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## Common Council adds new faces

### County picks supervisors, Rust as Branch 1 judge

By Jonathan Richie  
OSHKOSH HERALD

Despite a significant April snowstorm, Oshkosh and Winnebago County voters went to the polls to select a new county judge, Common Council members, Board of Education members and county supervisors.

The Winnebago County Clerk's office reported more than 30,000 voters cast their ballot in the spring general election

last Tuesday.

In the race for Winnebago County Circuit Court Branch 1 judge, Michael Rust defeated LaKeisha Haase by 1,793 votes.

"I am honored and excited that the people of Winnebago County have entrusted me to be their next judge," Rust told the Herald, while thanking Haase for running a tough but positive campaign against him.



Rust

Haase congratulated Rust on his victory on social media after the results were announced early Wednesday. She also said she was disappointed that out-of-state groups spent money supporting Rust and preventing her from being elected.

"I am absolutely dismayed by the results of the election. It's clear that some very powerful forces are at play here in Winnebago County," Haase wrote.

In response, Rust told the Herald he ran a positive campaign that he is proud of and did not ask for or approve of the mes-

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Photo by Michael Cooney

### Creative gathering

Sarah Vandersee (seated) talks with Kathy and Wayne Daniels of Oshkosh at the third annual Oshkosh Art Collective Show on Saturday at the Gibson Social Club, where she was among 35 local artists. Vandersee, who is getting her fine arts degree at the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh, said "right now I love getting to experiment with new mediums at school and create functional wear so that others can enjoy art in their everyday lives."

## UWO faculty vote critical of chancellor's leadership

Oshkosh Herald

The majority of University of Wisconsin Oshkosh faculty made public their lack of confidence in Chancellor Andrew Leavitt's leadership.

The UW Oshkosh Faculty voted last week on whether they have confidence in Leavitt's leadership with an anonymous online ballot after discussions by the group earlier this year.

There were 281 faculty members who received the ballot and 229 members submitting a vote, roughly 81% of the faculty. Of those that voted, 72% (164 faculty) responded: "I do not have confidence in the

leadership of Chancellor Andrew Leavitt."

The remaining 28% (56 faculty) voted they have confidence in Leavitt's leadership. Looking at the entire faculty, just above 58% stated having no confidence in the chancellor's leadership.

An email sent to UWO faculty from UWO Faculty president Pascale Manning gave the results Friday.

"By majority vote, the faculty has af-

firmed that it does not have confidence in the leadership of Chancellor Andrew Leavitt," Manning wrote.

She said she informed Leavitt of the vote and is hoping to meet with him to continue the discussion.

The vote was triggered after a no-confidence petition signed by 72 faculty members that outlined nine points showing their lack of confidence. The senate cited Article 1, Section 6 of the Faculty Constitution as discussed at the senate meeting Feb. 27.

A major reason for the vote was due to news released by Leavitt's office last sum-

mer explaining UWO was looking at a potential \$18 million deficit. That announcement was followed in the fall with Leavitt's office announcing 140 layoffs; the total number became 216, which included voluntary early retirements.

The vote is largely symbolic as the UW Board of Regents, who oversee all the schools in the Universities of Wisconsin System, is the only group that can act on removing Leavitt.

Leavitt responded to the vote results Friday, calling them "reaction to hard but nec-

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# Museum, pantry unite on hunger effort

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The Oshkosh Public Museum and Oshkosh Area Community Pantry are partnering against hunger with a Making Hunger History campaign to raise awareness about food insecurity and provide essential support to those who need it most.

The museum will be hosting a food drive to benefit the food pantry by collecting donations of new nonperishable food or hygiene items. In exchange for their donation, visitors will receive complimentary general admission to the museum.

A program to provide insights into the historical context of hunger in the community is set for 6 p.m. April 18 at the

museum. Gabriel Loiacono, associate professor of history and interim chair of social work at the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh, will lead an interactive discussion.

“We are thrilled to partner with the Oshkosh Area Community Pantry to tackle the issue of hunger in our community,” said Sarah Phillips, museum director. “By coming together through these initiatives, we can make a real impact and help ensure that no one in our community goes hungry.”

Ryan Rasmussen, the pantry’s executive director, added, “Events like these not only provide much-needed resources but also raise awareness about the issue of food insecurity and inspire others to get

involved.”

The Making Hunger History campaign will run through April 30. For more information, visit oshkoshmuseum.org or contact 920-236-5799.

# Body found in lake identified

Oshkosh Herald

Winnebago County sheriff’s deputies recovered the body of a 27-year-old man from Lake Butte des Morts over the weekend who had been reported missing in Oshkosh on Christmas Eve.

The deceased has been identified as Aaron M. Daily. The sheriff’s office and Oshkosh police received reports Saturday night of a body in the lake in the Town of Oshkosh near the Wiouwash Trail.

When officers arrived, they were able to locate Daily’s body.

No other information was released and Lt. Tyler Sleeter reported the case remains under investigation.

The sheriff’s office was assisted on the scene by the Oshkosh Fire Department, Oshkosh Police Department and Winnebago County Medical Examiner’s Office.

# Palmeri sets office hours

Assembly Rep. Palmeri, D-Oshkosh, is holding office hours from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 19 at the Oshkosh Seniors Center in classroom A in the South Building.

The session is an opportunity for residents to advocate for issues, receive information and resources, and speak directly with Palmeri.

## Back in the Day



Oshkosh history by the Winnebago County Historical & Archaeological Society

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An advertisement for the 44 Outdoor Theater from 1980.

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# Washington School site purchase plan advances

By Jonathan Richie  
OSHKOSH HERALD

Oshkosh is moving closer to purchasing a school location and turning the land into workforce housing.

The Washington Elementary School site is part of the Oshkosh Area School District consolidation plan and will close at the end of the school year. Last year the district put out a request for proposals that received no offers.

District officials and city staff have been meeting to discuss the potential sale. If the sale is approved by the OASD Board of Education and Oshkosh Common Council, the city plans to demolish the school and build workforce housing on the site.

Workforce housing is defined by the city as households earning 80% of the county's median income, reported in the meeting to be \$94,600. Eighty percent of that would be \$75,680. The homes planned for this lot would be between \$250,000 and \$350,000, according to city planning services manager Mark Lyons.

The city is working with Habitat for Humanity to have a private and public partnership build single-family, owner-occupied homes on the site.

Last week, the Plan Commission voted to recommend the council approve the sale that will also need to be approved by the school board. The common council is set to vote on purchasing the site at the April 9 meeting and the school board will vote on it at the April 10 meeting.

If the sale is approved by both parties, the city would purchase the site for \$75,000. Then the school would be demolished, and the site would be prepared for a concept plan that was revealed last week.



The city plans to purchase the Washington Elementary School property for a private/public partnership to build workforce housing. The 18 homes would be on Winnebago and School avenues.

The city was prepared to pay up to \$150,000 for the lot, Lyons said.

The concept plan shows 18 lots on Winnebago Avenue and School Avenue with nine houses being built by Habitat for Humanity and nine built by a master builder the city would contract for the project. The two types of houses would be mixed within the Washington School site.

"We want the houses to fit in with the neighborhood," Lyons said.

Since the city will own the property it will be able to dictate the type of housing that goes into the space, according to Lyons.

Two residents that live in the area had a few questions and concerns about the

planned project. One asked about zoning of the school site, which is currently zoned as Institutional.

Lyons said there would need to be a change to the city's comprehensive plan along with a zoning change to SR-9, single-family residential.

It was also mentioned that SR-9 allows duplexes and twin houses. Lyons reiterated that since the city will own the property there will be covenants and restrictions in place to assure the homes are workforce housing.

"The city, as the controlling party, our plan is single-family, owner-occupied homes," he said.

Jerry Heisler wanted clarification on potential street damage due to large trucks using the street during demolition of the school. Assistant public works director Steve Gohde confirmed that the city would pay for street repairs if damaged.

City staff have been working on a design book that would be used to show developers. Infill lots that are smaller or odd shaped throughout Oshkosh are being purchased across the city by the redevelopment authority to help with the city housing shortage.

Site preparation for the new homes could start as early as 2025 with new utility laterals and stormwater grading.

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# Annual county health report details assets, challenges

Oshkosh Herald

Winnebago County's Community Health Assessment (CHA) for 2023 details the overall strengths and assets of the community while identifying a growing number of households struggling to meet basic needs with significant disparities among various population groups.

The recently published CHA is an overview of the community's health that Wisconsin health departments are required to complete every five years to identify gaps and opportunities to improve the well-being of county residents.

An advisory team of 15 residents from various sectors, geographies and experiences – assisted by input from public and nonprofit agency staff – analyzed data and community feedback, led focus groups and provided guidance for the report.

Community strengths identified include strong school systems, abundant green space for parks, playgrounds and trails, well-equipped libraries, essential social services and dedicated health care professionals. The report also found that economic disparities are leading to a substantially lower quality of life for more residents with limited opportunity for improvement, chronic stress, low income, adverse childhood experiences and poor health outcomes.

"Despite existing support systems for food, housing and medical care, these systems are fragmented, hindering a comprehensive approach to well-being," stated Doug Gieryn, director and health officer, in the report summary.

In addition to extensive data on demographics, health care outcomes and economic statistics, the assessment includes

perspectives and experiences from Winnebago County residents. Focus groups were held with disproportionately impacted populations connected to organizations that included the Day by Day Shelter, LEAVEN/Casa Hispana, Oshkosh Area Community Pantry, People of Progression, Reach Counseling, REAL Oshkosh, SEPO Zambia and Solutions Recovery.

"To improve health outcomes, we have to look beyond health care and individual behaviors, and we do this with the CHA," Gieryn said. "The CHA identifies local community conditions, the vital conditions that have the greatest impact on health, and we use this information to help with prioritizing resources and engaging the community to work together to build those community conditions where everyone has the opportunity to reach their optimal health and well-being."

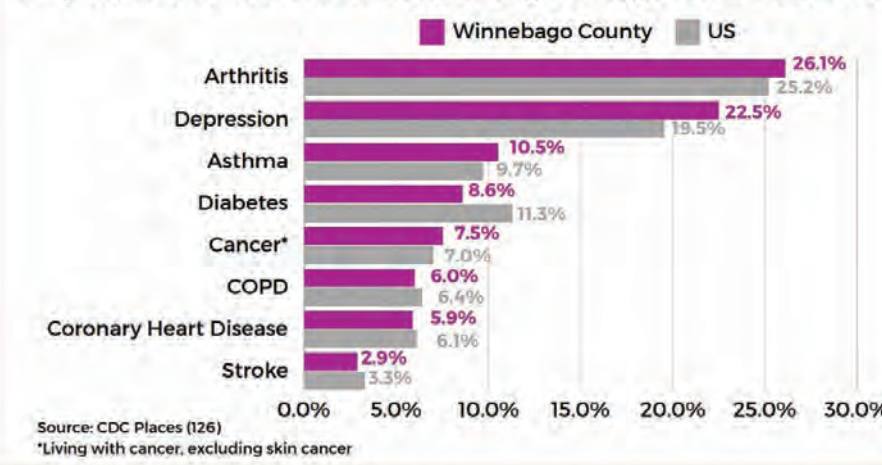
The CHA examines how conditions and factors impact health such as wealth, education, housing, transportation, social connections and access to health care.

"Data and information provided in the Community Health Assessment highlight how social and economic conditions shape our community," said County Executive Jon Doemel. "We all need to work together to make our community a better place to live, work and visit."

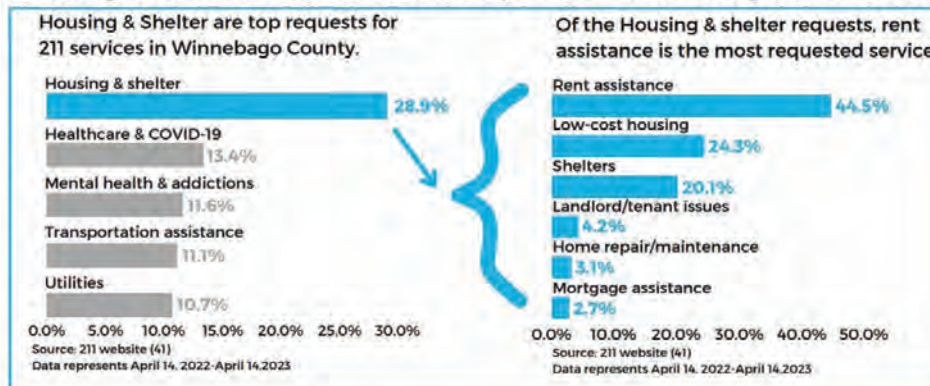
The CHA will be used to create a Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) that outlines strategies to improve the health of county residents and visitors.

The assessment is available at [winnebagocountywi.gov/health](http://winnebagocountywi.gov/health). Residents can provide thoughts and feedback at [wchd.pub/chafeedback](http://wchd.pub/chafeedback).

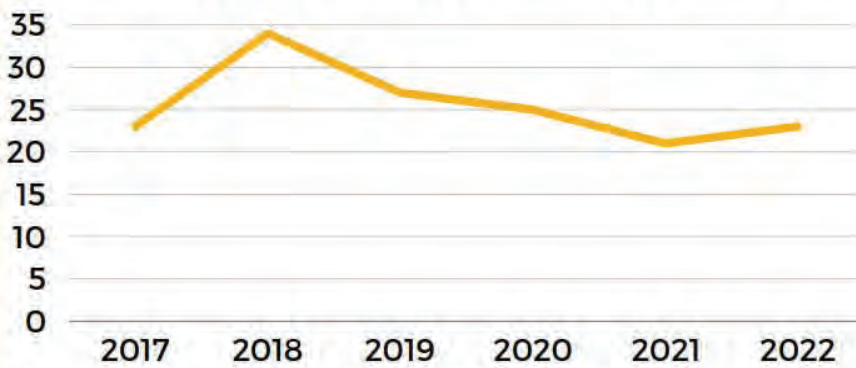
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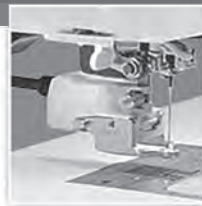
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# Young baker turns creative niche into sweet business

## Baked by Breck keys on sourdough, cookies

By MaryBeth Matzek  
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

Breck Patrick had a special request for his 13th birthday: He wanted his grandmother to take him to a cake decorating class.

“It was when ‘Cake Boss’ was really popular and I wanted to learn how to decorate cakes,” he said. “I attended and loved it. As soon as I was 16, I went to a bakery in town with amazing decorated cakes and applied for a job.”



Patrick

Patrick kept that job at Tamara’s the Cake Guru through the rest of high school and while attending Fox Valley Technical College where he studied baking, pastry and hospitality management. When he graduated last May, Patrick decided to open his own bakery business – Baked by Breck. He credited his FVTC classes with helping him learn how to run his own business.

“I can really express myself through baking, just as some people express themselves through art,” he said. “It’s just something I enjoy.”

Patrick has two specialties — sourdough bread and half-pound cookies (yes, they weigh a half-pound.)

“Making sourdough takes time and it is not for the faint of heart,” he said. “You need to slow down and pay attention to the details.”

Patrick uses five different ancient grains



Submitted photos

Sourdough loaves and large cookies are the specialties of Baked by Breck.

to create a complex, yet simple sourdough loaf that consumers can’t find elsewhere. He launched his business by selling his products at the Oshkosh Farmers Market.

“The first time I went to the farmers market, I was not sure how my sourdough would be received but the response was incredible,” he said.

Patrick makes a variety of sourdough flavors and is always interested in trying something new.

After selling at the farmers market, customers began ordering from his website. Patrick delivers his products on Fridays in



the Oshkosh and Omro area. During fall and winter, he participated once a month in the indoor farmers market.

Baked by Breck’s other signature product is its half-pound cookies, which are

loaded with toppings to help it reach that heavy mark.

“I put on chocolate chips and then I put more on,” he said.

Besides chocolate chip cookies, he also sells decorative cookies around different holidays, such as Christmas and Valentine’s Day.

“I really didn’t see anyone in the market making giant cookies so that’s one reason I began focusing on them,” Patrick said.

About 60% of his customers buy bread while 40% buy cookies. Many customers buy both, he said.

During a typical week, Patrick makes his cookie dough on Wednesdays and then bakes it on Fridays. He starts his sourdough on Thursdays.

“Everything builds up for selling Saturday or delivering products on Friday,” he said.

Patrick announces his baking plans weekly on Facebook and Instagram and has been known to sell out some products before Saturday morning.

His stand at the farmers market introduced him to a lot of customers who then began following him on social media to learn what he was working on.

“News about me spread by word-of-mouth and then my social media following grew,” he said. “So far, I have not advertised. People come to me.”

In addition to bread and cookies, Patrick makes cakes by special order.

“Those can be really fun,” he said, adding he made a 24-layer cake covered in chocolate ganache. “I had a taste – it was delicious.”

Eventually, Patrick would like to open a storefront.

“That’s definitely a dream of mine and something I am working for,” he said.

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# Milwaukee man pleads not guilty in fentanyl case

Oshkosh Herald

A man facing several counts of fentanyl-related charges was in Winnebago County court last week for his arraignment. Oshkosh police say he sold fentanyl and crack cocaine during controlled buys.

Jerry Slack, 34, plead not guilty last week to one count of possession of fentanyl with intent, a count of manufacturing/delivery of cocaine and four counts of manufacturing/delivery of fentanyl. He remains in custody on \$10,000 cash bond set by Court Commissioner Eric Heywood in February.

Slack, who has a Milwaukee address, attended last week's hearing via video from the Winnebago County Jail. He is represented by attorney Michael Lim.

Court documents allege Slack sold fentanyl to informants multiple times as the Oshkosh Police Department and Lake Winnebago Area Metropolitan Enforcement Group were investigating him.

The criminal complaint alleges a total

of 12.3 grams of fentanyl and a half-gram of crack cocaine were purchased from Slack during the four controlled buys in January and February.

The Oshkosh police SWAT team was used to arrest Slack on Feb. 19. When Slack was taken into custody officers reported finding almost \$4,000 in cash on him.

Slack was living in an apartment on Evans Street and law enforcement searched the apartment after the arrest, where they reported finding 11.7 grams of fentanyl and 2.8 grams of fentanyl pills.

Slack is also a defendant in a civil lawsuit filed by the state and Oshkosh police in which the state is requesting the cash found on Slack and his vehicle be forfeited to the police department.

Winnebago County Circuit Branch 5 Judge John Jorgensen is presiding over the felony criminal case and civil lawsuit. Slack is scheduled to be back in court July 8 for a plea hearing in the criminal case.

## Volunteers sought for region's largest trash cleanup

Oshkosh Herald

More than 1,600 volunteers will remove about 7,000 pounds of trash and debris from more than 65 northeast Wisconsin locations May 4 under the direction of the Fox-Wolf Watershed Alliance.

Organization leaders note that garbage shouldn't be one of the signs of spring, but after the snow melts, trash and debris are

often left behind.

The 12th annual event will focus on parks, trails and waterways with registered volunteers putting in about 2.5 hours of work. After the cleanup, they are invited to Pierce Park in Appleton for a celebration picnic.

Registration will remain open until April 23. Details are at [fwwa.org/cleanup](http://fwwa.org/cleanup).



OYC photo

The Oshkosh Yacht Club's sailing school provides learning opportunities for youngsters.

## Yacht Club sailing school classes offered

Oshkosh Herald

The Oshkosh Yacht Club's not-for-profit sailing school, which offers a sailing opportunity for youth from second grade through age 13, is taking class signups.

Programs focus on racing and the enjoyment of sailing as a lifetime and community activity. Students develop problem-solving skills while incorporating STEM concepts into the decision making while sailing the International Optimist dinghy.

Classes are filled on a first-come, first-served basis and held rain or shine at the OYC harbor and club house at The Waters, 1393 Washington Ave. Signup information is at [oshkoshyachtclub.org](http://oshkoshyachtclub.org).

Learn to Sail Camp (ages 8-11) is for newcomers and those returning to master basic skills before they move on to the Learn to Race camp. The main goal is to have fun, grow comfortable on the sailboat and learn about water safety. Monday through Thursday classes are set for June

3-13, June 17-27 and July 8-18.

Learn 2 Race Camp (ages 9-12) is for those who have mastered basic skills and comfortable sailing alone. Sailors develop confidence while having fun managing their boat in a variety of wind situations and start to build an understanding of racing strategy. This class is held in conjunction with the Team Opti advanced class. Monday through Thursday classes are held June 10-June 27 and July 8-18.

Regattas, which include coaching at two off-lake events, are set for July 22 at Pine Lake in Nashotah and Aug. 1 at North Lake in Hartland.

Opti OYC fleet racing is open to sailors participating in an OYC Opti sailing class. Team Opti Races are scheduled for 6 p.m. Mondays from June 17 to Aug. 12. Race finish points are cumulative and a trophy is awarded at Cup Night in late fall.

Contact Beth Wyman at [info@oshkoshyachtclub.org](mailto:info@oshkoshyachtclub.org) or 920-410-4843 for more information.

## Red Cross sets blood donation opportunities

The American Red Cross during National Volunteer Month celebrates the thousands of blood and platelet donors who make its lifesaving mission possible.

All donors through April 28 will get a \$10 e-gift card to a merchant of choice and entered for a chance to win one of two \$7,000 gift cards.

Upcoming blood donation opportunities in Oshkosh include from 11:45 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday at Algoma United Methodist Church, 1174 Algoma Blvd.; 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. April 18 at UW Oshkosh Reeve Union; and 1 to 6 p.m. April 19 at the Oshkosh Community YMCA, 3303 W. 20th Ave.

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## Business news roundup

**Leeco Steel** has named **Dave Diemel** vice president of operations on its executive management team. Diemel has more than 18 years of experience in operations management and lean manufacturing, most recently as Leeco's senior director of operations. He replaces Chad Schuh, who retired at the end of March. Leeco has a sales office in downtown Oshkosh for its North regional sales and distribution teams who serve clients in Wisconsin, Michigan's Upper Peninsula, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota and Montana.

The **Experimental Aircraft Association's Aviation Museum** has been named one of the nation's 10 best aviation museums by Travel + Leisure in a feature published March 14. Ten Best Aviation Museums Around the U.S. highlights the choices of the Travel + Leisure staff, as well as aviation historians and experts. The list includes museums in nine states and the District of Columbia.

**InMEDBio**, an Oshkosh company formed by Ashwinraj Karthikeyan that produces wound care dressing to prevent infections and accelerate healing of chronic wounds, is among the 25 finalists competing in the 2024 Wisconsin Governor's Business Plan Contest. The finalists were selected after two rounds of judging in the contest through the Wisconsin Technology Council, its sponsors and volunteers. The top 12 business plans will be announced in late May, who will then present June 5 at the Wisconsin Entrepreneurs' Conference with winners announced June 6.

Wisconsin employers who hire veterans are encouraged to apply to the **Vets Ready Employer Initiative**, a Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development designation awarded to organizations that go above and beyond for the veteran workforce. Vets Ready recognizes organizations that hire and retain veterans, build veteran support systems, and connect with veterans in the community. It also helps employers attract and retain veteran talent. Applications are open through July 19. Learn more at [dwd.wisconsin.gov/veterans](http://dwd.wisconsin.gov/veterans).

# Muza Sheet Metal recognized by Wisconsin manufacturers

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"This recognition demonstrates the hard work and dedication of our incredible team, who consistently embody Muza's core values of family, growth and strength. We also extend our gratitude to our customers, partners and supporters for their continued trust and collaboration," stated Muza president Sam Blank.

Founded in Oshkosh in 1928, Muza

Sheet Metal is a manufacturer, supplier and installer of architectural products such as sheet metal flashings and trim, as well as wall and roof panel systems. It has grown from 15 employees in 1998 to more than 160 while expanding production space from 10,000 to 150,000 square feet.

Last year Muza entered the Madison market with a new design center and manufacturing facility.

"We are so grateful to the generations before us that laid such a strong foundation for our incredible team steering the ship today. I could not be more excited for the future of Team Muza," said Carven Blanck, Muza chief executive.

## Money Smart week keys on financial literacy

Money Smart Wisconsin Week proclaimed for April 6-13 raises awareness about the importance of financial literacy education and financial wellness.

The financial education campaign is the highlight of this national financial literacy awareness month, a collaborative effort by state and federal agencies and private-sector groups.

"You can participate in the Money Smart Wisconsin campaign in a variety of ways. Start by reviewing your finances and planning for your financial future," said Wisconsin Department of Financial Institutions Secretary Cheryl Olson-Collins. "Simple steps like making a monthly budget or setting up split deposit to automatically save a portion of your paycheck each month can help build a stronger financial foundation for you and your loved ones. Be sure to review our financial wellness checklist at [dfi.wi.gov](http://dfi.wi.gov) for more ideas to keep your financial goals on track."

The DFI is encouraging state employees to take advantage of Elevate Wisconsin: The Course to Financial Security, a free employee benefit for state employees and their families.

Elevate Wisconsin provides interactive online instruction in personal finance and investing fundamentals.

Another way to get involved is with The Big Read, where adults read books to children that have a focused message about the importance of being responsible with

money.

Wisconsinites are encouraged to check with their local library for a list of age-appropriate books and spend time reading with loved ones and talking with them about money.

Wisconsinites are also encouraged to start saving for higher education with the Wisconsin 529 College Savings Program. The program offers two savings plans, Edvest 529 (direct-sold) and Tomorrow's Scholar (advisor-sold), both administered by the DFI.

For additional information, contact the DFI's Office of Financial Literacy, which provides information to the public on matters of personal finance and investor protection, with an emphasis on the financial and economic literacy of Wisconsin's youth.

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The rankings are based on data provided by thousands of the nation's most productive advisors and their teams. Panoramic Financial Solutions was chosen based on assets under management, industry experience, compliance record and best practices in their practice and approach to working with clients.

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# Mayoral authority status retained by council

By Jonathan Richie  
OSHKOSH HERALD

A proposal to change the title of mayor to council president was defeated after it was unable to garner enough support from the council.

Mayor Matt Mugerauer's idea, proposed last year, was initially to have voters elect seven council members, who would then elect a council president and vice president among themselves. That idea was abandoned after Mugerauer didn't have enough support on the council.



Mugerauer

That plan would have reversed a 2004 referendum where voters decided to directly elect a mayor with a partial salary. In Oshkosh, 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.

Mugerauer's next idea was to only change the mayor's title to president and then voters would elect that position. There were council members that still had issue with the change and last week the council voted 4-2 against changing the title.

Mugerauer and council member Joe Stephenson supported the change and member Mike Ford was absent for the meeting. Ford had said he was in favor of the change, stating that Oshkosh is operating with a council president but calling it a mayor.

In 1956, Oshkosh adopted the city manager style of government outlined in Chapter 64. The government operates like a corporation under chapter 64 with the city manager handling the day-to-day operations similar to a CEO and the common council is like the board of directors.

The city manager speaks for the city as its top executive.

Former council president William Manske spoke during two recent meetings against the proposed change. Manske said that between 1956 and 1978 ordinances outlined that Oshkosh's council president led the council, but in 1978 the council voted to change the council president position to be called mayor.

"For 46 years we've had a mayor; people are used to it. They understand it as being a part of the local government," Manske said. "If it ain't broke don't fix it. You're trying to do something here that doesn't seem to be anything of very great importance."

Mugerauer was elected mayor in April 2023 with a year left on his term as council member, so if he lost the mayoral race he would still be on the council. The process to fill his seat on the council led to LaKeisha Haase's appointment.

That replacement process has been described by Mugerauer as a "beauty pageant" where residents go in front of council and explain why they should serve. He said his proposal would eliminate this process.

One of Mugerauer's reasons for changing the title is there is confusion in the community and with government officials as often he would get calls or messages that would be better directed at City Man-

ager Mark Rohloff.

Several council members suggested it would be better to educate the public on what the mayor does than getting rid of the title.

Council member Karl Buelow said he had spoken with several residents and through those conversations didn't hear a compelling case to vote for the change.

"I don't see a strong reason for changing it. I don't have a strong reason for making this change," he said.

Mugerauer attempted to delay the vote

until the next meeting due to council member Ford not in attendance and needing a supermajority of five votes or more to pass the ordinance.

Haase and Paul Esslinger argued that delaying the vote was not proper because the agenda had been posted and that the public expected the council to decide on the proposed ordinance.

"This did go to a first reading, it's been noticed. The public knows about this," Esslinger said. "We're at that point of the second reading and this is the time to do that."

## Sexual assault awareness highlighted with programs

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Sexual assault service provider Reach Counseling and its partners are raising awareness in April for Sexual Assault Awareness Month with this year's theme "Building Connected Communities" through the National Sexual Violence Resource Center.

"When people really feel like they're part of their community, they look out for each other," said Ciara Hill, Reach Counseling's advocacy program director, "It's like being part of a big family - if you see something wrong happening, you're going to step up. That's because everyone shares the job of keeping the community safe."

In collaboration with Planned Parenthood Advocates of Wisconsin, Lawrence University and the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh, events have been planned throughout the month. Contact UWO

Women's Center at womenscenter@uwosh.edu or go to reachcounseling.com for event details.

More information on national Sexual Assault Awareness Month Go is at nsvrc.org/saam.

Planned Parenthood Advocates will be hosting a supply drive throughout the month for domestic violence and sexual assault service providers in northeast Wisconsin. The supply wish list is at bit.ly/saamsupplydrive.

Easy Street Tattoo at 703 Oregon St. in Oshkosh is partnering with Reach Counseling and Christine Ann Domestic Abuse Services to host a Mark the Change - Get a Tat, Give Back event from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. April 28. Five tattoo artists will be donating their time with prices ranging from \$80 to \$200 and all proceeds going to Reach and Christine Ann.

## Spring seed swap to support area growers

Oshkosh Seed Savers will hold a Spring Seed Swap from 2 to 3 p.m. April 27 outdoors at 1025 Merritt Ave.

The new volunteer-run, nonprofit organization seeks to educate about organic food growing and seed saving in urban backyards and community gardens in Oshkosh and the Fox Valley. They maintain and distribute locally adapted varieties of garden crops that are historically and culturally important to the region.

Some people bring seeds and plants to

share at the swap event but there is no requirement. The organization will distribute Oshkosh-grown, locally adapted seed from their Oshkosh Seed Savers Collection.

All seeds and plant materials are distributed free, but Oshkosh Seed Savers accepts donations to help cover cost of seed packaging materials and website maintenance.

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# Public officials

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sages being sent out.

"I have no affiliation with Fair Courts America. I did not ask for or have any prior knowledge of the mailers. I did not approve of or provide any messages sent from any outside groups," Rust said. "I have served the people of Winnebago County for almost 12 years and I am looking forward to continuing to serve them in this new capacity."

Haase was able to gather strong support in Menasha, winning all but one of the six districts in the city. Neenah voters were split with districts 1 and 2 voting more for Haase and District 3 won by Rust.

Oshkosh voters were split, with Haase receiving 5,229 votes within the city's 12 districts and 32 voting wards while Rust received 4,460 votes. Rust was able to win each town in Winnebago County and the city of Omro.

According to Wisconsin state statute, new circuit court judges take over Aug. 1.

Voter turnout for the election was higher than the 2022 spring election in which just under 28,000 ballots were cast.

## Oshkosh Common Council

The Common Council will have three new members next week. Kris Larson, DJ Nichols and Jacob Floam were the top three vote-getters.

Thomas Asuma and Kristopher Ulrich finished outside the top three, but it was a close race.

Larson received 4,905 votes, Nichols 4,689, Floam 4,078, Asuma 3,804 and Ulrich with 3,783. All were within just over 1,000 votes.

Nichols told the Herald he plans to meet with City Manager Mark Rohloff and Oshkosh department heads to get a better understanding of the processes in place. He is also looking to meet with families in Oshkosh and find out what is important to them.

"I will likely do a lot more listening than speaking to start," Nichols said.

Floam said he was excited to get to work

with his council colleagues. He added that he plans on taking up Oshkosh's housing shortage, investing in roads and making sure Oshkosh is an affordable and attractive place to live and work.

Asuma and Ulrich both thanked their supporters after their defeat.

## Board of Education

The OASD Board of Education will have two returning members and one new one after Tim Hess' successful race. Hess ran a campaign calling for district administrators to be held accountable and it led to him coming in second among the four candidates.

Board members Beth Wyman and Chris Wright were re-elected while Kristopher Karns missed re-election by 743 votes.

Wyman led all candidates with 7,315 votes, while Hess collected 6,566, Wright 6,430 and Karns received 5,687.

This will be Wright's second term on the board. He told the Herald he remains committed to increasing student achievement and ensuring the district has a safe culture in all schools for staff, students and families.

After the defeat Karns said the loss hurt as he has put a lot of time and energy into the last three years on the board. During that time he was part of the naming of newly constructed Vel Phillips Middle School, hiring Superintendent Bryan Davis and investing in the district staff.

"Going forward, it's important we continue to invest in our staff and to prioritize our facility plan because that will benefit our students and our community," Karns said.

## County supervisors

The Herald focused on county supervisor races that include readers in districts 11 through 25 and District 31.

Tim Paterson was elected to represent District 11 after defeating Jeffery H. Schettl by 73 votes.

Incumbents Maribeth Gabert of District 12, Steven Binder in District 13,

James Ponzer in District 18, Doug Zellmer in District 22, Koby Schellenger in District 23 and Ralph D. Harrison Sr. in District 31 were re-elected and faced no challengers.

In District 14, Tom Swan was re-elected as he defeated write-in candidate Rich Norenberg. Incumbent E. Michael Robinson lost his re-election bid to challenger Amber Gilbertson in District 15.

Voters in District 16 elected Christian Mueller as their next supervisor. Mueller defeated Bob Knudsen by just 16 votes.

There were no official candidates for District 17, but 31 write-in votes were recorded. The unofficial results show Billy Halbur will be the next county supervisor for District 17.

Incumbent Joshua Belville defeated challenger Larry Lautenschlager in District 19 by 33 votes. In District 20, Tim Macho defeated Eric Vlach.

In District 21, incumbent John Hinz defeated Jeff Lawrence. It was a similar story for incumbents in districts 24 and 25 with Andy Buck and Karen Powers defeating challengers Sarah Nelson and Scott Perzentka.

## Statewide referendums

Winnebago County results in the state referendum questions mirrored the state as the majority of voters chose yes for both questions regarding election restrictions on use of private funds and election officials.

Unofficial results indicate 54.4% of voters supported a constitutional amendment to prohibit the use of private donations and grants in primary, election or referendums. About 58.6% of voters supported limiting conduct during primary, election or referendums to election officials designated by law.

Even though the presumptive nominees for U.S. president have been chosen,

in Winnebago County former President Trump received more than 12,000 votes and Nikki Haley received just over 2,000 votes. A total of 15,808 ballots were cast for Republican candidates.

For the Democrats, a total of 14,335 votes were cast with President Biden receiving 12,928 and the rest of the votes going to U.S. Rep. Dean Phillips and uninstruc-tured delegation.

The county canvass to certify the election results was first scheduled for Thursday but was rescheduled for this Tuesday after the Herald's press time. County Clerk Julie Barthels told the Herald official results should be online by Tuesday afternoon.

Complete results are available on the Winnebago County website under the County Clerk Election Information tab.

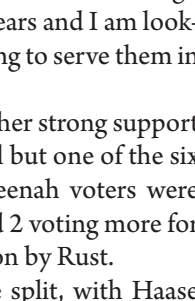
## Poetry workshop features local poets

The Caramel Crisp Corner Bookstore is celebrating this Poetry Month with a workshop recommended for writers 15 and older from 5:30 to 7 p.m. April 22.

The event at 200 City Center will be hosted by local poets Bill Gillard, an award-winning teacher of creative writing and literature at the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh, and Thomas Cannon, poet laureate of Oshkosh.

Participants will fill poetry toolboxes with rhythm, meter, tone, line breaks, fixed forms and other useful writing gear. Attendees will write poems, read them and discuss how to sharpen their poems to push them to their potential.

Writers are encouraged to bring their poetry to share and are asked to RSVP on the event's Facebook page.



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## Veterans group cited

Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 437 received an award at its April 1 meeting in recognition of 35 years in service. Dan Sciuti, vice president of the Wisconsin State Council of Vietnam Veterans of America, presented a plaque to the chapter. Chuck Butzlaff (right), chapter secretary and longest active member, is shown with Sciuti.

## UW Oshkosh language professor honored

Donald Honess, a University of Wisconsin Oshkosh ESL and bilingual education professor, has been honored with an award from the Universities of Wisconsin System Board of Regents that recognizes his teaching excellence.



Honess

The 32nd annual Teaching Excellence Awards recognize outstanding teaching and are the board's highest recognition for UW faculty members and instructional academic staff. Each recipient is awarded \$7,500.

"These UW educators and programs are inspiring and supporting students in their educational journey," said Regent Cris Peterson, chair of the selection committee. "We are proud to recognize their innovative and highly successful approaches to

teaching with this award."

A university faculty member since 1997, Honess focuses on pedagogy scholarship, student learning and evidence-based teaching practices. He has published narrative studies on pedagogical practices of English as a second language teachers in the field, papers on how university faculty and public-school teachers can collaborate to create better outcomes for ESL students, and guidance for ESL educators on how to meet state standards for the K-12 curriculum.

Honess teaches and conducts research on English language acquisition among immigrant and refugee populations in northeastern Wisconsin. He leads the New Voices Summer English Project, an intern supervision program he created for English learners in Oshkosh and Menasha. He recently earned a substitute-teaching license to substitute teach in high-need areas in Oshkosh-area public schools.

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## UWO chancellor

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essary decisions I have made as chancellor."

In March, Leavitt wrote a lengthy blog post stressing the importance of gaining the confidence of future Titans.

"It is critical that we continue listening and responding to prospective learners who may not see themselves at UWO but can thrive here. Theirs is the confidence we all want to earn," Leavitt said.

"Meanwhile, we see indications of a solid fall 2024 first-year class of students. Everyone at UWO is working diligently to strengthen enrollment next year and beyond."

A joint statement from Board of Regents president Karen Walsh, regents vice

president Amy Bogost and UW president Jay Rothman said Leavitt has their full support.

"He is leading UW Oshkosh through a series of difficult but necessary decisions to position the university for a sustainable future. With a focus on current and future students, Chancellor Leavitt is thinking creatively about the university's academic and building infrastructure," the statement said. "We want UWO to succeed, as do business and community leaders in Oshkosh and the Fox Valley region, and Chancellor Leavitt is the person to lead it."

Manning said, "It is my hope that we will embrace this moment as an opportunity to identify means of addressing the key issues that have informed the outcome of this confidence vote."

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**Piggly Wiggly Breakfast Sausage Links or Patties**

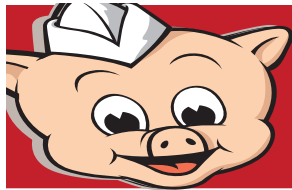


Select 12 oz.

**\$1.99** each

Limit one with separate \$25.00 purchase

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



**piggly wiggly**



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shopthepig.com

prices in this ad good wednesday 4/10/24 through tuesday 4/16/24

Offer expires 4/16/24

PLU 27203

**Original Jack's Pizza**



13.8-15.8 oz.

**3/\$8**

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

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

Offer expires 4/16/24

PLU 27204

**Wisconsin Russet Potatoes**



5-pound bag

**2/\$5**

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

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

Offer expires 4/16/24

PLU 27205

**Pringles**



5.2-5.57 oz

**3/\$5**

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

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

**Victor Allen Select K-Cups Coffee**



42 count

**\$12.99** each

OSHKOSH AND OMRO LOCATIONS

**4.49 lb**  
English Cut Chuck Roast

Sold in 40 oz Bag Individually Quick Frozen  
**1.99 lb**  
Chicken Breast 4.97 per 40 oz Bag

**99¢ lb**  
Beefsteak Tomatoes

1 lb California  
**2/\$5**  
Premium Strawberries

**3.49**  
16 oz Select Farmland Bacon

**1.99 lb**  
Sold Whole In The Bag Boneless Pork Loin

**1.49 lb**  
Washington State Honeycrisp Apples

**3.99**  
16 oz Crystal Farms Shredded or Chunk Cheese

**2.99**  
48 oz Food Club Premium Ice Cream or Sherbet

**BOGO**  
12.76-21.96 oz Bellatoria Ultra Thin or Bread Crumb Pizza

**2/\$7**  
4 pk Light & Fit, Two Good or Triple Zero Dannon Yogurt

**3.69**  
32 oz Coffeemate Creamer

**3/\$9**  
13.8-15.8 oz Original Jack's Pizza

**2/\$3**  
15.8-16 oz Bush's Best Baked Beans

12 pk, 12 oz Cans **digital coupon**  
**7.49** SALE PRICE WITH CARD  
Less Digital Coupon Offer  
**4.49** FINAL COST LIMIT (1) OFFER PER CUSTOMER

**14.79**  
12 pk, 12 oz Cans or Bottles Leinenkugels Craft

**SAVE \$3** When You MIX OR MATCH Any 3

10.68-18.71 oz Select Oreo Cookies **4.49** SALE PRICE - 1.00 When You Buy 3  
**3.49** ea FINAL COST

3.5-8.5 oz Select Nabisco Crackers **3.49** SALE PRICE - 1.00 When You Buy 3  
**2.49** ea FINAL COST

24 pk, 10 oz Bottles Piggly Wiggly Water **3.69** SALE PRICE - 1.00 When You Buy 3  
**2.69** ea FINAL COST

Items listed below in a Single Transaction. While Supplies Last. Sorry No Rainchecks.

WITH CARD

**OSHKOSH ONLY DEALS**

**From the Meat Department**  
**Orca Bay Cod Filets**  
 16 oz.



**\$5.49**

**Sugardale Bacon**  
 16 oz.



**2/\$8**

**From the Deli**

**Sandwich Spread**



**\$4.99** per pound

**Vegetable Tray**



**\$4.99** per pound

**From the Bakery**  
**Creme Puffs**



**\$1.99** 2 count

**OSHKOSH ONLY DEALS**

**fresh favorites**

**3.99** ea  
 Jumbo  
**Cantaloupe or  
 Honeydew Melon**

**3.99**  
 3 lb Bag California  
**Seedless  
 Navel Oranges**

**2.99**  
 5 lb Bag Wisconsin  
**Russet  
 Potatoes**

**4.99**  
 2 lb Bag  
**California  
 Mandarins**

**2.99**  
 6 oz  
**Fresh  
 Blackberries**

**3.99**  
 9.7-11.75 oz Fresh Express  
**Your Choice Caesar or  
 Chopped Salad Kits**

**2.49**  
 8 oz  
**Sliced White  
 Mushrooms**

**69¢** ea  
 Fancy  
**Limes or  
 Lemons**

**1.69** lb  
 Washington State  
**Gala  
 Apples**

**1.79** ea  
 California  
**Celery**

**1.69** lb  
 Garden Fresh  
**On The Vine  
 Tomatoes**

**4/\$5**  
 California  
**Jumbo  
 Navel Oranges**

**2/\$6**  
 All Varieties!  
 15.2 oz  
**Bolthouse Farms  
 Juice**

**3.49**  
 24 oz Bag  
**Ruby Sensation or  
 Honeygold Baby Potatoes**

**69¢** lb  
**Baking Potatoes  
 or Green Cabbage**

**fresh floral**

**16.99**  
 In Bloom  
**Bouquet**

**15.99**  
 7 Inch  
**Daffodil Pan**

**13.99**  
 Spirit of Spring  
**Bouquet**

**12.99**  
 Pet Lover's  
**Bouquet**

**WAYS TO EARN PIG POINTS:**

- Purchase specific items throughout the store.
  - Through special in-store events.
- Look for Pig Point tags in the store and Pig Point items in our weekly ad.*

**WAYS TO SAVE WITH PIG POINTS:**

- Redeem Pig Points at fuel station partners for savings per gallon (up to 15 gallons).
- Redeem Pig Points in store for FREE or reduced-price products.



**pig points**

**PIG POINT COUPON** PLU 71952

**Earn 5100 pig points**

**Spend \$50 and SAVE 17¢**

*per Gallon of Gas or In-Store when you redeem 5100 Pig Points!*

\* Purchase is before tax and does not include gift cards, lottery, tobacco and other desk services. Coupon has no cash value. Discount is available on a maximum of 15 gallons of gas in a single transaction. Coupon good April 10 through April 16, 2024. Limit one coupon per household. Coupon must be redeemed with a valid Rewards Card at a participating Piggly Wiggly.

**WITH CARD**

**beverage center**

**89¢**  
 2 ltr Bottle  
**Faygo**

**7.99**  
 12 pk, 16.9 oz Bottles  
**Propel  
 Water**

**3/\$9.99**  
 8 pk, 12 oz Cans  
**Polar Seltzer**

**7.29**  
 WHEN YOU BUY MULTIPLES OF 2 OR 8.79 EA  
 12 pk, 12 oz Cans  
**Coca Cola**

**4/\$5**  
 16.9 oz  
**Gatorade  
 Fit**

**4/\$5**  
 WHEN YOU BUY MULTIPLES OF 4 OR 1.69 EA  
 28 oz  
**Powerade**

**2/\$5**  
 WHEN YOU BUY MULTIPLES OF 2 OR 2.79 EA  
 2 ltr  
**7UP, RC Cola  
 or Dr. Pepper**

**2/\$7**  
 6 pk, 7.5 oz Cans  
**Pepsi &  
 Mtn Dew**

**health, home & pet**

**4.99**  
 12 Roll  
**That's Smart  
 Bath Tissue**

**2.99**  
 12.2-18 oz Select  
**Dawn  
 Dish Soap**

**3.99**  
 2 Trail Mix or 12-24 oz  
**Milk-Bone  
 Dog Biscuits**

**19.99**  
 18 lb  
**Pedigree  
 Dog Food**

**1.69**  
 190 ct  
**Simply Done  
 Facial Tissues**

**1.99**  
 10-15 ct  
**Simply Done  
 Trash Bags**

**9.99**  
 3.5 lb  
**IAMS  
 Cat Food**

**7.99**  
 10 lb  
**Flocks  
 Bird Seed**

**2.29**  
 90 ct  
**Simply Done  
 Zipper Sandwich Bags**

**3.49**  
 18 ct  
**TopCare  
 Tampons**

**3.99**  
 1 ltr  
**TopCare  
 Mouth Rinse**

**6.99**  
 5 ct  
**Zyrtec  
 Allergy Tablets**

## dairy & frozen



**2.79**  
24 oz  
Food Club  
Cottage Cheese



**4.49**  
12 oz Deluxe or  
16 oz Individually Wrapped  
Kraft American Singles



**2/\$7**  
12-24 ct  
Dean's  
Bars, Juice Stix or Pops



**6.99**  
17.65-25.4 oz  
Screamin' Sicilian  
Stuffed or Tavern Style Pizza



**2/\$6**  
52 oz  
Tropicana  
Premium Drinks



**5.29**  
28 oz  
Starbucks  
Coffee Creamer



**3.29**  
6 ct  
Eggo  
Thick & Fluffy Waffles



**6.99**  
18.5-26.1 oz  
Village Pub  
Pizza



**3.99**  
7.5-8 oz  
Philadelphia  
Spreadable Cream Cheese



**3.69**  
24 oz  
Greek Gods  
Yogurt



**2.99**  
19-25 oz  
Food Club Ravioli  
or Cheese Tortellini



**10/\$10**  
4.5-8.5 oz  
Michelina's  
Entrees



**2.99**  
8 ct  
Laughing Cow  
Cheese



**3.69**  
16-16.5 oz  
Nestle  
Cookie Dough



**3.99**  
3 pk Bars or 14 oz  
Häagen-Dazs  
Ice Cream



**9.49**  
33.75-38 oz Select  
Stouffer's  
Family Size Meals

## grocery essentials



**4/\$5**  
4-5.7 oz  
Knorr Rice  
or Pasta Sides



**2.99**  
12-12.8 oz  
General Mills  
Chex Cereal



**2.79**  
20 oz  
Butternut Italian,  
Honey Wheat or  
Whole Grain White Bread



**2.99**  
20 oz  
Village Hearth  
Italian Bread

**3.49**  
6.2-16.3 oz Select  
Kashi Cereal or  
Bear Naked Granola



**6.99**  
10 oz Select  
Berres Brothers  
Coffee



**3.69**  
6.8-12.25 oz  
Entenmann's Snacks or  
Thomas' Bagels or English Muffins



**2/\$7.50**  
12 pk  
Little Debbie  
Snacks



**6.79**  
35.3 oz  
Coffeemate  
Original Creamer



**16.99**  
32 ct  
Green Mountain or  
Donut Shop K-Cups



**3.49**  
12.5 oz  
Swanson  
Canned Chicken



**4/\$5**  
2.6-3 oz Pouch  
StarKist Tuna or  
Tuna Creations



**5.99**  
16-27.7 oz  
Nesquik Powder or  
Nestle Hot Cocoa Mix



**2.49**  
4 pk  
GoGo SqueeZ  
Applesauce



**2/\$5**  
64 oz or 6-8 pk Select  
Mott's Juice  
or Applesauce



**4.79**  
4 pk  
Kraft or Velveeta  
Macaroni & Cheese Cups



**2.99**  
12 ct or 8.85-14.6 oz  
Taco Bell  
Taco Shells or Kits



**4.49**  
6-8 pk  
V8 Energy, Vegetable or  
Fruit & Vegetable Blends



**2/\$3**  
7-16 oz  
Barilla  
Pasta



**2.49**  
28-29 oz  
Hunt's Tomatoes  
or Tomato Sauce



**1.99**  
2.75-5.5 oz  
Riesen or  
Werther's Originals



**4/\$9**  
9.25 oz  
Crav'n Flavor  
Corn Chips



**2.89**  
16 oz  
Delallo  
Pasta



**2.99**  
15 oz Bertolli Alfredo Sauce  
or 24 oz Bertolli or  
Ragu Pasta Sauce

## everyday savings



**2.99**  
8 oz  
Food Club  
Parmesan Cheese



**2.99**  
3 pk  
Food Club  
Snack Classics



**2.29**  
8 oz  
Food Club  
Spreadable Butter



**4/\$5**  
5.6-6.4 oz  
Food Club  
Skillet Classics



**2/\$5**  
11.5-18.7 oz  
Food Club  
Cereal



**3/\$5**  
8-12 pk  
Food Club  
Instant Oatmeal



**5/\$4**  
14.5-15.25 oz  
Food Club  
Vegetables



**5/\$5**  
4 oz Stems & Pieces  
Food Club  
Mushrooms



**2/\$3**  
14.5-15.25 oz  
Food Club  
Fruit



**1.99**  
8 oz Honey or  
18 oz Grape Jelly or Jam



**1.99**  
16 oz  
Food Club  
Salad Dressing



**3.49**  
30 oz  
Food Club Mayonnaise  
or Salad Dressing

## STOCK UP ON SNACKS

**3/\$8**  
5.5-8.5 oz Ruffles  
9-13 oz Tostitos  
9.25-10 oz Fritos  
24 oz Tostitos Salsa

**3/\$6**  
5.2-5.57 oz  
Pringles

**2/\$5.50**  
9 oz  
Dutch Crunch  
Kettle Chips

**2/\$7**  
10-12 oz  
Snyder's  
Pretzels

**3/\$10**  
7.3-10 oz  
Palermo's, Connie's or  
Screamin' Sicilian  
Single Serve Pizzas or  
14.5-16.9 oz  
Palermo's  
Thin Crust Pizza

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

**5.99**  
4 qt  
Dean's  
Ice Cream

**2.99**  
28-32 oz Select  
Crav'n Flavor  
Potatoes

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# digital coupons

Scan For Your Digital Coupons. See Coupon for Offer Details

23-27 oz Malt-O-Meal Cereal  
**2/\$9** SALE PRICE WITH CARD  
 - 2.00 Less Digital Coupon Offer

**2/\$7** FINAL COST LIMIT (3) OFFER PER CUSTOMER

5 pk, 7.25 oz Kraft Mac & Cheese  
**5.99** SALE PRICE WITH CARD  
 - 2.00 Less Digital Coupon Offer

**3.99** FINAL COST LIMIT (3) OFFER PER CUSTOMER

120 ct Gain Fabric Sheets  
**5.49** SALE PRICE WITH CARD  
 - 1.00 Less Digital Coupon Offer

**4.49** FINAL COST LIMIT (1) OFFER PER CUSTOMER

17-27 ct Select Cascade Dishwasher Detergent  
**7.99** SALE PRICE WITH CARD  
 - 1.00 Less Digital Coupon Offer

**6.99** FINAL COST LIMIT (1) OFFER PER CUSTOMER

31 ct or 88 oz Gain Laundry Detergent  
**10.99** SALE PRICE WITH CARD  
 - 3.00 Less Digital Coupon Offer

**7.99** FINAL COST LIMIT (1) OFFER PER CUSTOMER

# pig points+

**1800 pig points+**  
 SAVE 6¢ Per Gallon of Gas and Purchase of One  
 6 oz Select Athenos Feta Cheese

**2400 pig points+**  
 SAVE 8¢ Per Gallon of Gas and Purchase of One  
 19.8 oz Opa! Gyros Kit

**2700 pig points+**  
 SAVE 9¢ Per Gallon of Gas and Purchase of One  
 5 lb Bag Yellow Onions

# meat & seafood

**1.59 lb** Any Size Package Chicken Thighs or Drumsticks

**4.99 lb** Fresh 90% Lean Ground Beef

**9.99 lb** T-Bone Steak  
 Porterhouse Steak...10.99lb

**2.49 lb** Split Chicken Breast

**1.99 lb** Sold in the bag Whole Pork Butt

**3.99 lb** Corned Beef Points

**5.99** 1 lb Brick 85% Lean Grass Fed Organic Ground Beef

**2/\$5** 16 oz Select Oscar Mayer Bologna or Cotto Salami

**2.99** 2.76 oz Select Hillshire Farm Small Plates

**6.99** 16 oz Select Nathan's Bagel or Pretzel Dogs

**2.99** 11-15 oz Select Armour Meatballs

**2.99** 12 oz Select Piggly Wiggly Breakfast Sausage Links or Patties

**3.49** 7-9 oz Select Buddig Lunchmeat

**2.99** 13-14 oz Select Eckrich Smoked Sausage Links

**4.79** 8 oz Select Klements Snack Sticks

**8.99 lb** Fresh Farm Raised Catfish Fillets  
**4.99 lb** Fresh Farm Raised Catfish Nuggets

**7.99 lb** Snow Crab Clusters  
**9.99 lb** 24 oz Frozen Norwegian Salmon Fillets

**5.99** 10 oz Whole Shrimp Ring  
**9.99** 16 oz Frozen Whole Cod Fillets

**7.99** 31-40 16 oz Best Yet Cooked Shrimp  
**7.99** 21-25 16 oz Best Yet Raw Shrimp

# deli & bakery

**8.99 lb** Select Butterball Turkey Breast

**5.99 lb** Deli Sliced Krakow Ham

**3.99** 4 ct Our Very Own Piggly Wiggly Muffins

**5.99 lb** Buholzer Brothers Gouda, Brick or Muenster Cheese

**2.99 lb** Original or Mustard Aunt Em's Potato Salad

**1.99** 14 oz Italian Bread

**2.99** 6 ct Kaiser Rolls

**4.99 lb** 8 oz Select Wood River Cheese

**2.99 lb** Coleslaw or Macaroni Salad

**3.99** 16 oz Cinnamon Raisin Bread

**2.99** 12 ct Brother's Cake Donuts

**3.99** 7 oz Stacy's Pita Chips or 10 oz Sabra Hummus

**8.99 lb** BBQ Pulled Pork

**2.99** 24 ct Our Very Own Piggly Wiggly Mini Cookies

**6.99** 8 in Cherry Pie

# beer & liquor

**1500 pig points+** Save \$1 Per Gallon of Gas!  
**21.49** 24 pk, 12 oz Cans or Bottles Coors Banquet, MGD, Miller 64, Miller Lite or Coors Light

**13.98** 30 pk, 12 oz Cans Milwaukee's Best Light  
 AFTER \$3 MAIL-IN REBATE

**14.48** 24 pk, 12 oz Cans or Bottles Leinenkugel's Original  
 AFTER \$2 INSTANT SAVINGS

**16.29** 12 pk, 12 oz Cans Happy Thursday Spiked Refreshers  
 AFTER \$1 INSTANT SAVINGS

**13.99** 12 pk, 12 oz Cans Hoop Tea Spiked Iced Tea  
 AFTER \$3 INSTANT SAVINGS

**19.49** 30 pk, 12 oz Cans Busch or Busch Light  
 WHEN YOU BUY MULTIPLES OF TWO

**14.79** 12 pk, 12 oz Cans Twisted Tea Hard Iced Tea

**9.69** 12 pk, 12 oz Cans or Bottles Miller High Life  
 SAVE \$4 ON (1) MILLER HIGH LIFE 12 PK AND (1) PLANTER'S 16 OZ DRY ROASTED PEANUTS

**23.99** 1 Ltr Bottle Tito's Vodka

**22.99** 1.75 Ltr Bottle Bacardi Rum

**14.99** 1.75 Ltr Bottle Kessler Whiskey  
 AFTER \$4 MAIL-IN REBATE WITH THE PURCHASE OF TWO

**14.99** 750 ml Bottle Josh Cellars Select Red Wines

# Calendar of events

## Thursday, April 11

Oshkosh Area United Way Community Celebration, 4:30 p.m., Venue 404, 404 N. Main St.

"Assisted Living: The Musical," 7:30 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh

Group Ukulele Jam, 6 p.m., New Moon Cafe, 405 N. Main St.

David Fiorazo, 6:30 p.m., Calvary SonRise Church, 222 Church Ave.

## Friday, April 12

"Assisted Living: The Musical," 7:30 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh

Lourdes Academy Vegas Night, 6 p.m., Lourdes Castle Gymnasium, 110 N. Sawyer St.

Special Olympics Spring Games, UW Oshkosh campus

## Saturday, April 13

Run Away to the Bay 55-mile relay race, 6:30 a.m., Menominee Park

Special Olympics Spring Games, UW Oshkosh campus

Pat McCurdy, 8 p.m., Dublin's Irish Pub

Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre, 7 p.m., Gibson Social Club

"The Iron Giant," 7 p.m., Time Community Theater, 445 N. Main St.

Copper Box, 8 p.m., Revs Bowl Bar & Grill, 275 N Washburn St.

Jason & the Jazzerknots album release, 8 p.m., Becket's, 2 Jackson St.

## Sunday, April 14

Special Olympics Spring Games, UW Oshkosh campus

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

Community Book Read: "Punished for Dreaming" by Bettina L. Love, 4 p.m., Oshkosh Food Co-op

## Thursday, April 18

EAA Speaker Series: Tomcats Over the Gulf, 7 p.m., EAA Aviation Museum, 3000 Poberezny Road

Chemists Celebrate Earth Week, 5 p.m., Oshkosh Public Library

## Friday, April 19

Chemists Celebrate Earth Week, 4 p.m., Oshkosh Public Library

Comedy Night, 7:30 p.m., Bare Bones Brewery, 4362 County S

## Saturday, April 20

Oshkosh Winter Farmers Market, 9 a.m., Oshkosh Arena

Oshkosh Symphony Orchestra: Gal-

vanize, 7 p.m., UW Oshkosh Arts and Communication Building

Rhinestone Cowgirls, 7:30 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh

Rising Phoenix, 8 p.m., Revs Bowl Bar & Grill, 275 N Washburn St.

"Smokey and the Bandit," 7 p.m., Time Community Theater, 445 N. Main St.

Ruby's Pop-up Pantry, 9:30 a.m., 491 Old Oregon Road

## Sunday, April 21

Fox Valley Vintage Fest, noon, Oshkosh Convention Center

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

Community Book Read: "Punished for Dreaming" by Bettina L. Love, 4 p.m., Oshkosh Food Co-op

## Monday, April 22

Poetry for a Better Life Workshop, 5:30 p.m., Caramel Crisp Corner, 200 City Center Suite D

## Wednesday, April 24

Just Between Friends Sale, 10 a.m., Sunnyview Expo Center

## Thursday, April 25

EagleMania, 7:30 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh

## Friday, April 26

4imprint Oshkosh Half Marathon, 5K & Relay, 8 a.m., Fox River Brewing Co.

Breweriana Show, noon, Fifth Ward Brewing Co.

"The Mummy's Hand," 7 p.m., Time Community Theater, 445 N. Main St.

Mutts Gone Nuts, 3 and 7 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh

Oneida Pottery: Journey of a Thousand Years, 1 p.m., Oshkosh Public Museum

Organ Concert Recital with Hymn Sing, 6 p.m., Trinity Lutheran Church, 370 Bowen St.

Skate the Arena, 2 p.m., Oshkosh Arena

WineFeast 2024, 5 p.m., Oshkosh Convention Center

Indie Bookstore Day, 10 a.m., Caramel Crisp Bookstore, 200 City Center

Oshkosh Card Show, 10 a.m., Oshkosh Convention Center

Skate the Arena, 2 p.m., Oshkosh Arena

The Amazing Max, 2 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh

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

Community Book Read: "Punished for Dreaming" by Bettina L. Love, 4 p.m., Oshkosh Food Co-op

# Annual African Violet show, sale set

The Oshkosh Violet Society will hold its annual show and sale May 4 and 5 at St. Jude the Apostle Church Hall at 531 Knapp St. with a large selection of African violets and related plants available for immediate purchase.

Club president Kevin Degner noted there will be soil, pots and other supplies available for purchase, and those interested in growing African violets can attend a society meeting to learn about the club.

Saturday hours are from 10 a.m. to 4:30

p.m. and Sunday from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission and parking is free.

Society members are from the greater Oshkosh area as well as from northeast Wisconsin, Madison, Milwaukee, Sheboygan and other areas of Wisconsin and Illinois.

The Oshkosh Violet Society is affiliated with the Wisconsin Council of African Violet Clubs and African Violet Society of America. Club membership is open to all ages and meetings include educational topics from various sources.

# Volunteer hunter educators sought in state

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is seeking volunteers to serve as hunter education instructors.

Since the program's creation in 1967, more than 20,000 volunteer instructors have trained and certified more than 1 million hunters. These efforts have helped make hunting a much safer activity, including a 95% decrease in hunting-related incidents since the start of the program.

Interested volunteers can either serve as apprentices under a sponsoring instructor

for at least two complete courses or attend a certification training session hosted by a DNR outdoor skills trainer.

Once certified, the DNR provides volunteer instructors with all the materials and equipment required to teach a hunter education course. Instructors must only teach one class every three years to remain certified.

Contact Kayla Sasse, outdoor skills trainer in the area, at 920-360-2361 or kayla.sasse@wisconsin.gov.

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Night



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# State has a tool to combat disease endangering oaks

Wisconsin Public Radio

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources has developed a tool to slow the spread of oak wilt, a fungal disease killing thousands of trees each year.

Oaks, a keystone species in Wisconsin, are most susceptible to infection and to spreading the disease when trees or branches have been cut or damaged.

The DNR's satellite mapping system tells forest owners when it's the safest time to harvest or prune oak trees. Developed by the DNR and the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 2021, the mapping system is based on temperature and improves the accuracy of advice about maintaining forests as climate change and warm winters decrease predictability.

The tool is designed to be able to respond to the unpredictability of climate change.

Oak wilt is commonly spread when spore-carrying beetles infect damaged trees. By tracking temperature, the tool works by predicting when the beetles will emerge.

"That could be in March, April, May. Last year it was April 15 for the southern part of the state. It was a little later in the north," said Mike Hillstrom, a forest health specialist with the DNR.

Despite the historic warm weather, the threat to the health of oak trees remains low.

Oak wilt has been infecting oak trees in Wisconsin since the mid-1940s and the disease is well-established in the southern two-thirds of the state. Just six counties in northern and eastern Wisconsin — Iron, Taylor, Door, Kewaunee, Calumet and Manitowoc counties — have not detected

oak wilt.

Oak trees are a critical part of the state's forest ecosystem. Wisconsin has about 17 million acres of forest. Oak is the second most common hardwood to the maple. The wood is used for products like furniture and flooring. The trees are cover for birds and insects and acorns are an important food source for wildlife.

The National Wildlife Federation identifies oaks as the top keystone plant in the northern forests of the United States — the trees host 445 species of native caterpillars that are in turn critical to the survival of birds and other wildlife.

And the long-lived trees, growing to enormous size over centuries, are simply beautiful.

"Every year, we find a few new townships that have oak wilt in them," Hillstrom said. "It's complicated. We can't reach every pocket. Not everybody is even aware that oak wilt is out there on the landscape. We do our best to educate what it looks like so people are aware of it and can hopefully respond in the best way they can."

In general, the DNR has suggested for years that people avoid harvesting or pruning oak trees between April 1 and July 15 in the south or April 15 and July 15 in the north. Hillstrom said that's based on having about a week straight of temperatures in the 60s.

"Every year is a little different. The insects and the fungus don't know if it's



Hillstrom

March, April or May," Hillstrom said. "It's a good general guideline to help the public know the time window."

In the last couple of years, the DNR has been using the satellite mapping technology to more precisely determine when foresters can safely harvest oak trees in state-owned forestland.

"Two years ago, we were harvesting into May, we had snow on the ground until almost June. So sometimes we have a longer window, but if we are getting this warmer weather early, we might have a shorter window."

Researchers are also developing field testing that will allow them to detect oak wilt in the forest.

"Where the new technology comes in is if we can find those pockets when they are small, we have a way better chance of stopping it early and just having a much lower impact on the forest," Hillstrom said.

Forests are still a major source of revenue in Wisconsin. The state took in more than \$24 billion from harvesting trees in 2020 from the state forests the DNR owns. Nearly 60 percent of forestland in Wisconsin is privately owned. Federal, state and local government and Native American Tribes own the rest.

Langlade County in northern Wisconsin has revenue of about \$2 million per year from the 130,000 acres of forest it maintains.

"Forestry is very important to the overall economy," said Cody Brauner, assistant forest administrator for Langlade County. "Between tourism and the forest products industry, those are two of the largest com-

ponents of our economy here."

Storms in Langlade County in 2019 damaged oak trees and brought the first oak wilt problems to the county, which has been monitoring a growing number of places with oak wilt.

"What we have done with the sites we have found is we are chemically treating the infected trees and then chemically treating the oak within a buffer around that infection to prevent it from spreading," Brauner said.

While oak wilt has been spreading slowly, Brauner expects oak trees will remain important to the mix of tree species in the Langlade County forest. While there are no plans to harvest any oak trees in 2024, oak makes up about 5 percent of the county forest.

"Oak is a critical component going forward," Brauner said. "Especially as we are looking at the loss of elm previously and the loss of ash moving forward. We're losing some of that diversity, so we really need to maintain that diversity of species we have left and have some control over."

There are more than 600 species of oak trees in the United States and nine of them are native to Wisconsin. Red oaks have "v" shaped leaves and are more susceptible to oak wilt than white oaks, which have "u" shaped leaves.

Brauner said with warmer winters and the unpredictability of storms that could damage trees and make them more susceptible to disease, any tools the DNR can develop to delay major infestations are welcome.

## New North Hires Heroes program offered

New North Hires Heroes invites the public to learn more about military and veteran specific hiring and retention strategies with its inaugural virtual meeting from noon to 1 p.m. April 23.

Guest speaker for the Zoom event will be Timothy La Sage, military affairs man-

ager of the business development team for WPS Health Solutions' military hiring program. The U.S. Marine Corps first sergeant is a native of Sussex who served in the military from 1993-2015. He is also president of the Wisconsin Purple Heart Riders national motorcycle club.

In partnership with the Wisconsin Veterans Chamber of Commerce and Department of Workforce Development's Office of Veteran Employment Services, New North Hires Heroes seeks to create a network of veteran-ready businesses in the New North region.

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# West's Hammen has been busy, productive athlete



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Laina Hammen is a three-sport athlete for Oshkosh West and one of the leaders of the Wildcats' softball team this season.

By Tim Froberg  
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

Time management can be tricky for student-athletes, but Laina Hammen treats the clock like it was a speeding softball headed toward her catcher's mitt.

She handles everything – nothing gets past her.

The Oshkosh West catcher is one of the better returning softball players in the Fox Valley Association and is winding down a busy and productive prep athletic career.

The do-it-all senior has been a three-sport athlete the past four years and is also a top student, carrying a 3.91 grade point average. In addition to her busy athletic and academic schedule, Hammen works with West's Connected program, which provides peer mentoring for special education students and holds down a part-time job as a certified nursing assistant at Gabriel's Villa, an assisted living facility in Oshkosh.

She also finds time to volunteer for community organizations, ringing bells for the Salvation Army during the Christmas season and delivering holiday meals for Father Carr's Place 2B.

"Being a four-year, three-sport athlete was one of my goals as a freshman," Hammen said. "I've really enjoyed playing all three sports and being part of each team. What's amazing about sports is that you get to meet new people and build relationships.

"I get to do that, too, with my part-time job and our Connected program with Steph Polak (West cross country coach and special education teacher). I love building relationships with the people both in Connected and at Gabriel's Villa.

## Senior spotlight

I wouldn't trade doing those for anything."

Hammen, though, still finds time to shine on the diamond. She's a fourth-year starting catcher who received second-team all-Fox Valley Association honors last season after hitting .360 with 12 RBIs. Hammen received all-conference honorable mention as a sophomore (a .286 batting average) and second-team all-FVA honors (a .333 batting average) as a freshman.

"She's developed into one of the best catchers in the conference," said West coach Tim Kohl. "With the young team we have, there will be a little pressure on her to be a team leader this year on and off the field. She is certainly up to the challenge."

Hammen, who also plays summer travel ball with the Wisconsin Bandits, enjoys the demanding position of catcher.

"You work so closely with your pitcher that you really get to know her and what she's thinking," Hammen. "Plus, you're an on-field leader – a vocal leader – and I really like that, too."

Hammen has been playing softball since age 7 and hails from an athletic family. Her mother, Tanya, played basketball, volleyball, track and softball at West. Her father, Judd, was a basketball and football standout at West who played college football at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse. Laina's older brother, Kelton, was a soccer player at West, while young brother Eli plays multiple sports at Traeger Middle School.

"I enjoy all three sports, but softball is

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# Wildcats, Knights have high expectations entering season

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One returning player excels at stopping goals, while another is very adept at preventing them.

That's where the foundation for the Oshkosh West girls soccer team begins this season.

The Wildcats return first-team all-conference forward Laney Wiebel as well as second-team goalkeeper Hannah Wolf as they look to improve on last year's third-

place finish in the talent-rich Fox Valley Association.

"As a team, we are looking to take the next step and really push for a shot at the conference title," head coach Abe Nelson commented. "We have great players all around the field and we're looking to put it together."

The offense will be keyed by Wiebel, who led the Wildcats with 18 goals last season, which ranked third in the conference. She was a second-team all-FVA selection as a sophomore.

No other returning player had more than three goals last year, but senior Brenna Gehri is a playmaker out of midfield and senior Morgan Toman and junior Taylin Heiman have provided a boost to the offense.

In addition, Nelson said that sophomore forward Ava Pamer and freshman midfielder McKenzie Blair are expected to make an impact as newcomers this season.

Wolf played nearly every minute in goal last season for the Wildcats and returns to anchor the defense again this season. She registered six shutouts last season and already has blanked two opponents this



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Lourdes Academy/Valley Christian junior Delaney Ruedinger finished with 13 goals and 11 assists last year in earning second-team all-Flyway Conference honors.

season.

Last season, West finished behind only Kimberly and Neenah in the conference season, but both teams should once again

be among the favorites in the league.

The Papermakers return four first-team all-conference players from last year's team that went unbeaten in conference play, while the Rockets bring back a top scorer in Mia Wasco as well as welcome in goalkeeper Amaya Jones, who missed all of last season because of injury.

## Lourdes/Valley

With six players who earned all-conference recognition last year returning to a

squad that shared the Flyway Conference title and won a regional title, expectations are pretty high for the Lourdes Academy/Valley Christian squad entering 2024.

The Knights shared the conference title with St. Mary's Springs as neither team lost a league match a year ago.

Leading the list of returning players for the Knights is senior Charley Mullin, who was a first-team all-conference selection last season. Mullin helped anchor the Knights' back line and has been a stalwart on defense the past three seasons for Lourdes/Valley.

Fellow senior Ailish Mains returns to the midfield and will be a leader of that group after earning second-team all-Flyway honors a year ago.

Junior Delaney Ruedinger also earned second-team honors a year ago and is the top returning scorer for the Knights having finished with 13 goals and 11 assists a year ago. Mullin was the next highest scorer returning having totaled six goals and five assists as a defender.

Also returning to the midfield for the Knights will be juniors Hannah McDowell and Natalie Edwards, who earned honorable mention honors a year ago, while the likes of senior Katie Wallace, Melanie Tushar, juniors Allie Huizenga, Taylin Mecklenberg and sophomores Aolfe Mains, Maura Willis and Libby Guerrero all saw regular varsity action.

The Knights also have a veteran in net where junior Hailee Bauer returns for her third year as the team's goalkeeper. Bauer earned second-team all-Flyway honors a year ago and racked up nine shutouts on the season.

## Oshkosh North

The Spartans will count on a handful of returning players to help lead the squad this season as the team looks to improve over the course of the year.

Head coach Nicole Palmquist highlighted seniors Cambria Standke, Nella

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# McLaughlin leads Lourdes/Valley into season

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Lourdes Academy lost three of the five golfers from its sectional-qualifying team last spring, but do return one of the top players in the area as the Knights set out to rule the Trailways again.

Senior Cooper McLaughlin is a two-time state qualifier, two-time Player of the Year in the Trailways and three-time first-team all-conference selection and will again be the leader on the course for the Knights.

McLaughlin finished third in the sectional and eighth at the state meet last year, and finished nearly four shots better than anyone else in the conference in stroke average last season with a sub-40 mark.

## Soccer preview

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Schultz and Hailey Rees as being leaders of the squad this season and is hopeful the trio can help serve as role models for the squad.

Juniors Ava Duran and Haille Trochinski – an honorable mention all-FVA selection a year ago – will be counted on as well, with the duo anchoring the team's back line.

"We look forward to seeing the seniors take the underclassmen under their wings and show them the ropes," Palmquist commented. "We are really focusing on

The other returning player from last year's sectional team is senior Calvin Tollard, who held down the fifth varsity spot in his first varsity season last year. Fellow senior JJ McKellips returns to the team after missing all of last year due to injury.

Other players expected to challenge for varsity spots include juniors Donovan Hemminghaus, Will Loker, Noah Boler-suhk and sophomores Brett Maki, Ben Hoyer and Kaden Okey.

Newcomers that could crack the varsity lineup this year include freshmen Jackson Buttke, Lucas Neuens, Walker Dlugolenski and Izzy Gelhar.

"This team should do very well in the Trailways Conference again, with Cooper McLaughlin to lead the team with a lot of depth," commented head coach Greg McLaughlin. "The team expects to be in the

improving individually and as a team on all aspects in the game of soccer."

North finished with just one conference victory a year ago and posted four wins overall and are hopeful to improve on those numbers.

The Spartans will have to overcome a lack of depth with a number of players looking to gain varsity experience as the season wears on.

"Our numbers are low and we need to continue to work hard and push ourselves/each other to improve each day so hopefully come playoff time, we are playing our best ball," commented Palmquist. "Overall, we want to continue to grow as a team and be competitive out on the field."

top half of the conference. Markesan and Central Wisconsin Christian should provide stiff competition this year."

## Oshkosh North

The Spartans have a solid trio to build around and will be looking to compete in the Fox Valley Association.

Leading the group is senior Christian Geffers, a two-time sectional qualifier, who was an honorable mention all-Fox Valley Association honoree last season. He missed out on landing on the second team by a half-point.

Fellow senior Dan Chopp played at the No. 2 spot behind Geffers last season, while sophomore Owen Weber returns after earning a varsity spot last season.

Although consistent play from that group will be key for the Spartans, head coach Bryan Dorn is also looking to a group of newcomers to fill out the varsity lineup.

Senior Sawyer Higgins, junior Warren Sealy and sophomore Jack Anderson will be among those vying for the final varsity spots and could play a role in the success

of the squad.

"Christian and Owen can play with the top players in our conference. Dan has had an up-and-down high school career but has the ability to compete at a high level also," Dorn commented. "If our newcomers to varsity play to their potential, I believe we should be able to compete with most conference teams."

## Oshkosh West

The Wildcats had three underclassmen compete at the regional tournament last season and have the potential to return this year.

Senior Ethan Tsai and juniors Jaxen Lloyd and Fred Moorhead were each in West's WIAA tournament lineup last spring, with Moorhead posting the top score among the returning players.

Lloyd was listed at the No. 1 spot for the tournament.

The Wildcats finished eighth among the eight teams at the regional meet.

No other information was available from Oshkosh West.

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## Prep sports roundup

### TENNIS

#### Oshkosh West finishes 3-0 at quadrangular meet

Oshkosh West opened the season by winning all three duals at a quadrangular meet held in Fond du Lac on Saturday.

The Wildcats beat Fond du Lac 6-1, while posting 5-2 wins over both Oshkosh North and West Bend East.

West had five flights post 3-0 records on the day, led by the team's top two singles players Jacob Stinski and Kole Stauffacher. Stinski needed a super tiebreaker to edge Fond du Lac's Leyton Batchelder to go unbeaten, while Stauffacher dropped just two games in three matches for his perfect day.

The Wildcats also did not lose a doubles match on the day, with the No. 1 pairing of Ryan Jorgensen and Yoseff Edsell and the No. 2 pairing of Reid Potter and Gavin Steinke each earning 3-0 records.

Jacob Lemke was a part of all three wins at No. 3 doubles, teaming with Colin Smith against Fond du Lac and with Quentin Prickett against Oshkosh North and West Bend East.

Oshkosh North finished 2-1 at the quad, beating both Fond du Lac and West Bend East 4-2, while falling to West.

Koji Allan led the way for the Spartans, finishing 3-0 at No. 4 singles.

Allan picked up the lone singles win against Fond du Lac, but Kallum Larson-Poeschel and David Tjugum at No. 1 doubles, Anjal Adhikari and Payton Rockteschel at No. 2 doubles and Quasi Alqawasmi and Muhammed Silva at No. 3 doubles all posted wins to lift the Spartans.

Against West Bend East, North swept

the four singles matches with Konrad Bowlus-Jasinski at No. 1, Brannick Larson at No. 2, Keaton Gies at No. 3 and Allan at No. 4 earning the wins.

Larson, playing at No. 3 singles, joined Allan as winners against Oshkosh West.

### BASEBALL

#### Oshkosh North falls at Fox Cities Stadium

The Spartans scored a run in the first inning but wouldn't be able to tally anymore in a 4-1 loss to Appleton West at Fox Cities Stadium in Saturday.

Zach Kiffmeyer had the lone hit in the game for Oshkosh North, while Colton Angell scored the run for North.

Kiffmeyer also allowed just one earned run in 2 2/3 innings of relief after Shaun Gavin got the start for the Spartans.

### SOCCER

#### Wildcats improve to 4-0 with pair of wins

Oshkosh West continued the perfect start to its season picking up a pair of wins over the weekend.

Lainey Wiebel netted a hat trick in a 5-0 shutout against Hartford on Saturday as the Wildcats burst to a 4-0 lead in the first half.

Wiebel opened the scoring off an assist from Taylin Heiman before Brenna Gehri scored off a Wiebel assist to make it 2-0. Ava Pamer and Wiebel added unassisted goals to close out the first-half scoring.

Wiebel then scored West's only second-half goal with Gehri tallying the assist.

Hannah Wolf earned the shutout with seven saves.

On Friday, the Wildcats rallied from a 1-0 halftime deficit to beat Sheboygan North 2-1.

Wiebel assisted on both second-half goals for West, setting up Heiman to tie the score and then finding Morgan Toman for the game winner.

Wolf was credited with two saves in the win.

#### Ruedinger notches hat trick in Knights' win

Delaney Ruedinger tallied a hat trick to lead Lourdes Academy/Valley Christian to a 3-0 win over Amherst in the season-opener Friday.

Ruedinger scored one goal in the first half and then added two more in the second to put the game away.

Hadassah Gutierrez-Kuhaupt and Ellie Koch were credited with assists in the win.

Hailee Bauer made one save and combined with Kenzie Grammer to earn the shutout in goal.

#### Spartans split two games to open season

Oshkosh North won its season opener

over Green Bay East on Friday before falling to Winneconne on Saturday.

Nella Schultz had both goals in the 2-0 win over Green Bay East, while Hailey Rees assisted on one of the tallies.

The Spartans fell to the Wolves, 5-0.

### TRACK AND FIELD

#### Wildcats compete at state indoor meet

Sydnee Nelson collected a top-five finish to lead Oshkosh West at the State Indoor Meet held at UW-Whitewater this past weekend.

Kylie Triebold added an eighth place in the 400 meters and Marissa Dutschek was 14th in the shot put at the meet. Nelson and Kyana Williams also made the semifinals of the 60 meters but did not advance to the finals.

For the boys, Jeevan Ambati led West with a seventh-place finish in the long jump, while Garth Martell placed ninth in the shot put.

Ethan Pinkerton tied for 18th place in the pole vault, while West's 800-meter relay team took 14th.

Ambati and Antoni Olszewski each advanced to the semifinals of the 60-meter hurdles but fell short of making the finals.

## Senior spotlight

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probably my favorite," she said. "I like everything about the game and the team aspect. We do a lot of team-building activities and I just enjoy the relationships I've built over the years."

With Hammen providing stability behind the plate, the Wildcats have compiled an impressive 69-23 regular season mark in Hammen's prep career and have advanced to the WIAA state tournament twice.

"It's been a pleasure watching Laina grow as a softball player and young adult,"

Kohl said. "She's had to battle through some injuries while maintaining her high level of performance at three different sports. I look forward to the success she has set herself up for in softball and whatever she chooses to do in the future."

Hammen was a productive two-year varsity basketball player who averaged 9.0 points, 4.3 assists and 1.2 assists last season, while sinking a team-high 32 3-pointers. As a West junior, she averaged 7.0 points, 3.7 rebounds and 1.0 assists and 14 threes.

She also ran cross country for four years and was a member of West teams that advanced to state three times.

"I picked up cross country as a freshman as a way to stay in shape, but we ended up being very successful, so I just stuck with it," Hammen said. "In basketball, I saw myself as a playmaker. I liked to create plays for others as well as myself and I was able to hit a lot of threes."

Hammen is interested in the medical field and will attend Grand Canyon University in Phoenix next fall where she plans to major in nursing.

"I plan to hopefully become a travel midwife," she said. "I'm going to miss sports, but it's a D-1 college and it would take a huge time commitment to be able to do that. I'll definitely play at the club, intramural level."

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## Obituaries

### Mae Opal Helmer

Mae Opal (nee Buchanan) Helmer, 86, died peacefully on Wed. April 3, 2024, at Bethel Home in Oshkosh after a lengthy bout with cancer. Born May 15, 1937, Mae was a Mother's Day present to Walter E. and Irene E. (nee Parks) Buchanan at Mercy Medical Center in Oshkosh, WI. She was baptized at First Congregationalist Church in Rosendale, WI.

Moving frequently throughout many Winnebago and Fond du Lac rural com-



munities, Mae and her family settled on a farm that became known as White Cedars near the outskirts of Winneconne, WI. In her younger days, she participated in 4-H with the Poygan Go-Getters, maintaining a long-time friendship with Sharon Hebert. During high school, Mae was a member of Future Homemakers of America, Forensics, Chorus, and Future Teachers of America, graduating from Winneconne High School in 1955.

Mae achieved a Rural Education degree from UW-Oshkosh, where she was a member of the Alpha Chi Sorority. She married Robert L. Helmer on May 25, 1957, at First United Presbyterian Church in Winneconne. Mae traveled throughout the an occasional beer! One year, at Eden Meadows, Richie was named Prom King. Rick, Presley, Nandina, Julie, Brian, and Mary were some of his regular visitors, who heard and/or witnessed some of his shenanigans.

### Richard D. Leichtfuss

Richard "Richie" D. Leichtfuss passed away on April 6, 2024, at Ascension Mercy Hospital with two of his favorite nieces at his side. He was born on April 19, 1941, to Herbert and Mandina (Abraham) Leichtfuss on the family farm.



He was a lifelong member of St. John's

Lutheran Church of Nekimi.

Richie served in the US Army from 1963 to 1965 as a combat engineer in Vietnam. In 2015 he proudly participated in the EAA Yellow Ribbon Honor Flight.

Richie was a lifelong dairy farmer. After the death of his brother-in-law, Richie began working his sister Sylvia's farm for her and her two young children, Julie, and Jerry. He then moved back to the family farm with his mother and brother, Marvin and continued to farm. Richie (Stub) recently was in partnership with S&S farms (Smiley & Stub). Mike (Smiley) Hartman was a special friend and part of the family. His neighbors, Dan and Jenny Dehn and their two daughters, MyKenna and Maleigha held a significant place in his heart. Presley "Stick" was a very extra special grandnephew.

For the last two years, Richie was a resident of Eden Meadows in Oshkosh. He made many new friends there and enjoyed pestering all the residents and staff. He liked to give away Hughes candies and

Richard is survived by siblings, George (special friend Teri), Robert (Barb), Donald (Vicki) Leichtfuss; nieces and nephews, Karen, Randy, Brian, Rodney, Jeff, Julie, Jerry, Theresa, Mike, Chris, Lori, Cathy, Tami, Tim, Rick, Charlie, and Nandina. Richie was further survived by his grand nieces and nephews, as well as all his friends and the staff at Eden Meadows.

Richard was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Earl, Oscar, Arnie, Gerard, and Marvin Leichtfuss; sisters Sylvia Nygaard (formerly Stahmann), and Dorothy Hoff; a niece, Jessica Leichtfuss, and special friend Deanna.

A funeral for Richie will be held at St John's Lutheran Church in Nekimi (491 Old Oregon Rd Oshkosh 54902) on Sunday, April 14, 2024, at 2PM. Rev. John Krueger officiating. A time of visitation will be held from noon until the time of services. A burial will take place at St John's Cemetery.

We are grateful for the love and support and care shown to Richie these last two years at Eden Meadows. He held many of you dear to his heart.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be sent to the Wisconsin Honor Flight Organization.

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Germany many times, as well as visiting many surrounding countries and cities, such as Rome, Italy, Paris, Berlin and Amsterdam.

He is survived by his wife, Theresa Lewis; daughters, Sheila (Randal) Spear and Gina Raddatz; granddaughter, Brenna Spear; grandson, Austin (Melissa) Raddatz; brother, Robert (Eileen) Lewis; nephew, Joshua Lewis; several sisters-in-law; brothers-in-law; and many nieces and nephews in both Detroit and in Germany.

Preceding him in death was his parents, Edward and Evelyn (Horn) Lewis; and son-in-law, Steve Raddatz.

Visitation was held on Monday, April 8, 2024, at St. Mary's Church, 730 Madison Ave, Omro, Wisconsin, 54963 from 9:00am to 11:00am, with mass to follow. He was laid to rest at Omro Cemetery, 1600 Waukau Rd, Omro, Wisconsin, at 2:00pm on the same day.

The family would like to show their appreciation and gratitude to nurse Gail and Erica of the Aurora Hospice Team, for their care and compassion during this difficult time.

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United States and Japan during Robert's 20-year career in the U.S. Air Force.

Mae brought five children into the world. The entire family of seven earned the coveted 100% All Scouting Family award. Mae served in the Daniel Webster Council (New Hampshire), Jayhawk Area Council (Kansas) and the Bay Lakes Council (Wisconsin). She worked as a Den Mother, Den Leader coach, Pow-Wow staff member and conductor of several training sessions for other Scout leaders. She earned the District Award of Merit (El Llano Grande District in Conquistador Council, New Mexico).

In 1976, the family retired back in her home state of Wisconsin where Mae pursued her many hobbies: crocheting, needlepoint, counted cross stitch and Bingo. Mae worked with her parents to develop a farm produce business called The Buchel Basket. She combined her love of crafts and crocheting with the selling of vegetables at area Farm Markets. Mae and her daughter Nancy Skifstad created a small business called Mae's Magnets & More. She donated many of her craft creations and became known for her love of crocheting with several gifted afghans, scrubbies and dishcloths.

One of Mae's joys was spending time with her families. She is survived by her daughters Nancy J. Skifstad and Kerrilyn S. Rodriguez; her sons Robert J. Helmer and Kenneth L. (Lisa) Helmer; and daughter-in law Cindy Kramlich Helmer. Mae has five grandchildren: Samantha R. Helmer (Zach Allard), Steven A. Davie, Wesley T. (Tanya) Reif, Brandon J. Helmer, Alita L.M. Rodriguez; four great-grandchildren: Violet and Shawn

Allard, Violet and Azalea Reif. Mae is also survived by her brothers Carl Buchanan Sr. (Joanne Hoaglum), Clark (Carla) Buchanan Sr., Richard Buchanan, Roland Buchanan, and Kirk (Kimberly) Buchanan; her sisters-in-law Betty Buchanan and Tammy Buchanan. She has many nieces, nephews and cousins amongst her surviving families.

Mae was preceded in death by her parents Walter E. and Irene E. (Parks) Buchanan; her sister and brother-in-law Merry and Ronald Koerner; her brothers Warren Buchanan, Charles R. Buchanan II; and three infant brothers; former husband Robert; her much-beloved middle child, James L. Helmer (a proud Eagle Scout) will be meeting her as she arrives in heaven to further their scouting adventures.

A visitation for family and friends will be on Thursday, April 11, 2024, from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at Mueller Funeral Home 904 E. Main St. Winneconne. A funeral service will be held on Thursday at 6:00 p.m. at the funeral home with Chaplain Kelly Leary officiating. Burial will be in the Omro Cemetery at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial will be established.

Please visit [muellerfh.net](http://muellerfh.net) to share condolences/memories with the family.

A special family thank you goes out to the nurses and staff of Bethel Home-Oshkosh, Preceptor Hospice and ThedaCare Regional Medical Center-Neenah for their love, attention and care of Mae during her final days.



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### Donald Lewis

Donald "Don" Edward Lewis, age 86, passed away with his family by his side on April 1, 2024, in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. He was born in Chicago, Illinois on March 22, 1938, to parents, Edward and Evelyn (Horn) Lewis. Later, his family moved to Watertown, followed by Fremont, Wisconsin.



Don attended high school in New London, Wisconsin. He joined the United States Air Force in May, 1956, and was stationed in West Germany for three years. There he met his wife, Theresa and they married in 1959. Together, they raised two daughters.

Upon returning home, they moved to Oshkosh. Don attended school and obtained his degree as an electrician. He worked at Rockwell International and retired after 30 years. He was also a member of the Fox Valley Gun Club, the Winnebago RC Flyers Club and served as an usher briefly at St. Mary's Church.

Don was a wonderful woodworker. He also enjoyed fishing and the great outdoors. He was able to travel back to

# Obituaries

## Kathleen Theresa Nevins

Kathleen Theresa Nevins (nee McDonagh) passed away peacefully April 5, 2024 in Oshkosh, Wis. after a short illness.



Kathleen was born on Dec. 28, 1932 in Manhattan to James and Bridget McDonagh. She met the love of her life James Nevins at an ice cream parlor when she was 17. She and James married on May 8, 1954 in Manhattan.

Kathleen and James moved to northern Virginia early in their marriage and

raised their four children in Alexandria. Kathleen stayed home with her children when they were young, and entered the workforce in 1969 where she worked at The Hartford Company until she retired in 1988.

Kathleen loved painting, gardening, working with plants, doing crafts, shopping, and being with her family and friends. She spent most of her adult life in northern Virginia and moved to Fredericksburg in 1995 after her husband James passed away to be closer to her son James (Maureen) Nevins. Kathleen moved to Oshkosh, Wis. in 2005 to be closer to her son Brian (Mary) Nevins. In recent years, she enjoyed bingo and other activities held

at her residence, Bethel Home.

Kathleen will be missed dearly by her four children. She is survived by her children: Kathleen (Greg) Childs of Rock Hill, S.C.; Brian (Mary) Nevins of Oshkosh, Wis.; James (Maureen) Nevins of Fredericksburg, Va.; and Terence Nevins of Alexandria, Va. Kathleen is survived by her 10 grandchildren: Jennifer (Lance) Robeson of Jacksonville, Fla.; Michelle (Simon) van Steyn of Arlington, Va.; Maureen (Michael) Alley of Waunakee, Wis.; Chris (Emilie) Nevins of Neenah, Wis.; Nicholas Childs of Washington, D.C.; Margaret Nevins of Sun Prairie, Wis.; Conor Nevins of Charlotte, N.C.; Kerry (Emily) Nevins of Dumfries, Va.; Andrea

Nevins of Aldie, Va.; and Maria Nevins of Aldie, Va. Kathleen also had 10 great grandchildren, and many other family and friends.

Kathleen was preceded in death by her husband, James; her sister, Mary; brother, James; parents; mother- and father-in-law; and paternal and maternal grandparents.

Visitation and Mass of Christian burial will be celebrated at a later date in Alexandria, Va.

Kathleen's family sincerely thanks the staff at Bethel Home for their care and compassion over the past few years as Kathleen called Bethel her home.



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## Carl Sosnoski

With a heavy heart we announce the passing of Carl Sosnoski, 78, on Thursday, March 28, 2024 at home after battling brain cancer. He was born the oldest of nine children to Carl and June (Sheppard) Sosnoski in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. He graduated from Lourdes High School in 1964. He joined The United States Marine Corps in 1965 and served until 1968. He spent a year in Kodiak, Alaska (Carl stating that he thought the Viet Cong were coming from the North).

He started his working career by picking vegetables at Pupeter's Truck Farm at a young age crossing Highway 41 on a bicycle. After working for various heating companies in Oshkosh, he started his own company, Custom Heating and Cooling in 1989. Carl was part owner of Cleo's Brown Beam Bar in Appleton. He also, along with his brothers, was a partner in SOS Brothers Beer Tent held during EAA week. Carl and his brothers were the former owners of Players Pizza and Pub in Oshkosh.

Carl had a strong work ethic and did not want to retire at the age of 77 as long as he could take a quick nap in the afternoon. Carl started the annual Park Dance in South Park in 2009 – He was the Man with a Plan! Carl paid for the band each year and will continue to do so on Friday, July 12, 2024. Carl was a chaperone twice on the Old Glory Honor Flights once in 2011 and once taking Pinky Harvath in 2017. When Carl owned Players Pizza, he often donated money to veteran causes such as Old Glory Honor Flight in Appleton, The Veterans Museum and The United Veterans Honor Guard in Oshkosh. The Marine Corps League, Winnebago, Wis., Wounded Warriors, etc.

Carl is survived by his "long-term girlfriend," Carla Nigl and her children, Nikki (Chad Goodrum), Jeremy (Kelly) and Jonathan Nigl, and her grandchildren, William and Audrey Nigl. He is survived by his brothers, Dean (Paula), Allan (Susan Suda) Sosnoski of Appleton. Tom (Annamarie) Sosnoski of Osh-

kosh. He is survived by his sisters, Linda (Bill) Lemieux, Chris (Russ) Schlichting, Rosalie (Steve) Lichtwald of Oshkosh and Jan Huser, Berlin, WI. He is survived by a special aunt, Edie Stepanski, Oshkosh; along with many nieces and nephews and great nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, Carl was preceded in death by his brother, Steve Sosnoski and his nephew, Ian Lichtwald.

Oh, how Carl loved a good train ride! He rode on every train in Colorado along with a train ride to the Balloon Festival in Albuquerque, a train ride to Glacier National Park and the last train ride through the Canadian Rockies. Carl enjoyed traveling whether it was a River cruise in Europe, the pubs in Ireland, the beach bars in Ft. Myers Beach, the bars & restaurants in Ixtapa and Zihuatanejo, Mexico and many National parks. Carl looked forward to his Wednesday morning breakfasts with his brothers and friends when he was healthy and while he was declining.

Before Carl's Mom passed, she asked him to "take care of the family," which of course he did. He also helped out friends and strangers along the way. Carl was a very generous man. After Carl's father passed, Carl was the patriarch of the family, he was the glue that kept the family together. He loved family get together and the big gathering at Xmas time. Carl will be sadly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Thank you to Shirley, Kim, Renee, Jodie, Calli and the employees from the care agency for allowing Carl to remain in his home. Thank you to Cousin Cindy of Edenbrook and to Moments Hospice of Appleton, Wis. for all your help and advice.

Please join us in celebrating Carl's life on Saturday, April 20, 2024 at Fiss and Bills-Poklasny Funeral Home, 865 S. Westhaven Drive, Oshkosh, WI. A time of visitation will be held from 10AM-1PM with the service at 1:00PM with full military honors following to be accorded by the United Veteran's Honor Guard and further celebration at the Roxy, Oshkosh, following.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to a local veteran cause in Carl's name.

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## Yvonne L. Volkman

Yvonne L. Volkman, age 74, passed away at Bella Vista on Monday, December 11, 2023. She was born to the late Edwin and Cecilia (Nicholai) Wilde on November 10, 1949, in Oshkosh, WI. Yvonne married David Volkman on August 2, 1969.

Yvonne worked for 25 years at Square D manufacturing and 13 years at Multicircuits in Oshkosh.

Yvonne (the lottery lady) loved her scratch-off lottery tickets and all game shows, with her favorite being "The Price is Right." She also loved happy hours down at the Lakeshore Mart.

Yvonne is survived by her brother David (Jeanne) Retelle, sisters Diane Ratsburg and Lisa Andrews, son, Tim Volkman, daughter, Angela (Scott) Andersen.

In addition to her parents, Yvonne was preceded in death by her husband, David.

A service for Yvonne will be held at Konrad-Behlman Funeral Homes (402

Waugoo Ave, Oshkosh) on May 10, 2024, at noon. A visitation will be held from 11AM until the time of service.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial has been established.

Yvonne was loved and made a great positive impact on everyone's life around her. She had an infectious laugh and personality and was an excellent mother to both of her children.

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## Legal Notice

**STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, WINNEBAGO COUNTY Small Claims Publication Summons And Notice**  
Case No: 24 SC 633

**AUTOMAX FINANCIAL, LLC** W133N8569 EXECUTIVE WAY MENOMONEE FALLS, WI 53051

Plaintiff(s)

-vs-  
**NADYA LYNN WILKER**  
736 JEFFERSON STREET  
OSHKOSH, WI 54901

Defendant(s).

**Publication Summons and Notice of Filing TO THE PERSON(S) NAMED ABOVE AS DEFENDANT(S):** You are being sued by the person(s) named above as Plaintiff(s). A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your address as stated in the caption above.

The lawsuit will be heard in the following Small Claims court: Winnebago County Courthouse Courthouse Telephone Number of Clerk of Court: 920-236-

4858  
Courtroom/Room Number:  
Room 150 OR VIA REMOTE  
VIDEO OR PHONE

Address: 415 Jackson St,  
Oshkosh WI 54901  
Date: 4/24/2024 Time: 11:00  
a.m.

**If you do not attend the hearing, the court may enter a judgement against you in favor of the person(s) suing you.** A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your address as stated in the caption above. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.

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Dated: 3/27/2024  
/s/ Amy M. Bentley  
Salberg Tuffnell Law, SC  
933 N. Mayfair Road, Suite 325B  
Milwaukee, WI 53226  
Phone: 262-353-9556  
Bar No: 1025449Run  
April 3, 2024, April 10, 2024 and April 17, 2024  
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**STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT WINNEBAGO COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF: JENNIFER NICOLE MEYER BY JENNIFER NICOLE MEYER**  
**Notice and Order for Name Change Hearing**  
Case No. 2024CV000285

**NOTICE IS GIVEN:** A Petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:  
From: Jennifer Nicole Meyer  
To: Jennifer Nicole Vash  
Birth Certificate: Jennifer Nicole Vash

**IT IS ORDERED:** This Petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Winnebago County, State of Wisconsin: Judge's Name: Hon. Teresa S. Basiliere  
Place: Winnebago County Courthouse Branch I, Room 413, 415 Jackson Street, Oshkosh, WI 54901  
Date: May 2, 2024  
Time: 11:30 am

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:** Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Oshkosh Herald a newspaper published in Oshkosh, Winnebago County, State of Wisconsin.

**BY THE COURT: DATE SIGNED: March 28, 2024**  
**/s/ Hon. Teresa S. Basiliere**  
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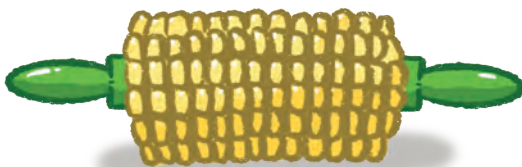
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## Corn Seasons

Corn is used in more than 3,500 ways. To name just a few, there is corn starch, corn syrup, corn oil, popcorn and good old eating corn. Corn is even used to make a kind of fuel called **ethanol**.

## Two Kinds of Corn



Most of the corn grown is **dent corn**, also called **field corn**. Dent corn is picked dry and used mostly for livestock feed and ethanol.

Another popular corn is **sweet corn**. Sweet corn is sweeter and juicier than dent corn and is the kind we eat!

Which of these things are partly made of corn?

- Batteries  Matches  Diapers

ANSWER: All of them!

Replace the missing words.

### Spring

Corn seeds are planted in the spring. Corn seeds are called **\_\_\_\_\_**.

In the spring, farmers wait until the \_\_\_\_\_ is warm before planting corn. The corn kernels need warm soil and spring \_\_\_\_\_ to start growing.

EARS SOIL GROWING STALKS  
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### Summer

During the summer, farmers care for their corn plants. They make sure they get enough \_\_\_\_\_. They check for weeds, diseases and insects that could \_\_\_\_\_ the plants. It takes science to grow healthy corn crops!

With water and warmth, corn grows about 2 inches a day. Corn \_\_\_\_\_ usually grow to about 8 feet tall. The tallest stalk on record was about 45 feet tall—nearly as tall as a four-story building!

### Fall

In the fall, corn plants stop \_\_\_\_\_. The plants turn brown, and the \_\_\_\_\_ point down. Farmers wait for the ears of corn to dry, and then they harvest.

### Winter

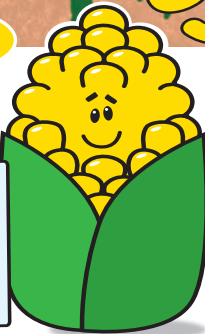
Farmers ship their corn to customers. They also \_\_\_\_\_ their equipment and get ready to plant again in the spring.

Corn was first grown in this country more than 9,000 years ago:

The letters along the correct path through the corn maze reveals the answer!

Use the code!

- = B
- = C
- = E
- = I
- = M
- = N
- = O



## How Technology Helps Farmers

Corn for many centuries was picked by hand. But there have been many inventions that help farmers.

One machine combines several farming jobs in one machine. It cuts the corn stalks and then brings them through the machine. This machine then separates the kernels from the rest of the plant. The machine is called a:



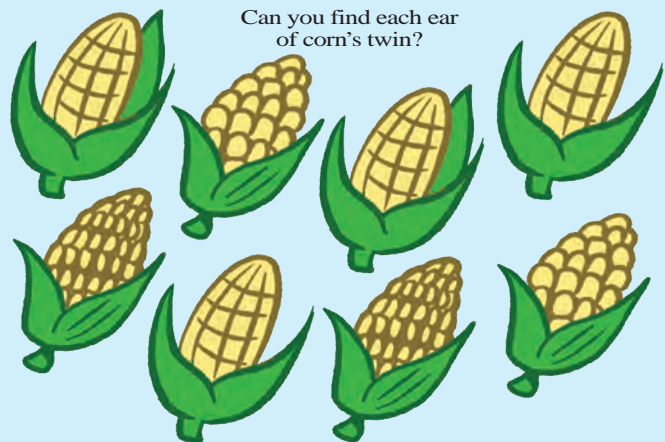
## Make a Tall Corn Stalk

Roll up sheets of the newspaper to make long rolls. How long is one sheet rolled? Estimate how many more pages need to be rolled to make one long roll that is 45 feet long. Then keep rolling pages and lining them up until you make a 45-foot-long roll—the length of one of the tallest corn stalks measured.

Standards Link: Math: Estimate lengths.

## Kid Scoop Puzzler

Can you find each ear of corn's twin?



## Double Double Word Search

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

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

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

Kid Scoop Together

## Corny Math

Work with a family member to use your math skills to reveal more facts about corn.

Each corn stalk usually grows \_\_\_\_\_ ear of corn.

12 - 11 = \_\_\_\_\_

The average ear of corn usually has about \_\_\_\_\_ kernels.

670 + 130 = \_\_\_\_\_

If you plant one kernel and care for it, you end up with \_\_\_\_\_ kernels!

400 + 400 = \_\_\_\_\_

If a farmer plants 30,000 kernels in one acre, how many will he plant in 100 acres?

About how many are there in two ears of corn?

800 + 800 = \_\_\_\_\_

If a giraffe is 16 feet tall, how much taller is the tallest stalk of corn ever measured?

If a corn plant grows 2 inches a day, how long until it is 12 feet tall?

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Standards Link: Language Arts: Write using descriptive details.

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