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Vehicle fee plan has its detractors

Chamber survey shows opposition by businesses

By Jonathan Richie
OSHKOSH HERALD

A survey of Oshkosh Chamber of Commerce members shows almost 75% of respondents don't like the proposal of eliminating street and sidewalk special assessments and replacing them with a vehicle registration fee and raising utility rates

to cover the costs.

The Common Council will vote on eliminating street and sidewalk special assessments at its next meeting. City Manager Mark Rohloff and city staff have been conducting a public education campaign to inform residents and business owners of the proposed changes.

The proposal was initiated after the city said it needs about \$3.75 million to cover the annual costs of street projects. The proposal includes creating a vehicle

registration fee (VRF) initially set at \$35, which will generate about \$1.5 million and the remaining \$2.25 million transferred from utility fees as the city will recommend raising fees between 0.25% and 0.50%.

On Tuesday night the council heard from Chamber president Rob Kleman, who brought in the survey results to share and give a new option for the council to

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Photo by Jim Koepnick

Bago gathering

An aerial view shows Battle on Bago's event tents at Lake Winnebago in Menominee Park over the weekend. Considered Wisconsin's largest ice fishing tournament and fundraiser, this year's gathering focused on raffles and live entertainment with more than \$200,000 in prizes awarded.

Sewing specialist entertains costume and pageant needs

By Jennifer Parmley
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

An Oshkosh business has quietly and steadily been serving the unique needs of customers with a flair for the dramatic.

The Sequined Gem, at 1018 Oregon St., offers pageant gowns, special occasion dresses, dancewear, horse riding attire and the custom alterations needed to make each piece fit like a glove.

Owner Meg Reichenberger enjoys working with the pageant, cheer and dance communities, as well as customers who just want to look their best for special occasions.

"I love my job," Reichenberger said. "I have so much fun, and I consider many of my customers friends."

Reichenberger learned to sew as a lit-

tle girl under the tutelage of her grandmother, Dorothy Millard. Over the years she honed her skills via home economics classes and took a job at Alban Ltd. in high school where she learned advanced techniques and how to use an industrial sewing machine and other equipment.

Word spread of her talents, as she designed costumes for friends in bands before heading off to Mt. Mary, Milwaukee, where she earned a bachelor of arts, double majoring in fashion design and pattern making. Reichenberger worked as lead designer and general manager at Alban while also designing and creating dance costumes in her basement. She soon realized something had to give.

"I love dance costumes and I was so busy I couldn't do both," she said.

She decided to leave Alban to venture on her own.

A space on Evans Street next to Mary Schuessler's Mary's Sew Creations opened and Reichenberger took the opportunity to open her own shop, which she said had always been a dream.

"Meg is a very talented custom designer of many types of attire. Her enthusiasm and creative designs are worth the visit," Schuessler said.

After quickly outgrowing the Evans Street space, the two women joined forces and moved into the Oregon Street location, which houses a retail showroom in the front, work space for the design and custom embroidery work Schuessler does, and storage in the

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Photo from Sequined Gem

Meg Reichenberger works with pageant, cheer and dance communities to meet their gown and dress needs.



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City resident celebrates 112 years

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Winnebago County's oldest resident celebrated her 112th birthday this Tuesday.

Ruth Stryzewski resides at Park View Health Center in Oshkosh, a living facility for Winnebago County residents. Family and friends gathered to celebrate the milestone, sharing memories and stories.

She remains in good health and said she continues to enjoy life, spending time outdoors when it is warm, listening to music.

Stryzewski was born Ruth Esther Winter to Louis and Marie Winter in Waushara County in 1912, one of eight siblings and two foster siblings.

In the 1930s, she would attend dances at the Eagle's Club – now The Howard – and one night Elmer Stryzewski asked her to dance. In June 1937, they married at St John's Lutheran Church in East Bloomfield before moving to Oshkosh into a house on Shady Lane, now Shadow Lane, near Elmer's brother. She was one of the first employees at Miles Kimball and typed on the first typewriter the company owned.

In their 66 years of marriage, before Elmer passed in 2003, they enjoyed traveling, boating and spending time with family.



Submitted photo

Ruth Stryzewski marked her 112th birthday this week.

Her family has a history of longevity as her mother lived to age 96 and sister Marie Misterek reached the age of 103. Two other siblings also lived into their 90s.

Ruth has told friends the secret to long

life is "wine, prayer and chocolate", along with being outside. She loves music and singing the Lutheran hymns she learned in childhood and continued to play on piano and organ at Bethlehem Lutheran Church.

Greater Oshkosh EDC assumes county loan fund

Oshkosh Herald

The Greater Oshkosh Economic Development Corp. (EDC) has announced it will administrate the Winnebago County Revolving Loan Fund, an initiative supporting local businesses.

The program activates \$2.7 million in underutilized economic development funds for Winnebago County businesses, streamlining the application process and eliminating the requirement for municipalities to secure the loans. The program will match

up to \$1 for every \$1 of traditional capital investment sources, within a funding range of between \$25,000 and \$250,000.

"We are excited to see these economic development funds in action, paving the way for important community projects and boosting growth and prosperity all around Winnebago County," stated Greater Oshkosh EDC president and chief executive Tricia RATHERMEL.

The Winnebago County Revolving Loan Fund supports activities and projects including acquisition of land and buildings, inventory, site preparation, construction, rehabilitation, fixed equipment installation, clearance or demolition, working capital, research and development, intellectual property, employee training, marketing for new products, employee recruitment and interest rate buy-down with private lenders.

Greater Oshkosh EDC manages multiple funds, including the Greater Oshkosh Revolving Loan Fund, Greater Oshkosh Capital Catalyst Fund and Rural Winnebago Revolving Loan Fund, as well as bringing together resources for the county and city's COVID-19 loan programs.

"Given my confidence in Greater Oshkosh's management of the Winnebago County Revolving Loan Program, I'm optimistic about the opportunities it will create for businesses and residents across our county" stated County Executive Jon Doemel.

Interested parties can learn more at greateroshkosh.com/funding-and-capital.

Back in the Day



Oshkosh history by the Winnebago County Historical & Archaeological Society

Feb. 25, 1891

St. Mary's Hospital Established: On this date, Mother M. Francis Streitl, Sister M. Scholastica Demer, and Sister M. Alphonsa Boell arrived in Oshkosh to establish St. Mary's Hospital, the Sorrowful Mothers' fourth mission in America. Unable to speak English, lacking in nursing skills and unfamiliar with American ways, the sisters and the hospital got off to a slow start. Institutional care was not the norm at that time, and people got along with home remedies and family nursing. But the care of the sisters won the respect of the physicians and patient trust. Within three years a larger



Photo from Dan Radig

St. Mary's Hospital is shown in this 1915 photo.

facility was needed. In 1896, the first permanent St. Mary's Hospital was built at the corner of Merritt and Boyd streets. The four-story structure had a capacity of 26. (Note: In 1918, St. Mary's bought Lakeside Hospital – originally built by Dr. M.E. Corbett in 1912 as a private institution – on Hazel Street and renamed it Mercy Hospital.)

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FEB. 14, PAGE 10: In a story about new public library director Darryl Eschete, a quote attributed to him should have read, "Just as we shouldn't be thinking of how to get rid of books, we shouldn't be trying to get rid of people. Anyone abiding by our behavioral policy is welcome and can stay in the library." The first "shouldn't" was written as "should."

FEB. 14, PAGE 10: In a roundup of area wrestling sectional qualifiers it was reported that Lourdes Academy's Riley Zernzach did not advance to sectionals. Zernzach finished fourth at regionals and did advance.

Main Street bridge set to close next year for updates

By Jonathan Richie
OSHKOSH HERALD

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation will close the Main Street bridge in Oshkosh next year for several months into 2026.

The state DOT said the bridge is safe for vehicles and pedestrian traffic but work will be done to preserve the operation of the bridge's structural, mechanical and electrical components.

"The existing structure and its mechanical and electrical elements have received various repairs and maintenance over its lifespan, but the structure has become

deficient due to varying levels of deterioration," the DOT website states. "Many of the elements are deteriorated or have exhausted their useful service life. These include structural, mechanical, hydraulic and electrical components."

The project started in 2020 with an environmental study in 2021. The DOT is working on the design aspects of the bridge with construction set to begin in the fall of 2025 and continuing into the following spring.

There is an online public involvement meeting planned for Feb. 29 as the DOT continues to develop plans for the pro-

posed improvements.

The U.S. 45 Main Street bridge is the most southern bridge over the Fox River. The planned detour calls for motorists to use 9th Avenue on the west side of the river to Oregon Street and take the Oregon Street bridge over the river. Pedestrians are also encouraged to use the Oregon/Jackson Street bridge.

Anticipated benefits from the project:

- Decreased maintenance costs.
- Improved operation of the movable span.
- Extending the life of the existing structure by replacing deteriorated and worn-

out components.

Proposed improvements include:

- Rehabilitate existing electrical, mechanical, hydraulic and structural components of the bascule span.
- Minor repairs to the operator's house and access platforms.
- Scarification (removal) and overlay of the approach span concrete deck.
- Removal and replacement of the steel grid deck on the movable span.

The DOT also plans to close the Oregon/Jackson Street bridge in 2028 for a full replacement project that will be a fixed span instead of the current lift bridge.

Early voting move goes smoothly

Oshkosh Herald

City Clerk Diane Bartlett informed the Common Council that early voting at the new location has been successful so far leading up to this week's primary election.

"It has been smooth, with a lot of good comments. A lot of people are very happy with it," Bartlett said.

Instead of having early voting at City Hall it has been moved to 19 E. Irving Ave. She said ballots are secured at the location and will be transported to City Hall. Having early voting at the city's main offices created congestion at the building and parking lot and would also take up extra staff time.

This is considered a practice run for early voting at the new location and will be used for the spring election and general election in the fall.



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There were several signs outside and inside City Hall this month to explain to people wanting to vote early that it was no longer taking place at City Hall.

Museum events mark 100 years of history

The Oshkosh Public Museum is celebrating its centennial this year with community events under the theme "OPM 100," a series of exhibitions, events and programs marking 100 years of preserving and promoting the city's history.

Special exhibits include:

- 1920s Oshkosh: Colorful Times in Black and White, opened this month.
- Sawyer Saga – A trilogy of exhibitions chronicles a family's enduring legacy. Part 1 opens March 15; part 2 opens June 15 and part 3 opens Sept. 21.
- American Girls: 1920s History with Claudie, opens Feb. 24

Preserving Memories workshops:

- How to Care for Your Family Photos – April 20
- How to Care for Your Treasured Textiles – Oct. 5

Special events:

- Historic Osh Hop – Get access to historic properties around Oshkosh through this exclusive event. A full list of locations will be announced May 11.
- Dia de los Muertos – A celebration of lost loved ones through traditional elements, vibrant colors and the arts (Nov. 2)
- A Toast to a Century: OPM 100 Reception. (Nov. 8)

For sponsorship opportunities and event details, visit oshkoshmuseum.org.

Pitch competition supports veterans startups

The Venture Project is partnering with Salute the Troops on a pitch competition for veteran entrepreneurs at 3 p.m. Feb. 28 at 210 N. Main St.

Participants have been preparing their business plans and pitches throughout

the month in hopes of securing the grand prize of \$5,000 to aid in starting or growing their enterprise. There will be two startup class cohorts presenting from Oshkosh and Green Bay, each of which will have a winner for the \$10,000 in grant money donated.



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School board to prioritize student mental health

Survey continues to show high anxiety, depression

By Jonathan Richie
OSHKOSH HERALD

Oshkosh Area School District officials are learning from students about the priority that mental health is for them as learners and people.

The Board of Education has student representatives from both North and West high schools. Last week West representative Charlotte Stelpflug presented survey results on mental health that she worked on with North representative Eva Miller.

Miller and Stelpflug asked peers and members of student council earlier in the school year about issues important to them and mental health was the most mentioned topic.

The survey was conducted in 2021 during a hybrid learning year due to COVID. Stelpflug explained to the board that 48% of students said they have anxiety and 29% have depression, while 18% of students reported harming themselves over the previous 12 months.

The most startling response was that

11% of students reported having a suicide plan and that 13% have seriously considered suicide.

"It's too many," Stelpflug said. "Something needs to happen; something needs to change. Resources need to be given; help needs to be given."

Director of pupil services Matt Kaemmerer said the information was from the Youth Risk Behavior Survey, which is done every other year and offered to all high school and middle school students. The 2023 survey's comprehensive reports have not yet been released by the state Department of Public Instruction.

Board member Chris Wright noted the data is from 2021 and that the district's environment has changed since then, and asked Kaemmerer what the district has been doing recently to deal with mental health.

Kaemmerer said this district is doing more than others due to its community partners, offering clinical therapy in all buildings, wellness screeners at several grade levels and partners Samaritan Counseling, Catalpa Health, Collaborative Wellness and Rawhide.

He said the data from 2014/2016 was

alarming when it came to the number of students either contemplating or attempting suicide. Kaemmerer said the percentage of students self-reporting as depressed has been cut in half since those surveys.

The Rise Up Initiative has been in place in the district since 2015, focusing on students and staff, identifying signs of someone struggling with mental health and connecting students and staff with resources such as Samaritan counseling.

"These options being available to students has been a game changer," Kaemmerer told the Herald.

There are mental health professionals in every district building which includes school psychologists, counselors and social workers, Kaemmerer said, and are available to students and staff.

Board member Kristopher Karns said one idea would be to have a mental health discussion during freshman orientation at the beginning of the school year. He added that taking care of students' mental health will also improve literacy scores.

A large part of tackling mental health for the district is reducing the stigma and increasing social emotional learning across all grades to help students understand their feelings.

Board member Stephanie Carlin shared

her own experiences with suicide and depression. She said she is open about these experiences because it helps diminish any stigma. Carlin also called for a mental health facility to be built in the community.

"When people are struggling, not just students, but people in general – if you do not feel safe, where do you go? The only option is the hospital," she said.

Another topic brought up was the idea of the district getting another therapy dog to work with students. OASD currently has Sparty, who works with students in all the buildings.

Superintendent Bryan Davis said a mental health fair could be possible that brings in community partners like National Association of Mental Illness (NAMI). He said having resources more readily available online could also help.

Board member Barbara Herzog said sometimes she focuses too much on academics, but this topic is also important to the district. She said that in looking to find a way the board can help seems to be through allocating resources.

"Every student is important and every student is valued," Herzog said. "We have to help our students understand they are enough, they are good enough and that the school is here to support them."

HER Day to celebrate, empower women

HER Day, an event dedicated to celebrating and empowering women, has been announced by the Fox Valley nonprofit We EmpowHER for March 2 at the Oshkosh Arena.

The free event from 12:45 to 4 p.m. features influential speakers from across Wisconsin sharing their expertise to support and uplift women.

With breakout rooms covering a range

of topics, attendees can customize their experience by selecting sessions that resonate with them the most.

Go to weempowher.org for details on the program.

That evening at the arena will be Wisconsin HER Night, where the Milwaukee Bucks' Wisconsin Herd team will change its name to the Wisconsin HER when they take on the Maine Celtics at 6 p.m.

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Shelter support

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Celebration of Lights will remain at EAA grounds

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The Oshkosh Celebration of Lights will return to the Experimental Aircraft Association grounds in Oshkosh through 2028, the two organizations announced after a record-setting 2023 holiday festival.

Running between Thanksgiving weekend and New Year's Eve, the Oshkosh tradition features more than 1 million lights within dozens of displays. The event was moved from Menominee Park to the EAA grounds last year because of road construction work in the park.

"When we approached EAA this past fall because we needed an alternate site for the event, no one realized how this would create such an opportunity to make our great holiday event even better," said Norm Reichenberger, president of Friends of Oshkosh Parks, the organizing body for Celebration of Lights. "The site was perfect to expand the possibilities for the event and the high visibility from Interstate 41 certainly helped with the record attendance in 2023."

More than 22,000 vehicles passed through the grounds in EAA's Camp Scholler area that is used for camping during AirVenture. That attendance was nearly 60 percent higher than the previous year at Menominee Park. More than 6,000 youngsters visited Santa Claus at his headquarters at the EAA Air Academy Lodge.

"While we made the EAA grounds available in 2023 to keep the event alive, everyone quickly saw the possibilities that were here," said Chris Farrell, EAA's director of events. "Celebration of Lights was a marvelous display that brought people to the EAA grounds at a different time of year and meshed wonderfully with our own Christmas in the Air open house in early December. We're already thinking about ways to make all the events even more impressive in 2024."

Celebration of Lights supports the Salvation Army and other nonprofit organizations working for local families in need. More information is at OshkoshCOL.org.



EAA photo

The Oshkosh Celebration of Lights was held on the Experimental Aircraft Association grounds this past holiday season for the first time.



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Oshkosh's FIRST Lego League Challenge team is questioned by judges during the recent state competition in Madison.

Lego League team takes 4th, advances

Oshkosh Herald

Oshkosh's FIRST Lego League Challenge team Baksteen Valken was awarded a robot design award and finished fourth in the robot game at the Wisconsin State Championship held Jan. 21 in Madison.

Competing alongside 26 other teams from across the state, the students from Tipler Middle, Traeger Middle, Oakwood Elementary and ALP's Charter schools advanced to the national American Robotics Tournament in Rutherford, N.J., May 18-19.

The worldwide competition for fourth-through eighth-graders challenges them with a real-world problem for which they design and create an innovative way to share their interest with others. Baksteen Valken's project is ARCH: the Archive and Repository for Continuing Humanity, designed to preserve and protect Earth's languages, knowledge and biodiversity against global climate change or catastrophes.

The team started an A Mighty Cause fundraiser through the Oshkosh Area School District Foundation. Fundraiser information can be found at mightycause.com/Bvart.

Details on the project are at arch-baksteenvalken.my.canva.site. The team has updated its website with a new survey to gather responses from the community.

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Karen Coats at Lourdes Academy Elementary School received a Celebrate Education grant last year for her work.

Celebrate Education set at Convention Center

More than \$50,000 in grants will be awarded during Celebrate Education, an evening that recognizes and honor local educators, administrators and volunteers who enrich the lives of students.

The free and public event will be held from 4:30 to 6 p.m. March 11 at the Oshkosh Convention Center with the presentation beginning at 5 p.m. Visit OshkoshAreaCF.org/Celebrate-Education or call the Oshkosh Area Community

Foundation at 920-426-3993 to reserve a seat.

Celebrate Education is sponsored by the Oshkosh Area Community Foundation, Mid-Morning Kiwanis Club of Oshkosh, UW Oshkosh College of Education and Human Services, Oshkosh Chamber of Commerce, Oshkosh Area School District Education Foundation, Edward and Belle Rudoy Endowment Fund, and Oshkosh Southwest Rotary.

Exotic pet surrender event offered

Oshkosh Herald

J&R Aquatic Animal Rescue is participating in National Invasive Species Awareness Week with an exotic pet surrender event from noon to 3 p.m. March 2 at the Coughlin Center in Oshkosh.

Individuals will have the opportunity to surrender exotic pets they can no longer care for, preventing the potential spread of invasive species.

National Invasive Species Awareness Week is aimed at raising awareness about the threat posed by invasive species and promoting proactive measures to mitigate their impact on ecosystems, economies and human health.

The Oshkosh event will also be attended by Pet Advocacy Network and University of Wisconsin Sea Grant/Water Resources

Institutes. Attendees can surrender fish, invertebrates, reptiles, pet birds, small mammals and plants with no questions asked. Domestic pets such as dogs, cats, rabbits, guinea pigs, pigs and chickens will not be accepted.

Event highlights include opportunities to meet animal ambassadors and a photobooth where attendees can capture memories with rescued pets. All surrendered animals will undergo a brief quarantine period and be available for adoption thereafter.

J&R Aquatic Animal Rescue accepts pets year-round at its Rescue Center in Neenah. For inquiries about the exotic pet surrender event or to learn more about J&R Aquatic's initiatives, contact John Moyles at adoptions@jraar.org.

Construction leadership sessions offered

Registration is being accepted for the new Construction Leadership Academy, a management training opportunity for new and emerging leaders within the construction trades provided by the NEW Construction Alliance (NEWCA) in partnership with the business & industry services department of Fox Valley Technical College.

The 18-hour program offers an in-depth learning experience for emerging supervisors within the construction trades who seek to build or enhance the knowledge and skills needed to be effective leaders. The integrated curriculum, which is de-

livered in-person in three-hour segments, is organized around themes of managing self, a team, the work and its processes/systems.

Two virtual sessions are available to learn more about the program and to have questions answered. They are from 3 to 3:30 p.m. March 4 and 8:30-9 a.m. March 8. Registration is available at <https://t.ly/newcaleadership>.

The first cohort of the Construction Leadership Academy starts March 21 and runs through May 2. All sessions will be held at FVTC's D.J. Bordini Center and limited to 20 participants.

Business news roundup

Birch Art Studio at 1677 Oregon St. is an arts education facility that started offering classes in January on sewing, jewelry, Kumihimo braiding, painting, paper arts, writing, stained glass and mosaics. Open studio time will be offered Wednesday and Saturday afternoons, with customers able to work on their projects with Birch's lapidary, metals and stained glass equipment. Class listings are found at birchartstudio.com.

studio.com.

First Congregational Church was certified as a Cool Congregation in January for its 20% carbon reduction level by Interfaith Power and Light. With its energy efficiency improvements and installation of solar panels, First Congregational at 137 Algoma Blvd. cut its annual greenhouse gas emissions by nearly 28 tons.

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UW Oshkosh earns research mentorship award

UW Oshkosh Today

The University of Wisconsin Oshkosh has been chosen as one of 14 higher education institutions nationwide, and the only one in Wisconsin, to receive a Beckman Scholars Award supporting undergraduate research.

The award's \$156,000 will support six scholar-mentor pairs in chemistry and the life sciences. Two scholars will be named per year for the three-year award term.

"Undergraduate research and faculty research mentorships supercharge students' learning and growth like few other things at UWO," Chancellor Andrew Leavitt said. "The Beckman Scholars award is an exciting and welcome investment in our efforts, and I am grateful to the faculty and sponsored programs colleagues who helped earn this support and the spotlight that comes with it."

Funded by the Arnold and Mabel Beckman Foundation, the Beckman Scholars Program embodies the foundation's mission "to support young scientists today for tomorrow's breakthrough discoveries." Established in 1977 by scientific instrumentation pioneer Arnold Beckman in Irving, Calif., the foundation supports U.S. institutions and young scientists whose creative, high-risk, and interdisciplinary research will lead to innovations and new tools and methods for scientific discovery, according to the foundation.

Cordelia Bowlus, director of the McNair Scholars program at UWO, sees the Beckman Scholars Program as a beautiful complement to existing undergraduate research opportunities.

"The Beckman Scholars Program offers undergraduates the opportunity to conduct research alongside a faculty mentor," Bowlus said. "What is unique about this program is that it supports scholars with a generous stipend over 15 consecutive months. This sustained support allows for an in-depth research experience under the mentorship of UWO's esteemed faculty."

Each Beckman Scholar receives an \$18,200 stipend over the course of the program. Scholars work 40 hours per

Veterans group notes 2023 assistance efforts

Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 437 reviewed its community assistance activities in 2023 and reported that its Orange Blossom fundraisers supported by Oshkosh and Winnebago County residents raised \$14,000. Combined with the chapter's treasury, the group was able to give back about \$20,000 to several organizations.

The Orange Blossom drives provide assistance to local veterans and their families



UW Oshkosh photo

Students can learn from mentors in chemistry and life sciences with support from a Beckman Scholars Award.

week for two summers and 10 hours per week during the fall and spring semesters. There are additional funds provided for research supplies and conference travel.

"Undergraduate research is a key part of a science education, but scheduling and financial concerns can make it inaccessible," said Robert Mitchell, UWO professor of biology. "The Beckman Scholars Program will relieve those barriers for our highest achieving students, as well as help push the standard for undergraduate support at UWO."

Mitchell is one of nine UWO faculty members whose research, mentoring and publication records made it possible for UWO to secure the Beckman Scholars Award.

The additional, approved Beckman faculty mentors are Kevin Crawford, Jonathan Gutow, Brant Kedrowski, and Lau-

ren Waters in the chemistry department; Shelly Michalski, Mitchell, Sabrina Mueller-Spitz and Robert Stelzer in biology; and Greg Kleinheinz in engineering and engineering technology.

Any one of the mentors may take on a Beckman Scholar, ensuring that each has the support they need to develop founda-

tional knowledge and engage in scholarly research and innovation.

Shamrock lunch, bingo event set

The Oshkosh Area Women's Association (OAWA) invites the community to the second annual Shamrock Lunch and Luck of the Irish Bingo event at 12:30 p.m. March 17 at La Sure's Banquet Hall.

Irish-themed entertainment, delectable cuisine and bingo games will help support OAWA high school scholarships and Christine Ann Domestic Abuse Services Youth Services and Preventative Support.

Tickets are \$40, which includes lunch and four bingo cards. A cash bar will be

Surface Water Grant available to groups

Local units of government, accredited schools, lake districts and town sanitary districts are now eligible to apply for a Surface Water Grant from the state Department of Natural Resources.

The surface water grant program provides cost-sharing grants for surface water protection and restoration. Funding is available for education, ecological assessments, plan-

ning, implementation, and aquatic invasive species prevention and control.

By May 1, applicants need to establish their eligibility by submitting an application form and supporting documentation to their regional environmental grant specialist [PDF].

Got to dnr.wisconsin.gov/aid/SurfaceWater.html for grant application details.

Tickets can be purchased at West Pointe Bank and Festival Foods in Oshkosh. Those interested in reserving tables of eight or fewer can contact Jaye Roeming at 920-233-5712.

available starting at 11 a.m., followed by a corned beef and cabbage lunch with a vegetarian option available upon request.

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City council

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consider. He said about 98 people completed the survey with 26 being in favor of the VRF and utility transfer proposal.

“The results were interesting,” Kleman said of the survey. “One thing that was abundantly clear is that infrastructure improvements are important to our membership – to business – and the general consensus is that Oshkosh needs to fix more streets faster.”

Thirty-two respondents said special assessments should be kept in place while 40 said a hybrid approach should be taken from the general tax levy. Kleman added that the general comments characterized the council proposal as a Band-Aid approach.



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Oshkosh Chamber of Commerce president Rob Kleman said chamber members are not in favor of the city's proposal to eliminate street and sidewalk special assessments.

Kleman reiterated that 72 respondents, or 74%, don't agree with the current proposal.

Former council member Sean Fitzgerald said he doesn't believe the proposal is the right move for Oshkosh especially since many property owners have already received a special assessment in the past.

Fitzgerald acknowledged the issue was present when he was on the council. He recalled the difficulty in listening to people come in front of the council and explain how much of a financial burden these special assessments can be.

“It's certainly emotional every single time and you can't help but feel compassion for the people and those stories,” he said.

He wanted the council to continue having special assessments. He suggested homeowners work on recouping some of the costs when they sell their home.

“Thousands of people have paid this already. It's important to stay the course,” Fitzgerald said. “This is an issue that is going to come up with subsequent councils after you're gone. It's important to recognize people that have already paid.”

Tuesday night was the formal first reading of the proposed ordinance, which will be on the Feb. 27 agenda where there will be a council vote. If the proposal is rejected, city staff would start working on the 2024 special assessments for street and sidewalk projects.

Mayoral changes

Mayor Matt Mugerauer continued his discussion with the council on changing the mayoral selection process. He suggested last year that the city get rid of the position and have the public elect seven council members and among the council elect a president and vice president.

Oshkosh operates a city manager-coun-



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Council member Paul Esslinger talks about his concerns with not having the voters decide if the city should get rid of the elected mayor. The idea, proposed by Mayor Matt Mugerauer, would have voters elect seven council members, then the council would elect a council president.

cil style government, which means the main decision maker and person who speaks for the city is the city manager hired by the council and not elected. It's a Chapter 64 government and Oshkosh is the only municipality in the state under Chapter 64 that has an elected mayor.

Council member Mike Ford explained that the role of the mayor is laid out in the city ordinance. The mayor is responsible for presiding over meetings, announcing the quorum, receiving motions, supervising voting of the body, enforcing rules of order, making proclamations and making appointments subject to board approval.

“They're not the executive officer, that's the city manager,” said Ford, explaining those duties of the Oshkosh mayor are the same as every council president in Chapter 64 communities.

“We're operating with a council president, we just call it a mayor and we elect it directly,” Ford said.

The city operates like a business and city manager Rohloff is the CEO and the council is the board of directors with Mugerauer running the meetings and appointing people to various boards and commissions.

The mayor of Oshkosh is not the same as the mayors of Appleton, Green Bay, Madison or Milwaukee where they are the chief executive and speaks for the city. Mugerauer has said this causes confusion at the local and state level.

Mugerauer was elected as mayor last spring and was already on the council with a year left on his term. He said it creates a “beauty pageant” and an awkward interview where residents come before the council and pitch themselves as the best person to fill the seat. That was the process of how council member LaKeisha Haase was appointed after the election.

“We took that ability away from the 66,000-plus people that call Oshkosh home,” Mugerauer said. “It's their job to decide who sits up here.”

Council member Paul Esslinger said he was opposed to the change because voters made the decision to directly elect a mayor despite what the duties are. He led the referendum when he was on the council in 2004 that gave voters the ability to directly elect a mayor.

“The citizens of Oshkosh really don't elect the person that runs the city. I think that's wrong,” Esslinger said. “If we're going to look at changing or keeping that it's something that citizens would have to undertake.”

Council member Joe Stephenson was excused absent from the meeting and Mugerauer said he wasn't going to ask the full council if they wanted to go forward with the suggested change, noting that Stephenson should be able to voice his opinion before directing city staff to move forward.

Rohloff explained it has been protocol to get majority consensus, or four council members, before staff devotes time and resources into developing an ordinance.

“It's to prevent seven one-offs that each one of you say, ‘I want an ordinance written for this’ and we go through a great deal of effort to do that,” Rohloff said.

He explained writing resolutions is simpler for city staff but ordinances carry the force of law and need time to be written properly.

“We want to make sure before we commit staff resources to it that we get a consensus that council thinks it's worth looking at,” Rohloff said.

Esslinger questioned Rohloff as to where it states that in the city statutes or council rules that to go forward staff needs majority consensus. City attorney Lynn Sorenson clarified there is no formal rule on how things progress besides consensus.

Mugerauer said it was his opinion that the council choosing its own leader is the most effective way for the group to do its job.

“Just because someone can win an election does not make them an effective leader. This body choosing its most competent and capable person to walk them through, at times difficult or delicate decisions, I think that's important,” Mugerauer said. “Just because you can win an election doesn't mean you can lead others effectively.”





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Calendar of events

Wednesday, Feb. 21

Trinity Lutheran School open house, 3 p.m., 819 School Ave.

Thursday, Feb. 22

Wisconsin Herd vs. Rip City Remix, 6 p.m., Oshkosh Arena

Friday, Feb. 23

American Red Cross blood drive, 1 p.m., Oshkosh Community YMCA, 3303 W. 20th Ave.

RV and Boat Main Sales Event, 11 a.m., EAA Aviation Museum

Oshkosh City Dart Tournament, 6:30 p.m., Becket's, 1 City Center

Oshkosh Southwest Rotary Bowling Fundraiser, 6 p.m., Revs Bowl Bar & Grill, 275 N Washburn St.

Friday Fright Night: "Manos: The Hands of Fate," 7 p.m., Time Community Theater, 445 N. Main St.

Saturday, Feb. 24

Echoes of the Past Historical Trade Fair, 9 a.m., Sunnyview Expo Center

Oshkosh City Dart Tournament, 10 a.m., Becket's, 1 City Center

American Girls: 1920s History with Claudie, 1 p.m., Oshkosh Public Museum

Men Who Cook, 5:30 p.m., Oshkosh Convention Center

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

Wisconsin Herd vs. Rip City Remix, 7 p.m., Oshkosh Arena

Sunday, Feb. 25

Echoes of the Past Historical Trade Fair, 9 a.m., Sunnyview Expo Center

Community Hymn Sing, 6 p.m., Plymouth Church, 1325 Georgia St.

Jazz Orgy, 9 p.m., Fletch's Local Tap House, 566 N. Main St.

Monday, Feb. 26

Water City Jazz Orchestra: Women in Jazz, 8 p.m., Fletch's Local Tap House, 566 N. Main St.

Wednesday, Feb. 28

Venture Project and Salute the Troops pitch event, 3 p.m., 210 N. Main St.

Thursday, Feb. 29

Poetry & Prose open mic night, 6:30 p.m., New Moon Cafe, 401 N. Main St.

Swamp Water Boogie, 7 p.m., Barley & Hops, 663 N. Main St.

Friday, March 1

OASD Education Foundation Trivia Night, 7 p.m., Oshkosh Convention Center

Wisconsin Herd vs. Maine Celtics, 7 p.m., Oshkosh Arena

Saturday, March 2

Oshkosh Gallery Walk, 6 p.m., downtown

Miss Oshkosh 2024 Scholarship Competition, 7 p.m., Alberta Kimball Auditorium

The Fourth Wall Hybrid Arts Ensemble, 2 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh

Wisconsin HER Day, 1 p.m., Oshkosh Arena

Wisconsin Herd vs. Maine Celtics, 7 p.m., Oshkosh Arena

Sunday, March 3

St. David's Day Hymn Sing, 2:30 p.m., Trinity Episcopal Church, 203 Algoma Blvd.

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

Tuesday, March 5

Who's on Fifth Comedy Series, 9 p.m., Fifth Ward Brewing Co.

Thursday, March 7

Veterans Prohibition Ball, 6:30 p.m., Venue 404, 404 N. Main St.

Friday, March 8

Curious Crow, 8 p.m., Fletch's Local Tap House, 566 N. Main St.

Saturday, March 9

Oshkosh Winter Farmers Market (joint craft fair), 9 a.m., Oshkosh Arena



Photo from Community Band

The Oshkosh Area Community Band's spring concert is set for March 16 at Alberta Kimball Auditorium.

Community Band sets spring concert

The Oshkosh Area Community Band will present its spring concert Roller Coaster at 7 p.m. March 16 at the Alberta Kimball Auditorium at Oshkosh West High School.

The band will present marches, theater music, popular standards and music written especially for wind bands. Excerpts from "Appalachian Spring" by Aaron Copland and transcribed for band by Robert Longfield will be a featured selection. It was commissioned by and written for Martha Graham as a ballet and first performed in 1944.

"Animation" (Episode One: Wabbit!) was written by Randall Standridge and inspired by the music of Carl Stalling, who was known for his scores for several Warner Brothers cartoons, especially Looney Tunes. The composition operates under the conceit that it is a "lost score" to a for-

gotten cartoon.

The roller coaster ride continues through the music of Andrew Glover. Ralph Nussbaumer will conduct the "Spiritual Deep River," Terry Hathaway will lead "Tyrolean Woodcutter's March" and the band will honor service members or veterans with an Armed Forces Medley.

Jon Basten will lead the Jazz Ensemble in several jazz selections, including "Wave" featuring the baritone saxophone written by Antonio Carlos and arranged by Michael Philip Mossman.

The band is led by music director David Berndt and is under the auspices of the Oshkosh Area Public Schools Recreation Department.

The concert will last about one hour and 45 minutes including an intermission. Donations will be accepted at the door.

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Sturgeon season continues in Winnebago, upriver lakes

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At the close of the second weekend for the 2024 Winnebago lake sturgeon spearing season Sunday, 353 lake sturgeon had been harvested systemwide, with 56 juvenile females, 116 adult females and 181 males.

The state Department of Natural Resources reported that the southwest registration station continued to have the greatest harvest, with 21 lake sturgeon Sunday and 174 lake sturgeon for the season.

The largest lake sturgeon harvested Sunday came from the southwest area of

Lake Winnebago, a 113.3-pound, 68.8-inch, F2 female speared by Mark Kraus.

Among those finding success was former NFL tight end and Appleton East High graduate Erik Jensen, who speared a 64.4-inch, 43.7-pound, F4 female from the Upriver Lakes on Sunday.

About 2% of the lake sturgeon being harvested were more than 100 pounds, a smaller percentage compared with the last 10 years but still above the percentage of 100-pound fish since the 1970s. DNR officials said this indicates the system is healthy enough to allow fish to grow old and large enough to reach 100 pounds.

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Fantasy costumes are one of the specialties that Meg Reichenberger creates for customers.

Special styles

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basement.

Each day varies as Reichenberger works on restyling and resizing dresses and costumes, custom designs horse riding attire and dancewear, and myriad other requests from members of the arts and entertainment industries. She created 110 costumes for the Central Wisconsin School of Ballet's 54th annual production of "The Nutcracker" in December at The Grand and has recently turned her attention to contestants for Miss Oshkosh and others in the pageant world.

"There is no reason at this level to buy new," she points out, adding that some contests require up to five outfits for one show. As such, she has added a consignment option to the business, offering new and slightly used special occasion dresses in a variety of styles,

colors and sizes, as well as shoes, purses and jewelry.

Reichenberger has done little traditional advertising because most of her business is acquired through word of mouth and social media in the communities she serves. She recently began to focus on attracting high school students to consider her as an option for reasonably priced homecoming gowns, winter formals and prom attire.

The drag community is another growing market Reichenberger serves, adding that the success of shows like RuPaul's "Drag Race" and the increasing popularity of local drag events keeps her busy. She enjoys the willingness to mix colors and patterns that the typical customer could shy from, and she can easily accommodate alterations and custom requests for a multitude of body types.

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1.69 12 ct Food Club Marshmallows	2/\$5 8-10 pk Sunbelt Bakery Bars	4.49 6 pk or 8 pk V8 Vegetable Juice	2.89 16 oz Delallo Pasta	2.79 100 ct Arm & Hammer Fabric Softener Sheets
3.49 13 oz Nutella	1.69 12 ct Swiss Miss Marshmallows	1.69 16 oz Old El Paso Beans or 16 oz Enchilada Sauce	5.99 15 oz Microban Sanitizing Spray	4.49 28 oz Dawn Dish Soap
1.79 190 ct Simply Done Facial Tissue	9.99 13-16 lb Paw Patrol Dog or Cat Food	4.99 12 oz or 24 ct TopCare Cold & Flu or Cough Medicine	2.99 4 oz TopCare Child Liquid Pain Relief	

dairy & frozen

2.29 16 oz Daisy Sour Cream	2.79 52-64 oz Almond Breeze	2.99 28-32 oz CraV'n Flavor or Food Club Potatoes	2/\$10 12.76-21.96 oz Bellatoria Ultra Thin or Bread Crumb Pizza	4/\$5 7-12 oz Banquet Meals
4.99 32 oz Coffee mate Natural Bliss Creamer	3.79 16-16.5 oz Nestle Chocolate Chip Cookie Dough	2/\$7 24-28 oz On-Cor Entrees	3/\$10 7.7-16.9 oz Palermo's, Connie's or Screamin' Sicilian Single Pizzas	3/\$10 14.5-16.9 oz Palermo's Thin Crust Pizza
2/\$6 52 oz Tropicana Premium Drinks	3.19 24 oz Prairie Farms Cottage Cheese	2/\$3 4.5-8.5 oz Michelina's Entrees	2/\$9 14-14.5 oz Marie Callender's Duos	
1.79 5 ct David's Deli Bagels	1.99 8 oz Food Club Spreadable Cream Cheese	2.99 12 oz Kraft Deluxe Mac & Cheese	2.29 16 oz CraV'n Flavor Pierogies	
2.29 10.66-12 oz Individually Wrapped 2% Sharp, Swiss, Fat Free or 2% Food Club American Singles	2/\$3 12 oz Old Orchard Frozen Juice	2/\$7 4-16 pk Dean's Ice Cream Novelties	2/\$5 8.5 oz Blue Bunny Load'd Sundaes	

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Craft

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Ultra

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Miller
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LOWEST LEGAL RETAIL

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Chata

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Wines

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Potato Salad



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Fresh
Mozzarella




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BBQ Pulled
Pork




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Mega
Bunch




13.99
6 in
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11.99
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Bouquet



9.99
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Bouquet



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Italian
Bread



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or Vegetable Oil



2.49 128 oz
Food Club
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2/\$5 1.62 oz
Food Club
Liquid H2O
Water Enhancer



99¢ 14.5 oz
Food Club
Broth



1.89 28 oz
Food Club
Baked Beans



5/\$4 5.5-7.25 oz
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Lourdes girls top Oaks to secure second straight title

By Dustin Riese
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For the second straight year, the Lourdes Academy girls basketball team will reign over the Trailways East.

The Knights secured this year's crown last Thursday in a 71-54 dismantling of second-place Oakfield at The Castle.

"What a game," Lourdes head coach Ali Starr said. "This was the conference championship game and we knew we had to step up. Every single girl on this team stepped up in a profound way today."

The Knights, who were ranked sixth in the WIAA Division 5 poll last week, finished the conference season with a perfect 14-0 mark and are 20-3 overall entering the postseason.

Lourdes Academy showcased a balanced attack in building a 33-26 lead over the Oaks.

Five different players scored in the first half led by 10 from Hailee Bauer, who also gave the Knights their first lead of the game early on with a basket.

Bauer ended up pouring in 27 points, including four 3-pointers. But it was also the junior's drives to the basket that dis-

rupted what the Oaks were trying to do defensively.

"What can I say, she did her job yet again," Starr said. "She is a scorer, always has been, always will be. She knows her role and she does it well. Her teammates did an awesome job of getting her open and making the extra pass and she did an incredible job of getting her teammates open as well. A lot of unselfish basketball."

Aubrey Schettle added a season-high 18 points – all on 3-pointers – while Ella Slusarski chipped in 12 points and a team-high eight rebounds.

As much as the offense had things clicking, it was the Knights' effort on defense that helped close out the Oaks.

Lourdes Academy held Oakfield's top scorer Stella Hoffman to just five points in the second half as the Knights were able to pull away.

Lourdes Academy outscored Oakfield 38-28 in the second half to widen the final margin.

"I love this team and I feel so honored to get to coach them," Starr said. "They are great basketball players and even more amazing humans."



Photo by Andy Ratchman

Charley Mullen goes up for a basket against Oakfield.



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Lourdes Academy's Hailee Bauer finished with a game-high 27 points to lead the Knights past Oakfield on Thursday night.

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- SENIORS**
Highest honors
 Mercy Ajao
 Rima Al-Qawasmi
 Hala Alali
 Micha'el Allen
 Dylan Anderson
 Blake Barber
 Max Blake
 Talan Boos
 Logan Briggs
 Ciniya Collins
 Leah Czerwinski
 Samuel Dick
 Brode Doemel
 Ayden Dombrowski
 Hanorah Flanigan
 Katelynn Frank
 Katherine Gassere
 Lauren Geer
 Christian Geffers
 Shawn Guenther
 Ava Hanson
 Caden Harrison
 Kialee Heinel
 Harry Hirschberg
 Jackson Hoerth
 Jera Jennings
 Maxwell Kese
 Isabella Lammey
 Isaac Langkau
 Eva Miller
 Andrea Miller
 Anabel Mitchell
 Ella Morenzien
 Jayden Morter
 Evelyn Oehler
 Mackenna Olson
 Cory Paulsen
 Sanai Pettis
 Brianna Puckett
 Isabella Salisbury
 Geovanni Sanabria-Rodriguez
 Abigail Schloskey
 Maddilyn Selner
 Ruby Snow
 Brandon Solomon
 Aland Sorani
 Greyson Spanbauer
 Cambria Standke
 Lee Steffen
 Carson Steinbeck
 Talon Swanson
 Jennifer Swapp
 Yingkong Thao
 Indyonah Theabo-Tinsley
 Harmony Tiffany
 Allycia Tlatelpa
 Pachia Vang
 Angelle Virgilio
 Savanna Walker
 Andrew Weidemann
 Brooklyn Williams
 Yuesiazong Xiong
- Highest honors**
 Noor Allhuda Adnan Abou Zitoun
 Angel Adhikari
 Raimond Balebanga
 Sisto Bernal
 Timothy Brown-Augsburger
 Steven Clark
- Honors**
 Briar Diener
 Mary Dorschner
 Evan Downs
 Jeavanni Garrett
 Nicholas Gaulke
 Shaun Gavin
 Joshua Grindle
 Seth Hansen
 Sawyer Higgins
 Avery Hirte
 Leigha Hohner
 Jedediah Larson-Poeschl
 Bronson Lux
 Jason Manske
 Samuel Meine
 Froylan Mendoza Villegas
 Liam Murphy
 Keira Oestreich
 Hailey Rees
 Dominic Schettle
 Nella Schultz
 Junior Thao
 Sue Thao
 Raisa Thor
 Jena VonHolzen
 Katie Wetterau
 Chayeng Xiong
 Venezuela Xiong
- Honors**
 Aya Abazid
 Naseem Abo Ezreek
 Mirlind Agaj
 Dymand Alvarado
 Heirmione Beeson
 Mwajuma Bikyeombe
 Emily Binder
 Julia Bock
 Ada Bowman
 Zahara Buhrow
 Brennan Cerney
 Michael Douglass
 Catalina Dugolenski
 Haley Fletcher
 Chance Freund
 Abigail Freyermuth
 Samia Gilbert
 Adrian Granado
 Bahaa Hasan
 Amareay Henry
 Wyland Hyde
 Mwavita Ishinondo
 Abel Jackson
 Patrick Jacoby
 Grace Jarvey
 Sophia Johnson
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 Sebaste Majaliwa
 Hammza Malik
 Gibril Manneh
 Payton Marquardt
 Jaxon Mathwig
 Brynn McCartney
 Noah Merten
 Jacob Messer
 Ciana Montgomery
 Ella Mueller
 Aimable Munyarugo

- Jordyn Rammer
 Chase Reyer
 Henrik Ross
 Clayton Sagataw
 Elizabeth Scharpf
 Kira Smith
 Tyler Spaight
 Ryan Speed
 Natalie Stadler
 Kennedy Thao
 Skyler Thao
 Agul Tong
 Sylvia Townsend
 Darrian Turner
 Kadance VandeVoort
 Charlotte Vickers
 Judah Victor
 Maya Walker
 Alyssa Wiedenhaft
 Devin Woebeking
 Sean Xiong
 Justin Xiong
 Kenji Yang
 Houa Song Yang
 Avenna Yang
 Benjamin Zaske
- Honors**
 Tuka Abazid
 Batoul Adnan Abou Zitoun
 Iya Blackwell
 Matthew Brown
 Kara Cummings
 Noelle Dutschek
 Hannah Fiser
 Joshua Hawley
 Davante Kieya
 Morgan Kolodzic
 Izabella Loiacono
 Yubdey Lor
 Khuyu Lor
 Maggie Lynch
 Cade Martin
 Morgen Nuetzel
 Ireland Page
 John Patrick
 Sydney Spanbauer
 Stefan Butzlaff
 Shyilee Stromberg
 Andrew Thao
 Daniel Thur
 Madison Umansky
 Hailee Valdez
 Jaziel Valero
 Miles VanThiel
 Jasmin Vey
 Mason Willis
 Lillian Worden
 Travis Xiong
 Ethan Yang
 Lanie Zellmer
- Honors**
 Cole Anders
 Marcus Anderson
 Zoe Augsburg
 Owen Bidwell
 Serenity Brewer
 David Burkhead
 Charles Clark
 Savannah Clark
 Gwen Evenson

- JUNIORS**
Highest honors
 Anna Adams
 Arianna Bauer
 Anna Borst
 Konrad Bowlus-Jasinski
 Aiden Brewer
 Maia Butzlaff
 Dorothy Butzlaff
 Domonic Centner
 Mikella Clavette
 Loria Dao
 Lee Dowdy
 Paine Engelmann
 Amadeus Gray
 Zachary Hintz
 Sophia Housworth
 Charlie Kempf
 Zachary Kiffmeyer
 Jacob Klinger
 Allia Lor
 Trip Kujawa
 Brannick Larson
 Macey Lee
 Violet McKeefry
 Cameron Miller
 Lehna Mitchell
 Liem Nguyen-Rivers
 Emma Niemczyk
 Grace Penzenstadler
 Autumn Reindl
 Joshua Rivers
- Honors**
 Brianna Schulte
 Addison Schulze
 Warren Seeley
 Sawyer Sharratt
 Hser The Soe
 Ayessa Marjorie Solaybar
 Zachary Splittgerber
 James Stern
 Ezekiel Sturtz
 Palai Thao
 Hailie Trochinski
 Hailey Widmann
 Brianna Wilson
 Lindsay Wilson
 Elaina Wojahn
- Honors**
 Liliana Falcon
 Caden Haase-Munro
 Baylee Hirte
 Joscelyn Howe
 Isiah Jackson
 Shepherd Johnson
 Aminah Kamel
 Corey Kremer
 Skylar Kuehn
 Scarlett Lohry
 Leontina Lubunga
 Jasmine Mata-Sims
 Ariana McDowell
 Kaitlin Mentzel
 Ethan Monroe
 Garret Munig
 Lila Murphy
 Cameren Nelson
 Lillian Nicholas
 Connor Palmquist
 Evy Pamenter
 Kaitylen Perez
 Brooke Peters
 Sierra Pickart
 Gavin Poquette
 Makenzie Reyes
 Payton Rockteschel
 Alexandra Ruedinger
 Annika Sabai
 Logan Schettle
 Katelyn Schneider
 Henry Schultz
 Isabella Strobel
 Treyton Tassoul
 Sabrina Thao
 Carter Thao
 Jamilua Thompson-Schreck
 Linda Thor
 Lillian Tom
 Preston Vang
 Kiley Vang
 Isabel Velders
 Sarahlyn Webb
 Elana Xiong

- Natalie Gray
 Maelyn Gregory
 Ce'Shawn Hibbler
 Wyatt Hughes
 Kaylee Jackson
 Liam Jepsen
 Azarie Kalunga
 Myranda King
 Conner Kislewski
 Mason Krings
 Connor Kuehn
 Broderick Lammey
 Kallum Larson-Poeschl
 Drake Lauritch
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 Alexandria McDowell
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 Mackenzie Pate
 Bryant Rasmussen
 Keegan Rees
 Charlotte Rehm
 Max Rohr
 Jasmine San
 Caleigh Schleicher
 Payton Schneider
 Taylor Sherer
 Sullivan Snow
 William Springer
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 Alexander Strobel
 Abigail Techlow
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 Drayke Trinko
 Nalee Vang
 Paja Vang
 Ying Yang Youa Vang
 Elijah Victor
 Payton Victoria
 Landen Wright
 Kein Xiong
 Michelle Xiong
 Salina Yang
- Honors**
 Jack Anderson
 Elliana Auler
 Shaylinn Blissett
 Nouteng Chang
 Madilyn Cravillion
 Damien Engelmann
 Tyler Farnsworth
 Veronica Fogleson
 Campbell Gies
 Reilly Jacoby
 Elliott Kipp
 Crystal Kuhn
 Logan Luft
 Anastasia Lyngen
 Areena Sorani
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 Yinghoua Thao
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 Owen Weber
 Aubree Witty
- Honors**
 Isabella Adams
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 Andrew Brockman
 Braylon Buhrow
 Kamari Collins
 Hannah Conrad
 Collin Eickmeyer
 Benjamin Folletz
 David Friedman

- Tucker Moskal
 Kaitlin Schmiedel
 Ella Seely
 Emily Steiner
 Hudson Sundquist
 Jasmin Vang
 Aviana Worden
- Honors**
 Bailey Barrera
 Brynn Bellcorelli
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 Adrijana Clark
 Abigail Dutschek
 Elise Geffers
 Yamama Ghannam
 Ty Karpowitz
 Baloci Mbalu
 Lilyana Oleson
 Clayton Poquette
 Samantha Retelle
 Matty Sanneh
 Olivia Shears
 Promise Shehi
 Layla Smitneek
 Owen Spaulding
 Phengvong Xiong
 Jalina Xiong
 Anikan Xiong
 Demetri Yang
- Honors**
 Youssef Adnan Abou Zitoun
 Shahed Alhamad
 Awut Alic
 Virginia Arrington
 Dewilo Asende
 Jackson Bailey
 Eleanor Baumgartner
 Aedan Braun
 Tristan Cotts
 Drayke Trinko
 Charles Ford
 Colee Friday
 Maxwell Friedrich
 Helix Fritz
 Emily Gillingham
 Aidan Hartman
 Jude Horton
 Austin Housworth
 Brady Huinker
 Naviana Lao-Facundo
 Gabriella Lofton
 Kylie Lor
 Dilena Lor
 Eric Mojica
 Abigail Moss
 Emily Nigl
 Shatterra Nowell
 Alexandra Pamerter
 Nazifa Rahmani
 Natalie Robinson
 Seamus Rutkowski
 Cayden Schmid
 Lily Schneider
 Cooper Stoll
 Gabriel Stolz
 Jaxon Theabo
 Rebecca Tong
 Madison Ventura
 Chonlada Xiong
 Katsumi Xiong
- FRESHMEN**
Highest honors
 Alissa Abendroth
 Happiness Ajao
 Caden Ames
 Reid Anderson
 Kiyah Brunner
 Zoe Fiser
 Ian Foerster
 Braydan Frank
 Grace Freemark
 Campbell Harrison
 Sonya Herman
 Cora Hershberger
 Elsa Hirschberg
 Sienna Hyde
 Paige Jarvey
 Samantha Leib
 Lilit Molenaar
 Cliff Moll
- Honors**
 Tristan Gomez
 Fletcher Jungwirth
 Rayne Laufer
 David Mueller
 Kylie Rietz
 Allie Schaefer
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- Honors**
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 Jackson Buttke
 Kiersten Dietschweiler
 Breann Emons
 Lila Geffers
 Izabel Gelhar
 Elliott Halla
 Arianna Hoefgen
- Honors**
 Merryn Jerger
 Cameron Kapral
 Marlie Kieckhafer
 Elizabeth Koch
 Rachael Kowalske
 Matthew Loker
 Estella Marschall
 Anne Moore
 Tessa Mroczkowski
 Elizabeth O'Connor
 Katelyn Potratz
 Alexandra Quandt
 Celia Ralofsky
 Samuel Rehm
 Henry Spanbauer
 Allison Stromske
 Abigail Thorson
 Kayla Wihlz
- Honors**
 Michael Santiago
- Honors**
 Walker Dlugolenski
 Zachary Foster
 Lucas Neuens

Lourdes Academy

Lourdes Academy has released its high school honor roll based solely on the students' first semester grade point average. Highest honors are for a GPS of 3.75 to 4.0; high honors are 3.5 to 3.749; honors are 3.25 to 3.49.

- SENIORS**
Highest honors
 Ji Hye Choi
 Isabelle Dietzler
 Lucy Foss
 Avery Halla
 Riley Jerger
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Photo by Jim Koepnick

Oshkosh West's Noah Gelhar looks to pass out of a Neenah double team during last Friday's FVA matchup in Neenah.

Prep roundup

BOYS BASKETBALL

Spartans clinch FVA title by topping Cardinals

Oshkosh North wrapped up the 2023-24 Fox Valley Association title Friday night with a convincing 84-70 win over Fond du Lac.

The win upped the Spartans' conference record to 14-2 this season with two games remaining. It is the program's first FVA crown since winning back-to-back titles in 2016-17 and 2017-18. It is Oshkosh North's eighth FVA title overall.

Stevie Clark led the way with 27 points, including a 9-of-10 performance at the free-throw line and nine rebounds, while Bryce Ott posted a double-double with 17 points and 13 boards.

Xzavion Mitchell finished with 12 points, eight rebounds and seven assists and Carter Strange chipped in 11 points.

Earlier in the week, the Spartans erupted for 51 first-half points and collected an 82-66 win over Hortonville.

Clark had a huge double-double with 32 points and 17 rebounds, while Mitchell finished with 26 points.

Oshkosh West endures tough week

The Wildcats were dealt losses in all three of its games last week and saw their losing skid stretch to four.

West trailed Neenah by just two points at halftime on Friday but the Rockets pulled away in the second half for a 65-52 win.

Dylan Taylor and Drew Blair each scored 11 points, while Joey Ware finished

with 10 points.

The night before, the Wildcats fell to Hortonville, 79-71, despite having four players in double figures. Blair led the way with 18 points followed by Taylor with 17, Collin Carns with 13 and Noah Gelhar with 10.

West started the week with a hard-fought 68-66 loss to Appleton East at home. Taylor had 19 points and seven assists in the game to lead the Wildcats, with Waare adding 12 points and Carns finishing with 10.

Knights overwhelm rival Warriors

Lourdes Academy finished 10-of-18 from 3-point range and rolled past rival Valley Christian 69-29 on Friday night.

JJ McKellips finished with 19 points and hit five of the Knights' 3-pointers in the game, while Jok Machiros finished with 11 points and Mitchell Wing added 10. Lucas Neuens chipped in nine points off the bench, hitting all three 3-pointers he attempted.

Valley Christian was led by Cade Krause, who finished with nine points, while Joshua Johnson and Mathias Behling each had six.

Big second half lifts Lourdes Academy

The Knights racked up 40 points in the second half and rallied from a 31-22 halftime deficit to claim a 62-56 win over Horicon last week.

Four players finished in double figures

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Required EV hybrid stickers ready for vehicles

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) will begin sending new electric vehicle hybrid stickers to current owners of electric and hybrid vehicles, as required by recent legislation.

The new law requires that the orange and black "EV Hybrid" stickers be attached to each license plate issued for an

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Oshkosh North senior Stevie Clark has earned the prestigious WBCA Legacy Leadership Award, it was announced recently.

Spartans' Clark earns prestigious WBCA award

Oshkosh North senior Stevie Clark has been named as the 2024 Legacy Leadership Award winner as chosen by the Wisconsin Basketball Coaches Association.

The award was established in 2019 to honor the legacy, leadership and lives of WBCA executive board members John Cary, Jerry Petitgoue and David Royston in recognition of their leadership qualities, characteristics in interpersonal relationships and achievement as board members.

The WBCA-MACC Fund Legacy Award will be given annually to an executive board member and senior student who demonstrates the exemplary qualities of character, courage and service.

Clark is a four-year varsity starter at North, who has led the Spartans, ranked seventh in Division 1, to a 17-5 overall record and a 14-2 mark in the always tough Fox Valley Association. North clinched the 2023-24 FVA crown with a win last week, earning the program its first title in six seasons.

Clark is averaging 22.3 points per game this season and leads the team in 3-pointers made. He is also averaging six rebounds and nearly four assists per contest this season.

Clark was a first-team selection in the Fox Valley Association last season after earning second-team honors as a sophomore.

Before the state of the season, Clark committed to NCAA Division I Colgate University.

Albany/Monticello's Alana Durtschi was selected as the girls 2004 Legacy Leadership Award winner. Loren Homb of Watertown was previously selected as the executive board recipient.

North girls fall at buzzer to Cardinals

By Steve Clark
OSHKOSH HERALD

Some scrappy defense and clutch scoring from Ava Hanson and Brinna Paulson helped Oshkosh North erase an eight-point in the final minutes of last Thursday's Fox Valley Association game against Fond du Lac.

The Spartans took the lead with 4.3 seconds left to play, but that proved to be enough time for the Cardinals to churn out one more basket before the final buzzer to hand North a 38-37 loss in its regular-season finale.

Inbounding the ball in front of the Spartans' bench, the Cardinals connected two passes with the second leading to a layup by Brooklynn Butler, who had snuck behind the North defense and scored just ahead of the end of regulation.

"That last play, I was fighting for the girls to get back but I think when you are desperate like that for the last four or five minutes, that is their mindset," North head coach Rick Leib said. "If I could do it again, I would have called timeout and set the defense to keep everything in front of us. I think when they heard we were putting Nyedang (Awak) up they had to pressure more."

The tough loss erased a gutty comeback by the Spartans, who made just three field goals and totaled eight points – all by Awut Alic – in the first 12 1/2 minutes of the second half to allow Fond du Lac to build its lead.

A Hanson free throw with 5:35 remaining started the Spartan surge with Paulson following with a pair of baskets in a 40-second span to cut the Cardinals' lead to 34-31.

Fond du Lac answered on their next pos-



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Ava Hanson drives to the basket against Fond du Lac on Friday night.

session to push the lead to five, but Hanson made two free throws with 2:32 left and then brought the Spartans to within a point on a basket with 1:45 left.

Both teams had opportunities to affect the score in the final minutes but it wasn't until the Spartans took advantage of a Cardinal turnover and Hanson drove the right side of the lane for a basket and a 37-36 lead.

"That's what senior leadership is all about," Leib said. "It's making plays and believing and I think we struggled with the belief we could make plays and then she steps up and makes them. We had multiple girls do that, we just needed one more play."

Fond du Lac inbounded the ball before

calling a timeout, which meant the ball would be inbounded closer to midcourt.

Leib, in his first season as the head coach, said he would like to have those final seconds back but he was certainly proud of the way his team put itself in a position to win.

"When I came in I wanted to change the culture of belief and that's why I'm down on myself because they were there and maybe the coach didn't set them up as best as they could," Leib said. "The old team would have probably just flushed things when we got down seven (in the second half) but this team figures out away even if all of the shots don't fall. The belief is there."

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Football toughness shows in Ice Hawks' Koeppen

By Tim Froberg
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

Hockey and football are wildly different sports, but it takes the same type of athlete to play them.

These players have a little TNT in them.

In this case, the TNT stands for toughness and tenacity: traits that Isaiah Koeppen takes regularly to the ice and gridiron.

The Oshkosh Ice Hawks senior forward has been one of the better players in the Badgerland Conference the past few seasons and was a ballhawking linebacker in football for Oshkosh West.

"I think playing football has helped me a lot in hockey," said Koeppen. "It's taught me to be more physical and I think I'm just better on my feet due to football."

"I feel that playing hockey has helped me in football, too. It's taught me to go 100 percent – to go full speed without hesitation."

Koeppen led the Ice Hawks in goals (14) and finished second in points (18). A fourth-year player, Koeppen topped the Ice Hawks in goals (13) as a junior and was second in points (22), receiving all-conference honorable mention.

"Isaiah has been a big part of our team during his four years," said Ice Hawks coach Stephanie Brunkhorst. "But in his senior year, he's shown his true potential, not only as a player, but as an individual."

Koeppen has been playing hockey since the age of four. He's always been a strong skater with good instincts for the game.

"Skating has always come easy to me – it's kind of been my thing," Koeppen said. "When I first started as a little kid, my mom always said that I was one of the last ones to fall."

"I credit my parents (Ken and Lisa) for



Photo by Andy Ratchman

Oshkosh Ice Hawk Isaiah Koeppen fires a shot toward the net in a game earlier this season. Koeppen is the leading scorer for Oshkosh this season.

supporting me all these years in hockey. They took me to a lot of weekend tournaments all over the state. I don't think they missed one of my high school games."

The Ice Hawks are a WIAA Division 1 co-op team composed of prep athletes from Oshkosh North, West, Lourdes Academy, Laconia, Winneconne, Lomira, Ripon and Berlin.

"Hockey is such a great sport," Koeppen said. "I love the physicality and the players. I love being on a hockey team. I've never been on a hockey team that I didn't like."

In addition to being one of the team's

top scoring threats, Koeppen filled a key leadership role as a team captain.

"His speed, scoring ability and hard work is something that could never be replaced," Brunkhorst said. "His personality – his ability to be serious, but to make sure that his teammates could share a laugh – was also very important."

"He became a captain this year and that can be something that changes a player for the worst – as we've seen it happen. But it didn't change him one bit. He led the team by being himself and it's something we as a coaching staff appreciated."

Prep roundup

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for the Knights, led by Braden Studinski with 17 points. JJ McKellips added 13 points, followed by Jok Machiros with 12 and Calvin Tollard with 10.

The Knights will play at Oakfield on Thursday for a chance to share the Trailways East title with the Oaks. Lourdes Academy is one game behind Oakfield in the standings.

Sharp shooting not enough for Valley Christian

Isaiah Hyvonen and Brady Patterson combined for nine 3-pointers but Valley Christian came up short against Wayland Academy last week, 61-49.

Hyvonen finished with 18 points and Patterson added 12 on the loss.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Wildcats stun seventh-ranked Rockets

Oshkosh West capped its regular season with a big upset, knocking off seventh-ranked Neenah, 42-37, last Thursday.

Paige Seckar led the Wildcats with 19 points and was the lone player in double figures for West. Morgan Toman and Brenna Gehri each chipped in five points.

Neenah standout Allie Ziebell was held scoreless in the first half and limited to just 13 points in the game.

Hanson nets 26 as Spartans down Terrors

Ava Hanson poured in 26 points to lead Oshkosh North to a 73-49 win over Appleton West last week.

Brinna Paulson hit five 3-pointers and

Senior spotlight

At 5-foot-8, 185 pounds, Koeppen isn't the biggest athlete you're going to find – especially on the gridiron where he was an undersized middle linebacker for Oshkosh West. But he was a tackling machine for the Wildcats, leading the team by a wide margin in tackles (73). He was a second-team all-Fox Valley Association pick.

"I came into the program at about 160 and my size was a little bit of a struggle at first," he said. "But I had good instincts and studied a lot of film. The linemen were a lot bigger than me, but I was often able to get to spots before they did. And by being a hockey player, I was just a lot more physical than most people."

"My size actually helped me in hockey. Being short, I have smaller strides, so I'm faster than a lot of other skaters and being on the stocky side, I'm more powerful, too. A lot of hockey players are smaller guys in the 150-160-pound range."

Koeppen plans to attend Fox Valley Technical College in Appleton next fall and pursue a degree in the school's fire safety program.

"I've looked at a lot of blue-collar trades and I want to become a firefighter," he said. "It's interesting work and I like that type of schedule. I value time a lot more than I value money."

As for hockey, he probably won't pursue the next level on the ice.

"I've talked to a few junior teams and we'll see what happens," Koeppen said. "I know I'll keep playing at some level – in a rec league or something like that. I want my hockey life to continue, but I'll probably be playing just for fun."

finished with 19 points, while Awut Alic chipped in 18 points. Nyedeng Awak finished with 12 rebounds in the win.

Knights cap perfect conference season

Lourdes Academy drained 12 3-pointers and jumped out to a 15-point halftime lead en route to beating Valley Christian, 76-48, in the regular-season finale Friday night.

Hailee Bauer led the team with 19 points, while Aubrey Schettle finished with 18 points – all on 3-pointers. Delaney Ruedinger also reached double figures for the Knights with 10 points.

Anna Y. Giannopoulos finished with 26 points and 10 rebounds to lead Valley Christian with Mya Moran chipping in 10. Paige Boevers had 11 rebounds in the game for the Warriors.

Lourdes Academy stung by Wautoma

The Knights were held to a season-low 39 points and suffered a 42-39 nonconference loss on the road at Wautoma last week.

Aubrey Schettle, Hailee Bauer and Ella Slusarski each finished with nine points to lead the Knights, who scored just 14 points in the first half.

Valley Christian edges Horicon on road

Three Warriors finished in double figures as Valley Christian held off Horicon's second-half charge for a 50-49 win last Thursday.

Lizzie Fink paced the Warriors with 17 points, while Anna Y. Giannopoulos and Mya Moran finished with 13 and 12, respectively.

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North/Lourdes' Reeves lands in third place at state

Oshkosh Herald

River Reeves has certainly established himself as one of the top high school divers in the state.

In just his second year of competing, the sophomore with the Oshkosh North/Lourdes Academy co-op program earned a podium finish and brought home a third-place medal from the WIAA Division 1 Swimming and Diving Championships held at Waukesha South on Saturday.

"I couldn't be prouder of River and my diving coach," North/Lourdes head coach Ian Sewell said. "They have both worked very hard."

Reeves finished with a total of 427.50 points at the state meet, which was less than

two points behind state runner-up Evan Arneson of Kenosha Tremper. Brady Huettl of Waukesha South/Catholic Memorial, who finished third at last year's state meet, won the state title with 481.35 points.

Reeves finished nearly 20 points ahead of the fourth-place finisher.

Reeves was in second place after the preliminaries and then dropped to fifth after the semifinals. He finished strong with his final dives and was able to move up the standings.

Although his point total fell short of his sectional title winning score of more than 478 points, Sewell felt Reeves looked just as strong with his dives at the state meet.

"If you ask me and a few of the others

who were watching River dive, I think his score was not as high as it could have been," Sewell said. "Just watching him at sectionals and watching him at state, I thought he dove better at state so I don't totally agree with all of the scores. But the judges do a nice job and I think he did well at both meets."

In his first season of competitive diving as a freshman, Reeves finished eighth at the state meet with a total of 393.55 points.

Sewell said that Reeves has certainly improved from his freshmen season and a lot of his progression was more mental than physical.

"His comfortability on the board (is the

biggest difference from last year). He is willing to throw those difficult dives that may be he was nervous before," Sewell said. "He goes up there and throws it whether it is a practice or a meet and isn't as timid as he was last year in his first year."

And Reeves isn't close to being done.

Sewell said that Reeves is dedicated to improving his craft and, with two years of competition left, believes he is on track to one day stand at the top of the state podium.

"I definitely do," Sewell said. "The kid who took first is a junior and he is going to be tough to beat next year. If River wants to beat him next year, he's going to have his hands full but beyond that there is nothing in his path."

West sending four to state; Carpenter returning

Oshkosh Herald

The last two seasons, Oshkosh West's Edwyn Schroeder has had to watch teammates wrestle at the WIAA State Tournament.

Tough sectional brackets had kept him from hitting the Kohl Center mats those two years as he was as accomplished as any wrestler to not have competed at the state meet.

Not this year.

Schroeder won the title at the Division 1 Beaver Dam sectional on Saturday and will be one of three Oshkosh West wrestlers competing at the state meet, which starts Thursday in Madison.

It was a really good feeling to have him get that monkey off of his back," Oshkosh West head coach Matt Cuadra said. "It's something that he has been working for for so long and he definitely deserves it."

Schroeder will be one of three West wrestlers competing at the state meet. Junior Ryland Schneider earned his third straight trip after winning the 157-pound sectional title, while senior Garth Martell will head to Madison for the second straight season after taking second at heavyweight.

Schroeder pinned all three of his opponents en route to winning his title at 138 pounds. He stopped his first two opponents in the first period and then stuck Slinger's Grant Dickenson in 3:05 to claim the championship.

Schneider put in a little more work to earn his championship, although he did earn a pin in his first match. Schneider then edged Slingers Elijah Terrell, 9-6, in the semifinals before scoring a 23-10 major decision over Hartford's Jacob Kidder in the finals.

Martell pinned both Port Washington's Hewitt Dekker and West Bend East's Steven Henry to reach the finals, where he fell to nationally ranked Cole Mirasola of West Bend West to take second.

"Getting three guys there is great. We were hoping for a couple more and we got a girl there to qualify to go to state," Cuadra said. "It's been their goal since the beginning of the season. All three of them have been talking about placing so we're set up to do that and that's what we are going to go down there and get done."

Jaiden Fronczak nearly joined the trip but finished third at 165 pounds, while Nelson

Fournier took fourth at 215 pounds.

Oshkosh West also qualified a wrestler for the WIAA Girls State Tournament after Sarah Mrazek finished first at 107 pounds.

Mrazek needed to win only one match to claim the title and she pinned Watertown's Mya Grosenick in 5:42.

Division 3

Lourdes Academy's Mason Carpenter breezed through the sectional field to earn his fourth trip to the WIAA State Wrestling Tournament.

Carpenter captured the 132-pound title at the Division 3 Bonduel Sectional on Saturday and will look to win his first state championship this week in Madison.

"I feel like my bracket sets up well for me. Obviously, I can't look past anybody," Carpenter said. "It's not going to be a cakewalk - it's a state tournament. But as long

as I wrestle to my ability, I feel like nobody can beat me."

Carpenter was certainly dominant at the sectional meet. He pinned Oconto's Jaymison Markham in 1:41 in the first round and then stuck Crandon's Brexden Kane in the semifinal in 2:37.

He claimed the title by defeating Wabeno/Laonas Brady Shepard in a 16-0 technical fall.


Now, he's got three more wins to get in his storied prep career.

"Whoever I have to wrestle Friday morning, I have to wrestle to my ability and get it done. Then win another match on Friday and win that Finals match on Saturday," Carpenter said. "My mindset is that I am the best out there because of all the hard work and now I have to do what I'm meant to do and I'm going to stand at the top of the podium."



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Obituaries

Catherine Mark

Catherine 'Kay' Mark, 96, of Oshkosh, Wis. Passed away peacefully surrounded by her family on Feb. 12, 2024. One of eleven children, she was born in Milwaukee in 1927 to Peter and Mary Schwind, who instilled the values of God and the importance of service in her from a young age.

Kay met the love of her life, John 'Jack' Mark, in 1948, introduced to her by her brother-in-law. Excited to start their new lives together, the two were married on Sept. 10, 1949 in Milwaukee.

Her unconditional love served as the

foundation that her and her husband built their marriage and family upon. They wasted no time to start their new family together, and she loved spending time with her five children – John, Sue, Tom, Jan and Bill. From traveling and cooking to creating beauty through cross-stitching, knitting, or crocheting, Kay enjoyed any time spent with her children.

She enjoyed going on fishing trips and traveling with Jack and maintaining her gorgeous gardens – she was never afraid to get her hands dirty. But Kay's favorite was the role of grandparent. From picking them up after school, seeing the world with them, teaching them card games, to being there on Christmas morning, she treasured time with her grandkids.

Kay's childhood was rooted in God and the Catholic church, which spilled

over into her adult life. She was an active member of St. Raphael the Archangel Catholic Church, devoting her time and energy to making sure the church and Lourdes Academy had everything they needed.

She will always be remembered for being the backbone of her family and someone everyone could rely on. The family couldn't have asked for a better mother, grandmother, great grandmother, aunt, friend, or role model.

Kay was greeted upon her arrival in Heaven by her husband, Jack Mark, her parents, Peter and Mary Schwind, and her siblings, Dorothy (Sister Marie Therese), Margaret (Sister Peter), Ruth, Joe, Marianne, Lorraine, Pete, Clarence (Cook), Betty, and Francis (Pinky).

Remembered every day by her family

John and Marlene Mark, Susan and Gerry Frechette, Tom Mark, Jan Mark and Bill Mark. As well as by her grandchildren Ryan (Tina) Egen, Nichole Mark, Tim Mark, Leah Perantoni, Luke (Aspen) Perantoni, Lauree Frechette, Alisa (Kurt) Skattebo, Katelyn Mark, Stuart Mark and Emily Mark. And her great grandchildren Austin, Katelyn, Josie, Jack, Beau, Morgan, Zoie and Mitchell.

The family will be holding a private funeral, in the presence of the people who were closest to Kay.

The entire family would like to especially thank the staff at Gabriel's Villa and Moments Hospice for the loving care they gave her.



North girls

FROM PAGE 19

Hanson and Paulson each finished with 12 points to lead the Spartans, while Alic chopped in 10 points and seven rebounds.

However, North shot just 28 percent from the field and were only 5-of-30 from 3-point range in the loss.

"That's been our nemesis and if we hit some shots, it opens it up for our penetrators," Leib said. "We have to spend more time shooting and get in the gym. We will surely address it in the offseason."

Shirley J. Nicolaisen

Shirley J. Nicolaisen, age 85 of Oshkosh, passed away at her residence on Saturday,



February 17, 2024. She was born on April 8, 1938 to the late Paul and Virginia (Schroeder) Berry in Oshkosh. Shirley was united in marriage to Earl Nicolaisen on October 10, 1959 after having been next-door-neighbors since age 12. Together they raised one daughter.

Shirley dedicated 37 years of her work-

ing career to AT&T and retired as a supervisor.

Shirley's joy in life came from spending quality time with her loved ones, whether it was casting a line on a peaceful fishing trip, traveling the world, swinging her clubs on the golf course, or meticulously crafting beautiful pieces through her love of sewing.

Shirley is lovingly survived by her husband of 64 years, Earl Nicolaisen; daughter, Vicky (Mark) Wenzel; granddaughter, Sarah (fiancé Tyler Phumphrey, and his daughter Dessie) Wenzel; siblings, Richard (Judy) Berry and Donna Gruska; special niece, Nicole (Nick) Theodosis. She is

further survived by many other nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, Shirley was preceded in death by her brother-in-law, Roger Gruska.

A funeral service for Shirley will be held at Konrad-Behlman Funeral Home-Westside, 100 Lake Pointe Dr. on Friday, February 23, 2024 at 12:00 p.m. Visitation will take place at the funeral home from 10:00 a.m. until the time of the service.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial will be established.



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Kathryn Ann Basler

Kathryn Ann Basler, age 72, passed away in the early morning of February 14th at her home after succumbing to cancer. Kathy is survived by her loving husband, Mike; daughters, Kelly (Paul) Marks, Kerry (Todd) Rankin, and Kourtney Basler; grandson, Aiden Rankin; mother, Betty Weckwerth; and brother, Arthur Weckwerth, along with numerous other family members and loved ones. Kathy is preceded in death by her father, Eugene Weckwerth.

Kathy was born on June 29, 1951 in Milwaukee to Eugene and Betty (Schultz) Weckwerth who raised her in Wauwatosa. Growing up, her favorite person in the world was her Grandma Kate. Spending summers at her house in Glidden, WI were some of her happiest memories and Kathy would tell stories about her time there for the rest of her life. The love, protection and guidance that Kate gave her inspired her to dedicate her life to helping others and she pursued that passion by going to college to be a certified occupational therapy assistant (COTA) attending college at Mount Mary and later Fox Valley Tech. While she was completing her schooling she met Mike Basler, a young Vietnam Veteran; they had their first date at a New Year's Eve party in 1972 and they were married before the next new year came. The wedding band that she wore for the next 50 years was inscribed "Happy New Year, I Love You". Just over two years after they got married Mike and Kathy welcomed their first daughter, Kelly Michelle into the world. Two and half years later they had Kerry

Colleen and then, after another two and a half years came their special little girl Kourtney Corinne.

Kathy spent years being a full-time mother and a full-time COTA at Mercy Medical in Oshkosh, but once there were three little girls running around their house Kathy knew she would have to give up her job to make sure she was always there for her daughters. As a mother (and a wife, and a friend) Kathy was fiercely loyal, bottomlessly compassionate and tenaciously protective. Once you were in Kathy's "family" you never had to worry about having a ear to bend about your problems, a shoulder to cry on or a defender to go to battle for you. But her true love language was cooking, and she was never more happy then when she could watch someone enjoy a meal that she had prepared for them. She always said that, "If you leave my house hungry it's your own damn fault!". Kathy also loved being a grandmother to her only grandchild, whom she adored spoiling rotten. For those of you who knew her well, know that her three biggest loves in life were God, her family and her pets. Thank you Kathy for being there for all of us that loved you. We know that you will be holding each of our hands as we continue through this life without you.

The family would like to thank everyone of Kathy's friends and family members that stayed in constant contact with her until the end even though she was too ill for visitors. Also, a special thanks to her hospice caregivers: Angie H and Angela C who treated her with such kind compassion and helped her exit this world with as much dignity as was possible.

Cremation has taken place and a private burial will be held by the family, a celebration of life will be held at a later date. Kathy did not want a service, so please

celebrate her life in whatever way each of you thinks is the most befitting of this remarkable woman. We suggest maybe putting on your favorite Patsy Cline record the next time you're watching a beautiful sunset.

Kathy and Mike never met a stray animal that they didn't fall in love with so, if you wish, please make a donation to the Oshkosh Area Humane Society in Kathy's honor.

One thing that many people didn't know about Kathy is that she loved writ-

ing. In her life she wrote innumerable short stories, and poems, along with two unpublished novels. Kathy would like to leave us all with this thought:

Weep not for me
I hear your hearts breaking
Heaven was calling and I had to leave
So until we meet again
Know that I am watching over you
Try not to be sad for I am at peace

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Virginia E. Crain

Virginia E. Crain, age 85 of Oshkosh, passed away at her residence on Friday, January 12, 2024. She was born in Illinois on February 16, 1938 to the late William and Mary (Varsek) Richardson.



Virginia (Jinny) worked at Barber-Coleman in Rockford, Illinois for many years. She raised her family in Rockford prior to moving to Oshkosh to be near her grown children.

Jinny loved her family most of all. She is survived by her children Claudette (William Mark) Elliott and Daniel Crain

II; grandchildren, William Justin (Chelsea) Elliott, Brooke Angelina (Mitchell) Madlon, Whitney Danielle Elliott and Mitchell Blake Elliott; great-grandchildren, Adalynne Cynthia Elliott, Damon Cole Elliott, Rylee Jayde Elliott-Geurden and Willow Mary Elliott; sister, Mary Fulghum. Jinny was a faithful and loyal mother, grandmother, and friend! She loved her family immensely and was truly loved by them!

In addition to her parents, Virginia was preceded in death by her brothers, William and David Richardson.

A celebration of life was held by her family.

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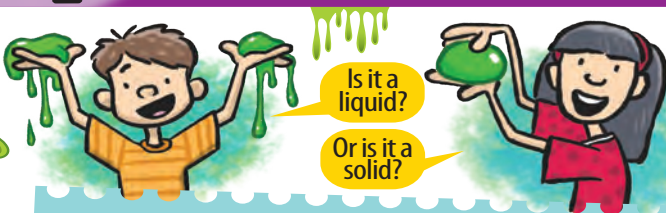
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Scientist's Notebook Make Goopy Oobleck

STUFF YOU'LL NEED:

- 1 cup of cornstarch
- ½ cup of water
- Food coloring (just for fun)
- A bowl
- Your hands

DIRECTIONS:

1. Measure ½ cup of water and pour into a bowl. If you have food coloring, add a few drops to the water.
2. Measure 1 cup of cornstarch. Pour into your bowl.
3. Mix the water and cornstarch for 10 minutes to make it just right. You might want to take turns with a partner.

Standards Link: Conduct simple science experiments; understand suspensions.

Can you find your way through this slimy Oobleck maze?

START

FINISH

It's raining Oobleck!
 Can you find at least 10 differences between these two pictures?

Standards Link: Find similarities and differences in common objects.

Scientist's Notebook What to do with your goo?

TRY THIS:

After your Oobleck is well mixed, gently feel the top.

What does it feel like?

Next, pick up a handful of Oobleck and squeeze it into a ball. What does it feel like now?

Can you pick up any other liquids and make them into a solid ball?

Open your hand with the Oobleck ball sitting on your palm. What happens?

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 Look for an advertisement in the newspaper that you like. Rewrite the advertisement to make an ad to sell Oobleck.

Standards Link: Language Arts: Write persuasively.

Kid Scoop Together The Science of Oobleck

Replace the missing words.

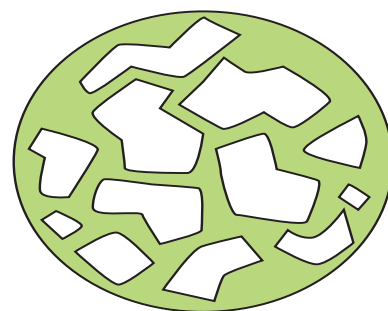
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The corn flour doesn't dissolve in the _____.
 Instead, it becomes "suspended" in the water.

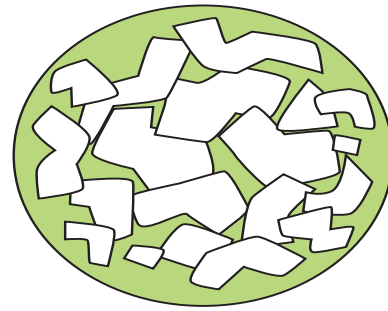
Corn flour is made up of billions of tiny, irregularly _____ grains of starch. When water is added, the liquid flows around each grain of starch, and the little grains _____ around each other. This makes your mixture runny as particles slip over and around each other.

When a sudden _____ force is applied, the starch particles lock together, and the mixture _____ and acts like a solid.

As soon as the force is removed, the water surrounds each of the grains again, and the mixture becomes _____ once more.



Particles without force.



Particles when Oobleck is squeezed together.

Kid Scoop Puzzler

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Use the code to discover the name of the book.

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Standards Link: Language Arts: Follow simple written directions.

Double Double Word Search

- ACTS
- BALL
- BOWL
- CRAZY
- CUP
- DROPS
- FEEL
- HAND
- LIQUID
- MIX
- Oobleck
- OPEN
- Pour
- SOLID
- Water

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

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