a nice place," Rodgers told the Rotary group.

He explained that a 30-room hotel will be on the second floor along with a variety of shops – potentially a barber, tailor and women's clothing store.

"It's a tremendous opportunity," Rodgers said.

# Wright Brothers banquet features combat veteran

Kim "KC" Campbell, a retired U.S. Air Force colonel who flew more than 100 combat missions in Iraq and Afghanistan, is this year's featured guest at the Experimental Aircraft Association's annual Wright Brothers Memorial Banquet set for Dec. 8 at the EAA Aviation Museum.

Campbell was a fighter pilot and senior military leader in the Air Force for more than 24 years. Campbell flew more than 1,800 hours in the A-10 Warthog during her service.

In 2003, she received the Distinguished Flying Cross for Heroism after successfully landing her badly damaged A-10 following a close-air support mission.

The Wright Brothers banquet honors their successful flights at Kitty Hawk, N.C., on Dec. 17, 1903, that began the era of manned flight.

Tickets are \$70 for EAA members and \$95 for nonmembers, available at [eaa.org/eaa-museum](http://eaa.org/eaa-museum). Doors open at 5 p.m. with the dinner starting at 6:30 p.m. A book signing will take place after the presentation.

## Correction

**OCT. 25, PAGE 9:** In a story about efforts to overturn the Citizens United Supreme Court ruling through a constitutional amendment, it should have stated that it was the 19th Amendment that gave women the right to vote.

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# Oshkosh man pleads not guilty to felony child abuse

By Jonathan Richie  
OSHKOSH HERALD

A former Oshkosh firefighter attended his arraignment virtually last week from the Winnebago County Jail as his attorney entered a plea of not guilty for child abuse of his then 2-month-old child.

Michael Ormond, 39, is facing two felony child abuse charges: intentionally cause great bodily harm and intentionally cause harm. If convicted on both counts, Ormond faces up to 28 years in prison followed by up to 18 years of extended supervision.

Ormond has been in custody on a \$50,000 cash bond at the jail since Sept. 7 set by Court Commissioner Eric Heywood.

Winnebago County Judge John Jorgensen is presiding over the case. In court on Thursday, Ormond appeared by video from the Winnebago County Jail represented by attorney Christine Bruen.

During the hearing, Bruen entered not guilty pleas on her client's behalf and Jorgensen accepted those pleas. Bruen also made a motion with the court to ask for a

modification of Ormond's bond.

Bruen asked for a modified partial cash bond and partial signature bond in hopes of getting Ormond released so he can seek treatment. She said the treatment options at the jail are limited to resources for alcohol and other drug abuse (AODA) treatment. She said those options do not apply to Ormond.

If Ormond is released, he would be living with his family in Marshfield since the bond conditions outline he cannot go back to living with his wife and children, Bruen said.

Assistant District Attorney Anthony Prekop said the state objects to the bond modification. He explained the state initially asked for a cash bond of \$500,000 in the case and the need to protect the public far outweighs Ormond attempting to find treatment.

Prekop said he has spoken to the attorney for the 5-month-old, who told him they do not want the bond modified to keep their client and the public safe.

Jorgensen agreed there was a need to protect the public given the allegations

and denied the request, keeping the \$50,000 cash bond in place.

According to the criminal complaint, an Oshkosh police officer was dispatched to the Children's Wisconsin-Fox Valley Hospital in Neenah at the request of Winnebago County Juvenile Intake.

A social worker at the hospital told an officer that the 2-month-old infant had substantial bruising all over his body and a brain bleed. The child was later taken to Children's Hospital in Milwaukee via medical helicopter.

The officer saw the infant before he was taken to Milwaukee and noted extensive bruising.

A detective with OPD spoke with Ormond, who allegedly admitted to having thoughts of harming the infant since they

brought him home.

He said on the morning of Sept. 7 he was triggered by the infant's crying and hit him.

Ormond allegedly spanked the child in the morning and in the afternoon squeezed his legs, arms and allegedly shook the infant because he was crying.

When the infant went limp and pale from head to toe, Ormond called 911. He allegedly admitted that hurting the infant gave him something like a "runner's high."

Medical records show the infant had a subdural hematoma, vast bruising and injuries consistent with abusive head trauma.

The case has a plea/sentencing hearing scheduled for Dec. 18.

## Junior Achievement seeking volunteers

Junior Achievement (JA) provides supplemental school lessons for kindergarten through 12th grade students and teaches them how to develop the skills to succeed in the workplace, manage money and achieve life goals. Those passionate about helping young people in the community are sought as JA volunteers.

Starting now through May, volunteers are needed for student programs in Neenah, Menasha, Oshkosh and Omro. They can choose the lessons and grade level they are most interested in teaching.

JA provides opportunities for face-to-

face or online mentoring in schools, ways to create career-oriented videos and training to assist at student scholarship competitions.

During the 2022-23 school year, 665 volunteers connected with 10,941 Winnebago, Calumet, Fond du Lac, Outagamie and Waupaca county students to teach them how to manage money, how businesses work and how to become entrepreneurial thinkers.

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# Church move to business corridor gains approval

## Lake Butte des Morts Drive housing revisited

By Jonathan Richie  
OSHKOSH HERALD

The Common Council has approved a change to the city's comprehensive plan allowing a church to relocate within the city. The council also voted to give another look at a housing development on Lake Butte des Morts Drive.

The meeting room was packed with concerned residents last week as members of the River Valley Church (RVC) congregation sat in hopes of the council amending the comprehensive plan to allow the zoning for a move into a former Oshkosh Corp. office building at 425 N. Washburn St.

The council approved the move with no opposing votes. A handful of people in favor of the move, including members of the congregation and the property owners, spoke about the benefits of bringing the church to the new site.



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Karl Buelow defends his decision to bring the Lake Butte des Morts housing development back to the Common Council after the previous council approved an amendment limiting an apartment building to three stories instead of the initial request of four stories.

When the Plan Commission discussed amending the comprehensive plan last month there was talk about keeping the Interstate 41 corridor available for the highest and best value commercial properties. City services manager Mark Lyons said the corridor is the best commercial corridor the

city has, and staff recommended not approving the move.

Other Plan Commission members mentioned it could set a precedent for the corridor becoming all churches. The vote was split 4-4 with no recommendation on the plan to the council.

Caleb Ihrig of RVC said they have been looking for a place to relocate to for years. He said renovating a building is more cost effective than building a new church and the building on Washburn will fit with their plans.

Ihrig said they often get more than 700 people every Sunday for services. In the last few years RVC has run out of space by expanding to three Sunday services, with parishioners using the nearby Oshkosh Public Museum parking lot.

RVC doesn't plan on changing the exterior of the building, with the focus being on revitalizing the interior of the former office building to fit their needs.

### Red Earth Development

The council approved a development plan in April to build a three-story apartment building off Lake Butte des Morts Drive. The initial plan from the developers, Red Earth LLC, was to make the building four stories but a compromise was made to amend the plan to limit the building to three stories.

The development was back on the council agenda last week to send the initial development plan of a four-story project back to the start of the process.

The vote was 6-1 to restart the process for the development with the opposing vote coming from council member Mike Ford.

Ford pointed out that going back on this compromise will erode public confidence. He called it a "damaging step" in reverting to the April compromise.

"It looks like we're revisiting because we didn't like the previous outcome," Ford said. "On a personal note, I'll understand why community members would have every right to ask me what a compromise that I advocate for is worth, because it doesn't seem like much, and I get that frustration and I apologize for that."

Council members Karl Buelow, Paul Esslinger, LaKeisha Haase and Joe Stephenson were not on the council in April when the amendment was passed.

Red Earth developers have a six-phase plan to build a 522-unit multifamily development along the 3400 block of Lake Butte des Morts Drive. The first phase included a 40-unit apartment building and a clubhouse.

Kathy Brewer spoke during the meeting about her concerns with overdeveloping the area off Lake Butte des Morts and the nearby wetlands.

Stephenson said the project is being planned on a farm field and not on wetlands.

Brewer also touched on the compromise

that Ford discussed.

"I'm not sure why this is even being considered," Brewer said. "The initial decision, to reduce the project from four stories to three, was a compromise."

The April compromise met the developers' needs and the will of the community, she said.

"Revisiting this decision will lead to a significant loss of public trust. Our community has spoken clearly in its opposition to the current scale of this development project," Brewer said. "We understand that new council members and city staff may bring in a fresh perspective to ongoing issues. However, it is crucial to also respect the decisions made by previous councils, especially when those decisions were made in response to the concerns by the community."

Brewer questioned what precedent could be set by the current council that overrules any decision made by the previous one.

Council member Karl Buelow introduced the resolution that stated Red Earth did a financial analysis of the amended plan of a three-story versus a four-story building. The analysis showed that a three-story building "significantly affects the financial viability of the project and has initiated discussions with the city."

Those discussions include obtaining tax incremental financing (TIF) assistance, according to city documents.

Buelow said the request to revisit this development came from him and not from a request from the developer in response to public comments. He added he respects the decision made by the previous council but said he has new information.

"Every time new information comes forward it's respectful to re-look at the project with that new information in mind," Buelow said. He added that putting a TIF in that area is unappealing.

"Compromise doesn't always make the best policy," he said. "When I look at this project, if it works at four stories and doesn't work at three stories, the compromise to three stories doesn't mean it's the right answer."

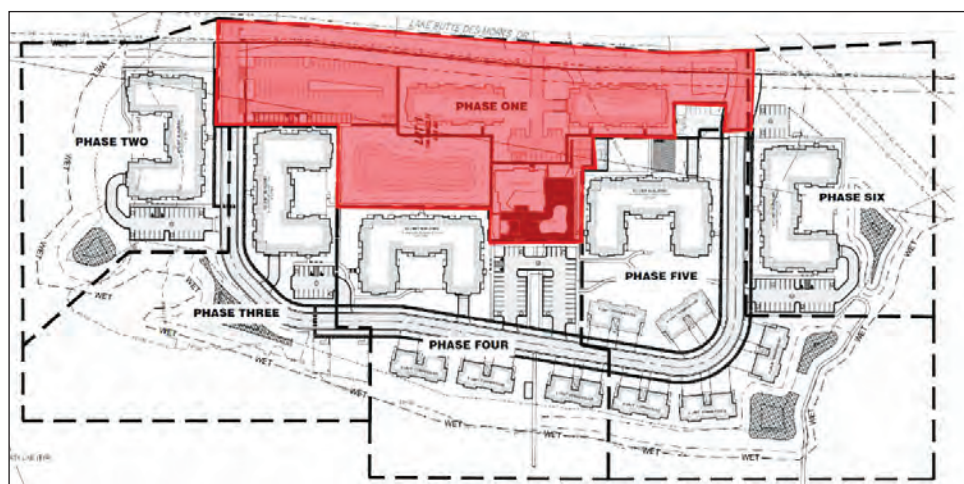
Buelow added that the apartment complex will not solve the city's low-income housing needs but add to the housing stock in Oshkosh. He hopes the Plan Commission will properly investigate this new information.

Stephenson recently attended an economic development summit where the main topics were labor shortages and housing. He said that in a closed session the council heard from the Red Earth developers, who said they needed to put more units into the project and it wasn't working within the three-story limit.

The Red Earth development will now go back to the Plan Commission at its Nov. 21 meeting to start the approval process over again. The commission is made up of the same members that voted on the plan in the spring, besides one citizen member and the council representative with Esslinger now on the commission instead of Ford. That body approved the specific implementation plan by a 6-3 vote in March.

The council will then review the project at its Dec. 12 meeting.

In other action, the council also approved a general development plan for a drive-thru restaurant at the northwest corner of Jackson Street and Snell Avenue. Foodies Mediterranean Fusion will have three one-way lanes wrapping around a new building that will either order from electronic kiosks or an app. It is planned to be a cashless business with no ordering or eating inside the restaurant.



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Red Earth LLC plans show the six phases the developer had proposed earlier this year.

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# Pantry needs

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In the past, the pantry used a point system to decide how many items a guest could have, but that would often result in a volunteer telling a guest they have to return items to the shelf because they have too many points in their cart.

Rasmussen said the point system is gone and now each item at the pantry says how many a guest can take, such as two cans of peas.

"This allows us to focus on things that people want," he said.

Asked what types of items the OACP needs most, Rasmussen said meat and other protein-rich foods such as peanut butter and canned tuna are helpful, also boxed dinners like hamburger helper are always well received.

The OACP is holding a monthlong food drive this month asking people to donate their favorite holiday foods, then in December there will be a food drive focused on holiday baking items.

He added there is also a list of the most needed items on the OACP website. The pantry holds a food drive focus every month.

"We're accommodating more people than ever before," Rasmussen said.

The OACP is on track to provide more food this year than ever before. In 2020 and 2021 the pantry provided 2.25 million pounds. So far this year there has been 1.5 million pounds of food provided and Rasmussen estimates between 2 million and 2.5 million pounds before the year ends, especially with the holiday season on the horizon.

"People can help by giving food, money and time," he said. "It's the holiday season



Left photo: Volunteer Kate Stephan puts out pears for guests at the Oshkosh Area Community Pantry.



Right photo: Terri Yost helps organize some fresh produce at the Oshkosh Area Community Pantry.

and the time to give back."

Rasmussen said there are many reasons more people need food assistance. Part of the issue is that grocery items, along with most essential things, have risen in price over the last few years. Another challenge is that federal guidelines have rolled back food assistance to pre-COVID numbers back in the spring.

Families and people receiving \$250 a month for food assistance in 2021 can only receive \$20 a month now, Rasmussen said. He added that around 31% of southern Winnebago County residents are at or below the federal poverty level.

The OACP relies on volunteers who work alongside the pantry's four employ-

ees. Rasmussen said last year those volunteers put in 15,870 hours there, adding that some worked 40 hours a week while others only an hour a month.

"Either way, we're just grateful they chose to spend their time with us," he said.

He noted there is also a need for people that can speak multiple languages, including Spanish and Arabic. The staff is currently using Google translate when answering some guests' questions.

"If you know of anybody that's facing food insecurity and needs some help, be sure to send them our way. That's what we're here for," Rasmussen said.

The facility at 2551 Jackson St. is open for donations from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and for shopping

from 2 to 6 p.m. Monday and 10 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday. More information is at oacptoday.org.

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## Climate lobby offers training workshop

The Citizens' Climate Lobby in Oshkosh is presenting a climate advocate training workshop from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Nov. 15 at Fox Valley Technical College's Riverside Campus in Oshkosh, Room 113.

People may also join the free workshop via Zoom. Topics include how to be an

effective climate advocate in the community, how to have effective meetings with legislators, and how to build bridges on climate policy across partisan divides.

The Citizens' Climate Lobby is a non-partisan volunteer group. For more information, email oshkoshcl@gmail.com.

## Business news roundup

**Alro Steel** is acquiring **Pottinger Steel** in Racine with an expected closing this week. Pottinger Steel was founded in 1898 by Robert B. Pottinger as a blacksmith shop and general steel supplier. In 1970, the Pottinger family sold the company to Eugene Rinehart, who grew the company to become an established steel service center. Alro Steel, founded in 1948 by brothers Al and Robert, is a distributor of metals, in-

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**Chili's** new Oshkosh location will have a ribbon-cutting event at 10 a.m. Monday at its 1290 S. Koeller St. location. The national restaurant chain now has 15 locations in Wisconsin.



Bowenstreet Makers Market photo

Craft projects for children and families are promoted at Bowenstreet Makers Market.

## Bowenstreet takes creative approach to its marketplace

Oshkosh Herald

Bowenstreet Makers Market made over its thrift and consignment store this summer into a craftier experience beyond your typical resale market.

With a studio for vendors to hold workshops that's also available to the public, owners Ashley and Kevin Hayford have put more emphasis on promoting make-and-take projects as the number of independent sellers continues to grow.

"We've acquired more building space and now have over 75 vendors," Ashley said.

The crafting opportunities are available to all ages. When the Oshkosh Area School District has scheduled in-service days, families and their students can stop in for a free crafting experience anytime between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. to either create or browse through the market.

"We reuse what we can during free kid craft days – every Friday off school – and offer those materials to vendors to keep

their DIY (do-it-yourself) workshop costs down," she said.

After doing creepy egg carton creatures for Halloween last month, it will be leaf painting – on and around leaves – to make nature-inspired art on Nov. 11.

They work with Clear the Clutter Junk Removal to save as much as possible from going to a landfill, offering items and salvaged materials to vendors so they can either resell or upcycle at the market.

Previously known as the Bowenstreet Repeats store at 2837 Bowen in the former St. Vincent de Paul location, the Makers Market promotes an eclectic mix of antiques, paintings, jewelry, art, quilts, records, signs and vintage glassware among its vendors.

Other upcoming specialty days:

Nov. 11-12: Holiday Open House

Nov. 18: Widows Weekend

Nov. 25: Small Business Saturday

TBD: Holiday Moonlight Madness

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# New course keys on stronger mindsets for student athletes

Oshkosh Herald

The Oshkosh Area School District's Board of Education approved several new courses at last week's meeting, including one that high school student-athletes have praised as being helpful for learning positive health practices.

Board member Chris Wright spoke to the importance of the new Mental Strength course and emphasizing mental health awareness.

"It will help athletes who are under a lot of pressure, dealing with academics and their athletic commitments," he told the board.

Wright has spoken to parents of North and West high school students who said they're excited to have Mental Strength offered at both high schools.

"It's going to help kids on both sides of town," he said.

Jazmine Blustin, an Oshkosh West stu-

dent and writer for its Index publication, posted a story about the Mental Strength course and its purpose.

Some excerpts from her story:

A common misconception is that student athletes are highly rewarded, with lives falling effortlessly into place. After all, student athletes have more social opportunities, and some earn scholarships for their performance. However, those offers and opportunities came through sacrifice and hard work. That combination leads to stress, which explains the need for the new course.

Mental Strength teacher Jessie Hansen acknowledges that many students are still adjusting to the resumption of a busy life post pandemic.

"Especially with COVID, digital learning, and the change of the world, we've seen a lot of mental health struggles in students, and we went from complete shutdown with very little expectations

to immense expectations and pressures," Hanson said. "So a lot of student athletes feel immense pressure that they have to perform perfect or up to society's expectations. Mental Strength is just to help student athletes with the mental health aspects."

Perfectionism is only one example; there are countless obstacles athletes have to learn to overcome. Every mental health journey is unique and fluid, which is celebrated in the Mental Strength classroom.

"The kids will take a pretest to decide which areas they struggle with individually, and then I work with them one-on-one to address those deficiencies," Hansen said. "Because every student is so different, some students struggle with confidence, whereas others struggle with ego, and so there's not a one-size-fits-all program. It's very individualized, and that's what I love the most about it. I get to work

individually with these kids to figure out what works best for them."

Senior Paige Seckar, a volleyball and basketball player, said she feels Mental Strength was offered at just the right time.

"I've always struggled as an athlete with my mental health, confidence in games, and just overall security in my play, so I think this class was offered just in time for my senior year," she said. "I'm looking to play college basketball, so I think this is a really big step, and in order for me to take that next big step, I need to make sure that my mental strength is there."

Senior and two-sport athlete Brenna Gehri loves the positivity the class brings to her day.

"In our first class, she gave us affirmation videos to watch, so I've been watching those and it's definitely helped me to start my day off with something positive," she said.

## School tax

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tends to go back to referendum in the future it will be difficult to pass it if the tax levy isn't raised to 8% or 9%.

"The increase in our referendum debt payments is an investment in our long-range facilities consolidation plan," Niehans wrote in his report to the board. The district facilities consolidation plan calls for OASD to go from 20 to 15 schools over the next 10 years.

"The more tax relief you give now, the steeper it will be next time," Niehans said.

Superintendent Bryan Davis and other school officials have said services are improving with the new schools in the consolidation plan and have significant annu-

al savings. Vel Phillips Middle School is estimated to save \$600,000 every year and the under-construction Menominee Elementary School will combine three schools and lead to annual savings close to \$1 million.

There was one opposing vote to the 6.17% tax levy increase, which came from board member Kelly DeWitt, who said she wanted the increase to be set at 4%.

Several residents spoke about the tax levy and district finances before the board vote.

Ron Barry told the board it should think about the poor people that will be affected by the increase. He said raising the tax levy to 12% would hurt students and public trust.

Jean Erdman said she believed the board made the right decision by focusing on paying off interest of the referendum.



Oshkosh Herald

A tax levy was set last week for the 2023-24 school year by the Oshkosh Area School District.

Tim Hess, who spoke at a previous meeting about people facing hardship with the potential 12% increase, said the 4% proposal was better. He said he wanted the board to focus on improving student achievement scores in math and language arts over

raising the tax levy to pay off debt.

Several board members said during the conversation they were not in favor of the initial 12% proposal or the 4% plan because of what it could mean for the following year.

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# Calendar of events

## Wednesday, Nov. 1

Cocktails and Culprits murder mystery party, 5:30 p.m., Oshkosh Country Club, 11 W. Ripple Ave.

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

## Friday, Nov. 3

Morgan House tour with Winnebago-land Genealogical Society, 6 p.m., 234 Church Ave.

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

## Saturday, Nov. 4

TEDx Oshkosh 2023, 8:30 a.m., The Grand Oshkosh

Harvest Moon Craft Faire, 8 a.m., Elks Lodge, 175 W. Fernau Ave.

Oshkosh Area Community Band Fall Concert, 7 p.m., Alberta Kimball Auditorium

Peter Loewenstein, 5 p.m., Sturgeon Spirits, 2663 Oregon St.

Mason Street Band, 8 p.m., Revs Bowl Bar & Grill, 275 N. Washburn St.

Burgers & Bach with Peter Lowenstein, 6 p.m., Becket's

## Tuesday, Nov. 7

Oshkosh Area Women's Association Benefit Style Show, 4:30 p.m., Oshkosh Convention Center

## Wednesday, Nov. 8

Bingo, 7 p.m., American Legion Hall,

1332 Spruce St.

## Friday, Nov. 10

Costaki Economopoulos comedy show, 6 p.m., Time Community Theater, 445 N. Main St.

"Late Night Catechism," 7:30 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh

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

Ryan Hader & the Backward Echo, 7 p.m., Arise Balanced Wellness, 1810 Evans St.

## Saturday, Nov. 11

Oshkosh Blood Drive, 7 a.m., 2100 Omro Road

Craft sale, 10 a.m., Oshkosh Town Hall, 230 E. County Y

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

Holiday Wonders Shopping Expo & Craft Fair, 10 a.m., Sunnyview Expo Center

Holiday Open House, 9 a.m., House of Flowers, 1920 Algoma Blvd.

Bad Habitz, 8 p.m., Revs Bowl Bar & Grill, 275 N. Washburn St.

Cranksgiving, 3 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh

Fantastic: A Tribute to Elton John, 7:30 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh

## Sunday, Nov. 12

Holiday Craft Show, 10 a.m., Oshkosh Convention Center

Bowl for Kids' Sake, 1 p.m., Revs Bowl Bar & Grill, 275 N. Washburn St.

## Tuesday, Nov. 14

Dueling Pianos, 5:30 p.m., Oshkosh Country Club

AAUW program on child care crisis, 6 p.m., Oshkosh Food Co-op

## Benefit Style Show set at Convention Center

The Oshkosh Area Women's Association's 37th annual Benefit Style Show featuring 11 area stores is set for Tuesday at the Oshkosh Convention Center with Miss Wisconsin Lila Szyryj and city council member Karl Beulow as co-emcees.

This year's benefactors are the Oshkosh Area School District's Brewing Futures Mobile Cafe, Town of Oshkosh Fire Department, Day by Day Shelter evening meals and Miss Oshkosh Scholarship Fund. The organization has donated more than \$300,000 to local charities and scholarships over the years.

Among the raffle and auction items are

a lady's 14K two-toned diamond pendant donated by Reimers and valued at \$1,250. Guests can buy a chocolate box donated by Hughes and raffle tickets for \$10 each.

The event starts with a cash bar at 4:30 p.m., dinner at 6 p.m. and style show at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$40 and can be purchased through Friday at Festival Foods and West Pointe Bank in Oshkosh, and Elements Unleashed in Neenah. Table reservations can be made with Jaye Roeming at 920-233-5712.

Additional information can be found on the Oshkosh Area Women's Association Facebook page or oshkoshwomen.com.

## Metro area jobless rate drops to 3%

Oshkosh Herald

The Oshkosh-Neenah metropolitan area and Winnebago County saw a drop in its unemployment rate from 3.5% to 3.0% between August and September, according to preliminary data from the state Department of Workforce Development.

Last September's jobless rate in Oshkosh-Neenah and the county was at 2.5%.

The non-seasonally adjusted data shows jobless rates in Metropolitan Statistical Areas declined in all of Wisconsin's 12 metro areas over that period. Unemployment rates also decreased in all of Wisconsin's largest cities and counties.

Estimates of unemployment and employment statistics are from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

## WMHI facility gains funding from state

The Wisconsin State Building Commission last week approved about \$388.7 million in key projects across the state, which includes funding for renovation and construction of an expanded patient admissions area within Sherman Hall at Winnebago Mental Health Institute in Oshkosh.

The project will provide separate and secure admission spaces for incoming patients and additional bed space, advanced

medical facilities and dedicated program rooms, according to the commission in approving the work.

"The projects approved today by the commission will not only support jobs, bolster our economy and improve the quality of life here in Wisconsin, they will help our state grow and build for the 21st century," said Gov. Tony Evers in making the announcement.

## Watershed Alliance director to speak at co-op

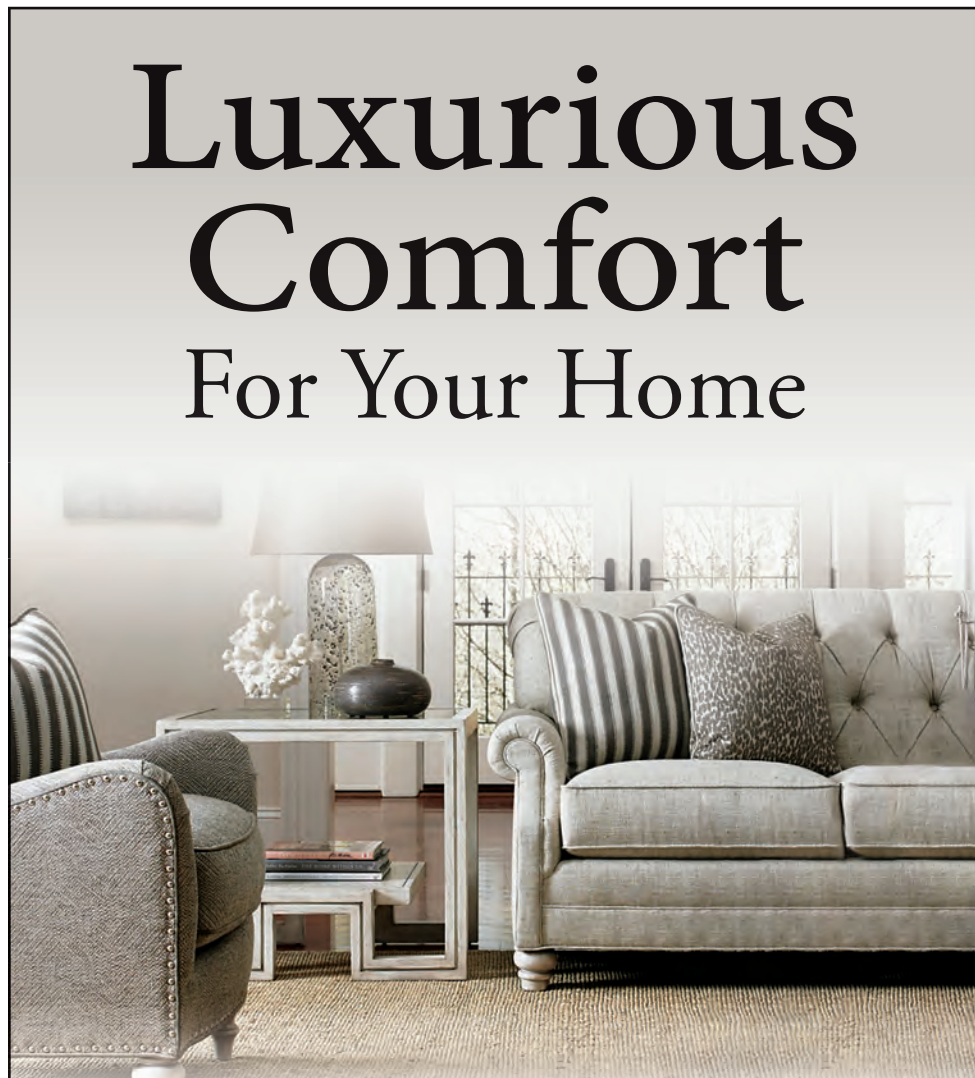
The League of Women Voters of Winnebago County will host Fox-Wolf Watershed Alliance executive director Jessica Schultz at its monthly Food for Thought lunch at 11:30 a.m. Nov. 8 at the Oshkosh Food Co-op Community Room, 155 Jackson St.

The Fox-Wolf Watershed Alliance works to protect, restore, and sustain the

water resources of Wisconsin's Fox-Wolf River Basin. Schultz will discuss local surface water quality and pollution, and will touch on key alliance projects, with a special focus on the Winnebago Waterways.

Attendees can send a message to wL-WVinfo@gmail.com to reserve a lunch for \$11 or shop the co-op for lunch.

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# Protect yourself from respiratory illnesses with vaccines

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Cases of influenza, a respiratory virus commonly referred to as the flu, are on the rise nationally. Cases of COVID are also up as well.

“The numbers of people becoming infected with COVID or the flu are on the rise here in our local area,” said Dr. Zachary J. Baeseaman, associate chief medical officer and family medicine physician with



Baeseaman

ThedaCare. “Our best advice is for anyone 6 months of age or older to get both a flu shot and the latest Covid vaccine as soon as possible.”

He noted that while both diseases have similar symptoms, different viruses cause them,

thus two different vaccines are needed to provide protection. He added that it is OK to get both the flu and COVID vaccinations at the same time.

He also noted that as of this year, those with egg allergies are cleared to receive the regular flu vaccine. Baeseaman added that all vaccines should be given in a place where allergic reactions can be recognized and treated quickly.

This year’s flu vaccine targets the newest strains of that respiratory virus currently in circulation. The latest COVID vaccine, made by Pfizer and Moderna, attacks a subvariant of omicron, called XBB.1.5, which is responsible for more than 90% of current cases, according to the CDC.

“The flu can be a serious illness, especially for the very young, the very old, those with chronic health conditions



Photo from ThedaCare

Flu vaccines are the best protection against a respiratory syncytial virus.

and pregnant women,” Baeseaman noted. “That’s because those groups run the highest risk of developing a complication from the illness. Those same groups also face the greatest risk of complications from Covid.”

Both the flu and COVID viruses are spread between people via small and large droplets that are expelled when infected people sneeze, cough, talk, laugh, sing or yell. The droplets can linger in the air in indoor areas with poor ventilation. Shaking hands with people who are ill or touching surfaces where the virus is present can also infect people.

In the case of both illnesses, people can spread the virus before the onset of symptoms, Baeseaman said, which makes transmission harder to determine. He noted that COVID is generally more contagious than the flu and is often transmitted during “super spreader” events such as weddings, funerals or large social gatherings. People with COVID may take longer to show

symptoms and may be contagious longer after infection.

“The best advice for avoiding these diseases is to get vaccinated against both, wash your hands frequently, wear a mask in public places if you’re comfortable doing so, and avoid large crowds when local infection rates are high,” Baeseaman said. “You should also stay home if you’re not feeling well.”

“The flu and COVID both can cause serious complications and death, especially for those in high-risk categories,” Baeseaman said. “These are not illnesses to take lightly. It just makes sense that getting vaccinated against both viruses is the best way to protect yourself and those you love.”

RSV, or respiratory syncytial virus, is a common illness that causes infection of the lungs and respiratory tract. In adults as well as older, healthy children, RSV symptoms are mild and typically mimic the common cold. Certain groups, however, are at higher risk of becoming seriously

ill. These include infants and some older adults.

To help protect these vulnerable populations, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration has approved an RSV vaccine, and recommend these guidelines:

- Babies ages 8 months and younger should receive the vaccine. In addition, doctors may recommend the vaccine for some older babies at increased risk for becoming seriously ill from RSV. This group would typically include babies between the ages of 8 months and 19 months. The nationwide rollout of the immunization, Beyfortus, has hit roadblocks. ThedaCare will provide an update when the immunization for infants becomes available.

- To maximize protection for babies after birth, the CDC recommends seasonal administration of one dose of RSV vaccine for pregnant people during weeks 32 through 36 of pregnancy. The vaccine is recommended for people who fall into that group during RSV season — which can vary but typically runs between September and January. Individuals in this group should ask their physician about getting vaccinated.

- Adults ages 60 and older should ask their health care provider if they should receive the vaccine. Those eligible between the ages of 60 and 65 can receive the vaccine at their primary care clinic. Those 65 and older who are on Medicare should receive the vaccine at a retail pharmacy because payment is covered through Medicare Part D.

For information about locations and scheduling options for COVID, flu and RSV vaccinations, as well as other types of vaccines, visit [ThedaCare.org/immunizations](https://ThedaCare.org/immunizations).

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# UWO pre-med senior ready for what's next

By Shane Nyman  
UW OSHKOSH TODAY

When Javit Thao learned about the Medical College of Wisconsin's Advocates in Medicine Pathway (AMP) program, it sounded like a perfect fit.

"I've never really seen a pre-med program aimed toward specifically me, a Hmong person," said the senior biomedical science major from Oshkosh. "I was kind of amazed by that so I decided to apply."

Thao applied, was accepted, and earlier this year was one of a cohort of 10 students to receive experience, guidance and mentorship that will help him on his journey from graduation to medical school beyond.

AMP is designed for college juniors and seniors or graduates with a strong desire to move on to medical school but haven't yet

been admitted. Preference is given to students who come from rural and/or Hmong backgrounds and have connections to central Wisconsin.

"One of the big things the program emphasizes is a lot of students that come from under-represented populations don't really have guidelines or anyone to help support them when getting into medicine," he said. "Being able to have these guidelines, have these resources available and telling us step by step how to apply to med school, how much it might cost, the scholarships available—that sort of guidance is extremely helpful because



Thao

I didn't have much background before coming into the program."

The program ran January through July and included students from Wisconsin and Minnesota. It included eight weeks of virtual advising sessions on topics like what to expect in medical school interviews, preparing for the Medical College Admission Test (MCAT) and more. There also was an online course centered on the examination of case studies, a one-week on-site clinical rotation shadowing a physician, and lastly an eight-week internship.

For the internship, Thao spent time with the Wisconsin Institute for Public Policy and Service (WIPPS) in Wausau. WIPPS—a unit of the Universities of Wisconsin—is an organization with a mission to educate and engage Wisconsin residents, develop future leaders and help communities meet their needs.

Overall, he said, the AMP program "absolutely" has him better set up for what's to come. So he was right: The fit was perfect.

"I met a lot of like-minded people who wanted to be a part of medicine and it really ignited my passion to do my best and really try to get into medicine," he said. "Getting

to meet all those people was a really, really wonderful experience."

After he graduates in May, he plans to take a year to study to earn his Emergency Medical Technician license and prepare to take the MCAT. If all goes as planned, after he passes the MCAT he wants to go to medical school at the Medical College of Wisconsin-Central Wisconsin, the campus of which he visited as part of the AMP program.

John Chan, a former assistant professor at UW Oshkosh now teaching at UW-Madison, had Thao in lab classes and helped him prepare to present research at two conferences.

"I have no doubt that Javit will accomplish whatever it is he sets his mind to," Chan said. "I'm glad he's taking advantage of opportunities like undergraduate research and the MCW summer program to hone in on what his interests are."

Chan said one reason the AMP program is significant is because of its targeted inclusion of Hmong students. Hmong students, he said, are often ineligible for programs aimed at increasing diversity in higher education.

Once Thao gets to medical school, he'd like to study psychiatry. He wants to help destigmatize issues of mental health and help young people, especially.

"Psychiatry interested me because of the pandemic and people who were struggling with mental health," he said. "Me seeing personally other people affected and how much, that has really gotten me interested in learning about mental health and how much people really don't know about it or care about it or stigmatize it."

"My basic goal is to have mental health treated just like your physical health—they're both equally as important."

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# Knights take seventh at state meet, build for future

Oshkosh Herald

The Lourdes Academy girls cross country team had another strong showing at the state meet, placing seventh out of 16 Division 3 teams at the WIAA State Cross Country meet held Saturday at The Ridges Golf Course in Wisconsin Rapids.

It was the program's 14<sup>th</sup> finish in the top seven in 16 trips to the WIAA State Meet and a performance that pleased head coach Tim Moore.

"On that day, I think we ran the best we could have run," Moore said. "We were ranked ninth going into the meet, but our week of prepping was excellent and the girls were ready to go (on Saturday)."

The Knights got off to a great start and were in sixth place overall at the one-mile mark. Lourdes Academy finished with nearly the exact same point total it had at the mile-mark, however, Bonduel was able to slide ahead of them during the final stages of the race to bump the Knights to seventh.

Lourdes Academy ended up with 208 points, two points ahead of Aquinas. Lancaster won the meet with 92 points, followed by Phillips and Darlington each with 138.

Last year, the Knights finished a close second, but four runners off that team graduated, which meant this year's squad had a much different look.

Juniors Erin Moore and Dasha Averkamp were the Knights' top two finishers again, but the next four runners to cross the finish line at the race were all freshmen.

"We have a young group and it was a great experience for them to get in there and compete and mix it up a bit," Moore said. "What we talked about all week is just being excited and joyful to have the opportunity to be on the course for the future. And I think our future looks really good."

Coming off her win at sectionals, Erin Moore once again led the Knights.



Submitted photo

The Lourdes Academy girls cross country team finished seventh at the WIAA Division 3 state on Saturday in Wisconsin Rapids. The team consisted of (from left) Elizabeth O'Connor, Ella Slusarski, Erin Moore, Tessia Mroczkowski, Annie Moore, Dasha Averkamp and Allison Stromske.

She finished about 15 seconds faster than last season and after being in the top 10 at the mile-mark, she ended up placing 16<sup>th</sup> overall in 19:54.6. The finish came despite not feeling 100 percent healthy entering the race.

"Erin got a little virus at the end of the week, but this time of year every team has some sort of issue going on," Tim Moore said. "To say anything could take away from her effort would be foolish. She gave 100 percent and tried to compete to the best of her ability. She did a great job and we are proud of her."

Averkamp was the next Lourdes Academy runner to finish, placing 63<sup>rd</sup> overall. Then came the Knights' run of fresh-

men, starting with Annie Moore, who finished in 79<sup>th</sup> place, edging out an Ozaukee runner at the finish line for the place.

Tessa Mroczkowski and Allison Stromske then finished about four seconds apart in 103<sup>rd</sup> and 106<sup>th</sup> place, respectively, to complete the Knights' scoring lineup. Elizabeth O'Connor and Ella Slusarski – the team's lone senior – rounded out the Lourdes Academy finishers.

"Ella has run that course three of her four years in high school and she was about two seconds off her fastest time, which in those conditions is phenomenal," Tim Moore said. "She has been a great leader for us all year and she will certainly be missed."

## Warriors' Moran has strong debut

Valley Christian freshman Mya Moran had an impressive first trip to the state meet as she finished 34<sup>th</sup> overall on the day in a time of 20:27.2.

Moran was fifth among all freshmen at the race.

Moran was running in the top 30 for the first half and hit the two-mile mark in 31<sup>st</sup> position before earning her final place.

It was the fifth straight year that Valley Christian has had an individual state qualifier. The last Warrior freshman to qualify for the state meet was Leah Patterson, who finished 40<sup>th</sup> in her first state trip in 2019.

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# Knights can't keep momentum in playoff loss to Rockets

By Steve Clark  
OSHKOSH HERALD

Lourdes Academy did what it needed to do to steer momentum its way in the second half Friday.

The Knights just couldn't keep Randolph from grabbing it back.

Lourdes Academy pulled to within three points midway through the third quarter but the Rockets scored on their next possession to extend the lead and then pulled away for a 43-13 win over the Knights in a WIAA Division 7 Level 2 playoff game on a chilly, gusty night in Randolph.

"It felt like we had them with a lot of momentum and then they got some of that momentum back," Lourdes Academy head coach Kevin Wopat said. "It just feels like a game where nothing went our way but give Randolph credit for that. They played really well."

The Knights trailed 16-6 at halftime and were forced to punt on their first possession of the second half. The defense, though, returned the favor and recorded its first three-and-out of the night.

A short punt gave Lourdes Academy the ball at the Randolph 49-yard line before two runs by Wade Lindahl and a pass to Jok Machiros moved the Knights to the Rockets' 18-yard line.

On the next play, Lindahl hit a streaking Dominic Bauer behind the Randolph defense on the right sideline for a touchdown, with Mat Yaggie's extra point bringing the Knights as close as 16-13.

"I thought that was the play that would get us going," Wopat said. "Our sideline was into it."

Randolph, however, had an answer.

It started with a 16-yard run on the first

play of the ensuing drive and was capped when Randolph quarterback Karter Meredith burst through the middle of the Knights' defense for a 15-yard touchdown run on fourth down.

It was one of two fourth downs the Rockets recorded on the 11-play drive, all of which were running plays.

"The two times we played them we struggled stopping their run," Wopat said. "One of our bugaboos this year has been not trusting what we are coached to do and we allowed them to have some big plays."

The Knights turned the ball over on downs on each of the next two possessions and the Rockets responded with touchdowns on each drive to pull away early in the fourth quarter. The Rockets added a late score for the final margin.

"It's been a fun season. I'm disappointed it's over but it's been a lot of fun," Wopat said. "We had a couple chances in the first half which would have put us in a much better position in the second half and we didn't take advantage of those."

Randolph scored on its opening possession and led the entire first half although the Knights did have a couple of drives that made it interesting.

After punting on its first drive, Lourdes Academy marched 41 yards in seven plays – aided by a pair of offsides penalties on Randolph that each resulted in first downs – to get on the scoreboard.

Lindahl, who finished 20-of-33 for 142 yards, and was the team's leading rusher with 49 yards on 20 carries, connected with Bauer on a 10-yard touchdown pass with the senior receiver making a leaping catch and getting a foot down at the back



Photo by Andy Ratchman

Dominic Bauer gets a foot down in bounds after catching a pass from Wade Lindahl to score a first-half touchdown against Randolph on Friday night.

of the end zone.

The Knights next drive – which came after Randolph extended its lead to 16-6 – also moved into Rockets' territory as a run by Lindahl gave the Knights a first down at the Randolph 20-yard line. Lourdes would move the ball to the 15-yard line but on third down Lindahl was sacked and his fourth-down pass fell incomplete.

Neither team was able to score the rest of the half.

"Their offense was tremendous. Their defense was tremendous, too," Wopat

said. "They gave us some fits up front and we struggled running the ball. We have to be able to run the ball, especially in tougher conditions like this and we just weren't able to."

Lourdes Academy rushed for 96 yards in the game, while averaging 3.7 yards per carry, while Randolph – which completed just one pass for negative yardage in the game – ran the ball 60 times for 370 yards and a 6.2 per carry average.

Bauer finished with six catches for 48

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# Warriors' magical tourney run ends one step from state

By Steve Clark  
OSHKOSH HERALD

Valley Christian' magical run through the WIAA Division 4 volleyball tournament came to an end on Saturday night in Suring.

The Warriors lost to third-ranked Newman Catholic 25-21, 25-18, 25-27, 25-21, becoming the only team in five tournament matches to take a set from the Cardinals.

Valley Christian, the Trailways East champions, reached the sectional with a convincing 22-25, 25-20, 25-21, 25-14 win over Green Bay NEW Lutheran in front of a boisterous crowd at Lourdes Academy on Thursday night.

"It's an amazing feeling for sure and they have worked so hard. It comes down to the work they have put in the offseason, just pushing themselves to be in this spot," head coach Lizzy Potratz said. "I hope this just keeps making them believe because there hasn't been a lot of belief in our program. I was watching these girls in middle school and I believed in them since then, so seeing it come together is pretty exciting."

Although there was plenty of effort and skills displayed Thursday night, the biggest reason for the success – not just Thursday but over the entire season – can be attributed to the work put in over the summer.

"We all put in a lot of hard work, especially in the offseason," junior setter Maliha Demler said. "It's just amazing to see when you put in hard work what happens. I know we wouldn't be here without each other."

For the seniors on the squad, playing

a sectional match was a far-off dream when they started at Valley Christian.

"My freshman year, we won one game in our first tournament and that was the only game we won. We tried our hardest but that was the best we could do. We have come so far," said senior libero Katie Wallace. "Even last year, we only won two conference games so being undefeated in conference is such a step up. We couldn't do it without our team chemistry and being together all of the time."

Hard work and good team chemistry are two important assets for a team, but talent is also a big key.

Against NEW Lutheran, four different players finished with at least eight kills – Anna E. Giannopoulos with 13, Stella Wright with 11, Anna Y. Giannopoulos with nine and Lizzie Fink with eight – and any one of them was capable of leading the team on a given night.

"This is the first year where all of our hitters can do something with the ball and it's really fun for me as a setter to have so many options and have so much trust in my hitters" said Demler, who had 33 assists in the win over the Blazers. "I never have to worry about who is up front because they all can do something."

The Warriors seized control of the match with a late flourish to win the third set and take a 2-1 lead, and then pulled away to win the fourth set.

Valley Christian trailed 21-20 after the Blazers had rattled off six of seven points. But following a sideout, Wright blasted a kill through a NEW Lutheran block attempt before a Blazer hitting error led to a NEW Lutheran timeout.

Out of the break, Fink had a stuff block for a point while Anna Y. Giannopoulos' ace capped the set win for the Warriors.

Anna E. Giannopoulos' serving got the Warriors rolling in the fourth set, serving Valley Christian from a 2-2 tie to a 10-2 lead, including two of her three aces.

NEW Lutheran would get the deficit back to five before the Warriors rattled off four straight points on a Wright kill, a Wright ace, a tandem block for Halle Weyenberg and Fink and kill from Anna E. Giannopoulos.

The Warriors continued to maintain its lead, getting a couple of dump sets from Demler for points to stifle the Blazers' attempts to build momentum late in the set as they closed out the victory.

"I will see it out of the corner of my eye, just a big open spot in the middle and I just go for it. It's one of the best feelings on the court," Demler said. "It's one of those things that if you overuse it, they can pick it up and you are not using your hitters enough."

Potratz was pleased with the way Demler used the weapon.

"It was very well done tonight. She wasn't dumping all night so it just completely threw them off at the end," Po-

tratz said. "It shows where they are as players as far as understanding the game and learning volleyball."

The Warriors dropped a close first set in which the Blazers used a big run mid-way through to take the lead for good.

Valley Christian took a 14-13 lead on a kill by Anna E. Giannopoulos but the Blazers rattled off seven of the next points to take their biggest lead of the set at 20-15. The Warriors narrowed the gap at the end but NEW Lutheran was able to collect the win.

"It's always going to take a little bit to get going and these girls have never been here before," Potratz said. "It's been 13 years since we've gotten out of regionals and it's a lot of pressure being a No. 1 seed. It's a testament to the mental toughness they have right now."

Valley Christian showed its toughness by pulling away at the end of the second and then leading most of the third until NEW Lutheran rallied to take the lead.

But after that it was all Warriors, who would get to celebrate a sectional semi-final win.

"The second we started playing for each other (we took control)," Wallace said. "I'm so proud of my team right now and how much we have overcome in taking on teams who have been here before and we haven't. It's so amazing."

Against Newman Catholic, Wright led the Warriors with 19 kills, while Anna Y. Giannopoulos and Fink each added 13. Demler finished with 47 assists.

Weyenberg led four players with double-digit digs with 21, followed by Wallace with 16, Anna E Giannopoulos with 15 and Demler with 14.



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# Berghammer's record day leads Titans to easy win

By Steve Clark  
OSHKOSH HERALD

Even on a record-setting day, UW Oshkosh quarterback Kobe Berghammer wasn't completely happy.

Yes, he threw nearly 348 yards and eight touchdowns in the Titans' 66-28 thumping of UW-Stevens Point in the annual homecoming game Saturday afternoon on JJ Keller Field at Titan Stadium, but it could have been even better.

"At times I was missing throws and I missed some motions in the first half – just little things I need to be better at," Berghammer said. "I'll just get in the film room and focus on getting better at that stuff. Then we will be firing on even more cylinders."

Berghammer, who was also the team's leading rusher with 65 yards, finished 29-of-40 on the day with his eight touchdowns going to six different receivers. The eight touchdowns in one game broke the record he set previously this year when he had seven against East Texas Baptist University.

The other record Berghammer set was the career touchdown mark, which now stands at 95. He broke the previous mark of 89 that had been held by Brett Kasper – who was at the game as the team's honorary captain.

"I got to talk to him before the game which was cool. That's the GOAT of quarterbacks in the conference," Berghammer said of Kasper. "I've been lucky enough to play here long enough and break the record. But those records don't happen without (the entire team)."

Led by the passing game, the Titans racked up 565 yards of total offense in the



Photo by Jim Koepnick

UW Oshkosh quarterback Kobe Berghammer (3) takes a snap during the first half against UW-Stevens Point on Saturday. Berghammer set the school record for most touchdown passes in a game with eight as well as the career touchdown record with 95.

game and averaged a whopping 7.8 yards per play. UWO finished 10-of-13 on third downs and never punted in the game.

The Titans also finished with 201 yards rushing in the game, which was a season high.

Titans head coach Peter Jennings believes the offensive eruption was due to the team's week of preparation, even though the Pointers entered the week winless in the WIAC.

"The teams in our league are well coached and have explosive players and even when a team is down a little bit and not playing the highest level of football you have to prepare like you're playing

the Dallas Cowboys," Jennings said. "It doesn't matter who we are playing, we are going to prepare to our standard and I think the guys did that all week."

The performance was a nice rebound for the Titans, who dropped a 31-28 heartbreaker to fourth-ranked UW-La Crosse last week.

"Especially after a loss last week we had to bounce back," tight end Clayton Schwalbe said. "(Stevens Point) may not be the best team but every team in the WIAC is going to come to play and show you they can do it. It was a good confidence booster going into next week."

Schwalbe was the only Titan receiver with multiple touchdown catches in the game.

He opened the scoring by hauling in a five-yard pass from Berghammer, while also collecting a 3-yard touchdown pass in the third quarter and a 7-yard pass in the fourth quarter.

Schwalbe's first touchdown was one of three in the opening quarter for Bergham-

mer, who also had a two-yard touchdown pass to Trae Tetzlaff and a 32-yarder to Jon Mathieu – which gave Berghammer the career touchdown record.

"Hats off to our offensive line. I had a lot of time to sit back there and throw the ball and hats off to our playmakers on the outside because they were lights out today," Berghammer said. "If you give our guys a little bit of time to work and move and get a guy on his heels, I trust all of our receivers. At the end of the day, it is just doing our jobs and trusting guys to go make plays."

Stevens Point got on the board early in the second quarter but UW Oshkosh answered as Berghammer found Noah Alford near the left sideline and Alford spun away from one defender and dove into the end zone for the touchdown.

Londyn Little and Daniel Fynaardt also caught touchdown passes from Berghammer in the game.

Stevens Point never threatened the Titans' lead but kept grinding away and kept the game close enough for Berghammer to remain in the game.

"We missed tackles in big spots, which allowed broken plays to become explosive plays and that's something we have to work on this week," Jennings said. "This game is about 1-on-1s. When we have a 1-on-1 opportunity to make a tackle for a loss we have to make it. We can't allow that to escape. It's relatively easy to fix but something to focus on."

The Titans will now prepare for a road game at UW-Platteville on Saturday before returning home the following weekend to host ninth-ranked UW-River Falls.

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# Prep sports roundup

## VOLLEYBALL

### Wildcats' tournament run ends in sectional

Oshkosh West ran into a strong Manitowoc Lincoln squad Thursday night and dropped a 25-20, 25-14, 25-23 match to the Ships in a WIAA Division 1 sectional semifinal at Sheboygan South.

The Ships were the No. 1 ranked team in the sectional.

Sydnee Nelson led the Wildcats with 16 kills in the match, while Avery Pakula finished with seven and Paige Seckar chipped in five.

Kierstin Martin and MaKaelyn Clark split the majority of assists in the match, with Martin totaling 15 and Clark adding 14.

Elaina Butz led the team with 18 digs, while Pakula finished with 13.

## SWIMMING

### Dietschweiler posts two wins at FVA meet

Oshkosh North/Lourdes freshman Kiersten Dietschweiler won a pair of events to lead the Spartans at the Fox Valley Association meet over the weekend.

Dietschweiler won the 200-yard freestyle by more than three seconds and claimed the 500-yard freestyle victory by about 10 seconds.

Teammate Grace Penzenstadler added a fourth-place finish in the 100-yard butterfly and a fifth-place finish in the 100-yard backstroke.

North/Lourdes, which finished sixth among the seven teams, also placed second in the 400-yard freestyle relay with a team of Penzenstadler, Dietschweiler, Lucy Schade and Addison Perzentka.

Oshkosh West finished fifth overall on the day and had one individual winner in the swimming events with Samara Zeinert taking first in the 100-yard backstroke. She also finished second in the 200-yard individual medley.

Carly Salzer also added a pair of top-five finishes by taking second in the 100-yard butterfly and fourth in the 50-yard freestyle.

The Wildcats' best finish in a relay was also in the 400-yard freestyle relay as Zeinert, Salzer, Sarah Draxler and Kate Horejs took third.

In diving, North/Lourdes' Natasha Konop finished third, while West's Neva Schlies was fourth.



Photo by Andy Ratchman

Lourdes Academy defenders Brady Ridenour (18), Gavin Ostrowski (51) and Mason Carpenter (21) swallow up a Randolph ball carrier in the first half Friday.

## Lourdes football

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yards, while Machiros had five catches and Braden Studinski had four.

Seniors Mason Carpenter and Gavin Ostrowski each had 12 tackles to lead the Knights' defense.

"The thing I'm most proud of with this senior group is that they matured a lot this year. They were fun to be around and I thought they were great leaders and great teammates, which I don't know that they were last year," said Wopat, who also recognized the program's first playoff win since 2019 by the group. "That made the

season a lot more fun as a whole. I'm very proud of them for that."

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## Flanigan inducted into Hall

Former Oshkosh Giants baseball player Mike Flanigan (left) was inducted into the Wisconsin State Baseball League Hall of Fame recently in Sheboygan. Flanigan becomes the eighth former Giant to be inducted joining Steve Rothenbach, Dan Miller, Dave Christman, Bryan Purchatzke, Tony Gerharz (right), Cory Schaefer and Brian Neveau. Flanigan played from 1995-2002 and had a career batting average of .310. He was named to the all league team three times.



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# Obituaries

## Joyce Pollnow

Joyce Pollnow, age 86, passed away on Sunday morning, September 24, 2023 at her home in Oshkosh. She was born in Oshkosh, daughter of John and Alice (Leininger) Norman, and on November 1, 1958 married Herbert L. Pollnow, the couple shared 64 wonderful years of marriage together. Joyce's main employment was retail. She excelled and worked her way up to be in management at Prange's, Younkers and F.W. Mueller, worked at C-J's Trophies and Gifts and Owner of Acee Deucee.

She is survived by two children, James and Wendy Pollnow (Brayton/Burdick) of Oshkosh and Robert Pollnow and significant other Shelly Bullock of Oshkosh; grandchildren: Douglas and Taylor

Burdick of San Diego, California, Valerie and Devon Strebe of Oshkosh, Britney, Miranda, Trevor, Anna and great granddaughter Divinity all of Oshkosh, brother Donald and Mary Norman of Omro and a sister-in-law Barbara Norman of Iron River, Michigan, nieces, nephews and cousin Pat Braasch of Oshkosh. Joyce was preceded in death by her parents, her sister and husband, Ruth (Norman) and Kenneth Polfuss, brother: Robert (Red) Norman, niece Kelly (Polfus) Foltz and Richie Braasch.

Joyce enjoyed spending time with family and friends and was always up for getting together to play cards with her friends. Her passion was helping people. She was a member of Oshkosh Area Women's Association since 1989 and co-chaired the Style Show over 20 years, 20th Century Club member since 2014 and was a past president and an Altrusa Club of Oshkosh member since 2017. Joyce loved to be a member of these organizations that give back to our community. She was a great seamstress that could sew or fix just about anything. She was a wonderful wife, mother, grandmother, mother-in-law and would always go out of her way to help or take care of all of us. She will be missed dearly by all.

A Celebration of Life will be held from 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm on Saturday, November 11, 2023 at ACEE DEUCEE, 1329 Oregon St, Oshkosh WI 54902. All are welcome to come. In lieu of flowers a memorial has been established at West Pointe Bank, PO Box 2266, Oshkosh WI 54903-2266 in Joyce's name.



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## Carroll Mae Boeder

Carroll Mae Boeder, age 93, passed away on October 22, 2023, while surrounded by family and friends. She was born October 3, 1930 to Sharon, North Dakota farmers, Alf and Elvira Rue, where she learned the value of hard work, simple pleasures, frugality, and family. Her education began in a one-room schoolhouse, and led to a nursing degree in 1951, with a career that included mental health treatment of WWII veterans and patient discharge planning.

Carroll married Robert (Bob) Boeder in 1953. They moved to Indianapolis shortly after, then to Minneapolis in 1956, Miami in 1968, returning to Minneapolis two years later. Carroll devoted her time and attention during these years to family, raising four very active children. She organized family activities and vacations, trips to relatives, and lake cabin life. Her home-cooked meals were appreciated by all—her family lefse recipe was passed down to the children and grandchildren. And she

## Robert J. Sullivan

Robert J. Sullivan, age 66, of Oshkosh, passed away in his sleep on Saturday October 28, 2023 at his home in Oshkosh. He was born in Oshkosh on April 4, 1957 the son of the late Edward and Marian Eck Sullivan. Robert was employed at River Mill in Oshkosh, the Button Factory in Omro, and Lakeside Plastics.

Robert is survived by one brother; Steven Sullivan of Oshkosh, and other relatives and friends.

stayed involved in church and community volunteer work.

In 1978 the family moved to Oshkosh to open a Burger King franchise, with Carroll returning to nursing work to help support the family, while the business eventually grew to eight restaurants.

Carroll's later years were spent wintering in Florida, travelling, entertaining family and friends, and writing and publishing a touching memoir, *Seasons of My Life*. Active well into her 80s, she enjoyed camping, biking, golfing, skiing, and spending time with Oshkosh friends. Carroll is survived by her children: Wendy (Dave) Shoemaker, James (Lisa), Polly (Chuck) Wischow, and Paul; 10 grandchildren, 5 great-grandchildren; and her brother, Ken (Ardy) Rue. She was preceded in death by her sister, Barbara (Ralph) Hoehne.

The family extends a special thank you to the compassionate and skilled staff of ShareHaven at Evergreen and AseraCare hospice.

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## Cary K. Gauger

Cary Kyle Gauger, age 56, passed away peacefully on Thursday, October 26, 2023



at his home in Oshkosh, Wisconsin after a courageous 4 1/2 year battle with metastatic melanoma. He bravely fought the cancer even after it spread to his brain in 2021, and he lived a fulfilling life until the end.

Cary was born in Oshkosh on May 13, 1967, the son of Carlyle and Mary (Jordan) Gauger. He attended Oshkosh West High School, where he was a successful track athlete and graduated in 1986 with

high honors. He later attended the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh. Cary married Susan Faust on May 31, 1991 in Oshkosh, and together they had two wonderful children. Cary worked for Copps Food Center for 18 years and then spent 19 years working for Badger Liquor. He understood the value of hard work and was always dedicated to his job, and he was well-liked by the people who worked with him.

Cary was an avid reader who could seldom be found without a book or two nearby. He enjoyed camping with his family (Green Lake Campground was his life-long favorite), cooking all kinds of recipes, playing volleyball, and playing computer games. He was especially fond of dogs and was regularly seen walking his four-legged

companions around their neighborhood. Cary was known for his big smile and his helpful nature. He served as an excellent role model for his children, and the world deserves more good individuals like him.

Left to mourn Cary are his wife Susan, their two children Christopher and Emily, and their beloved dogs Rocky and Benny; his sister Sarah; his sisters-in-law Sandy (Rick) Voruda, Sharry Appel, and Linda Faust; many aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, and nephews; and many friends, coworkers, and acquaintances. He was preceded in death by his parents Carlyle and Mary, his brother Gregory, his parents-in-law Donald and Inge Faust, and his and Susan's beloved dogs Daisy and Boomer.

Cary's family extends a special thanks to Dr. Bradley C. Heraly, MD and his team at the Michael D. Wachtel Cancer Center for treating his illness and giving him more time to spend with his loved ones. They also extend thanks to Aurora Home Care for the compassionate hospice they provided to Cary during his final days.

A visitation will be held on Saturday, November 4 at 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM at the Fiss & Bills-Poklasny Funeral Home, located at 865 S. Westhaven Drive in Oshkosh.

In lieu of flowers, Cary's family is establishing a memorial in his honor.



## Patricia K. Klich

Patricia Kay (Pedersen) Klich, age 76 of Oshkosh passed away at Aspire on



October 25, 2023 from Alzheimer's further exacerbated by COVID-19. Pat was born in Los Angeles, California to Harry and Ann (Kochevar) Pedersen. She grew up in Los Angeles until 1958 when her parents moved back to the Ladysmith area.

Prior to 1958 Pat and her family made

trips back to Wisconsin on Route 66 for a number of years to visit family in the Ladysmith and Sheldon area. Pat was a 1964 graduate of Ladysmith High School.

On December 23, 1969 she married Michael Klich Jr. at the Little Brown Church in Nashua, Iowa. Pat and Mike moved to Cumberland, WI. in 1970. Pat worked at Wisconsin Indian Head Technical College as a program support secretary for 10 years before she and Mike moved to Oshkosh in 1985. In Oshkosh Pat was a medical transcriptionist for Winnebago County Human Services for twenty-two years, a charter member of All Saints Evangelical

Lutheran Church, where she volunteered as secretary during All Saints' mission development years. She helped make many of the church banners and altar paraments.

Pat was an avid quilt maker having a Wednesday night quilt group at her home for several years. She helped Mike around the yard and garden keeping the landscaping around her home absolutely perfect. She enjoyed taking vacations and business trips with Mike. Together they visited all corners of United States plus Hawaii, Alaska and western Canada. From her childhood camping days in California, Sequoia National Park was always her favorite place. They rode their bikes on a majority of the Rails to Trails state bike trails and there always was a play or concert on the calendar.

Pat was preceded in death by her parents Harry and Ann Pedersen. She is survived by her husband Mike, sisters Nancy Lau, Betty Janey, Richard (Karen) Peder-

sen, Nephews: Bob, Doug and Mark and niece Linda.

A service for Pat will be held at All Saints Lutheran Church, 1072 Honey Creek Dr, on November 8 at 11:00 am. Visitation will be held 9:00 a.m. until service. The Rev Jeff Tengesdat officiating. Interment will be on November 10 at 11:00 at Riverside Cemetery, Ladysmith, Wisconsin. Commitment service by Deacon Craig Voldberg, A Celebration of Life will follow.

In lieu of flowers, memorials will be given to the Wisconsin Alzheimer's Association or to All Saints Lutheran Church, Oshkosh.

The family would like to thank Tammy Fox and her team from AserCare Hospice and Krystal Domnisse and her team from Aspire for their loving care for Pat on her final journey.



## Richard G. Shepard

Richard G. Shepard, age 84, formerly of Oshkosh passed away on October



23, 2023 in Mequon WI. He was born in Beaver Dam WI., on September 28, 1939 the son of the late Leo and Rose Kachelski Shepard. Richard was raised in the Beaver Dam area and graduated from the Beaver

Dam High School in 1957. He began his post High School education by attending the University of Wisconsin in Madison, graduating with a Bachelor of Science degree in 1962.

Richard's first employment was as a social worker in Dodge County, Wisconsin and after three years he enrolled in the graduate School of Social Work at Florida State University. He received his Master's Degree in Social Work from Florida State University in 1967.

Following completion of his academic education, Richard was employed in social work administration for some 30 years in the State of Wisconsin. He retired from

his social service employment in 1996.

Richard remained very active following retirement as an investor in the financial Markets. His recreational hobby for his whole life was bird watching.

Richard is survived by two children; Beth Shepard, of Brown Deer WI, and Michael Shepard of Cedarburg WI.

Per Richard's request following cremation no formal funeral ceremony will be held.



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# Obituaries

## Mary Ann Dedow

Mary Ann Dedow (nee Hanseter), passed away on Wednesday, October 25, 2023. She was born in Oshkosh on March 25, 1938, the eldest child of Joseph and Henrietta (Michel) Hanseter. She attended St. Vincent's grade school and spent eight years, including high school, in the convent. While a nun, she completed most of her college education at Mount Mary College, Milwaukee, and taught school in Milwaukee.

After leaving the convent, she completed her BA degree at the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, and went on to a long career in journalism. Mary Ann worked

for newspapers in Milwaukee, St. Paul, Minnesota, Eau Claire, Fond du Lac, and Oshkosh.

Her job as Food Editor at the Oshkosh Northwestern brought her into close contact with local restaurant owners. Their cooperation enabled her, along with friend Marty Watkins, to establish the Oshkosh Singles Dining Club in 1983. Mary Ann also owned and operated a private detective agency and tutored both children and adults in reading.

She married Glen Dedow, on December 27, 1985. They spent many happy years together, planting trees, fishing, and gardening at their country home, playing Bridge, entertaining family and friends, until his death in 2011.

She volunteered for Father Carr's Place 2-B; at the Ecumenical Food Pantry; as a

PAL at Webster Stanley School; and as an Ambassador for The Chamber. She also rang bells for The Salvation Army for several years. She was always an advocate for the poor, the disabled and elderly.

Mary Ann was a 25-year member of the American Association of University Women, and the Oshkosh Noon Kiwanis for several years.

Surviving are her children, Noreen M. Koene Smith (Jeff), and Davis J. Koene; granddaughter, Lilit Smith; sister-in-law, Jodie Hanseter; stepsons, Stephen Dedow and Matthew Dedow; step-grandchildren, Anthony (Gina), Freya, Sophia, Owen, Athena, Julian and Lucian; step-great-grandson, Henry; nieces, nephews, many other relatives and friends.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Glen,

brother, John Hanseter, sister Kathleen Hopfinger, step-daughter-in-law, Kathy Dedow, sister-in-law Dorothy Imse, brothers-in-law, Tony Hopfinger and John Imse, and former husband Wayne Koene.

A visitation was held on Sunday, October 29, 2023 at Konrad-Behlman Funeral Home-Westside, 100 Lake Pointe Dr. Oshkosh, WI 54904. There also was a visitation and service on Monday, October 30, 2023 at First United Methodist Church, 700 W. Linwood Ave, Oshkosh, WI 54901. A private burial will take place at Oaklawn Cemetery.

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## James J. Jurk

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Jim was born on March 19, 1933 in Sheboygan, Wisconsin, to Edward and Anna Jurk. After graduating from Sheboygan Central High School, Jim proudly served in the United States Air Force.

On September 24, 1960, Jim married Carol Christensen at St. John Lutheran Church in Two Rivers. They settled in Oshkosh and became members of Grace Lutheran Church, where Jim was a faithful member and volunteer.

Jim enjoyed golfing, gardening, and photography. He became an expert at matting and framing many of his favorite pictures which included: lighthouses, sunsets and other beautiful outdoor settings. Most of Jim's working years were spent with the Sherwin-Williams Company, from which he retired after 38 years of perfect attendance.

Jim is survived by his wife: Carol; and

his two sons: Brad and David; his nephew: Michael; and nieces: Bonnie and Kelly. He was preceded in death by his parents; two sisters: LaVonne and Diane; and his mother-in-law: Hortense Christensen.

Jim's wishes were for a private service after which he was laid to rest at Pioneer Cemetery in Two Rivers.

The family would like to thank the staff of Gabriel's Villa in Oshkosh for their heartfelt care and compassion, as well as their dear friend, Roxy, for her love and support.

Expressions of sympathy can be sent to the family by visiting [www.lakeshorefamilyfuneralhomes.com](http://www.lakeshorefamilyfuneralhomes.com).

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She was born on November 26, 1928, in Oshkosh to the late Fred and Elizabeth (Ehlenberger) Richter. Marian was united in marriage to Douglas Sage on August 26, 1989.

Marian worked for the Oshkosh Area School District as an account clerk and was a lifelong member of St. John's Lutheran Church. She enjoyed sewing, gardening, reading, participating in dance classes at the Oshkosh Senior Center, and traveling.

Marian is survived by her nieces and

nephews: Jeannie Roller, Rodney Richter, Randall Krentz, Janice Krentz-Silverstein, Linda Lett; stepchildren: Roger and Karen Sage. She was preceded in death by her husband, Douglas Sage; parents Fred and Elizabeth Richter; siblings: George Richter, Margaret Krentz, Henry Richter, Rudolph Richter; and nephew, Gary Richter.

A funeral service for Marian will be held at 1:30 pm on Thursday, November 9, 2023, at the Lake View Memorial Park in the chapel, 2786 Algoma Blvd., Oshkosh. Visitation will take place on Thursday in the chapel from 1:00 pm until the time of service.

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### Staying on Track

Kevin loves collecting toy racing cars. But the price of these little cars went up recently. His family is spending more on groceries, too. Kevin wanted to help.



He didn't ask his mom to buy him another car on this week's grocery shopping trip. Instead, Kevin traded some cars with his friends Evan and Oscar. Now all three have different cars to play with from time to time. For each of the boys, it's like getting a new car without spending any money at all!

Find the two identical cars.



Standards Link: Find similarities and differences in common objects.

### Avoid the Impulse!

Steer this shopping cart to the produce aisle, avoiding the impulse-buy items along the way.



### On the Ball

Replace the missing words.

SAVINGS AVOIDED

THINK GOOD MONEY WRONG LOOKED

Olivia wanted a new soccer ball. There wasn't anything with the one she already had, but the new one had cooler colors. It was expensive, but she had enough money in her to buy it.

Olivia decided not to buy it right away. She making an impulse buy.

Each time she went to the store, Olivia at the new ball but didn't buy it.

Instead, she went home to about it. Did she really need it? She found that the longer she waited, the less she thought about the new ball. And her ball was still in shape.

If her ball starts to wear out, she has the saved and can buy the new ball at the store.



### You Have the Power!

Circle every other letter to reveal one of the most powerful ways you can help your family save money at home.

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

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### Extra! Extra! Money-Saving Headlines

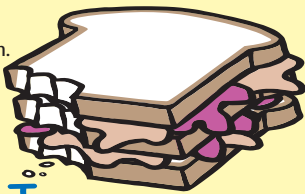
Cut words out of newspaper headlines to make a message about saving money. Use magnets to post the message on your refrigerator. Example: DON'T WASTE FOOD

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow multiple step directions.

### Kid Scoop Puzzler

#### Don't Waste It!

Steven was hungry. He made a huge sandwich. After a few bites, he was full! Wasting food wastes money. Use the code to discover a shocking fact about food waste.



M S  
18 10 14 6 11 16 18 9 5  
2 18 5 4 14 18 17 8 3 4  
O T  
13 8 6 4 1 7 14 6 16 14 9 4  
8 13 4 12 14 13 8 8 15  
7 6 8 15 3 16 14 15  
V A  
14 14 6 1 1 14 18 6

#### SECRET CODE

18=A 9=N  
17=B 8=O  
16=C 7=P  
15=D 6=R  
14=E 5=S  
13=F 4=T  
12=H 3=U  
11=I 2=W  
10=M 1=Y

### Double Double Word Search

- ADDS  
BILLS  
BUY  
CART  
HELP  
HOME  
IMPULSE  
LESS  
MONEY  
NEED  
SPENDING  
STORE  
TEMPTING  
THINKING  
WRONG

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

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

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognize identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

## Kid Scoop Together Saving Together

Work with a family member to come up with ideas to save money on each of these items.

### GROCERIES

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### ELECTRICITY

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