**Multiyear housing project advances**

**Red Earth continues to clear plan hurdles**

By Jonathan Richie

The planned housing development off Lake Butte des Morts Drive continues to acquire the proper approvals from the city with construction on phase one of the project set to begin soon.

The Plan Commission approved right-of-way dedications, preliminary plat and plans for the next five phases of the Red Earth LLC development.

The general development plan for the Red Earth development was passed last year by the Common Council for all six phases of the development. The council also approved a specific implementation plan (SIP) for phase one last year and now the developers are asking for SIPs for the remaining phases to be approved even as construction on phase one has not yet begun.

The development is the site of a former farm and sits on about 72 acres. When all six phases are completed, Red Earth plans to have 522 units in the development in a

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**Four Phantoms return to Grand under brighter lights**

Performances will be aired on public TV

By MaryBeth Matzek

When the Four Phantoms arrive at The Grand Oshkosh for three shows this month, their audience will be larger than normal — two of the shows are being taped for a televised special that will air nationally and internationally.

“We will be able to reach a broader audience with our show and expose them to a theatric performance they might not otherwise get to experience,” said Ciaran Sheehan, one of the Four Phantoms.

Each of the Four Phantoms shares the distinction of playing the lead character in “The Phantom of the Opera,” Andrew Lloyd Webber’s longest-running musical on Broadway. Together, the four performers have played the Phantom more than 6,000 times. In addition to Sheehan, the other performers include Brent Barrett, John Cudia and Franc D’Ambrosio.

“The Four Phantoms” will perform at The Grand on March 21, 22 and 23 with shows starting at 7:30 p.m. Television crews will tape the second and third performances for a public television special, which will be released this summer.

“It’s a stunning and humbling relationship we have with The Four Phantoms organization. To have a world-class organization take a show made for a large performing arts center, and modify — not scale back — for our jewel box the-

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**Helping hands**

Valley Christian students bring cleaning supplies and other items into the school Thursday that were donated in the region’s annual hygiene drive to support homeless and crisis centers. See a story on Page 4.

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Museum recognized for century of service

By Jonathan Richie
Oshkosh Herald

The Oshkosh Public Museum (OPM) celebrates 100 years of service to the community this year and last week received recognition from local, state and congressional representatives. Amy Resop presented the OPM with a Gold Senate Seal from U.S. Sen. Ron Johnson’s office and Dustin Hackbart presented recognition from U.S. Rep. Glenn Grothman’s office.

City Manager Mark Rohloff also spoke of the importance of celebrating 100 years. He called the museum a cherished institution and the centennial as a celebration of the community.

“We’re going to continue to uplift our history and art and culture alongside the Oshkosh Public Museum,” he said. “I believe we have a responsibility to future generations to continue this legacy so that 100 years from now we’re celebrating our bicentennial.”

Former Oshkosh Mayor and current state Rep. Lori Palmieri also spoke and called the OPM a “treasure” in Oshkosh. She presented the museum with recognition from the state Legislature.

Winnebago County Executive Jon Doemel spoke of the beauty of the OPM and detailed some of the history of the museum that was donated to the city by Edgar Sawyer in 1922 and opened as the museum in 1924.

“What do we matter. Here we are 100 years later in a house that was donated to a city through altruistic reasons to pass on what the beauty is that we’ve had and some of the things that remind us of our past,” Doemel said. “I wish this place another 100 years of education and success and beauty.”

Museum director Sarah Phillips thanked all the representatives, city officials, and museum staff and volunteers for their support. She said she was personally honored to help shepherd the museum as it celebrates its service to the community.

“What the museum does is bring together history, art and culture into an ecosystem,” Phillips said. “We’re very proud we offer the community a place of identity and it’s important that what we do is all wrapped up in human memory.”

The OPM 100 celebration is ongoing with events planned throughout to showcase the museum’s work and history. More information is at oshkoshmuseum.org.

District discusses Washington school sale

Oshkosh Herald

The Washington Elementary School property could soon be sold to the city.

Last year the district announced plans to sell the property at 929 Winnebago Ave. after it closes this year. Students will be going to Menominee Elementary, which is under construction.

The sale is on Wednesday’s agenda for the Oshkosh Area School District Board of Education meeting that will include an update from assistant superintendent of operations Julie Conrad Peters.

District documents show there could be a resolution to sell the property at the April 10 board meeting. City Manager Mark Rohloff said there is a tentative deal with the city’s redevelopment authority.

“Will be a great re-use of the property that goes along with our housing goals,” Rohloff said.

Habitat for Humanity executive director Tom Simon recently told the Herald they have a plan to build Habitat and private builder houses on the lot that will fit into the surrounding area.

The Board of Education and Common Council have discussed the sale during closed sessions, and both bodies would need to vote to approve the sale.

The district put out a request for proposals for the site in November and did not receive any proposals to purchase the property. The district had reached out to other community partners and discussed collaborative efforts for the property that would benefit the community.
Governor’s task force

By Jonathan Richie
Oshkosh Herald

Governments, businesses and individuals are starting to find out how artificial intelligence (AI) can help in daily operations. One company – Oshkosh Corp. – is using AI to automate services from packing shipping containers to responding to customer emails.

Wisconsin Gov. Tony Evers’ AI task force met at the vehicle maker’s global headquarters last week as it continues working on developing policy and guiding principles. The task force formed in August is focused on four areas that will impact AI: education, government, workforce development and economic development.

Anupam Khare, chief information officer and senior vice president at Oshkosh Corp., said the company is using AI to prepare the workforce for the future. This includes using physical robots and software bots to complete everyday tasks faster.

Khare told the task force that Oshkosh Corp. will use physical AI robots to do welding or painting jobs across the company that would be next to impossible for an employee to accomplish.

There is also AI software that Oshkosh Corp. is using such as bots, as Khare identified, that are able to answer hundreds of emails in about five minutes that used to take employees many hours to handle.

Oshkosh Corp. began using AI to do simple jobs, then moved to communication applications such as responding to customer inquiries and installing virtual assistants. Then the company began analyzing data using AI and is now creating content with the technology.

Khare said consumers in general may be unaware how shipping containers are packed with the help of technology. Oshkosh Corp. ships important parts all over the world and before AI would need to input the sizes of each box and how the boxes were oriented in the container.

With AI analytics, shipping containers are packed 15 times faster without having an employee input individual boxes.

“A1 is helping to make better decisions and make them faster,” Khare said.

The company also recently announced an investment in Eaton Technologies, a developer of AI-powered battery management software to manage electric vehicles.

Amanda Ballantyne, executive director of Oshkosh Excellence in Leadership (EIL) is a Christian-based local organization that provides networking and educational opportunities for middle and senior managers.

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Registration for the 11 a.m. lunch and 11:45 program can be found at eilgroup.org.

Chamber Business Expo at Convention Center

The Oshkosh Chamber of Commerce Business Expo returns to the Oshkosh Convention Center starting at 11 a.m. March 20 with more than 100 business booths for participants to connect and learn more about products, services and upcoming job openings.

An Exhibitor-to-Exhibitor Expo runs from 11 a.m. noon, after which the event is open to the public.

The evening finishes with a social Business After Hours – A Taste of Oshkosh, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. with food samples and beverages from area restaurants, caterers and breweries.

The cost is $5 or free with a business card until 4:30 p.m., when an entrance fee of $5 will apply for nonmembers.

Oshkosh Corp. using AI to prepare workers for future

Governor’s task force gains policy knowledge

Oshkosh Corp. using AI to prepare workers for future

Evers in his 2024 State of the State address announced that this will be the year of the worker. Department of Workforce Development Secretary Amy Pechacek highlighted this when opening the meeting at Oshkosh Corp. global headquarters.

“It’s important that we promote ethical decision making,” she said, “and that we ensure workers have a seat at the table.”

Department of Administration Secretary Kathy Blumenfeld said her agency is developing safe-use policies for AI to be used by all state agencies.

The governor’s task force is made up of state officials, county officials and business leaders in the private sector, including Google and Microsoft. The group first started meeting last year to develop the guiding principles and will present a final action plan to the governor this summer.

Former standout coach keynotes luncheon

Oshkosh Herald

Professional leadership coach Steve Jones will be the featured speaker at the Excellence in Leadership luncheon April 23 at the Oshkosh Convention Center.

Jones, former Kimberly High School football coach and co-founder of Jasmin-Jones Coaching & Consulting, will talk about the deliberate creation of a winning culture through leadership development. He teaches leaders to empower themselves and others, and create cultures of strength, unity and resilience.

He developed as a teacher and head football coach at Kimberly High, where in 11 seasons he led his teams to a record of 129-9 – including 70 consecutive wins – and five state championships.

Jones now consults Fortune 500 companies, professional sports organizations and competitive leaders. He has been commissioned by organizations including the Green Bay Packers, Verizon, Kimberly-Clark and Stryker Medical. He is the co-author of “The Twin Thieves” and current adviser and facilitator at the Center of Exceptional Leadership at St. Norbert College in De Pere.

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Community, students step up for those in need

Oshkosh Herald

Homeless and other relief programs in the area gained an extra stockpile of personal hygiene supplies needed by its visitors as Valley Christian School students received and sorted 96 boxes of those goods last week.

Donations to The Family Radio Network’s 32nd annual hygiene drive were gathered from more than 900 collection sites since Feb. 11 to be handed off to 114 northeast and central Wisconsin crisis programs.

Winnebago County’s program included five agencies – COTS, Father Carr’s Advocacy, Bella Medical Clinic and the Salvation Army – and organized by COTS director John Nieman, who took the lead role this year.

“When COVID hit in ‘20, ‘21, ‘22, there was no sorting. Each agency put out boxes and took their boxes back,” he said. “Last year was the first year that we brought it back to sorting it all, counting it all and then dividing it among the agencies.”

Nieman noted that Amcor Flexibles and Oshkosh Corp. joined the effort this year amid the growing need in the community.

“Valley Christian has been a sorting site for almost two decades, according to high school office manager Tara Westpfhal, and volunteered to be the main collection hub this year.

“One of our core goal values is service – to serve our community – and the kids love doing it,” Westpfhal said.

School classes alternated on the sorting process after groups like Advocap and other collection sponsors delivered the donated supplies to the school Thursday morning. Students had an added incentive to earn a doughnut party based on their efforts.

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Mariachi music featured in Latinx project series at UW Oshkosh

Oshkosh Herald

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• Round-table discussion titled “Present and Future of Mexican American Arts in Educational Spaces” set for 2 p.m. Saturday at UW Oshkosh with academics, educational leaders, mariachi advocates and community members discussing the challenges facing mariachi music in the region and opportunities for growth.

• Public talk: Growing Mariachi Culture in Wisconsin led by Francisco Hernandez, a tutor, intern and instructor for the Latino Arts Strings Program in Milwaukee for the past seven years, at 2 p.m. April 1 at UW Oshkosh.

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Outdoor warning sirens enter testing season

Winnebago County’s outdoor warning sirens will be tested every Saturday at noon starting this week and continue through at least September. Tests are canceled in the event of severe weather or other serious conditions.

The Winnebago County Office of Emergency Management said the sirens are designed to warn people who are outdoors that a severe weather situation is happening or likely to happen soon and should seek shelter immediately.

Residents can enhance their readiness by purchasing a NOAA Weather Radio from local retailers. They turn on automatically when the National Weather Service issues warnings.

For more information, contact 920-236-7463. Winnebago County will participate in the statewide mock Tornado Drill on April 11, 2024.

Private school project underway in Vinland

Oshkosh Herald

Acton Academy Oshkosh’s new campus for middle school and high school students in the Town of Vinland recently had its commercial site plan approved along with a conditional use permit that will include a traffic study in the area.

The private education institution is keeping its elementary school students at its adjacent current location that opened in September 2020, with anticipated completion of the new facility in the fall. The school currently has about 60 students ages 4-7.

“Our building team is making great progress with the warm weather and they are hopeful to complete the project on time before the end of the year,” said Sharen Chmura-Moore, founding director of Acton Academy Oshkosh. “This building project is a testament to our Acton families over the last four years and to our supportive community.”

Chmura-Moore said they will open the middle school classroom in September for ages 11-14 and grow in the new building all through high school, ultimately housing learners ages 8 to 18.

Town Board supervisors Feb. 18 approved the site plan that defines construction obligations and hours of operation for school activities that will include a traffic study sometime in April on the potential impact of school traffic in the neighborhood.

The 13,000-square-foot school will take up about eight acres of the 40-acre parcel, according to Mark Seidl of Pinnacle Engineering, who appeared before the board. Stormwater and erosion control permits have been acquired from the state Department of Natural Resources and Winnebago County, which will include a stormwater pond and culvert adjacent to the driveway.

The Acton Academy Network has more than 250 affiliated academies that promotes a “one-room schoolhouse” approach to learning. Acton Academy Oshkosh founder Carey Sharpe said the school’s enrollment draws from both the Oshkosh and Neenah school districts while being open to a wider geographic range.

Vinland Plan Commission members reviewed zoning, traffic concerns and potential annexation of the land to the city of Oshkosh.

Ganther Construction Architecture is leading the project financed by Atlas Capital Group, who will lease the land to Acton.
Go Baby Go cars help families gain mobility

Oshkosh Herald

A Children’s Wisconsin and Fox Valley Technical College collaboration that provides electric, ride-on cars fitted and modified to help children with special health needs continues to seek families who might benefit from the program.

Children from Oshkosh, Menasha and Black Creek families were fitted for and picked up their special cars Friday through the national Go Baby Go! program at FVTC in Appleton.

Physical and occupational therapists from Children’s Wisconsin, whose Fox Valley hospital is in Neenah, work with donor families across a wide range of industries.

Provident Financial Consultants LLC, a financial consulting firm based in Oshkosh, WI, has announced that Hunter S. Auchtung has joined the team as an administrative associate. Auchtung recently graduated from Concordia University with bachelor’s degrees in finance and accounting.

Wisconsin Farmers Union is specifically serving farmers interested in employing climate-smart practices.

Farm Climate Smart WI is a project of the Fox-Wolf Watershed Alliance.

Herd jerseys feature Marvel heroes

Oshkosh Herald

The Wisconsin Herd is partnering with Winnebago County to host Marvel Super Hero Night for its Saturday game against the Motor City Cruise at the Oshkosh Arena.

The night will feature special uniforms inspired by Captain America and a limited-edition Herd/Marvel comic book giveaway for the first 2,500 fans. The comic book portrays Captain America, Black Panther and the Wisconsin Herd in the Marvel Universe.

The game-worn jerseys will be auctioned off on herdmarel.com until noon March 23. Proceeds will benefit the Winnebago Area Literacy Council.

The Herd also collaborated with all five libraries in the county to host a winter reading program that will include Herd branded prizes such as bookmarks, posters, water bottles, tickets to the Herd game and signed Marvel comics to encourage children to read.

Engineering Technologies and Health Sciences faculty and students from FVTC to determine the right modifications for each child’s mobility needs. The faculty and students then build each car, which are provided to the families for free.

“Our partnership with Fox Valley Technical College has proven to be invaluable,” said Amy Van Donsel of Children’s Wisconsin.

Families can see if they qualify and apply to the program by visiting childrenswi.org. The program is solely funded by donations.

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Smart agriculture practices topic of event

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School board candidates speak on district issues

Candidates say teachers should be paid more
By Jonathan Richie

With three seats on the Oshkosh Area School District Board of Education on the April 2 ballot, candidates last week were given a platform to answer questions from voters.

There are four people running for seats on the board with three participating in the Winnebago County League of Women Voters Candidate Forum. Incumbents Kristopher Karns, Chris Wright and Beth Wyman are running for re-election along with challenger Timothy Hess.

Candidates were asked about racial disparities in how white students, who make up 70% of the OASD student population, are suspended and expelled compared with non-white students. The advocacy group REAL Oshkosh released a report last year highlighting the racial inequalities in discipline within the district.

The report had several examples of Black and Hispanic students, and students of more than two races, suspended at rates four times higher than white students in elementary schools, four times more in middle schools, and three times more in the high schools during the 2021-22 year.

Last summer, OASD created the position of director of diversity, equity and inclusion to deal with those issues. The board approved Anthony Miller for the position last week.

Karns said it is important the board continue making positive strides in literacy and continuing to update facilities across the district.

“The candidates in attendance agreed on a couple of topics like supporting higher pay for teachers and the need for more accountability with the state voucher program. Hess, Karns and Wright all said teachers deserve to be paid more for the work they do,” Karns said.

When asked whether the district should ban books, each candidate said they were opposed to that practice.

Hess said one parent should not be able to dictate what all students can access.

Karns and Wright had similar responses to banning books saying they were not in favor. Wright added there needs to be parental oversight and books need to be age appropriate.

In final statements, Wright said if he is re-elected he will be all in for the next three years.

“I’ll listen and I will try and continue to make this a better place,” Wright said.

Karns said the board and district are headed in the right direction with important work still needing to get done.

“We’ve made tremendous strides, and we still have a tremendous amount of work to do,” Karns said.

Hess noted throughout the forum he had been critical of the district, but also said he respected board members that de-vote time to serving.

“I want to get back to the science of education, actually looking at real hard data to understand are we moving forward,” Hess said.

Voters can choose up to three candidates to serve the next three years on the Board of Education. To find out what is on your ballot for April 2, go to myvote.wi.gov.

County judge candidates share ideas on court issues
By Jonathan Richie

The two candidates for Winnebago County Circuit Court Branch 1 Judge participated in a public forum last week before voters head to the polls April 2. LaKeisha Haase and Michael Rust take part in a forum last week at Oshkosh City Hall.

Winnebago County Circuit Court Branch 1 judicial candidates LaKeisha Haase and Michael Rust are running for re-election.

The candidates in attendance agreed on the retirement of Karen Seifert in 2020.

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Haase said she currently practices as a trial attorney and sits on the Oshkosh Common Council. She worked as a court assistant and judicial assistant in the Winnebago County Courthouse while attending the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh before attending Marquette Law School.

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See Judicial forum on Page 9
City candidates share views at forum

By Jonathan Richie
Oshkosh Herald

The five candidates for Oshkosh Common Council were at City Hall to answer a plethora of questions as they hope to be elected to sit on the council for the next two years.

The forum was held by the Winnebago County League of Women Voters as part of the ongoing candidate forum series. The three incumbents — Lynsey Erickson, Mike Ford and LaKeisha Haase — filed for nonincumbent.

During opening statements, each candidate outlined who they are and why they’re running for office.

Thomas Asuma called himself a semi-retired consultant with more than 40 years of experience in leadership roles. He plans to use those leadership skills on the council to make Oshkosh a better place.

Jacob Floam currently sits on the Winnebago County board, although he is not running for re-election for his seat in District 16. He works for U.S. Rep. Glenn Grothman’s office. Floam said he understands how local government works and that experience will help move Oshkosh forward.

Kris Larson is a small business owner with his wife and is vice chair for the downtown Business Improvement District. He is running to affect more positive change for Oshkosh.

DJ Nichols works as an attorney for Great Wolf Lodge. He said city staff currently see residents as numbers on a page and not people living and working in Oshkosh.

Kristopher Ulrich is a stay-at-home parent and described himself as a professional volunteer. Ulrich said he has a sense of duty and has a calling to community service.

One topic discussed in detail was housing in Oshkosh, where there is a housing stock shortage that city officials and current council members have acknowledged.

Each candidate was asked what they believe to be their No. 1 issue in the city of Oshkosh they would like to dive into if elected.

Lynnsey said it was housing and the need for more housing variety. Nichols said water is his main topic and noted the new Clearwell project needs to be approved and completed as the state requires.

Ulrich noted the search for a new city administrator as current City Manager Mark Rohloff could be nearing the end of his tenure as the city’s top executive. Asuma said that taxes were his main issue as he talks with people that are frustrated with taxes rising.

Floam said there was a need in the city for more workforce development and talent acquisition in Oshkosh.

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**FAMILY PACK**

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- Crumbl & Brown Balanced Breaks
- Brummel & Brown or Butternut White or Coffee Creamer
- 2/$5 Jell-O Gelatin or Pop-Tarts
- 2/33 Food Club Skillets or Butternut White or Coffee Creamer
- 4/33 Food Club Greek Yogurt or Pop-Tarts
- 2/44 Oscar Mayer or Just Crack an Egg Scramble Kits
- 2/$5 Sargento Balanced Breaks or I Can’t Believe It’s Not Butter
- 12-18.2 oz Select General Mills Large Size Cereal
- 2-2 oz Cottage Cheese
- 8 oz Food Club Jell-O Gelatin or Pop-Tarts
- 24 oz Wide Awake Coffee
- 8 oz Marie Callender’s Meals to Share
- 24 oz Mr. Dee’s Hash Browns
- 24 oz New York Texas Toast or Breadsticks
- 6 oz or 12 oz SuperPretzel

#### Additional Items

- 6.99 Sargento Balanced Breaks, Smackers Jams, Preserves or Jelly
- 12 oz of tomato sauce or 2 oz of tomato sauce
- 6 oz Betty Crocker or Motts Fruit Snacks
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- 32 oz Coffee
- 3.99 2/$5 Jif Peanut Butter or 2/$5 Jif Peanut Butter
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Calendar of events

Wednesday, March 13
LVF Food for Thought lunch, noon, Oshkosh Food Co-op Community Room, 155 Jackson St.
Trinity Lutheran School open house, 3 p.m., 819 School Ave.

Thursday, March 14
“You’re a Good Man Charlie Brown,” 7 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh Group Ukulele Jam, 6 p.m., New Moon Cafe, 405 N. Main St.

Friday, March 15
“You’re a Good Man Charlie Brown,” 7 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh Wisconsin Herd vs. Motor City Cruise, 7 p.m., Oshkosh Convention Center

Saturday, March 16
AmazSpring Shopping & Craft Show, 9 a.m., Sunnyview Expo Center
Shamrock Shuffle 4K or 4-mile routes (all day), Fusion Footwear, 520 S. 9th Ave. 9 a.m., Sunnyview Expo Center
Spring Concert, 7 p.m., Alberta Kimball Auditorium
St. Patrick’s Tent Party, 2070 W. 9th Ave.
“Dracula” (1931), 7 p.m., Time Community Theater, 445 N. Main St.

Sunday, March 17
Shamrock Dinner and Luck of the Irish Bingo, 12:30 p.m., La Sure’s Banquet Hall, 3125 S. Washburn St.
Big Thaw Craft & Vendor Event, 9 a.m., Venue 404, 404 N. Main St.
Spring Fling, 1 p.m., Oshkosh North High School

Wednesday, March 20
Oshkosh Chamber of Commerce Business Expo, noon, Oshkosh Convention Center

Thursday, March 21
The Four Phantoms, 7:30 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh EAA Aviation Museum: Flying the A-1 Skyraider, 7 p.m., EAA Aviation Museum, 3000 Poberezny Road
Student Jam, 6:30 p.m., The Waters, 1393 Washington Ave.

Friday, March 22
The Four Phantoms, 7:30 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh After Dark Eggs in the Park, 7:45 p.m., Winnebago County Community Park

Saturday, March 23
The Four Phantoms, 7:30 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh St. Patrick’s Day Parade, 11 a.m., Sunnyview Expo Center
Wisconsin Herd vs. Indiana Mad Ants, 6 p.m., Fletch’s Local Tap House, 566 N. Main St.
Wisconsin Herd vs. Motor City Cruise, 7 p.m., Oshkosh Food Co-op

Sunday, March 24
Lenten Meditation Choir & Instrumental Concert, 3 p.m., Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 2450 W 9th Ave.

Monday, March 25
Growing Climate, Smart Agriculture, 6 p.m., Oshkosh Food Co-op Water City Jazz Orchestra: Tribute to Sinatra, 8 p.m., Fletch’s Local Tap House, 566 N. Main St.

Wednesday, March 27
Wisconsin Herd vs. Indiana Mad Ants, 6 p.m., Oshkosh Arena
Wisconsin Herd vs. Motor City Cruise, 7 p.m., Oshkosh Convention Center

Tuesday, March 28
“Space Jam,” 7 p.m., Time Community Theater, 445 N. Main St.

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March 13, 2024
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Juedes Scholarship
Oshkosh’s Dick’s Sporting Goods manager Josh Weber presents Valley Christian School graduate Josie Matiash with a 2023 scholarship from the Wayne Juedes Scholarship Foundation and renewed her scholarship for the 2024 school year. The foundation was able to give 17 scholarships this year, which is more than double the amount from 2023.

Three chamber choirs to perform together
The Oshkosh Chamber Singers, Madison Metropolitan Singers, and Milwaukee Choral Artists will present “Alliances: Three Choirs” at 3 p.m. Saturday at St. Jude Parish, 519 Knapp St.

Each choir will present their own set of selections, culminating with a combined choir of 150 voices presenting a powerful rendition of “Everyone Sang” by Linda Kachelmeier.

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Red Earth

Specific implementation plan

The SIP for the remaining five phases includes four-story apartment buildings similar to those approved with phase one. The proposal includes five 82-unit apartment buildings and eight four-unit townhomes. There will be 454 underground parking spaces, 191 surface parking spaces and bike parking spaces. The site will include 30,000 square-feet of recreation space and includes a connection to the Wiouwash Trail.

A neighborhood meeting was held Feb. 22 with eight neighbors attending. The neighbors “voiced concerns related to the compatibility of the use/site design with the surrounding area, landscape site/species, impacts on wetlands and wildlife areas, traffic, storm water, archaeological history of the property, and property maintenance,” city documents state.

Planning services manager Mark Lyons noted there were conversations regarding landscaping at the meeting that led to developers adjusting the plan to have a more immediate visual impact on the site.

In most cases, trees with a diameter of 1.25 inches and 4 feet tall would be planted. Red Earth is planning on installing trees to help alleviate some of that.

Red Earth spoke to last week. The development project that Dan O’Callahan of Red Earth said he initially opposed the project but since phase one was approved he supports it and wants it completed. He said marketing and leasing feedback proved now so the project can continue to move forward at the pace they desire.

Currently the land off Lake Butte des Morts Drive is divided into five plats owned by Red Earth. The proposed plat would create eight parcels for multifamily residential lots. The final plat would need council approval.

The development falls under the city’s subdivision regulations, which require land dedication, or green space, of 900 square feet for each dwelling unit. The development would require 397,800 square feet, or just over 9 acres, of land based on the proposed 442 units in phases two through six.

City staff is recommending the council accept parkland fees of $72,930 – $165 per dwelling unit – instead of the land as the city has plans to build a park of between 15 and 30 acres northwest of the development.

Lyons said there is potential growth for single-family homes north of Ryf Road and the Plan Commission and approves of the project due to the housing shortage in Oshkosh, saying he believes the development will help alleviate some of that.

Preliminary plat

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Red Earth came back in the fall asking for financial assistance, stating the three-story apartment buildings were not financially viable to build. The council declined that option and proposed the SIP go back to the Plan Commission with four-story apartments to move the project forward. It was again approved by the Plan Commission and Common Council in November.

Town of Oshkosh Chair Jim Erdman voiced his concerns at the meeting, saying he was concerned about the fish and wildlife in the area, public access to Lake Butte des Morts, the stark look of the development and noise from Interstate 41.

“Let’s just a roar out there,” Erdman said.

Jake Buswell of Red Earth said the apartment buildings will be made of high-quality materials with high-quality windows that would reduce the noise.

O’Callahan said construction on phase one, which includes two 40-unit apartment buildings and a clubhouse, will begin this spring. Construction on phase two could begin about a year later. O’Callahan said each of the six construction phases could last between 12 and 18 months and that the site would be potentially under construction in some form for the next eight years.

He said marketing and leasing feedback will influence the rate of the project. Red Earth was asking for all phases to be approved now so the project can continue to move forward at the pace they desire.

Plan Commission Chair Thomas Perry said he initially opposed the project but since phase one was approved he supports it and wants it completed. He fears that delaying this approval could create issues with all phases of the project.

Council member Paul Eulinger sits on the Plan Commission and approves of the project due to the housing shortage in Oshkosh, saying he believes the development will help alleviate some of that.

Local UW system graduates

At the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, the following students from Oshkosh earned degrees in December:

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Right of way

The Plan Commission approved two right-of-way dedications that will allow for two roads to connect to Lake Butte des Morts Drive. Olivia Road and Oliver Avenue will be the roads residents will be using to enter and exit the development. Olivia and Oliver will be connected by Blair Boulevard to create a loop off Lake Butte des Morts Drive.

Olivia Road will be almost a mile south of Ryf Road and Oliver Avenue will begin about 870 feet south of Olivia Road. The council will also need to approve those dedications. The three roads will all have sidewalks and in the future Lake Butte des Morts Drive could be graded to accommodate sidewalks.

City staff said the post office and county highway department did not have any concerns with the roads having similar names. The Plan Commission recommendations will be on a future council agenda for approval.

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Four Phantoms
FROM PAGE 1

Ciaran Sheenan, a native of Dublin, Ireland, played the Phantom on Broadway and in Toronto as well as the role of Raoul in the show. He also played the roles of Babett and Marius in “Les Misérables” and is currently singing and producing in an off-Broadway production of O’Neill’s “Anna Christie.”

Brett Barrett has entertained fans from the stages of Broadway, West End in London, concerts, recording studios and television. He recently reprised his role as Billy Flynn in “Chicago — The Musical,” for which he received an LA Drama Critics Award.

John Cudia holds the honor of being the first and only actor to perform both as the Phantom and Jean Valjean in “Les Misérables” on Broadway.

Franc D’Ambrosio is best known as the “Iron Man of the Mask” since he performed as the Phantom on Broadway for more than six years. He also played the opera-singing son of Al Pacino in the movie “The Godfather Part III.”

Joining the Four Phantoms on stage will be Kaley Ann Voorhees, who played the role of Christine in the musical. Two-time Grammy Award winner David Caddick supervises the production’s music.

Sheenan said The Grand is a familiar tour stop for The Four Phantoms, who first performed in Oshkosh in 2018.

“It’s such a beautiful space venue and an intimate setting plus the audience is wonderful,” he said.

Ferlo said it was a strong group of sponsors that helped make the Phantoms perform at The Grand in their first sell-out run, then returning three more times with added features — student outreach, a holiday set of songs, a contemporary set of songs — leading up to the taping of a PBS special.

“It’s not only improbable, but audacious for a venue our size to forge a lasting relationship with a production this size,” Ferlo said.

The Four Phantoms performance has the quartet singing together and separately, featuring songs from the musical, along with songs from other musicals and other musical numbers.

“We have a lot of fun together — the performers, musicians and crew — we are like a family,” Sheenan said. “We have a lot of laughs and there’s not much pressure. There are no egos. We all have our strengths and weaknesses. Plus, the music is a lot of fun.”

He said his favorite part of the show is the final number — he would not provide any further details but added that it gets people up dancing and clapping.

The Phantom is an iconic character and audience members can relate to, he said.

“Everyone has a time in their life when they feel unwanted and unloved so they identify with his feelings, but then they see how he loves Christine so much that he is willing to let her go,” he said. “That’s something that touches people profoundly. They can relate to it.”

The Four Phantoms (from left) John Cudia, Ciaran Sheehan, Brett Barrett and Franc D’Ambrosio will perform three shows next week at The Grand. The performances are being taped and will be released as a special this summer on public television.

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By Steve Clark

For the first 16 minutes of last week's WIAA Division 5 sectional final, things couldn’t have gone better.

The Knights came out playing well on both ends of the court and built a double-digit lead before securing a nine-point advantage at intermission.

Unfortunately for the Knights, they just couldn’t keep it going.

Lourdes Academy mustered just six points in the second half and were held to a season-low point total in a 50-37 loss to Reedsville at Pulaski High School. The loss snapped a seven-game winning streak for the Knights and ended their season with a 20-6 record.

“We came out and the kids were ready and just locked in. Everybody was playing like we needed them to do individually which is what we needed to succeed as a team. They rolled that first 16 minutes,” Lourdes head coach Brett Baehman said. “We were getting good shots but couldn’t get that big basket to turn the tide. We weren’t making the shots that we needed to to get over that hump to give us that belief that we could turn that thing around.”

Baehman said they tried different approaches to get the offense going but nothing worked.

“I was trying to put them in any situation I could to succeed. It was a very helpless feeling as a coach,” Baehman said.

Despite the offensive struggles, Baehman was pleased with the team’s defensive efforts.

The Panthers came in averaging 92 points in its first three playoff games but were held to less than 30 points in each half.

The defensive plan came together without a lot of practice time leading up to the game because of players missing time due to illness.

“We didn’t have our full rotation all week,” said Baehman, who had seven players miss school the day before the game because of illness.

“We came out and the kids were ready to go, we fought knowing we weren’t 100 percent,” Lourdes head coach Brett Baehman said. “We were getting good shots but couldn’t get that big basket to turn the tide.”

Mitchell Wing, who missed the regional final game because of illness, was the lone player in double figures for the Knights with 14 points. JJ McKellips finished with eight points, while Calvin Tollard and Dom Bauer chipped in seven and six points, respectively.

The Knights finish the season as co-champions of the Trailways East as well as winning their second straight regional title in Baehman’s second season as head coach.

“I am so proud of the seniors, the whole team, how they came together after the game and picked each other up. That was big for me to see. They still were together at the darkest time of the season,” Baehman said. “It was a great success. It still doesn’t feel like I’m done with those seniors because they have been the backbone the last two years.”

Recruitment league softball league signup opens

The Oshkosh Recreation Department is accepting team registrations for softball leagues for men, women and coed.

Individuals interested in participating in the Monday Veterans (age 45+) Draft-Indoor Recreation league softball league signups open

Leagues may register as well. Forms can be found at oshkoshrecdept.com with signup deadline on or before April 5.

League play begins April 29. For more information contact 920-424-0150.
Obituaries

Jack McAndrews

We sadly announce the passing of our dear Jack McAndrews, age 93, on Date March 8th, 2024. He left us peacefully surrounded by loved ones. He was born July 6th, 1930, in Downers Grove, Ill. He married the love of his life Barbara Watson, May 6th, 1950. With 73 years together, he was a devoted partner to Barb and they had many adventures together. He is known for being a man of honor and faith and a loving and devoted husband and father. He was also a pretty fun guy. His quick wit and sense of humor are known far and wide. He liked to snow ski, and water ski. He loved boating, camping and scuba diving on old shipwrecks. For many years he and his family spent Christmas fishing in the Keys.

After retiring a second time from the campground he enjoyed organizing men’s breakfast ministry. He and his best friends would gather every other Tuesday for fellowship and food and laughter. It began with his closest 3 friends and grew to a solid 20 men that now meet regularly...and will continue to in honor of Jack.

He is survived by his son Michael McAndrews (Karen) and daughter Patricia McAndrews; Grandchildren Jake McAndrews, Josh Sweeney (Carol), Yana Sweeney, Scott Gavin (Julia), Great grandchildren Maylene, Cecilia, Lilliana, Isabella, Ellie, Yasmina, His brother-in-law Merle [Marilyn] Watson and the late Hubert Watson (Alene).

Remembered fondly by many nephews and nieces.

Please join us celebrating his Life at the Plymouth Church, 1325 Georgia St in Oshkosh on Thursday March 14th at 10am.

Visitation will take place at 9am until the time of service.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Plymouth Church 1325 Georgia St, Oshkosh, WI. 54902
Thomas F. Roblee

Thomas “Tom” F. Roblee, a man of great character and service, peacefully passed away on March 5, 2024. He leaves behind a legacy of unwavering commitment to his community and a profound impact on those who knew him. A proud Vietnam veteran, Tom served his country with honor and dignity, embodying the principles of duty and sacrifice. Following his naval service, Tom dedicated himself to protecting his community as a firefighter/paramedic in Oshkosh. His commitment to service extended beyond the call of duty, as he served as Union President, advocating tirelessly for his fellow firefighters. Tom’s faith was a guiding force in his life, evident in his active involvement with Sacred Heart Catholic Church and St. Raphael Catholic Church, where he attended Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated for Tom on Thursday, March 14, 2024 at 12 noon in St. Raphael Catholic Church, 830 S. Westhaven Drive in Oshkosh with the Rev. Tom Long celebrant. A time of visitation will be held at the church on Thursday from 10 am until the time of Mass. Full military honors will be accorded by the United Veterans Honor Guard immediately following the Mass. Inurnment will be in Sacred Heart Catholic Cemetery.

Tom leaves behind a legacy of service, kindness, and dedication to his community. His memory will live on in the hearts of all who knew him. He will be deeply missed. In lieu of flowers please consider a donation to the Fisher House in memory of Thomas Roblee. https://fisherhouse.org.
Linda D. Van Ness

On March 2nd 2024, Linda Darlene Van Ness was met at Heaven’s Gate by her mother and father, Belva and Leo Gurchinoff, along with brothers John, Leo and Canine (Middleton), daughter Emily (Tyler) Plaster, her much loved Grandchildren – Carter Leo and Amara Rose (Linda was a proud, loving, doting Grandmother) and her much loved Miss Daisy. Linda is further survived by sisters Cindy, Joan (Dan) Hinch and Carol (Joe) Clavin, along with several nieces and nephews.

Linda was born to parents, Belva and Leo Gurchinoff in Michigan University (WMU) in 1977 and attended and graduated from Western Michigan University in 1977, where she met Randy, her husband of 44 years. Their three children.

Randy “Rick” Roger Cavanaugh, age 71, of Oshkosh, Wisconsin. He was born to parents, Donald and Marian (Frey) Cavanaugh on January 22, 1953, in Wisconsin. Rick entered the Army National Guard 1157 Division and proudly served for six years. During his time, he was introduced to the love of his life, Susan Lincoln. They married on July 30, 1984. Together, they raised three children.

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It was at the Oshkosh Area Humane Society, beginning in 2011, that Linda and her husband became impassioned advocates for Pit Bull type dogs – one of the most undervalued, overlooked, and mistreated dogs around the campfire. He was also what some would say is a “jack of all trades.” He could cook with wood, build doors and fix just about anything with his hands.

He was survived by his wife and best friend, Susan Cavanaugh; children, Autumn Marks, David Marks and Sean (Stephanie) Cavanaugh; grandchildren, Bryce Marks, Koyten Bloesl and Brock Cavanaugh; sister, Monica (Daryll) Hopper; brother, Kevin (Royaan) Cavanaugh; sisters-in-law, Paulette Cavanaugh, Suzie Cavanaugh and Lorrie (Steve) Thill; as well as many cousins.

Preceding him in death was his parents; brother, James Cavanaugh, Dennis Cavanaugh Jr. and Larry Cavanaugh; brother-in-law, Alan Lincoln; and sister-in-law, Rene Lincoln.

A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date.

Linda Van Ness

As Deputy Director for what is now Green Lake County’s Health and Human Services. Throughout her professional career Linda championed the undervalued and overlooked she was most at peace – wandering up the Great Carriage House on the Indian River – an understood creatures on Earth. Linda and her husband established the Abigail, Miss Daisy, and Scout Fund at the Oshkosh Area Community Foundation (OACF) in 2012. This fund benefits Pit Bull type dogs, senior dogs and dogs with disability and health issues at the Oshkosh Area Humane Society. Linda’s family would ask that you consider contributing to this fund in her name at the OACF – to honor her care and compassion for these undervalued 4-legged creatures – helping them find a forever home.

Cremation has taken place through the services of the Winnebago County Master Gardener; another thank you for a lifetime of love, support and as an example.

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1157 Division and her husband opened their home to many Pitx dogs, as well as many other struggling long-term canine residents. It was through this Foster Care Program that Linda and her husband adopted Miss Daisy – a sweet, loving, gentle intuitive Pit Bull mix. She was and is such a special pup, as she became a Therapy Dog (she loves everyone). Linda often said, “I love that dog.”

Linda was raised and educated in Iron River, Michigan, graduating from West Iron County High School in 1973. Linda then attended and graduated from Western Michigan University (WMU) in 1977 with a major in Social Work and a minor in Psychology. It was there, at a Yooper party, that she met Randy, her husband of 44 years. She was and is such a special pup, as she became a Therapy Dog (she loves everyone). Linda often said, “I love that dog.”

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Donald R. Wolter

Donald R. Wolter of Oshkosh passed away Sunday, March 3, 2024, at 91 years of age. Don was born on November 7, 1932, in Milwaukee, WI. He graduated from Custer High School in Milwaukee and received a BS degree in Chemical Engineering from UW-Madison and a M.S. in Materials Science from UW-Milwaukee. He was a registered Professional Engineer with the State of Wisconsin. Don worked in battery research and development for Rayovac, Globe Union, and Honeywell before becoming the first Director of Facilities Management at UW-Oshkosh. He held this position for 23 years, retiring in 1995. Don served in the Army during the Korean conflict with duty on Okinawa. His Old Glory Honor Flight to Washington DC in 2019 was a highlight and treasured experience.

On February 4, 1956, he married his high school sweetheart, Marcia Pallister, in Milwaukee. In 1957 they were blessed with a son Steven and in 1964 welcomed a special little girl, their daughter, Susan.

Since coming to Oshkosh in 1970, Don has been an active community volunteer. He was one of the first directors of the EAA museum when it opened in 1983 continuing to volunteer for 30 years. He was also active for 40 years with the EAA’s Pioneer Airport special events and yearly convention. He drove for the Red Cross, served on the Oshkosh Senior Center board, and Bethel Lutheran Home’s building and grounds committee. Don volunteered in the Senior Friends Program, Oshkosh Area Community Pantry, and as a greeter at Aurora Medical Center. Don received who loved to laugh, sass and have fun. She had a great way of making friends everywhere she went, striking up a conversation with anyone who was lucky enough to meet her. Joyce always welcomed everyone into her life with open arms. Joyce and Norm greatly enjoyed traveling the world together for many years. They were married nearly 60 years before he passed away in 2011. Joyce could always brighten up a room with her happiness and infectious laugh. She had a lifelong love of Nature and The Muppets that cheerfully decorated her home. Joyce was always up for a the 2014 Volunteer of the Year Award for his service in Advocacy.

Don fulfilled a dream in 1975 by earning his private pilot’s license. He enjoyed flying in the Fox Valley flying club for twenty years and was the club secretary for seven years. His love of love was his vegetable gardens, flower beds and his fruit trees.

Over the years, Don’s arthritis took its toll, and he became the bionic man having both knees, both hips, and both shoulders replaced as well as having quadruple heart-bypass surgery. But his love for the game of golf kept him on the course through it all. Survivors include: his wife of 68 years Marcia, son Steven (Terri) Wolter of Pau Iks, WI and daughter Susan (Mark) Harris of Lehigh Acres, FL and Grandchildren Ashley (Mark) Heiberger, Michael Wolter (Tommy Bode) and Molly (Anthony) Bonilla. Great Grandsons Henry, William and Madison Heiberger. Step Grand- cocktail or two at her favorite places like Packers Pub or Friar Tuck’s. She was also a big fan of watching game shows and loved cheering on the Green Bay Packers. Joyce enjoyed spending time with her family and watching her many grandchildren and great-grandchildren grow. She was a bright star in our family who will be forever loved.

Joyce is survived by and her memory will be cherished by her two sons, John (Debbie) of Port Charlotte, FL and Gary (Nicole) Meyer of Neenah. Three daughters, Ellen (Bob) Atkinson of Oshkosh, Diane (Bob) Kleeman of Fond du Lac and Sue Lux of Combined Locks. She is further survived by many cherished grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Norm, a son Paul and a sister, Barbara. A memorial service celebrating her life will be held on Friday, March 15, 2024 at 11 am in the Fox Valley Funeral Home, 965 S. Westhaven Drive. A time of visitation will be held at the funeral home from 10 am until the time of service.

Children Angie (Matt) Meacham, Jacki (Justin) Levetzow, Aaron (Devon) Butter broth and Step Great Grandchildren Calvin, Claudia, Madelyn and Myla.

Don had a special gift of bringing joy and laughter to everyone. His smiles and witty personality will be greatly missed.

Visitation will be on March 15, 2024, from 10:00 to 11:00 am at Konrad-Belhn Funeral Home, 100 Lake Pointe Drive, Oshkosh. Service to follow at 11:00 am. Don and Marcia have resided at Evergreen’s courtyard apartments since 2017. They both have a deep appreciation for Evergreen’s caring and enriching life environment.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be given to Don’s honor to the Evergreen Retirement Community Foundation or the Oshkosh Community Food Pantry.
Obituaries

Virginia Ann Hinz

Virginia “Ginny” Ann Hinz, age 93 of Oshkosh, passed away unexpectedly at Ascension Mercy Hospital on Wednesday, February 28, 2024. She was born on September 4, 1930, to the late Joseph and Virginia Ann (Steinfort) Konrath. In 1948, Ginny was married to Darrell Konrath, and together raised two sons.

Ginny grew up in Oshkosh and loved the skating rink as a girl. She would tell stories of wallowing, two-step, and being lifted high in the air by a partner as they danced around the rink. It was at the rink that she met Darrell. They wed in 1948, lived in Van Dyne for 40 years, and then built a house on Candish Harbour in Black Wolf. They were married for 72 years until his passing in 2021.

She worked in the meat department for many years in the supermarket industry, was a member of St. John’s Lutheran Church, and later a member of Calvary Lutheran Church. "Throughout her life, Ginny found joy in spending time outdoors, relaxing on their boat, casting a line while fishing, hitting the green for a round of golf, or simply cutting the grass, which she did into her 90s. In retirement, Ginny and Darrell took the opportunity to see the world, becoming winter snowbirds in Florida, while also taking trips to places such as Europe, Alaska, and Israel.

Ginny’s passion for cooking and entertaining shone brightly as she warmly welcomed friends and family into her home, always ensuring everyone was well-fed and full of laughter.

Ginny is survived by her sons, Dennis (Wendy) Hinz and Kenneth Hinz; grandchildren, Katharine (Daniel) Hale, Carolyn (Bradley) Ackley, and Christine Hinz; Crystal (Andrew) Gruszka, Justin Hinz and Deanna (Ryan) McCarty; great-grandchildren, Ethan and Leah Hale, Camryn, Gavin, Levi and Brynn Ackley, brother-in-law, Milton Barlet of Fond du Lac and nephew, caregiver and Russell, “Rusty” Lenz of Larsen, great-nephew, Michael Lenz, Steven Lenz and Andrew Lenz. He is further survived by the Harrison family of Tucson, Arizona, along with many nieces and nephews. Preceding him in death are his wife, Jeanine (Kelley) Lenz; parents, Mr. & Mrs. Edgar Lenz; sister, Elaine (Gordon) Miller and Hope Herstreicher; brothers, Edgar Lenz and Andrew Lenz; children-in-law, Mary and Richard (Paul) Keller and Howard Last; niece, Barbara Weischöchle; and Vera Barlet.

Dale F. Lenz

Dale Francis “Bud” Lenz was born on March 9, 1932, to the late Oscar and Barbara (Robel) Lenz in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, passed away in Oshkosh on March 3, 2024 at age 91. He joined the United States Army National Guard in March 1949 and served with the 32nd Red Arrow Division Unit, being honorably discharged in 1965, with the rank of Captain.

Dale furthered his education at all ages, completing 34 years at Menasha High School. He married the love of his life and the mother of his kids, Virginia “Ginny” Hinz, age 93 of Oshkosh, on January 20, 1951. They were married for 72 years until her passing in 2021. He was preceded in death by his wife, his parents, his brothers, Edgar and Andrew Lenz, and his sister, Elaine (Gordon) Miller and Hope Herstreicher.

Dale was cremated and laid to rest with his wife at the Lake View Memorial Park Mausoleum in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, at a later date. He also wanted to say thank you to his friends, Walt (Mary) Maynard, Sr (Kar en) Meets, Frank Meyer, Sib Gallas, Kathy Spielbauer, Steve Meyers and Pam Bassette of Florida. As well as his retired ROMEOE’s friends (Real old men eating out) at the Third Street Diner in Menasha, for of their kindness, support and friendship.

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