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UW Oshkosh players Londyn Little (88) and Trae Tetzlaff celebrate after a Tetzlaff touchdown in the second quarter against No. 9 Wheaton College on Saturday. The Titans pulled the upset in the season-opener, 21-14. See story on Page 23.

Hospital project eyes expansion

Third floor sought amid Oregon St. construction

By Jonathan Richie
OSHKOSH HERALD

Officials from Froedtert ThedaCare have applied to amend the original plan for a new hospital in Oshkosh to add a third floor to the facility being built on 6th Avenue near the Oregon Street bridge.

The micro-hospital is a partnership that was launched between Froedtert and ThedaCare before the health care systems officially merged early this year. The facility is being promoted as becoming Oshkosh's only hospital east of Interstate 41.

The original two-story plan was approved by the city's Plan Commission and Common Council last year. The building will maintain its original footprint but there will be parking spaces added.

The Plan Commission reviewed the plans for a third floor and questioned the number of parking spaces needed to accommodate the third floor and whether the expansion will delay its opening.

ThedaCare vice president Jenny Nikolai said the new health campus, which does not have an official name yet, will open sometime in 2025.

"Our Wisconsin winter will help us re-

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City exploring its options for updating or moving City Hall

City Center considered as new potential location

By Jonathan Richie
OSHKOSH HERALD

The Common Council has approved several capital improvement projects for next year that include street projects, replacement of fleet vehicles and funding toward the future of City Hall.

The Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) outlines projects over the next 10 years. The exact funding source for these projects is typically only outlined for the following year, meaning the 2025 projects have financing lined up or will when the council approves the new budget this fall.

One line item set aside \$10 million for three straight years, starting in 2026, to renovate City Hall for a total of \$30 million. City Manager Mark Rohloff said he

also toured City Center to see if it could be an option for a new city hall location.

Rohloff directed an architect to tour City Center last week to start the process of a possible conversion.

"The \$30 million figure was merely a number that I directed staff to put in. It was a \$15-to-\$17 million estimate in 2017, given the inflation occurring with building projects and some of our recent experience with the parks building and the Lakeshore (Park) shelter. I think we need to double this number," Rohloff said. "You don't necessarily need to trust that number."

Rohloff was referring to a study done on City Hall in 2017 that outlined upgrades the building could benefit from to allow the city to stay at the location.

The needs for maintaining City Hall are

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Oshkosh City Hall at 215 Church Ave. has been the home of city government since the 1960s. Three options for the future of City Hall – renovation, a new building or renovating an existing building – are being considered in recent discussions.

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Evers tours Jefferson

Gov. Tony Evers kicked off the first week of school by visiting Jefferson Elementary School in Oshkosh. He met with second-graders and fifth-graders, and also visited with an art and physical education class. Evers also spoke with building/media assistant Melissa Schuttenhelm (center), who was named support staff member of the 2023-2024 school year, and Jefferson Principal Amy Ashton. Evers told the Herald, "It's always good to be back in Oshkosh."

Humane Society presents annual walk

Oshkosh Herald

The Oshkosh Area Humane Society will be holding its annual Walk for the Animals event from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Saturday at Sunnyview Expo Center's Barn E.

This year's theme is Make the Magic Happen and will feature free family fun, including magic demonstrations and balloon animals, children's activities, dog games, costume contests and prizes, food and drinks from Oshkosh Area School District's Brewing Futures mobile cafe,

live music, vendor booths and raffles.

Residents are asked to help OAHS reach its goal of raising \$60,000 for the medical fund, which provides care such as vaccinations, spay/neuter, diagnostics, X-rays and other conditions requiring specialized treatment.

Community members are asked to help the fundraiser by pledging donations and earning rewards, with more information at oahs.org or contacting Emily Anderson at emily@oahs.org or 920-810-1388.

Back in the Day



Oshkosh history by the Winnebago County Historical & Archaeological Society

Sept. 5, 1961

New Oshkosh High School Opens: The new Oshkosh High School welcomed students to their first day of classes today. Located on North Eagle Street on a 40-acre plot, the new public school will host an enrollment of approximately 1,650 students. Conceived as a small school approach to a large student body, the new school will feature separate east and west academic wings of 19 classrooms offering a complete curriculum of English, mathematics, social studies, and foreign languages. The \$4 million school will open except for the gymnasium which is not yet completed. Common areas throughout the school will provide other academic programs such as art, school library, science, industrial arts and music.

Source: Oshkosh Northwestern, Sept. 5, 1961



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Board decides against banning selection of books

By Jonathan Richie
OSHKOSH HERALD

The Oshkosh Area School District Board of Education voted against banning six books in the library at Oshkosh West High School that highlight LGBTQ+ stories.

The board voted 6-1 in favor of keeping the books on library shelves after a group had requested they be removed.

"I will not support this amendment because I think it's harmful to students and I think it's out of line with the American Library Association policies on selecting materials for students," board member Barbara Herzog said. "Parents do have every right to restrict their child's access to books in our library ... But they don't have the right to do that for all students in the school district."

In February there was a request made by Matt Tooke to the Oshkosh West principal and its media specialist to reconsider six books in the library. This all came to a final board vote last month that led to a full room of people watching the decision.

Tooke and Laura Ackmann, Winnebago County Moms for Liberty chapter leader, spoke in favor of removing the books at a March board meeting.

Tooke said the books may be inappropriate for students due to the subject matter, including sexual depictions and descriptions. He said early sexualization is damaging and causes anxiety and depression.

Ackmann reiterated that the books her group was attempting to ban were not age appropriate. At the March 13 meeting there were public comments

in favor of and opposed to banning the books.

It was decided at that time the books would remain on the shelves. An appeal was made that was reviewed by assistant superintendent of instruction Samuel Coleman.

That appeal was also denied and in July a final request was made to have the six books removed from district libraries. The books are "Gender Queer" by Maia Kobabe, "Milk & Honey" by Rupi Kaur, "Let's Talk About It" by Ericka Moen and Matthew Nolan, "Fun Home" by Alison Bechdel, and "Anatomy of a Boyfriend" and "Anatomy of a Single Girl," both by Daria Snadowsky.

At the Aug. 28 meeting, Coleman explained what parents can do if they don't want their children accessing certain titles in the school libraries. He said there isn't a process or system that would restrict what library materials can be accessed.

The six books are in North and West high schools and not available at all district libraries. Coleman said the best protocol for parents would be to have a discussion with their children about accessing certain materials.

"Aside from directing their child not to access those books, there are limitations that we have within our processes to prevent a student from being able to check out materials," he said.

The meeting also included non-agenda public comments regarding the new Title IX regulations, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of sex in education programs, and an incident occurred when a man was removed from the

meeting by police officers. Another man was removed by police after causing a disturbance during agenda-related topics when public comment was ended.

Board member Kelly DeWitt was the only one to vote in favor of removing the six books from Oshkosh West. Her decision was based on the books having sexually explicit images.

"This isn't about any specific group of people," DeWitt said. "These books contain sexually explicit content."

Recently appointed board member Molly Smiltneek pointed out the six books the board was discussing deal with representation.

She said the administration went "above and beyond" in the response to the book request.

"They found that these books are relevant to high school students. They were determined to be age-appropriate

to the students they are available to by various objective resources," Smiltneek said. "There is no reason for me or this board to supplant our judgment with theirs. No student is forced to read these books and also, no student in our schools should be denied the opportunity to read them."

Oshkosh West students have access to more than 15,000 books in the library.

School board president Beth Wyman said she recently spoke to Badger Girls, made up of junior and senior high school students, and was asked about banning books.

"They said please don't take away our right to explore, to learn about the people that we want to become. We want to see strong characters and we want to be able to get away from expectations," Wyman said. "My issue with the six books is what (are) the next six books?"

Workforce training for students emphasized

Goodwill North Central Wisconsin (NCW) is celebrating National Workforce Development Month, which recognizes the work and impact made by professionals in advancing national and local economies.

One of Goodwill NCW's programs that prepares participants for entering the workforce is called School-to-Work, which welcomes high school students from more than 40 schools across north-central Wisconsin to build job skills.

For high school students with barriers, it can be challenging to navigate the steps toward employment. The program helps bridge the gap between the classroom and working in the community.

Asah, a team member at the Oshkosh

Goodwill store, first learned job skills in the School-to-Work program. After graduation he was hired as a part-time customer experience specialist on the sales floor.

Through Goodwill NCW's Project SEARCH site at Ascension Mercy Hospital in Oshkosh, Asah pursued additional hands-on job training.

After completing the nine-month internship program, he returned to the Oshkosh Goodwill store with a goal of becoming a cashier. Through Goodwill NCW's Project SEARCH site at Ascension Mercy Hospital in Oshkosh, he pursued additional hands-on job training that helped prepare him for the next step of his journey.

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Inspiring family raises funds for CuddleCots at hospitals

ThedaCare Communications

Angel and Garrett Carter have one wish: to grow their family. To say they've gone through more anguish than a couple should to achieve that dream is an understatement. They've lost three babies to premature birth.

Married in 2017, Garrett and Angel were ready to start their family in 2019. Angel's gynecologist cautioned it might be difficult for her to conceive because she had endometriosis and polycystic ovary syndrome. Endometriosis is a disease in which tissue similar to the lining of the uterus grows outside the uterus. It can cause severe pain in the pelvis and make it harder to get pregnant. Polycystic ovary syndrome (PCOS) is a chronic hormonal condition that affects women of reproductive age and can cause cysts to develop on the ovaries.

After attempting for more than a year, their doctors suggested in vitro fertilization (IVF). Angel and Garrett agreed to try that option. Eggs were retrieved from Angel's ovaries and readied for fertilization to become embryos.

In 2021, their second embryo transfer was successful, and Angel was pregnant. After the first trimester (12 weeks), they began sharing their good news with family and friends and preparing a nursery. Tragedy struck at 21 weeks. Their first baby, a son they named Nolan, was born prematurely and lived for only about an hour.

"The hospital offered us the opportunity to use a CuddleCot to extend the time we could spend with our son," said Angel. "We are forever grateful for that precious time."

A CuddleCot is a cooling pad that is placed in a bassinet and filters cold water at a consistent temperature to preserve the quality of the infant's body. It gives the ba-

by's family more time to say goodbye to their child. For Angel and Garrett, having the extra time with their son was a gift they could barely comprehend.

Unfortunately, because of unusual medical problems, Garrett and Angel experienced similar losses with two more IVF pregnancies. A daughter, Brooklynn, was stillborn at 20 weeks, and another son, Grant, was born at 25 weeks and lived for only 22 minutes.

For Brooklynn, the hospital's CuddleCot was not working at the time, so the hospital used ice packs to prolong the time Angel and Garrett could spend with her. For Grant's birth at ThedaCare Regional Medical Center in Neenah, a CuddleCot was available, and Angel and Garrett were able to have extended time with their son.

As the couple began grieving their son, they knew the response from their friends and family would be extensive.

"When someone experiences a tragic loss, people often don't know what to say, so they send gifts," said Angel. "The outpouring of support we received from family, friends and co-workers after our previous losses had been tremendous, but we didn't need money or gift cards. We had all the emotional and physical support we needed from our families."

Angel and Garrett noted they just wanted time with their baby, and CuddleCot gave them that option.

"While we were at the hospital, one of our nurses mentioned that the CuddleCot supporting Grant had been donated by a couple who'd also lost a daughter prematurely – ironically also named Brooklyn," explained Angel. "That made us wonder – what did a CuddleCot cost? Could we donate something like that in honor of our babies that

would make an impact for other families? We decided to create a GoFundMe account. We wanted to do something that would give back to others."

"We wanted to 'pay it forward.' Unfortunately, we are not the only parents who will go through an experience like this," added Garrett. "If we can do something to help someone else in the future, that's what we were hoping for. And, it's a way for Nolan, Brooklynn and Grant to be remembered and acknowledged."

The Carter's were amazed by the response to their effort.

"It just took off," Angel said. "We couldn't believe how fast it grew. It warmed our hearts to see how quickly people responded."

A recent review shows the account – GoFundMe/A Wish For Grant – Support Angel and Garrett's CuddleCot Donation – has raised more than \$10,000. It is still open and active.

Angel and Garrett are now working with Morgan Fuller, Regional Development Director with the ThedaCare Family of Foun-

dations, to determine the final use of their funds.

"For now, we know that our fund will provide a CuddleCot for ThedaCare hospitals in Berlin and Shawano, which previously didn't have them," explained Garrett. "We are also exploring possibly supporting a second CuddleCot for ThedaCare Regional Medical Center–Neenah."

The family is also contributing to ThedaCare's Resolve through Sharing program. The ThedaCare Family of Foundations supports the program, bringing families together who have suffered an infant loss. An annual Walk to Remember is held every October and a Candlelight Memorial Service is offered every December in support of families who have suffered the loss of an infant through miscarriage, ectopic pregnancy, stillbirth or neonatal death.

"We were able to have photos taken of Grant and get plaster casts of his hands and feet because of that program," said Angel. "Those are things we'll treasure forever. When you're not able to bring a baby home, any memory helps."

North students join National Day of Service

Oshkosh Herald

Students and staff of the Communities program at Oshkosh North High School are honoring the memory of 9/11 today by participating in a day of service.

Juniors and seniors are collaborating with local organizations from 1 to 2:30 p.m. to make a positive impact with participating organizations that include the Oshkosh Parks Department, Christine Ann Domestic Abuse Service, Oshkosh Area Humane Society, Father Carr's Place 2B and the Winnebago County Parks De-

partment.

Part of the National Day of Service and Remembrance, Communities students will join more than 30 million other Americans helping others in the spirit of service, unity and peace.

"Our students are eager to contribute to their community and honor the memory of those affected by the events of 9/11," said Rick Leib, social studies teacher in the program. "This day of service allows them to transform a day of tragedy into one of hope and positive action."



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City receives \$8M in federal funds for pedestrian bridge

By Jonathan Richie
OSHKOSH HERALD

The federal government will help fund a pedestrian bridge in Oshkosh that will help pedestrians and bicyclists avoid some roundabouts in the city and allow them to cross Interstate 41 safely.

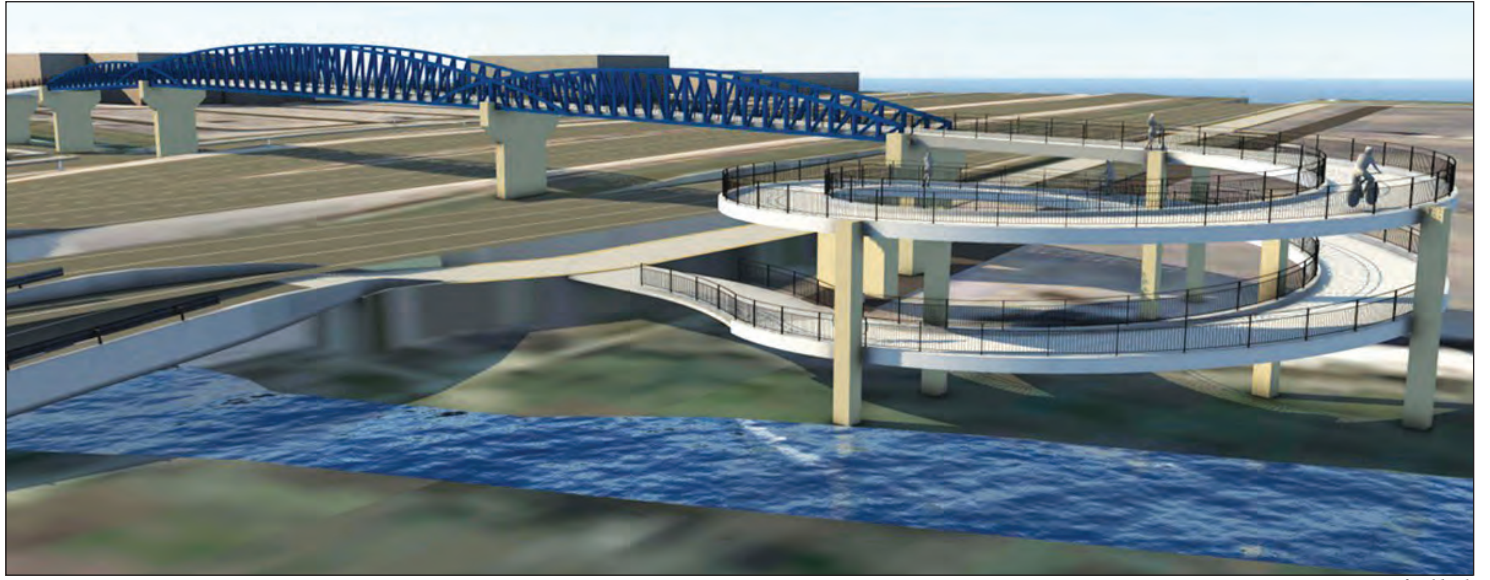
U.S. Sen. Tammy Baldwin recently announced the city will receive \$8 million to build a pedestrian bridge across I-41 as part of the city's Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) to spend just over \$10 million to design and construct the bridge.

The money comes from the federal Department of Transportation's Safe Streets and Roads for All program. Oshkosh was awarded \$8.06 million toward the bridge to fund 80% of the project costs. Green Bay and La Crosse also received similar funding.

"Whether traveling by car, foot or bike, the streets in our communities should be designed to keep our community members safe," Baldwin said in a statement. "Sadly, we've seen the sometimes deadly consequences of outdated infrastructure and it's high time to address it. I am proud to bring home this funding and give our local communities the tools they need to make our streets safer for anyone traveling."

Most pedestrians and bicyclists attempting to cross the interstate need to travel through roundabouts. There have been 17 bike injuries and four pedestrian injuries between 2018 and 2022. In that same time there have been two fatal crashes and multiple crashes involving serious injury.

Oshkosh director of public works James Rabe said the city is excited about receiving the funds for the project. He said the



City of Oshkosh

This rendering was part of the application submitted to the U.S. Department of Transportation to show what a pedestrian bridge could look like.

bridge would be near Taft Avenue and be completed in the next three to five years.

The CIP had a similar timeline laid out that would see the bridge completed around 2027.

Initial plans show the bridge will connect to North Koeller and North Washburn streets, with both having sidewalks the bridge could connect with.

Rabe also said the collaboration between the city and partners like the East Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission was instrumental in receiving the funds. The EWRPC worked with city officials to complete the city comprehensive safety action plan.

That plan approved in January allowed the city to apply for a project to get funded. The funds that Green Bay and La Crosse were awarded were for those cities' action plan.

"By having that plan completed and with the EWRPC's coordination we were able to apply for funds for a project instead of funding to complete the plan," Rabe told the Herald.

The city will need to fund the remaining \$2 million in project costs. Oshkosh will also lead the design of the bridge.

Rabe said there is a massive need for the pedestrian bridge as driver awareness is focused on other motor vehicles when approaching roundabouts.

"Drivers utilizing roundabouts have a lack of awareness for pedestrians or bikes. In most cases they are primarily focused on looking left for an oncoming vehicle and often don't look right for a pedestrian," he said.

City Manager Mark Rohloff also noted the need for a pedestrian bridge in his weekly newsletter.

"We have heard many concerns over the years on the difficulty bicyclists and pedestrians face navigating the roundabouts surrounding Interstate Highway 41 and the safety of all users," he said. "A pedestrian bridge over Interstate 41 has been recommended in multiple versions of the city's adopted Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan in order to provide dedicated pedestrian and bicycle access over Interstate 41 without having to use the existing access through the roundabouts."

The senator and city officials are hoping the proposed bridge will make Oshkosh safer for everyone.

"I am excited to bring home \$8 million for the Oshkosh community to ensure that all travelers – whether you are driving, biking, or walking – will be able to get where they need to go safely and efficiently," Baldwin said.

Business news roundup


The **Green Bay Packers** are teaming up with **Batteries Plus** to launch a battery recycling initiative to educate and raise awareness in a partnership announced at Lambeau Field with U.S. Secretary of Energy Jennifer Granholm and others from the Department of Energy. Fans will be encouraged to bring used batteries to a Batteries Plus store to use free drop-offs that will be available in the coming weeks. The Oshkosh location is at 1667 W. 20th Ave. Wisconsin recyclers will be eligible to win experiences, prizes and other incentives, including the opportunity to present the game ball before a Packers home game this season. Schools also will be invited to participate in battery recycling contests.

New North Inc., the regional economic development corporation for 18 counties, has been recognized by the International Economic Development Council as an Accredited Economic Development Organization. It becomes one of only 83 economic development organizations across the United States to hold the distinction. The program measures economic development organizations against commonly held standards in the profession and the council is the largest membership association serving economic- and community-development professionals in the world.


Applebee's Grill & Bar location in Oshkosh on South Koeller Street closed last month with a sign on the door stating its last day of business was Aug. 14. The national restaurant chain's Neenah location closed in 2023. Other Fox Valley locations remain in Appleton and Green Bay.

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Warrant issued for fifth-offense intoxicated driving

Oshkosh Herald

A bench warrant was issued last week for a local man charged with fifth offense operating a motor vehicle (OWI) while intoxicated after he crashed his car into the back of a vehicle in the Town of Oshkosh last November while on methamphetamine.

Sean Rasmussen, 36, whose recent addresses include Oshkosh, Neenah and Butte des Morts, failed to appear in court last Thursday in connection with the accident and failed to comply with the 24/7 sobriety program, court records say.

According to the criminal complaint, the Winnebago County Sheriff's Department responded to Vinland Street around 10 a.m. Nov. 14 and located two cars in the ditch and one person in need of medical evaluation.

The driver of one of the cars said that Rasmussen was traveling at a high rate of speed and crashed his car into the back of the other vehicle and forced him into the ditch.

An independent witness reported that

before the accident Rasmussen was driving erratically on Interstate 41 northbound from State 21, nearly striking the guardrail and deviating from his lane. The witness was ahead of Rasmussen and observed him in his mirror crashing into the other vehicle.

Rasmussen told a deputy that he crashed into the back of the vehicle because he was texting while driving. He said he has a seizure disorder but did not think he was having a seizure when the crash happened.

The deputy administered a field sobriety test and observed 10 clues of intoxication. A preliminary breath test to identify whether Rasmussen was consuming alcohol came back as .000, leading the deputy to believe he was impaired on something other than alcohol.

Rasmussen was transported to a hospital for a blood draw, where he said he was now sure he was having a seizure when the accident happened. A forensic analysis of his blood revealed he was on methamphetamine.

Rasmussen has previous OWI-related convictions in 2015, 2020, 2022 and 2023. His license was revoked due to OWI and he was required to have an ignition interlock device installed in any vehicle he operated.

He did not have the device installed in

Winnebago County Public Health staff will demonstrate vending machines

Oshkosh Herald

Winnebago County Public Health staff members Amanda Tennyson and Maddie Breager will demonstrate some of the harm-reduction strategies used to prevent drug overdoses and decrease the spread of communicable diseases at noon Wednesday at the Oshkosh Food Co-op.

As the county gets ready to unveil its first public health vending machines (PHVMs), Tennyson and Breager will explain how they will work to increase access to supplies and decrease stigma to help keep people alive. The PHVMs were made possible by grant funds from the state Department of Health Services and will be stocked with nasal naloxone, fentanyl test strips, Deterra Drug Deactiva-

tion bags and other health supplies.

He faces felony charges of OWI fifth offense, operating with a restricted controlled substance fifth offense, and misdemeanor charges of operating while revoked and failure to install an ignition interlock device.

The event is part of the Food for Thought series sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Winnebago County. Attendees may reserve a lunch by sending a message to wclwvinfo@gmail.com by Sunday.

Public Health officials will unveil the new free community resources Sept. 20 at the Neenah Human Services Building at 211 N. Commercial St. with community speakers, resource tables from partners and the opportunity to see how the machines work.

The vending machines will be situated outside the David W. Albrecht Administration Building at 112 Otter Ave. in Oshkosh and at the Neenah Human Services Building.

Basic Needs Giving opens new grant cycle

Oshkosh Herald

The Basic Needs Giving Partnership has announced the opening of its 2024 single-year grant cycle that will offer \$2.5 million in support of organizations meeting current needs in area communities.

Grants of up to \$50,000 will be available for general operating or project support to those actively working against poverty. The partnership focuses on organizations

that offer direct services, lead community-driven and collaborative initiatives or deliver a combination of both.

Proposals must focus on one or more of these priorities: early care and education, housing access, mental health or substance use.

Visit bngpwi.org/grants for guidelines or to register in the new grant portal by Oct. 4. Contact stephanie@bngpwi.org with questions.

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Canary Fund sows seeds of change in communities

By Bethanie Gengler
OSHKOSH HERALD

When 60-year-old Jim Rivett took his own life, his husband, Pete Angilello, felt a profound need to find purpose in the tragedy and honor his memory.

Six years later, The Canary Fund is doing just that: sowing seeds of change in 12 northeast Wisconsin counties to transform the loss into a beacon of hope.

Rivett, whose professional career was in advertising, was well known in his Green Bay community. A business owner, entrepreneur, community organizer and activist, he advocated and supported services for abused children, the homeless and those experiencing addiction. He was passionate about the arts, migrant and immigrant communities and LGBTQ+ issues.

"He held on to found photos of total strangers and cared about their mysterious legacies. He embraced the homeless, inviting them into his kitchen for a meal and a haircut. Jim cherished the old and the forgotten, the wrecked and the ruined," according to his obituary.

It was a major depressive episode that led to his death in 2018, a huge loss for the community.

Brian Johnson, Green Bay alderman and executive director of On Broadway Inc., told the Press Gazette that Rivett had the ability to convert concern to action.

"He helped so many people in need and personified a larger-than-life reputation that has touched the hearts of every person in our community," Johnson told media. "Because of this, we don't mourn Jim's loss as individuals, we mourn as a community full of love and gratitude that we had the honor to know someone so creative, brilliant and nurturing."

Shortly after Rivett's death, a group of friends got together to discuss a way to turn the tragedy into something positive.

"We were all pretty stunned at what happened," Angilello said. "We thought about what we could do in his memory and we started talking about all the different things that he was interested in."

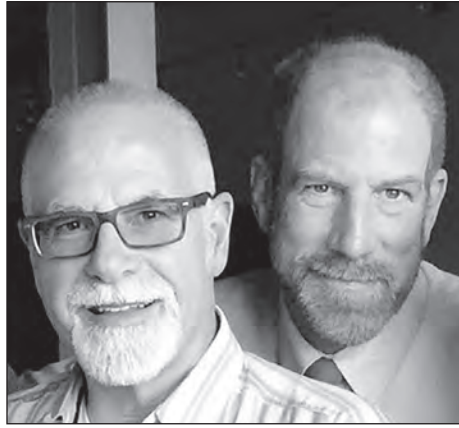
It was a suggestion from that group that sowed the seed for an idea that began to grow.

"One of our friends at the table said, 'How about if we just find other people like Jim, people who don't look away when there is a need in our community, and honor those individuals.'"

That led to the formation of The Canary Fund in 2019, a nonprofit that funds the ideas of changemakers, activists and visionaries in northeast Wisconsin by providing seed grants to support early-stage, grassroots projects.

The name comes from a eulogy that was given at Rivett's funeral, referring to the historical practice of bringing a canary into a coal mine.

More sensitive to dangerous gasses than humans, the birds were used as a warning system and if a bird showed distress or died, it indicated the air quality in the



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Pete Angilello (left) and Jim Rivett are shown on their wedding weekend in 2016.

mine was unsafe.

"(They) talked about how he was like a canary in the coal mine, very sensitive to his environment, sensitive to the needs of other people," Angilello said.

The fund has awarded more than \$156,000 in seed grants of \$1,500-\$5,000 to more than 80 individuals and emerging nonprofits.

"They've been student-led projects, community-based projects, projects that have stemmed from loss or struggle," he said.

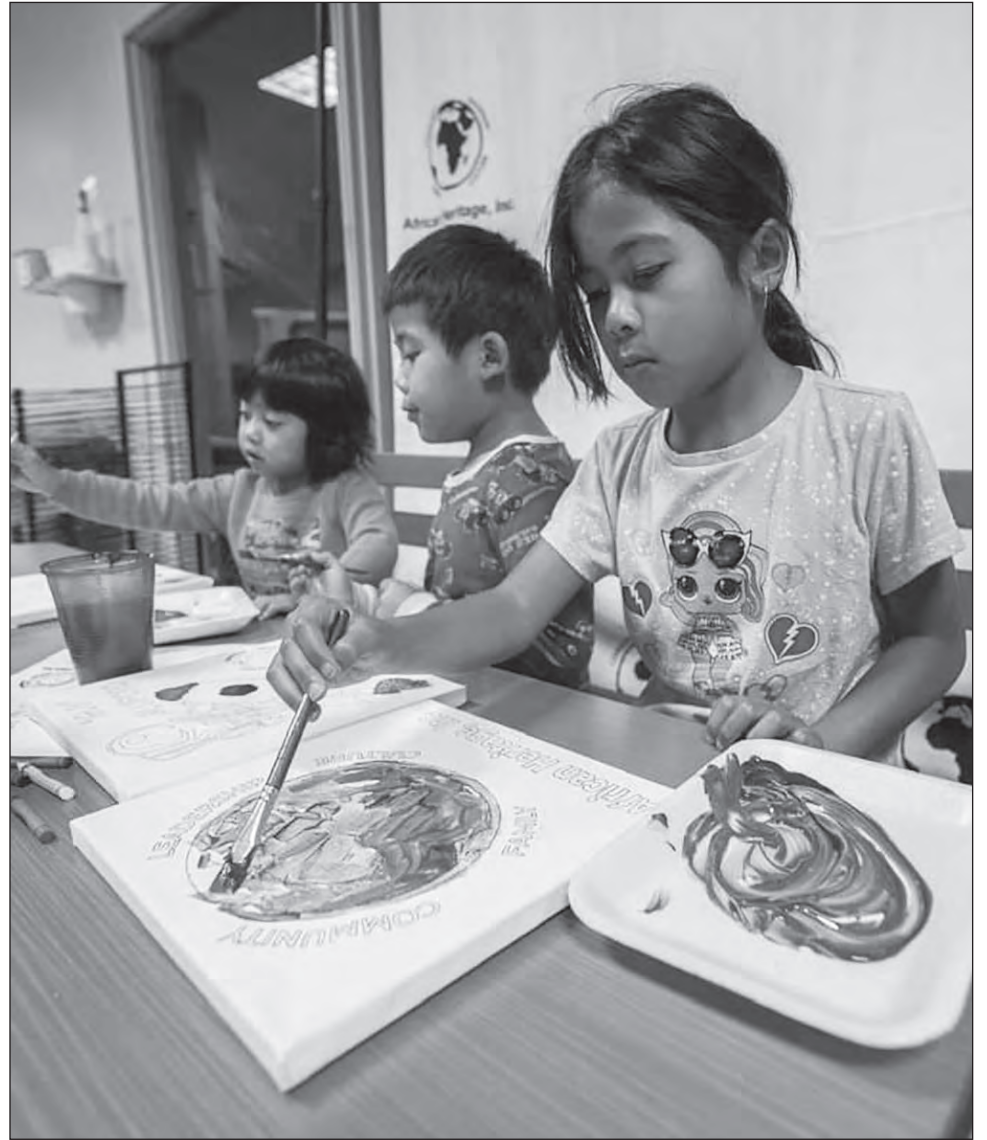
Grants are awarded twice a year, with winners announced in August and January. About 70% of the grants go to individuals not affiliated with a nonprofit and the remainder go to newer nonprofits in existence for less than five years.

The organization focuses on funding projects in areas that were important to Rivett. Those include human services and basic needs, youth leadership and development, indigenous and emerging populations, human rights, programs for seniors, arts and culture, mental health and wellness, environmental sustainability, animal rights and economic empowerment.

"We're just looking for people who really see a need and then they kind of approach it in a real creative or innovative way," he said.

In Winnebago County, that included providing a grant to Fox Cities Roller Derby for a "Learn To Love Your Body" event for young women; Webster Stanley Elementary in Oshkosh for a winter weather closet for students; Project OWEN in Oshkosh that provided sailing instruction to low-income youth and their families; Libraries in Bloom, an initiative that recruits young adults of color to explore librarianship; and several pop-up exhibitions on the overturning of Roe v. Wade.

"It's interesting how the projects kind of have a life of their own, and it stems from all different kinds of things, but it's



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Children are shown creating art at Urban Cultural Arts in Green Bay, an organization that received a seed grant from The Canary Fund.

interesting what people come up with, and that's the thing that we love, is these stories that we can tell other people about who we've supported."

To raise funds to support the various causes, volunteers for The Canary Fund hold fundraisers, with emphasis on the fun. Lip sync contests, raffles, a kayak concert and other innovative and creative events bring in revenue, along with donations collected at thecanaryfund.org.

"It's just people who want to honor and recognize the people in their communities who are doing some really good work and making their places where they live more compassionate and just places," he said.

Angilello believes Rivett is there in spirit when volunteers are working on various projects. He shared that at an event in Green Bay, one of Rivett's counselors handed him a note that mentioned that in one of their final conversations, Rivett expressed a desire to assist people in starting a nonprofit or contributing positively to their community.

"So, we must have been kind of nudged

by him when we were trying to think of what we wanted to do," Angilello said. "Because this is what he would want us to do."

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Understanding the changing world of student test scores

Parents across Oshkosh recently let out a collective sigh of relief as their kids returned to classroom for the fall.

OK, maybe not all parents, but this parent sure did. I joke of course. I was lucky to spend some quality time with my two sons over the summer, and I am thrilled that they both attend OASD schools where they are thriving.

But I know not all families share mine's experience. Wisconsin schools continue to struggle with racial and socioeconomic achievement gaps. Addressing these gaps is not easy, but a first step is using data to establish the challenge.

Unfortunately, education data is not always easy to understand. Much of the discussion around student performance is driven by standardized test scores. Standardized test scores, however, are imperfect measures. Some students have test anxiety, meaning their scores are a function of their anxiety as opposed to their academic abilities.



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Attainment measures such as graduation rates are often better indicators of a student's ability to have future success than a test score. Then, of course, there is the question of what test results actually tell us.

In Wisconsin we have a bad habit of changing our testing processes in ways that make it hard to compare year-to-year. For a long time, Wisconsin used the Wisconsin Knowledge and Concepts Exam. In 2014-15 we switched to the Badger Exam. Alas the Badger Exam was not meant to be, and the state switched to the Forward Exam after only one year.

In 2011-2012, Wisconsin introduced school and district report cards. The

report cards are helpful ways to present data but their utility is limited by frequent changes to how the report cards are calculated. In addition, political fights derailed the release of report cards in 2014-2015, leaving a one-year gap in their use.

The frequent changes to tests and report cards have the side effect of making longitudinal comparisons impossible. So while we can discuss student performance in any given year, longer term comparisons are often limited to only a few years because of the aforementioned changing of tests and processes.

Efforts to close achievement gaps and improve student performance take time and effort, and can be easily derailed when longitudinal data is not available.

Then there is the question of proficiency. Student test scores are reported by category. Students scored are deemed advanced, proficient, basic, and minimal. The public tends to judge schools and districts based off the percentage of their students in each category. However, the cut-scores that put students in each category can and do change.

In 2012 Wisconsin raised their standards for proficiency, leading to a dramatic drop in the percentage of students deemed proficient in math and reading. Student scores actually did not change much, if at all, but scores formerly labeled proficient were now basic, leading to the proficiency drop.

Things are changing again this year. The state is lowering cut-scores, meaning next year we can expect a higher percentage of students in Wisconsin, and in Oshkosh, to be deemed proficient. There are different schools of thought about

changing cut scores. The standards movement argues that raising cut scores will put pressure on schools and districts to improve. Perhaps, but I cannot honestly say that the changes in 2012 did much to improve student achievement in Wisconsin. Others argue that lowering cut scores creates more realistic goals.

The whole debate misses the more important issue of providing good comparable data that is broadly understood by parents, policymakers and teachers. Wisconsin, by making all of these changes, is failing that test.

A new report from the Center for Reinventing Public Education gives Wisconsin a "D" grade on the quality of its report card, begging the question: What good is a school report card if it does not give you useful information?

My hope is that school districts can work with parents and community leaders to increase our collective literacy around education data. While simplicity in reporting, including the use of categories, is good, accurate information is better.

Better data, and broader understanding of what that data means, is key to improving achievement and reducing racial and socio-economic gaps. Despite good intentions, the carousel of tests and processes serves only to obfuscate.

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Bystanders help detain would-be robber

Oshkosh Herald

An attempted robber was thwarted by a group of citizens who saw the man attempt to disarm an armed guard at an Oshkosh business Friday.

Oshkosh police responding to a call of attempted robbery in the 200 block of West 20th Avenue just after 1 p.m. said the suspect tried to disarm the guard while he was servicing the ATM.

The suspect began to wrestle with the gun when three people intervened by holding the suspect down and preventing

him from getting the gun from the guard's holster.

The suspect was then held at gunpoint until officers arrived.

The department reported, "The prompt actions of the citizens who intervened to help the armed guard at the scene were instrumental in preventing further harm and de-escalating the situation swiftly."

The suspect, a 22-year-old man from Oshkosh, was taken into custody on charges of attempted homicide, attempted robbery and terrorist threats.

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Recovery specialists focus on successful outcomes

Apricity notes recognition month, funding challenge

By Dan Roherty
OSHKOSH HERALD

Apricity, the area's main nonprofit treatment and recovery organization, is celebrating successes toward a healthier community through its multilayered programming while launching an annual fundraiser to keep those services at the ready.

Apricity chief executive Michelle Devine Giese, who was a program participant seeking recovery from alcoholism before her 28-plus years of sobriety, said National Recovery Month allows the organization to focus on the people living better lives after getting the professional help they needed.

"I love that they started Recovery Month (in 1989) because I do think there is so much about addiction, but let's celebrate all the people who are in recovery and doing great things," she said. "You might be sitting next to them at work and

you don't even know."

Devine Giese said Apricity worked with more than 1,000 people last year, mostly in Winnebago and Outagamie counties, while serving a wider Fox Valley region

"More people are receiving services but for shorter amounts of time, and a lot of that is due to funding," she said, which relates to the annual awareness initiative.

A matching gift challenge totaling \$35,000 will support Apricity's four core treatment and recovery programs thanks to The Boldt Group, U.S. Venture and an anonymous donor. All donations throughout September will be matched up to \$35,000.

The organization's sober living program generally runs at a deficit and often needs support outside of available grants, as do general day-to-day operations.

Apricity connects with 10 hospitals from as far as Shawano, Waupaca and Berlin primarily through Ascension and ThedaCare facilities, providing recovery coaches who can be there within an hour to talk to patients in need.

"It might just be a conversation or it might be, 'I need help,' or 'I need a place to stay,' and just helping them navigate where they are going to go next and stay connected," she said. "They will call the person the next day and check on them and they can stay connected to them for up to 18 months."

Formed with the 2018 merger of Step Industries and The Mooring Programs,



Giese

Apricity has its job training center and three sober living homes in Neenah. Treatment centers – Mooring House for men and Casa Clara for women – are in Appleton, with another job training center in Milwaukee. Devine Giese said the region's support agencies often work together with their leaders serving on boards of related nonprofits such as Solutions, COTS and the St. Joseph Food Program.

"That's one thing that is really great about the Fox Valley. Generally nonprofits will work together rather than competing, and that doesn't happen everywhere in the United States," she said.

Devine Giese brings familiarity and empathy to both her leadership role and in personal contact with those seeking help.

"I have been able to have conversations with the people in our program and go, 'I was in your spot, I sat in that chair, I did this work,'" she said. "I'm still in recovery and paying attention to it every day. But I've also been able to be a face in the public and not ashamed to say, 'I'm an alcoholic and this is what an alcoholic looks like.'"

Alcohol addiction continues to be a major focus of recovery programs at Apricity and elsewhere while not getting the same current media attention as opioids and other drug use.

"The commonality is: Something has you looking for that escape. Something happened or you grew up in a certain way," Devine Giese said. "There's a reason why drugs or alcohol became so prevalent in your life. Let's look at why."

"That's the thing we need to help because otherwise if that's always there it's never going to get healed and there's never going to be that long-term help or healing with it. So let's figure out that."

The programs change the lives of individuals afflicted with substance use disorders, such as a former client who told Apricity, "Since being in recovery, I've

become responsible, formed positive relationships, maintained employment and live an overall better life. I could never have imagined that I would be living this life today. I am grateful to Apricity for helping me along the way."

The alcohol and other drug abuse (AODA) certified treatment and recovery program offers inpatient and transitional residential treatment, support services, sober living and job readiness training. Staff provide community outreach and education, train recovery coaches and support patients in regional emergency departments and several behavioral health clinics.

National Recovery Month awareness programs were launched 35 years ago to educate the public that substance use treatment and mental health services help people live healthy, rewarding lives. While society's acceptance of addiction as a disease has advanced greatly since that time, Devine Giese said shame still plays a role in keeping people away from treatment.

"I think it has moved a long way now, but I think it still has a long way to go," she said. "There are so many people who don't find recovery because of the stigma or the family members don't talk about what they're struggling with, with their loved one because of the stigma."

"Sometimes when celebrities come out it can be good and bad because then if something happens and they go back to using, that is also reflected and gets a lot of attention – sometimes that gets more attention than talking about their recovery."

In addition to highlighting client success stories on social media and other marketing initiatives, the program will highlight stories from community figures such as law enforcement and community advocates.

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Big group expands youth mentoring options

Oshkosh Herald

Oshkosh students have more opportunities this fall to be mentored through initiatives developed by Big Brothers Big Sisters of East Central Wisconsin.

More Littles (students) are being served by Bigs (adults or high school students) through Bigs with Badges, which started last year, and two new programs — an Oshkosh Corp. workplace mentoring program and a program that pairs students from Oshkosh North and Oshkosh West high schools with students at the new Menominee Elementary School.

“September is national Big Brothers Big Sisters Month and we want to celebrate the expansion of our programs in Oshkosh as students head back to school,” said Jaime Kriewaldt, chief executive officer. “We continue to expand our services in Oshkosh in response to growing demand.”

Jefferson Elementary School students are mentored by members of the Oshkosh

Police Department through the Bigs with Badges program with opportunities to build positive relationships with students. Officers spend one-to-one mentoring time with a youth (Little) to help children develop into confident adults while building stronger bonds between law enforcement and families.

The Bigs meet with their Littles twice a month. The school and BBBS choose students who would have the biggest benefit of developing positive relationships with officers. Many students at Jefferson come from low-income households, with families experiencing a police presence in their home, often under negative instances.

Oshkosh Corp. is partnering with Menominee Elementary on a workplace mentoring program where students will travel twice a month to the company’s headquarters to participate in an activity with employees. Each adult volunteer is partnered with the same student throughout the school year.

City Hall

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great. It was built in 1916 and served as Oshkosh High School until 1963.

“The minute we start doing any renovations here we’re opening up a can of worms literally and physically from what we have,” Rohloff said. “We need to do something. We need to make it safer and we need to make it more accessible.”

Rohloff said City Center could work great in terms of size for public operations. He has concerns about the accessibility of the building to accommodate all residents.

Rohloff said there were three options for City Hall: renovate the current build-

ing, build a new city hall or renovate a different building.

The CIP was set to allocate the \$30 million from the general fund, according to finance director Julie Calmes. The council voted to amend the CIP to shift the funding as to be determined.

There are several projects that were approved in the CIP, including street projects on Bay Shore Drive, Central Street, Fernau Avenue, Michigan Street, Walnut Avenue, West 15th Avenue and Waugoo Avenue.

All projects for 2025 will cost just under \$125 million with the city set to borrow \$21.5 million. A full list of the 2025-2034 CIP is available at oshkoshwi.gov/PublicWorks/CapitalImprovements.



Froedtert ThedaCare photo

The original plan for the new Froedtert ThedaCare micro-hospital had two floors, but now officials are proposing adding a third floor to the plans as shown in this architect’s drawing.

Hospital

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ally determine what the goal date looks like,” she said.

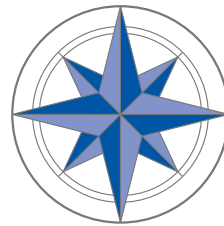
Tim Scanley of HGA is a senior designer working on the project and explained to the Plan Commission that the interior design of the third floor is not completed but will most likely replicate the second

floor of the building, which will be a clinic with medical offices.

Scanley said parking needs will depend on what is on the third floor. Other features he noted for the building include a lot of natural daylight and open spaces for waiting areas.

The amended site implementation plan was approved with no opposing votes by the commission and will be on an upcoming council agenda for approval.

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African Violet Show and Sale, 10 a.m., St. Jude the Apostle church hall, 531 Knapp St.
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African Violet Show and Sale, 11 a.m., St. Jude the Apostle church hall, 531 Knapp St.

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Saturday, Sept. 21

Downtown Oshkosh Farmers Market, 8 a.m.
Oshkosh Earth Science Club Gem & Mineral Show, 9 a.m., Sunnyview Expo Center
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Sunday, Sept. 22

Oshkosh Earth Science Club Gem & Mineral Show, 10 a.m., Sunnyview Expo Center
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Wednesday, Sept. 25

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"Flight" author Neil Hansen, 6 p.m., Oshkosh Public Library

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Saturday, Sept. 28

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Versatile Carns is a multisport standout for West

By Tim Froberg
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If soccer ever went to a moving goal box or the rims were raised three feet in basketball, Collin Carns would still find a way to score.

Carns has a knack for putting the ball in the net, whether he's using his arms or his feet

Carns is one of the most skilled and versatile athletes at Oshkosh West. He's a three-sport athlete who excels in soccer and basketball and also letters in golf.

Add strong leadership skills and a 3.91 grade-point-average to the mix and Carns defines the term 'student-athlete.'

"Collin has a great skill set which has allowed him to be a major contributor to our program's success the last few years," said West coach Matt Callahan. "He's a phenomenal leader, too. He models great leadership on and off the field."

Carns was a 2023 first-team all-Fox Valley Association selection in soccer after scoring seven goals and garnering five assists. He was also the top 3-point sniper for the Oshkosh West boys' basketball team.

A center midfielder, Carns is a difference maker in soccer who has two years of varsity experience underneath his belt. Carns is a scoring threat and an exceptional defender.

He's off to a terrific start in the 2024 season with five goals and an assist in West's first four games.

"Collin is composed when he has the ball at his feet, is great at defending and can also shoot the ball very well," Callahan said. "He's worked very hard in the offseason to improve."

Carns takes pride in being a team captain. He tries to provide the same guiding light that former West players shined for him when Carns began playing with the West varsity as a sophomore. The Wildcats won the FVA that season (2022) with a 7-0-2 conference record, while going 11-4-3 overall.

"When I was a sophomore, I really looked up to our captains - guys like John Munson and Camden Herlihy," said Carns. "They had a big impact on the team. So, like those guys, I try and influence the young guys the best I can. As a captain, I have to make sure they stay focused and are ready to go."

Carns gives soccer a slight edge over basketball as his preferred sport. He's been playing the game since the age of four when he joined the Oshkosh YMCA.

Carns has a family background in soccer. His father, Chris, was a four-year varsity starter at Oshkosh North and coached Collin for years in youth soccer.

"My dad has been the biggest influence on me as a soccer player," Carns said. "He has really impacted me. He basically taught me how to play the game. Soccer has always come fairly natural to me. I'm sure the genetics didn't hurt."

Carns has always enjoyed the team as-

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pect of soccer. In addition to the prep game, he's played club soccer for years with squads such as Oshkosh United and FC Wisconsin.

"I really think you really need to play club soccer to succeed at the high school level," he said. "Club soccer always gets me ready for the high school season."

As for the game itself, Carns enjoys the brisk ball movement and team aspect of soccer.

"I just love how the game flows and how the ball moves so easily," he said. "It's not really an individual game. It has to be the whole team working together and working off each other to make runs and the right pass."

Carns is no one-sport wonder. He started 24 of West's 25 basketball games last season as a shooting guard and was the Wildcats' third-leading scorer with a 7.2 points-per-game average. Carns was the team leader in 3-pointers made (39) and averaged 2.5 rebounds and 1.4 assists per game.

Carns primarily came off the bench as a Wildcats' sophomore, but started five games and averaged 3.4 ppg with 19 threes. He has also played AAU basketball with Fox Valley Hoops.

Carns took no shortcuts to becoming a perimeter sharpshooter. He's a gym rat who honed his 3-point shooting over the years by lofting thousands of jump shots.

"A big part of 3-point shooting is getting a lot of reps," said Carns. "I'm someone who just loves being in the gym, getting shots up. I'm a really competitive person and I love the intensity of basketball. I like getting up and down the floor, diving for loose balls and draining threes. And it gets loud in the gym which makes it more fun."

Carns doesn't plan to play either sport at the next level. He hopes to attend the University of Wisconsin next year and focus on academics while dabbling in intramural sports.

"Yeah, I'm sure I'll miss soccer because I've been playing it for such a long time," he said. "It's going to be rough."

Until then, Carns hopes to lead the Wildcats to an FVA title and a deep play-off run. West opened the week with 3-0-1 record.

"I think we're capable of winning the



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Collin Carns is a returning all-Fox Valley Association selection for Oshkosh West and a three-sport standout for the Wildcats.

conference," he said. "That's our big goal right now and I think we're capable of doing it. Neenah, Kimberly and Appleton

North are teams we have to worry about, but we have a lot of guys back. We should be right up there."

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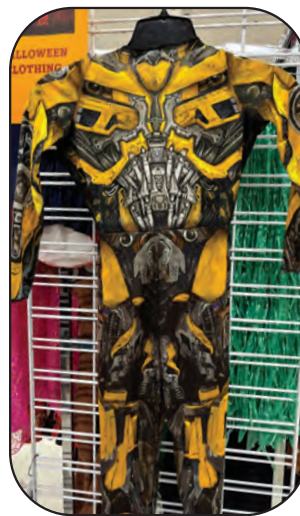
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Spartans' offense keeps rolling in easy win over Ships

By Steve Clark
OSHKOSH HERALD

Oshkosh North's impressive offense put up another big performance last Friday night.

Despite losing starting quarterback Bryce Ott to an injury in the first quarter, the Spartans racked up their third straight 40-point output in a 42-7 win over Manitowoc Lincoln in a Fox River Classic Conference South contest at Titan Stadium.

Getting a victory in the conference opener means that North has a winning conference record for the first time since the 2016 season when it was a member of the VFA-South.

"This feels really good," said head coach Luke Ott. "Last year the (Fox Valley Association) was one of the toughest leagues in the state and we were inexperienced. Our kids took some beatings. But they have stuck with it, the kids have put in the time and we are all playing as one group."

Since the 2002 season, North has never opened a season with three straight 40-point games, although the Spartans did total 147 points in the first three games of the 2013 season. Through the first three games this season, they have 125 points.

The 2013 team – which finished second in state in Division 2 – was the last time a North program had three 40-point games in a season. This year marks just the fourth time since 2002 that North has reached that point plateau three times in a year.

"It feels insanely good (to get the win)," said junior Charlie Clark. "It feels good to keep things rolling and hopefully we can make it to the playoffs."

Clark came in for the injured Bryce Ott – who threw a 20-yard touchdown pass to



Photo by Jim Koepnick

Jamare Scott finds some running room in the first half of Oshkosh North's win over Manitowoc Lincoln last Friday.

Jamare Scott on the Spartans' first possession – on North's second drive, which was capped by a 14-yard run from Scott to give the Spartans a 14-0 lead.

"At first I was a little scared because it was still a close game," Clark said. "I had trust in all of the guys, I knew we were going to make the plays and we came out and did it."

After the defense forced another three-and-out, Clark led North on its third touchdown drive. He connected with

Dalton Clark for a short gain early in the possession and then hit a wide open Xavier Waters-Eaton for a 64-yard touchdown.

"He was wide open. I hit the go button in my head and let it fly," Charlie Clark said. "I didn't want to overthrow him so I played it safe. He's a quick dude and he ran it in."

Charlie Clark, who finished 3-for-4 for 151 yards passing, then connected with Dalton Clark on a 82-yard touchdown pass on the Spartans' next possession to give North a 28-0 lead with just more than two minutes left in the first quarter.

"It was good game for Charlie to come in and gain some confidence. When you have receivers catching it and gaining yards your confidence goes up automatically," Luke Ott said. "This is a group that is in it for each other. Every knew Bryce

was hurting and Charlie knew what his role had to be and the offensive line, the receivers all stepped up and did what we were supposed to."

Charlie Clark capped the first half scoring by getting into the end zone himself, scoring on a 7-yard run midway through the second quarter.

North finished the first half with 257 yards of total offense, while Manitowoc Lincoln was held to only 21 yards of offense and only crossed midfield once on six drives.

"The key was just do our jobs on defense. We all have our own jobs and we worked it all week. That's all we have to do," said Andrew Oehler, who had a pair of sacks and finished with seven tackles in the game. "We get so fired up when we get a stop. It's so awesome. It's a feeling like no other."

Eli Ott and Dalton Clark led the defense with nine and eight tackles, respectively, as the unit has shown improvement since allowing 49 points to Ashwaubenon in the season-opener.

"There is still some arm tackling, but we're getting better in that first defensive group with our tackling," Luke Ott said. "They came to practice all week focused and dialed it. We had a better week of practice last week than we did all season. We have a short week this week and so we will see what happens."

The Spartans will get a tough test Thursday when they host Menasha at Titan Stadium. The Bluejays, who are 1-2 overall, are coming off a 45-13 win over Green Bay West.

But North does enter the game riding a two-game winning streak and seem to have put the struggles of the past couple of seasons behind them.

"Last year was such a rough year for us, but we keep sticking with it and now it feels so good," Oehler said. "I feel like we're building but we still have a long way to go."



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Warriors stifle Lancers to get off to 2-0 start

By Dustin Riese
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

Two games into the 2024 season, Valley Christian is setting a pretty high standard to live up to.

After winning its opener 15-13 over Wonewoc/Weston, the Warriors erupted for a 41-6 win over St. John's Northwest Military Academy on Friday at Xavier Middle School.

"We knew they would try to run it down our throats so we had to come out and play physical ball right from the start," head coach Daniel Birr said. "The boys answered the bell and came out hitting."

Valley Christian did most of its hitting on defense where it blanked the Lancers for the first three quarters and only allowed St. John's Northwest Military Academy to cross midfield once the entire game.

The defense also put the first points on the board when Aaron Harness scooped up a botched punt snap and returned it 16 yards for a touchdown. It was one of three turnovers the defense forced in the game.

"Coach Chip, Coach Ben and Coach Andrew had the defense well prepared," Birr said. "Coach Chip did a great job with the calls and the boys really knew their

assignments. Great preparation all week long."

The Warriors' offense looked pretty good, too.

Quarterback Matthias Behling accounted for four touchdowns in the game, throwing for a pair of scores while running for two more.

His 1-yard plunge late in the first quarter pushed the Warriors' lead to 13-0 before extending the advantage with a 20-yard touchdown pass to Brady Patterson. Behling added his second scoring strike later in the period on a 9-yard pass to Derek Wallace as Valley Christian took a 28-0 halftime lead.

Behling finished 9-of-11 for 60 yards, while adding 31 yards on the ground.

"Matthias had a nice overall game with decision making, execution and overall athleticism," Birr said. "It was a nice game overall and a complete game effort."

Wallace was the Warriors' leading rusher in the game, totaling 59 yards on six carries and adding a 9-yard touchdown run to open the second half scoring. Ethan Millar added 54 yards on eight carries.

Mason Everts led the defense with 20 total tackles in the game, while Wallace finished with 10. Harness and Ben Curtis



Photo by Dustin Riese

Valley Christian's Connor Stertz brings down a St. John's Northwest Academy running back for a loss last Friday.

recovered fumbles, while Behling had an interception for Valley Christian.

The Warriors will host Williams Bay

this Friday in a battle of unbeaten teams. Williams Bay is coming off a 14-6 win over Princeton/Green Lake last week.

Herd announces season schedule

Oshkosh Herald

The Wisconsin Herd announced its 2024-25 season schedule with its first home games a back-to-back series Nov. 15 and Nov. 16 against the Grand Rapids Gold at the Oshkosh Arena.

The NBA G League affiliate of the Milwaukee Bucks will open its season on the road Nov. 8 against the Iowa Wolves.

Home games tip off at 6 p.m. weekdays and 7 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays. There is a Sunday home game Jan. 12 against the Osceola Magic at 12:30 p.m., the School Day Matinee on Thursday, Jan. 23, vs. Motor City Cruise at 11:30 a.m., and a Sunday, Jan. 26, game against the Windy City Bulls.

For the fourth season, the G League schedule will be divided into a 16-game Tip-Off Tournament followed by a 34-game regular season.

The Tip-Off Tournament begins Nov. 8 and culminates with a champion being crowned during the NBA G League Winter Showcase in December. Teams are placed into four regions to play 14 games against each other with the best winning percentage from each region advancing to the Winter Showcase Championship.

Team records will reset before the 34-game regular season that begins Dec. 27. After the regular season, the top six teams in each conference will qualify for the playoffs, which conclude with league finals in April.

The Herd's full 2024-25 season sched-

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Knights outlast Oaks to win in Trailways opener

By Steve Clark
OSHKOSH HERALD

After winning the first two sets against Oakfield, the Lourdes Academy volleyball team found itself in the dreaded position of facing a fifth set against the Oaks.

The Knights' Trailways Conference rivals had the momentum from evening up the match and had the potential to steal the crucial victory in the first match of the league season.

Lourdes Academy wasn't going to let that happen.

"We were not ready to lose. We were not going to let it happen," said senior Delaney Ruedinger. "We know our potential and we are going to play to it (in the fifth set)."

The Knights scored four of the first five points of the final set and trailed on only one serve in pulling out the win to collect a 25-16, 25-15, 22-25, 23-25, 15-13 victory over the Oaks in The Castle last Thursday night.

"The girls were hungry for the win," said first-year coach Rachel Laehn. "They have been working at practice and really

doing their conditioning so they wouldn't get tired in a fifth set if it got there. That proved out today. That's why we got the win."

Bree Kane's spike through an Oakfield block followed by an ace from Hannah McDowell staked the Knights to a 4-1 lead in the final set, while a huge spike from Sabur Machiros – who led Lourdes Academy with 12 kills – gave Lourdes Academy its biggest lead of the set at 7-3.

Oakfield rallied back by scoring six of the next seven points to take a 9-8 lead before a kill from Anika Lietch and an errant Oaks' spike put the Knights back in front.

"Keeping the lead is very important," Ruedinger said. "If we would have gone down there, the whole team goes down and we need everyone to stay up."

Another spike from Lietch – who finished with 11 kills – gave the Knights a 13-11 lead before Oakfield tied the set at 13.

But the Oaks missed the next serve and then hit the ball into the net on game point as the Knights earned the win.

"We're so happy we got the win. I think



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Lourdes Academy's Sabur Machiros punches the ball over the net for a point against Oakfield.

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that was huge and that gives the girls a little more oomph to keep going on in the season," Laehn said. "The girls do very well in being positive. In rally scoring, it can easily turn and that's where we have to keep our heads up."

One of the keys to the Knights win was their serving as they totaled 14 aces in the game, led by four from Ruedinger.

Kane and Kate Lynn each added three aces as the tough serving sparked the wins in the first two sets and played a key role in the Knights pulling out the win.

"I think that made the whole (fifth) set. We really work at practice at our serves. They are very good at being able to pick the spots that work," Laehn said. "We have very good servers, in fact we have a lot. We

can swap out our servers and it doesn't show a difference."

In addition to the serving, four players finished with double-digit digs for the Knights, led by libero Libby Guerrero with 20. Reagon Jabor had 17, followed by Ruedinger with 14 and McDowell with 10.

Celia Ralofsky led the Knights with 29 assists with Grace Meyers adding 12 as the two setters took advantage of the wealth of talented hitters for the Knights.

"We spread the ball out. That's what we need. It's great. We get the other team moving around the court and we can utilize everybody," said Ruedinger, who added nine kills. "To get the win is big. We're going to use it (as momentum) for the rest of the season."

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North forges tie with Lightning

By Dustin Riese
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Shepherd Johnson scored a pair of goals and Oshkosh North forged a 2-2 tie with Appleton North as the Spartans remained unbeaten four games into the 2024 season.

“It was an outstanding game,” Spartans’ head coach Sean Johnson said. “Both teams played well and played hard. Both teams had chances that could have put them up by a couple of goals. It was one of those games that was exciting from start to finish and either team could have claimed all the points. The opportunity was there.”

The Spartans opened their season with three straight wins and had a chance to add a fourth victory, taking a second-half lead against the Lightning.

With the score tied at 1, Oshkosh North was able to sustain some offensive pressure on the Lightning but saw chances from Gerome Mtabi and M’Mbomba M’Munga sail just wide on the goal.

But in the 67th minute, Shepherd Johnson made the constant pressure pay off as he put a shot in the back of the net for a 2-1 lead.

The Spartans maintained the lead into the closing minutes, but Appleton North was able to slip the tying goal into the net with less than two minutes to play.

Despite falling short of the win, the Spartans still have not suffered a loss this season and Sean Johnson is pleased with

the way the team has been playing.

“I think the start this year is a result of the players and I knowing each other better, and together finding a style of play that allows the players to maximize their strengths on the ball and flair for playing,” Sean Johnson said. “We are much better in the attack across the team, and we have been more productive because of it. Out of possession, we are much quicker and more organized. Plenty of work to do, but we seem to have found a style that works well for our skill set and the players are really buying in.”

Shepherd Johnson opened the scoring less than 10 minutes into the game when the Spartans launched a counterattack after a save by Lungwe Ramadhani. Ramadhani finished with seven saves in goal.

Ehebelo Asende has assisted on the goal for the Spartans and also picked up an assist on Johnson’s second goal.

Appleton North tallied its first goal in the 30th minute as the two teams exchanged scoring opportunities throughout the first half.

“Both teams clearly preferred to play forward, so it immediately became a fast-paced game,” he said. “We have a lot of players with fast feet, and if we can play our game, we can do really well. The first goal was a bit out of the style we like to play, but Shepherd was making his run when the clearance fell behind the defender. He was able to keep a good angle on the frame and seal off the defender.”

Prep sports roundup

FOOTBALL

Powerhouse Kimberly too much for Wildcats

Oshkosh West was limited to less than 100 yards of total offense as it fell to top-ranked Kimberly, 49-0, in both teams Fox Valley Association opener on Friday.

The Wildcats trailed 28-0 at halftime. Chase Brandl finished 4-of-6 for 14 yards, while also adding 26 yards on the ground. Jaiden Fronczak also had 26 yards rushing for the Wildcats.

Cade Heiman was the team’s leading tackler with seven stops.

Lourdes Academy can’t complete comeback

The Knights pulled within two points early in the fourth quarter after trailing Randolph by 16 points twice last Friday night but came up short of completing the comeback in a 30-22 loss.

Wade Lindahl finished 21-of-29 for 219 yards and connected with Brayden Studinski on a 34-yard touchdown pass about two minutes into the fourth quarter to pull within 24-22.

Randolph scored on the ensuing possession to push the lead back to eight points and the Knights couldn’t get any closer the rest of the way.

Studinski also threw a touchdown pass to Brady Ridenour, while Lucas Neuens

returned a kickoff 82 yards for the Knights’ other score.

Nolan Gibson led the Knights with eight tackles.

VOLLEYBALL

Wildcats take third at tourney in Middleton

Oshkosh West finished 3-1 to take third at the Spike Out Cancer event hosted by Middleton.

The Wildcats beat Madison East, Platteville and Mount Horeb, with their only loss coming in three sets to host Middleton.

Sydnee Nelson finished with 38 kills to lead the Wildcats, while Emma Liebergen finished with 17 kills. MaKaelyn Clark led the team with 73 assists, while also posting a team-high two blocks.

Elaina Butz totaled 39 digs to lead West, while Rilyn Polakowski and Emma Polishinski finished with 15 and 10 aces, respectively.

The Wildcats also opened the FVA season with a 25-15, 25-14, 25-11 win over Appleton West last Thursday.

Nelson and Liebergen finished with eight and seven kills to lead the Wildcats, while Clark totaled 26 assists.

Nora Pakula paced West with five assists, while Butz and Clark totaled 11 and nine digs, respectively.

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Local cross country teams filled with veteran runners

Oshkosh Herald

Both the Oshkosh West girls and boys cross country teams return the bulk of their rosters from last season as the Wildcats again look to be competitive in the Fox Valley Association and beyond.

The boys finished fourth at the sectional meet last season and return two of its top three finishers from that squad, including senior Celso Collins who narrowly missed qualifying for state as an individual. Collins finished about 20 seconds out of the final qualifying spot.

Junior Carter Crowe was the third finisher for the Wildcats and will look to move up in the running order this season.

Both Collins and Crowe were honorable mention all-FVA last season.

A trio of juniors also return after gaining varsity experience last season and will be counted on this season. Juan Collins, Owen Moon and Mason Palecek will round out the returnees.

Head coach Stephanie Polak is also looking to junior Elliott Lago, sophomore Arjen Karns and freshmen Andy Toonan and Nolan Brest to bolster the varsity lineup.

For the girls, sophomore Abby Tercha leads the squad after earning honorable mention all-FVA honors a season ago.

Tercha leads a young, but experienced group as the varsity lineup will have three sophomores, three juniors and two freshmen looking to fill the spots, with only

one senior expected to hold down a varsity spot.

The senior is Decorah Vienola who ran on the sectional squad last season, along with juniors Rowen Stellpflug, Katie Elliott and Gwen Liptow, and sophomores Mila Crowe and Hayllie Hullar. Fellow sophomore Kylie Triebold also gained varsity experience last season, while freshmen Coraline Strebelski and Ellie Trebiatowski could also compete for spots in the lineup.

Polak said both teams will be looking to finish in the top half of the Fox Valley Association after the boys were fifth and the girls were sixth last season.

“We have a competitive schedule ahead of us. To help us prepare for the end of the season, we will be taking each meet one at a time, focusing on building strength and skills as we progress,” Polak commented. “The runners are highly motivated and their work ethic has been amazing. I am looking forward to seeing their growth and achievements throughout the season.”

Oshkosh North

The Spartans return a pair of runners who finished in the top 50 at last year's sectional meet as they look to improve on last season.

Senior Lehna Mitchell will lead North this season, while sophomore Adri Clark also returns after gaining varsity experience last season.

Juniors Tia Hayes and Alai Awak along with freshmen Gabi Pereira da Silva will be newcomers to the varsity lineup this season as North aims to be able to compete as a team.

The boys will be led by a trio of seniors, highlighted by Trip Kujawa, who was the top finisher for the Spartans at sectionals last season. Fellow seniors Davante Kieya and Konrad Bowlus-Jasinski also return from last season.

Adding to the team this year will be sophomore Reid Anderson and freshmen Jay Weber and Blake Lederhaus. Weber led North at the recent Neenah Invitational.

“Get better every meet and fight to beat a few teams at conference. Going to be counting on some of our new runners to contribute (for the girls),” commented head coach Steve Danza. “(For the boys), we are relying on a great mix of young and old to put us near the top five at the conference meet.”

Lourdes Academy

The Lourdes Academy girls return six of the top seven runners from last year's team that finished seventh at the WIAA Division 3 state meet a year ago, but this year's team will have a different road back to Wisconsin Rapids.

Due to the WIAA's Performance Enhancement Plan, the Lourdes Academy girls will be competing in Division 2 this season. The move is based on their recent success at past sectional and state meets.

The move shouldn't affect the outlook for the Knights with the roster they have returning. Leading the way is senior Erin Moore, who placed 16th at last year's state meet and is coming off of a WIAA state track championship last spring. Moore figures to be one of the top runners in Division 2.

Senior Dasha Averkamp also returns to anchor the lineup, while a quartet of sophomores – Annie Moore, Tessia Mroczkowski, Allison Stromske and Elizabeth O'Connor – also return and give the Knights a strong nucleus to build around.

The Lourdes Academy boys look to build around the four sophomores that competed on varsity last season, led by Henry Spanbauer, who finished in the top 25 at sectionals last year.

Fellow sophomores Cameron Kapral, Zack Foster and Henry Achterberg are also expected to return for the Knights this season.

Valley Christian

The Valley Christian boys return their top runner from last year in junior Jonah Menet and look to have a complete squad this fall after taking only two runners to sectionals last year.

The Warriors had sophomore Jack O'Brien and freshmen Silas Johnson, Simon Menet, Zachary Werner and Joshua Sandahl in the varsity lineup at the recent Neenah Invitational.

Valley Christian returns the top three runners on the girls side from last year in sophomores Mya Moran and Merian Getz along with junior McKenzie Murphy. Moran was a state qualifier a year ago after taking fourth at sectionals, while Murphy finished in the top 25 at the sectional meet.

Senior Nykole Vangroll, junior Kendra Sandahl and sophomore Eavie Heffernan joined the trio at the recent Neenah Invitational.

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Coed softball champs

Jerry's Bar is the Oshkosh Recreation Department's Thursday coed league softball champions for the 2024 season. The team includes (bottom row, from left) Kris Dewing, Andy Hopfensperger, Lindsay Waack, Kira Ellestad, Ashlee Potratz, Brooklyn Schamens, (top row) Michael McBriar, Pierce Geffers, Jayme Engen, Shawn Young, Chris Atwood and Alicia Tofari, along with bat and ball boy Lucas Hopfensperger. Other players not pictured are Niki Fenner and Courtney Wagner.

Late touchdown lifts Titans to win over Wheaton

By Steve Clark
OSHKOSH HERALD

Justice Lovelace came within a couple of inches of putting the UW Oshkosh football team ahead of ninth-ranked Wheaton College on a second-down in the closing seconds of the season-opener.

He finished the job the next play. Lovelace's 1-yard plunge with 16 seconds provided the winning margin as the Titans pulled off the upset with a come-from-behind 21-14 win on a sun-drenched JJ Keller Field at Titan Stadium on Saturday.



Lovelace

"What was going through my mind was getting in the end zone. That was the only option I had. I had to make that play happen," said Lovelace, who led the UW Oshkosh with 55 yards rushing. "It started the play before getting a couple of extra yards by keeping my feet going. My teammates were hyping me up because we all knew what the next play was going to be."

UW Oshkosh head coach Peter Jennings certainly celebrated Lovelace's scoring run.

"It was pretty euphoric," Jennings said of his reaction to seeing the go-ahead score. "The win is huge. You go through the offseason and you have a bunch of plans and a bunch of things that you are going to try to do. When you see it all culminate in a Week 1 win, like we just had, it's pretty great. This sets the tone for our season and resets our standard. We have a peek at who we can be this year."

The Titans rode an impressive defensive effort and a couple of big throws from junior quarterback Quentin Keene to the win over the Thunder.

Keene, who was making his first collegiate start, finished 11-of-22 for 270 yards while throwing a 63-yard touchdown pass to Trae Tetzlaff and a 65-yard scoring strike to Jon Mathieu.

"When you got guys running open down the field you have to be able to put it in their area of catching it," Keene said. "It starts up front with the (protection) and then the receivers are going to get open down the field and I have the easy job and the glory of putting it in their hands."

Jennings liked what he saw from Keene, who played in just three games and attempted just seven passes.

"To be as stoic as he was late in the game and make some of the throws he did that really shows who that kid is," Jennings said. "That's his benchmark and now we have to grow from there."

Keene noted that the Titans still have plenty of work to do despite the win.

"There is always room for improvement. We left some points out there on the field in the red zone. Two drives, specifically on my shoulders so I have to better there. But if we come out with the win with the defense playing the way they did, we're going to be in great shape this year."

The defense certainly did its part, holding a potent and experienced Wheaton offense to 316 yards and just 14 points. The Thunder scored at least 30 points in every game last season and scored at least 40 points in nine of their 12 games.



Photo by Jim Koepnick

Quarterback Quentin Keene threw for two touchdowns in his first collegiate start in the Titans' win over Wheaton College on Saturday.

Wheaton used a 14-play drive to score its first touchdown late in the second quarter and then had a 13-play march midway through the third to take a 14-13 lead.

The Titans also held Thunder running back Giovanni Weeks to just 59 yards on 17 carries for a 3.5-yard per carry average. Weeks ran for just under 1,700 yards and

21 touchdowns last year and averaged 6.5 yards per carry.

"Weeks is one of the best running backs Division III has ever seen and he got some yards but for the most part we did a great job of bottling that group up," Jennings said. "To hold that prolific of an offense to 14 points is something. There are some things we can improve on but I'm unbelievably proud of how hard we hit and how we executed."

Neither team mounted much offense after Wheaton took the lead and when Kyle Dietzen and Chris Jaskulke stuffed Wheaton quarterback Mark Forcucci on a third-and-1 run with just more than four minutes left to the Titans would get their final chance to take the lead and they made the most of it.

UW Oshkosh marched 75 yards in 11 plays – getting a fourth-down pass interference call to help extend the drive – for the winning score.

"We were talking about it throughout the game that we were really close and that last drive it was enough talking about it, let's just go do it," Keene said. "Setting the tone Week 1 to get a win against a top 20 team that is good. We talked all week that they are a good team, but so are we. It's a huge win and sets the tone for the season."

The Titans will be back at home the next two Saturdays and will face another ranked opponent this weekend when Linfield University (Ore.) comes to Titan Stadium for a 1:30 p.m. kickoff.

UW Oshkosh will then host Northern Michigan at noon Saturday, Sept. 21, before opening the WIAC schedule Oct. 5 at UW-Whitewater.

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Prep roundup

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North knocked off by Kaukauna

The Spartans opened the FVA season, falling to the Ghosts 25-8, 25-12, 25-18 last Thursday.

North also went 0-4 at a quadrangular last week, losing to Tri-County, Lourdes Academy, Shiocton and Pacelli.

Valley Christian sweeps past Horicon

Lizzie Fink racked up 13 kills to lead Valley Christian in a 25-13, 25-23, 25-19 win over Horicon in a Trailways East matchup last week.

Anna Giannopoulos and Raven Meyer each chipped in six kills in the win, while Maliha Demler racked up 24 assists.

Giannopoulos led the team with 20 digs, followed by Aubryn Lehman with 15, while Lehman also posted a team-high three aces.

Lourdes Academy splits matches at quad

The Knights finished 2-2 as hosts of a quadrangular beating both Oshkosh North and Shiocton, while falling to Tri-County and Pacelli.

Delaney Ruedinger finished with eight kills, with Anika Lietch and Sabur Machiros each totaling five in the win over North. Libby Guerrero paced the team with 10 digs.

In the win over Shiocton, Machiros led the way with nine kills and Lietch had eight, while Grace Meyers and Celia Ralofskey finished with 12 and 11 assists,

respectively. Guerrero had 22 digs in the match and Ruedinger finished with 12.

SOCCER

Miller leads West to FVA win over Ghosts

George Miller finished with a goal and two assists to help boost Oshkosh West with a 3-0 win over Kaukauna last week.

The Wildcats led 2-0 at halftime.

Collin Carns and Mason Strange also scored for the Wildcats. Owen Ervin stopped the only shot he faced to earn the shutout.

Wildcats, Knights play to 1-1 tie

Both Oshkosh West and Lourdes Academy/Valley Christian scored second-half goals and the non-conference match last Tuesday ended in a 1-1 tie.

Mason Strange had the only goal for the Wildcats, while Jackson Buttke tallied the Knights goal off an assist from Isaak Rucinski.

Will Loker finished with 12 saves for the Knights with Owen Ervin collecting four saves for West.

North cruises past North Fond du Lac United

Five different players scored goals and the Spartans earned their third straight win in a 5-0 win over North Fond du Lac United last week.

Shepherd Johnson, Kiza Lukoko and Ehebelo Asende scored in the first half for the Spartans with Gerome Mtabi and Mto Wasekye Jean tallying the goals in the second half.

Lungwe Ramadhani totaled five saves in goal to earn the shutout.

CROSS COUNTRY

Area teams compete at Neenah Invitational

The Lourdes Academy girls and the Oshkosh West boys teams each finished seventh to lead the area competitors at the Neenah Invitational last week.

The Knights' Erin Moore won the girls race, taking first by 16 seconds.

Oshkosh North's Lehna Mitchell was the next highest area finisher placing 14th overall, followed by Lourdes Academy's Dasha Averkamp in 15th place and Oshkosh West's Abigail Tercha in 19th place. Valley Christian's top finisher was Mya Moran in 44th place.

Oshkosh West came in eighth place in the girls standings, while Valley Christian was 11th. Oshkosh North didn't compete as a full team.

For the boys, Oshkosh West's Celso Collins led the area finishers in 14th place, while teammates Carter Crowe and Juan Collins were 22nd and 27th, respectively.

Jay Weber was the top finishers for Oshkosh North in 31st place, while Jonah Menet led Valley Christian in 45th place. The Spartans finished 11th overall, while Warriors were in 14th place.

Menet leads Warriors to team title at Markesan

Jonah Menet captured the individual title as Valley Christian edged St. Mary Springs by five points at the Markesan Invitational last week.

Menet finished nearly a minute ahead of the field in collecting with teammate Jack O'Brien added a top-10 finish in fifth place.

Silas Johnson in 12th was the next Valley Christian runner to finish, followed by Simon Menet in 22nd place and Zachary Werner in 23rd place.

The Valley Christian girls were third

overall and were led by Mya Moran and McKenzie Murphy, who placed third and fourth, respectively.

Merian Getz was the next runner to finish in 16th place, while Kendra Sandahl in 43rd place and Nykole Van Groll in 45th place rounded out the scoring runners.

TENNIS

North knocks off West in FVA dual meet

The Spartans won three of the four singles matches and two of the three doubles tilts to edge rival Oshkosh West, 5-2, in a Fox Valley Association dual meet last week.

Arianna Bauer dropped only two games in winning at No. 2 singles to lead North, while Kara Cummings won 6-1, 6-2 at No. 3 singles. Brianna Wilson added a three-set win at No. 4 singles for the Spartans.

Earning doubles win for North were Liv Borowitz and Emma Niemczyk at the No. 1 flight and Hailee Valdez and Morgan Kolodzic at the No. 2 flight.

Allison Augustine at No. 1 singles and Emma TeLindert and Kinsey Koepsell at No. 3 doubles posted the wins for Oshkosh West.

Lourdes Academy drops two matches at triangular

The Knights dropped a pair of three-set matches in getting edged by Ripon 4-3, while also losing to St. Mary's Springs, 6-1, at a triangular at Ripon on Saturday.

Sasha Quandt won both of her matches at No. 1 singles, including a 6-0, 6-0 victory over Jasline Loynes for Lourdes Academy's lone win over the Ledgers.

Maya Hawi and Monse Luquin at No. 1 and Aoife Mains and Abby Ridenour at No. 3 doubles joined Quandt in winning matches against Ripon.

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Obituaries

Lois A. Juedes

Lois A Juedes, 95, of Oshkosh passed at her home September 6. Born February 28, 1929, the daughter of Harvey and Helen (Holtz) Dumdie. Lois married Marvin W Juedes on October 1, 1949; he preceded her in death on July 8, 1981.

A member of Immanuel Lutheran Church where she had been a Sunday school teacher, a member of the choir and ladies guild. She also enjoyed playing on the dartball team where she was known affectionately throughout the league as "Gramma".

During her 95 years, she worked in food service, on the family dairy farm, school bus driver, and as CNA in Fond du Lac and at Parkview. One of her fondest jobs was working at the Fireworks Warehouse during her retirement years. She liked to travel, bake, and party with the "younguns". She was well known for her skill at growing house plants, having nurtured some for over 60 years and always had some new cuttings that she would start to share with others. Her most cherished



times where spending time with her family and would always comment "I got my four boys together."

Preceded in death by her brothers and their spouses, Harvey (Donna), Bob (Crea) and Anita (Norman). Also, by grandson Joshua and daughter-in-law Helen.

She was a huge inspiration with her positive never give up attitude to her surviving sons, Jeff (Bonnie), Val (Helen preceded), Mark (Pam), and Richard. Also, her grandchildren, Jenni (Kevin) Rusch, Matt, Luke, Kate (Sam) Scharinger, Tina (Paul) Tollard, Sami (Jesse) Garrow, Karen (Joe) Geis, Mike (Kate), Megan (Mike Schlosser) Higgins, Richard Jr (Kate), and Ben (Heather). Also are her 28 great grandchildren.

A memorial service for Lois will be held at Immanuel Lutheran Church (338 N Eagle St) on Tuesday September 17, 2024, at noon. Rev John Dorn will be officiating. A time of visitation will be held from 11am until the time of services.

The family would like to thank Evergreen Care, Aurora Hospice, and especially the staff at The Residence for their excellent care.



Marlene Rieben of Twin Lakes WI, sister-in-law Kathy Annis of Oshkosh and several nieces and nephews. Leroy will also be missed by his "breakfast buddies" Steve Krueger, Paul Anderson along with his favorite waitresses, Trish Marks and Christine (Crazy) Niles. He will also be deeply missed by his "boss" Bob Paulick

In addition to his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by siblings Charmaine Gray, Eugene and Bruce, brothers-in-law Charlie Gray and Dick Rieben and sister-in-law Joan.

Visitation will be held for Leroy on Saturday, September 14, 2024 from 12:00 to 2:00 pm at Fiss & Bills-Poklasny Funeral Home (865 S. Westhaven Dr.) Services will be held at 2:00 pm.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to Aurora Hospice for the loving care and kindness given to Leroy.



(Jerry) Hansen; her brother, Archie Russell, as well as her friend, Jerry Voelker.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her daughter, Cindy Brooks; son-in-law, Scott Baurain; granddaughter, Amy Zeeman; her sister, Angeline Samp; and her sister-in-law, Myra Russell.

Graveside Services will be held for Irene at 1:00 pm on Thursday, September 12, 2024 at Lake View Memorial Park, 2786 Algoma Blvd, Oshkosh, WI 54901

The family would like to extend a thank you to the staff in the ICU at Mercy Medical Center for the loving care and kindness given to Irene. They would also like to mention Jerry Voelker, thank you for being a great long-time family friend of 58 years to our mom. Your friendship and kindness will never be forgotten.



Geraldine M. Geffers

Geraldine "Geri" M. Geffers, age 84, went to rest peacefully in God's loving arms, from her home on Sunday, September 8, 2024.



Geri is survived by her seven children, Kathleen Beach of Neenah, WI, Jody Tyrriver, of Englewood, CO, Darrell (Elizabeth) Geffers of Oshkosh, WI, Lori (Charles) Delph of Oshkosh, WI, Daniel Geffers of Oshkosh, WI, Thomas Geffers of Oshkosh, WI, Lance (Stephanie) Geffers of Oshkosh, WI; 18 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; her brother, Frank (Eleanor) Dreyer; sisters-in-law, Jeanne (Joe) Seager, Joyce (Mike) Cowen, Pat Geffers, Mary (David) Kind; her brothers-in-law, Herb Geffers, David (Nancie) Geffers, Don (Sue) Geffers, Fred Krueger, Gerard Geffers, and many nieces and nephews. Geri was preceded in death by her father, Franklin D. Dreyer; mother Norma (Kasper) Dreyer; brother, Robert Dreyer; sister, Jeanette (Roland) Roberts; father-in-law, Herbert Geffers; mother-in-law, Anita (Behn) Geffers; sister-in-law, Marlene (Russ) Dreyer; brothers-in-law, Ken Geffers and Mike Geffers; sisters-in-law, Fran Geffers and Fran Krueger; son-in-law, Ron Tyrriver; granddaughter, Cassandra Geffers; great-grandson, Isaiah Reeves.

In 1972, Geri and her husband, Dick,

started an advertising business and enjoyed working at that with their children until 2006. Geri also served as an administrative assistant for various Oshkosh companies over the years. One of Geri's greatest joys was spending time with her family and friends. She also had a passion for flowers and gardening at her home.

Geri had a deep love for her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Geri also ministered with her husband, Dick. They were devoted leaders of Calvary Mission Center in Fond du Lac for nearly 20 years, spreading the word about Jesus and providing the less fortunate with food, clothing, and hot homecooked meals. Geri and Dick also shared their love of Jesus and held services with residents of many area nursing and retirement homes.

Visitation will be held from 3:30pm - 5:00pm on Saturday, September 14, 2024, at Konrad-Behelman Funeral Home-Westside, 100 Lake Pointe Drive, Oshkosh, with a memorial service to follow at 5:00pm with Pastor Ed Riddick officiating.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to the family.

A special thank you and message of gratitude to all of Geri's life-long friends, Letty Perk, Sharon Schneider, Diane Tessner, Josh Tessner, and many others. Thank you also to her loving, compassionate caregivers and Compassus Hospice.



Leroy J. Annis

Leroy J. Annis, age 81, passed away at Aurora Medical Center on Sept. 5, 2024 with family by his side.



Leroy was born on Feb. 22, 1943 to the late Leroy and Francis (Frank) Annis. After attending Oshkosh High School, Leroy enlisted in the U.S. Army where he served in Germany.

After returning home, Leroy worked for Lenox Candle where he worked until Lenox Closed. He then worked at Perfection Distributing until retirement.

Leroy enjoyed hunting, fishing, bowling and gambling. He was a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, Aerie 267. Leroy married his soul mate, Joan Paulick Schumacker, in June of 1973, Joanie preceded him in death on June 15, 2006.

Leroy will be greatly missed by his sister

Irene L. Meyer

Irene L. Meyer, age 85, passed away on Thursday, September 5, 2024, at Mercy Medical Center in Oshkosh, Wisconsin.



On July 17, 1939, Irene Lorraine was born in Gresham, Wisconsin, to Arthur and Josephine (Schreiber) Russell. Irene had been employed at International Paper in

Oshkosh. She retired after working over 30 years from there. She loved playing BINGO, taking long car rides, dining at restaurants, and going to country music concerts.

Irene will be greatly missed by her six children: Linda (Brian) Block, Becky (Rob) Dryer, Dennis (Vicki) Prey, Debbie Zeeman, Sharon Peterson, and Wendy Baurain; her many grandchildren and great-grandchildren; her sister, Arlene

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Jacquelyn Wesenberg

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Jacquelyn "Jacquie" (Runkel) Wesenberg, who left us peacefully, surrounded by her family, daughters and grandchildren, on Friday, August 30, 2024, at the age of 73. Jacquie was born on October 13, 1950, in Oshkosh, where she began a life marked by warmth, kindness, and an enduring commitment to family and friends.

On July 11, 1970, Jacquie married the love of her life, Steven "Steve" Wesenberg, with whom she shared 41 wonderful years. Together, they had two beautiful daughters, Jilleen and Colleen, who were the light of their lives. Jacquie was a beloved wife, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and



friend. She dedicated many years of her career working for the State of Wisconsin as a Dietary Aide, where she made a meaningful impact on those she served. In addition to her professional work, Jacquie volunteered countless hours at Bethel Home and the Otter Street Kids Fisheriee, sharing her time and talents to enrich the lives of others. She was a fierce defender of the underdog and those less fortunate, always ensuring they felt loved and valued.

Jacquie was preceded in death by her husband, Steve, in 2011; as well as her parents, Jack and Beatrice Runkel; in-laws, Martin and Janice Wesenberg; brother, Robert Runkel, sister, Carol Hansen; niece, Heidi Hansen; and the unexpected recent passing of her sister-in-law, Debra "Deb" Herson.

She is survived by her daughters, Jill (Matt) Klug and Colleen (Jason) Botterman. One of Jacquie's greatest joys and treasures were her four "grandbabies,"

Grace and Riley Klug and Sophia and Ava Botterman; brother, William "Bill" Kroll; sister-in-law, Sharon Engel; nephew, Scott Engel (Julie Nikolaus) and his son, Brett; niece, Tricia Engel (Robert Ostertag) and her daughter, Lauren; and nephew, Jeff and Bonnie Hansen and their children Emily, Claire, Margaret (Maggie), and Nicholas. Jacquie is also survived by her brother-in-law, John Herson and his four children, Ainsley Greene (Michael Reddy, her two children, Jordan and Brooklyn Greene), Michael (Brandi), Taylor (Jessie), and Skyler (Melanie Hammond) Herson.

The family would like to express their sincere gratitude to the staff at The Residence at Oshkosh for their trust, care, and professional attention to our beloved Jacquie. Special thanks to her friend, Harry LeMay for his companionship and support over the years. A very special thank you to

our family friend Carol Deltour, who was a big part of Jacquie's care while her daughters balanced their own families and careers. A special shout-out goes to her best friend, Peggy Miller, for her unwavering friendship along with the family of Jim and Mary Wesenberg. Additionally, the family extends heartfelt thanks to all of Jacquie's friends and her Jerry's family who reached out with support during this time.

Honoring Jacquie's wishes, a small family service will be held, followed by a celebration of life party at Jerry's Bar in Oshkosh on September 14th at 3 pm. Memorials are appreciated to the Otter Street Kids Fisheriee or the Oshkosh Humane Society.

Jacquie will be deeply missed, but her legacy of love and kindness will live on in the hearts of those who knew her.



Marcella A. Ryckman

Marcella A. (Hoffman) Ryckman, age 89, lost her long battle with Alzheimer's on the morning of September 5, 2024, at Park View Health Center alongside her family. She was born to the late Rudolph and Anna (Wolf) Hoffman on September 28, 1934, in Oshkosh, WI and a member of Sacred Heart Church of Oshkosh.



She graduated from Oshkosh High in 1952 and worked briefly at the Oshkosh Tanning Company.

Marcella met her husband Gerald through her brother Rudy, and they were married at St. John's catholic church in Oshkosh on June 9, 1956.

Marcella enjoyed sewing, dancing, ice skating, and riding bicycle. She loved spending time with her family and the simpler things in life. She created memories in the kitchen by baking for her family and enjoyed a glass of wine in hand. Marcella was devoted to her children, grandchildren and fur babies, but in her free time enjoyed reading about Wisconsin history and listening to her short-wave radio.

She is survived by her sister, Sylvia Karrow, son, Jim (Pam) Ryckman; Four daughters, Linda (Ross) Holzhausen, Connie (Todd) Arthur, Laura Ryckman, Valerie (Josh) Gassen; Ten grandchildren, Apryle (Matt) Krause, Crystal (Aaron) Guell, Christopher (Allison) Wojahn, Thomas Wojahn, Alyssa (David) Radtke, Ariel (Xavier Reed) Wojahn, Amy (Josh Fisher) Ryckman, Eric (Stephanie) Wojahn, Ericka (Wyatt) Wojahn/Baughman, Shelby Gassen; Nine great-grandchildren, Madisen Krause, Xzavier Schuster-Wojahn, Marshall & Sullivan Guell, Iris Wojahn, Anastacia Wojahn, Jasper Wojahn, Evelyn Radtke, Walden Radtke.

In addition to her parents, Marcella was preceded in death by her husband, Gerald; brothers, Edmund Hoffman & Rudy (Marlys) Hoffman.

Please join us for Marcella's funeral services at Konrad-Behlman Funeral Home-East side (402 Waugoo Ave) on Wednesday, September 11, 2024, at 7PM. Visitation will be held from 4PM until the time of service. Burial will take place at Riverside Cemetery at 1:30PM the following day.

The family would like to thank all the staff at Park View for their loving care and all the wonderful ladies that cared for Marcella at her home prior to moving into Park View.



Gordon T. "Gordy" Faust

Gordon T. Faust, age 79, of Pickett, (Aka Santa) passed away at his home with his family at his side on September 2, 2024.



Gordy was born on April 15, 1945 a son of the late William and Elsie Faust. He attended and graduated from Omro High School in 1964.

Gordy then enlisted in the US Army and returned home in 1967 and started working at the Paine Lumber Co. and then went to work for and retire from Oshkosh Truck Corporation.

He married the former Carrie Brans on October 4, 1969 and would have been married 55 years this year.

After his retirement he and two friends took a two and a half month trip to Alaska and a few years later went back with his son and friend Duke and his son. Gordy greatly enjoyed many hunting and fishing trips with his friends and also a few casino trips!

Gordy was also known for his love of breakfast meetings with his buddies and lunches also and once a month with his classmates. He could talk to anyone. His flower gardens and caring for them were important, planting all types of flowers and he enjoyed giving away Carries yellow peonies. He had also served on the Utica volunteer fire department.

Gordy is survived by and his memory will be cherished by his wife, Carrie;

children, Tammy (Mark) Kain, Gordie (Marie) Faust; grandchildren, Justin (Morgan) Kain, Joe Kain, Willow Faust (the apple of his eye), he loved them all; brothers, Bernard (Bonnie) Faust, Dennis Faust, Ron (Demaris) Faust; sisters, Joyce Schneider, Audrey Allmers, Shirley (Jon) Badtke a sister in law, Marsha Bishop. He is further survived by numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives and multitudes of dear friends.

He was preceded in death by brothers and sister in laws, Arthur (Ruth) Faust, Robert (Pat) Faust, David, Tom and William Faust, Carroll (Jo Anne) Faust; sister in laws, Lorrie Brans and Kay (Joe) Beibl; brothers in law, Robert Schneider, Scott Bishop.

A time of visitation will be held at the Fiss & Bills-Poklasny Funeral Home, 865 S. Westhaven Drive in Oshkosh on Friday, September 20, 2024 from 10 am until 1 pm at which time full military honors will be accorded by the United Veterans Honor Guard. A further time of fellowship and celebration of his life will follow from 3 pm until 7 pm at Jaspers Bar in Pickett.

The family would like to thank the doctors and nurses on second floor of Aurora Hospital for his care and comfort and also the doctors and nurses on second and fifth floors of Ascension Mercy Hospital along with Jennifer from Compassus Hospice. "Rest in Peace Gordy and play Santa in Heaven!"



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Obituaries

Eugene George Brey

Eugene George Brey was born December 27, 1934, in the town of Poy Sippi, WI, the son of William Brey and Bertha (Nehring) Brey. He married Beverly June Kimble on July 2, 1956, in Dubuque, IA. They first lived in Ripon, then Eldorado. In 1968, the family moved to St. Cloud WI, where they raised their four sons.



Eugene worked for Wisconsin Power & Light (Alliant Energy) for 41 years as a map drafter. Starting in Berlin and later transferring to the Fond Du Lac (Northern Area) office. Eugene took great pride in his work.

He was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church in Kiel, WI and a visiting member

of Grace Lutheran in Spring Hill, FL. In 2021 Eugene had to say goodbye to Florida and resided on the family farm with his son Darren and his family. He transferred his membership to St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Mt Calvary.

Even though Eugene was stricken with polio at a young age, he didn't let that slow him down. Eugene had his cars fitted with hand controls and he loved to drive and explore the US, always making sure the family had a summer vacation. Gene and Bev traveled to almost every state. On the farm he took on many challenges too, raising beef, chickens, ducks and horses. From building fences, mowing grass, working on his cars and working on the remodel of the old farmhouse, Eugene persevered through it all. During their retirement years, Beverly and Eugene became snowbirds in Hudson, FL. Never

Bonnie Jean Denis

Bonnie Jean Denis, age 94, passed away peacefully on Saturday, August 31, 2024



at Lakeland Regional Medical Center in Lakeland, FL, following a traumatic brain injury after a fall. She was born on January 1, 1930 in Chicago, Illinois to William H. and Elizabeth (Marini) Mager. She graduated with honors from Carl Schurz High School in January 1948 and moved to Oshkosh when she married Kenneth Peterson. They had four children and later divorced. Bonnie



worked at Gilbert Paper Company for many years as an accountant, retiring in 1992. That is when she headed to the sunny skies of Florida where she has resided for the last 32 years.

Bonnie had many varied interests and was always on the go. She loved to read, golf, and bowl. She was an accomplished seamstress, knitter, painter, and needle worker. She was always up for any kind of game but especially loved

Robert Allen Vincent

Robert Allen Vincent, age 80, passed away on August 28, 2024, at Eden Meadows nursing home in Oshkosh, WI. He was born to the late Robert and Shirley Vincent on May 15, 1944 in Mason City, IA. He was a loving father, grandfather, devoted friend and highly respected radiologist.



Bob graduated from Green Bay West High School in 1962, Carroll College with a BS/Cum Laude in 1966, and the University of Wisconsin Medical School in 1970. After completing his internship at San Joaquin County Hospital in Stockton, CA, he continued his residency at the University of Wisconsin Medical Center in diagnostic radiology. Following that, he went on to join the Navy and retired as Lieutenant Commander. He served as Chief Radiologist for the Marine Corps Air Station in El Torro, CA. His career in radiology then led him to Chief of Radiology and member of the Executive Committee at Mercy Medical Center in Oshkosh, WI. Before retirement, he served as a clinical instructor at

playing cards. Just this last spring, at age 94, she won the gold medal in card playing at the Polk County Senior Games.

Bonnie is survived by her four children: Nancy Behm (Paul Holzschuh) Oshkosh, David Peterson of Oshkosh, Jon Peterson of Crivitz and Gary Peterson (Susan) of University Place, WA. She is further survived by her grandchildren Jill (John) Milos, Oshkosh, Christine (Joel) Brous, Ocean City MD, Carrie (Joe) Lees, Bethlehem, PA, Jason Peterson, Independence, MO, Kevin Peterson, University Place, WA. Kellie (Caleb) Davenport, Port Orchard, WA and her great-grandchildren Zack, Ilana and Gretta Milos, Dryden, Hattie, George and Henry Brous, Alexander and Charlotte Lees. Her sister Beverly Jeican of Nevada and her nieces and nephews also survive her.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her son Alex, sisters Barbara Bender and Betty Jane Mager, her brother Don Mager and her son-in-law John Behm.

Graveside services, officiated by the Rev. Dr. Chris Corbin of Trinity Episcopal Church, will be held September 11, 2024 at 1:00PM at Lakeview Memorial Park in Oshkosh.



the University of Wisconsin.

His life was marked by his career, but also an insatiable need to learn, which was seen in his numerous travels. His travels took him all over the world, from the mountains of Austria to the sand beaches of Mexico. He was always up for an adventure.

Bob is survived by his daughter Angela (Doug) Stover, daughter-in-law Shayne Vincent and grandchildren Rafer Vincent, Fallon Vincent and Matthew Stover.

In addition to his parents, Bob was preceded in death by his son, Scott Vincent; and brother, Thomas Vincent. Bob was also preceded in death by his first wife, Nancy, with whom he shared two beautiful children and three grandchildren.

A memorial service for Bob will be held at Konrad-Behlman Funeral Homes @ 100 Lake Pointe Dr in Oshkosh, WI on Saturday, September 14, 2024. Visitation will be from 11am to 1pm with a service to follow.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Bob's name to the University of Wisconsin Foundation uwf@supportuw.org.



having to snow blow again was one of his cherished blessings. Eugene and Beverly were blessed with a large circle of friends in Wisconsin and Florida.

He leaves behind four sons: Mark (Dorothy), Gregg (Jodi) both of Oshkosh, Martin (Sue) of Arlington, Darren (Brenda) of St. Cloud. Eugene was blessed with nine grandchildren: Rebecca, Vanessa, Kami (Paul), Kristi, Taylor (Matt), Elizabeth, Joshua (Bethany), Devin, Dana, and Deanna, as well as one great-grandchild, Isabelle (one more due in Oct). He is also survived by many nieces, nephews, and cousins. He leaves behind special friend Verna McGlin, friends Roland Gosse, Helen Kish, Gary and Marianne Scherfer,

and Harold Pickart to name a few. He is also survived by sisters-in-law, Diane Brey, Leone Brey, Karren Kimble.

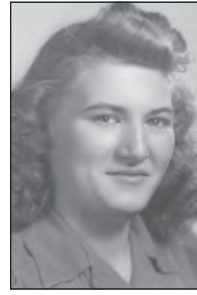
Eugene was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Beverly; and brothers Kermit (Lily), Norman (Elaine), James, William and Glen.

Funeral Service will be held 11:00 AM on Saturday, September 14, 2024, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, W2090 State Highway 23, Mt Calvary WI, 53057. Rev. Ian Headrick will preside. A luncheon will follow after the service at the church.

Visitation: Family and friends may visit with Eugene's family at St. Paul's Lutheran Church on Saturday, September 14th from 9:00 AM until 10:45 AM.

Shirley A. Anderson

Shirley A. Anderson, age 94 of Green Lake, passed away peacefully at her home



in Green Lake, Wisconsin on Friday afternoon, August 23rd, 2024. Shirley Ann, the daughter of Myron and Philippine (Duren) Anderson, was born on November 13th, 1929, in West Allis, Wisconsin.

Shirley grew up in Rockbridge where she attended grade school and graduated from Richland Center High School before moving to Tomah, Wisconsin. In 1961, she moved to Encinitas, California before returning to Wisconsin in 1968, where she resided in Green Lake. Shirley was a determined and dutiful worker throughout her life. She was a secretary at Prestegard before moving into a waitress role at Knotty Pines in Tomah; she then continued in the service industry during her time in California before returning to Wisconsin. In Wisconsin, she was the head cook at the Bel-Air Supper Club, among many other service occupations in the area. She spent the latter part of her career working for Green Lake County as a cook for nearly

20 years before retiring at 85-years old. Shirley was a shining light to everyone that knew her. In addition to being a loving family member and friend, she enjoyed avidly cheering on the Green Bay Packers and Milwaukee Brewers, soaking in the upbeat tunes of Polka Music, uncovering and piecing together her family genealogy, and caring for all of her sweet pets.

Shirley was preceded in death by her parents and her sister, Darlene Ward.

Shirley is survived by her children, Charles Anderson, Kevin Anderson, and Timmy Anderson; 4 grandchildren, Shannon, Jason, Shane, Jarod; sisters, Bertha King and Judy Shireman; and by many nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

The family would like to express their thanks and gratitude to Dr. Joe Longo and the Theda Care Wound Clinic for the care they provided to Shirley, and all of her friends in the community.

Graveside services were held on Friday, August 30, 2024, at the Richland Center Cemetery at 2:00 PM. The Pratt Funeral and Cremation Service is assisting the family with their arrangements. prattfuneralservice.com.

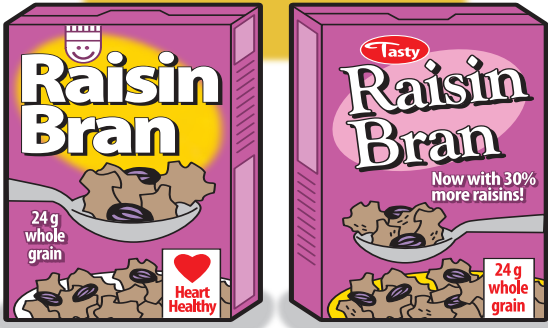


Can a Cereal Box Save the World?



With the projects on this page, you can find new uses for empty cereal boxes. That will help reduce the amount of waste that goes into landfills, and make fun and useful gifts for family and friends at the same time! Will it save the world? Well, it's a start!

How many differences can you spot between these two boxes of cereal?

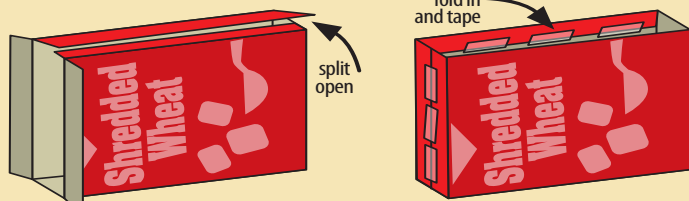


Make a Paper Pal

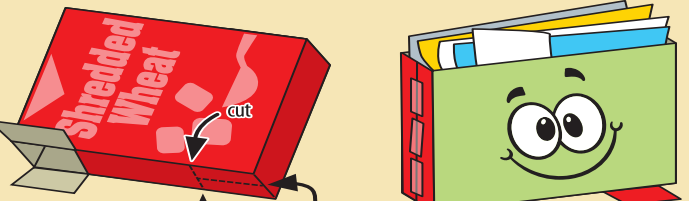
Follow the directions to make a simple holder that helps people collect school and office paper for recycling. You can make one or more Paper Pals and give them to your friends and family.

Stuff You'll Need:

- cereal box
- scissors
- tape or glue stick
- construction paper
- pen



1. Carefully split open a cereal box along the side edge where the box is glued together.
2. Tape or glue the original box lid closed. Tape or glue the side flaps down inside the cereal box to create an opening.



3. Make feet for your Paper Pal. Use a pen to poke a hole for starting your cuts. 3" from side
4. Glue a sheet of construction paper on the front of the box. Draw a funny face on your new Paper Pal!

Can You Guess?

How many sheets of paper will your Paper Pal hold? Write your guess, or estimate here: _____

Once your Paper Pal is full, count the number of sheets of paper it holds. How close was your guess? _____

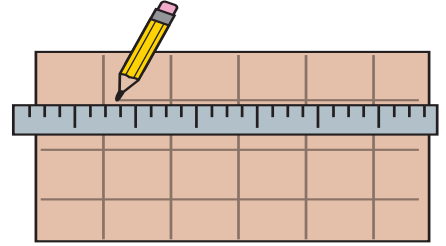
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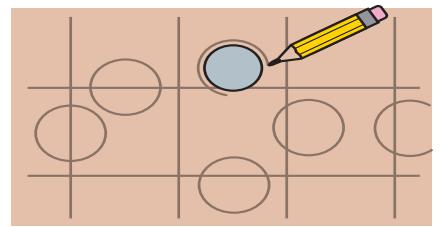
Make a Cereal Box Puzzle

Stuff You'll Need:

- cereal box
- adult helper
- scissors
- pencil
- ruler
- coin



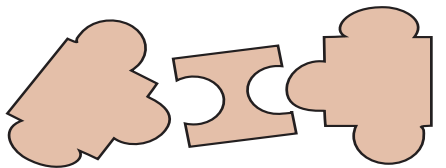
1. Cut the front panel off the box. Use the ruler to draw a grid on the back of the cardboard.



2. Use the coin to draw puzzle piece shapes as shown.



3. Carefully cut out the puzzle shapes and see if a family member can put it together in under two minutes.



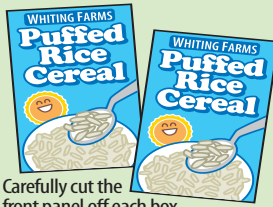
4. If the puzzle is too easy, have them try assembling it with the blank cardboard side up!

Cereal Box Matching Game

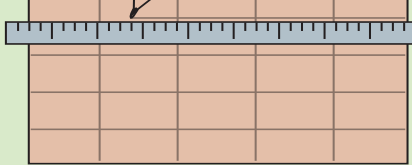
Create a game that's fun and challenging for all ages.

Stuff You'll Need:

- two identical cereal boxes
- scissors
- ruler
- pencil
- adult helper



1. Carefully cut the front panel off each box.



2. Have an adult help you measure 2" x 4" rectangles* on the blank side of the cardboard. Repeat for the second box.



3. Carefully cut out the rectangles from both boxes to create the game cards. Be sure each card has an exact duplicate.

4. Shuffle the cards and place them face down in rows. Take turns turning over two cards at a time to create pairs.



5. If you make a match, keep those two cards. The person with the most cards wins.

Extra! Extra! Recycle It!

Look through the newspaper to find:

- Something that can be recycled.
- Something that can be used in more than one way.
- Something you could use to make a gift.

Standards Link: Follow simple written directions.

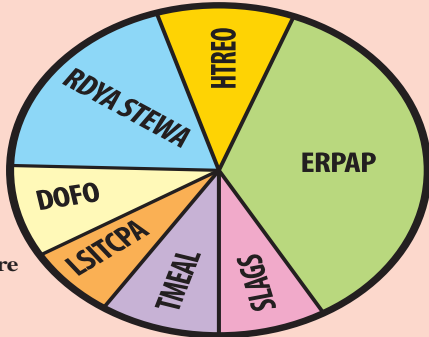
Kid Scoop Puzzler

Nearly everything we throw away ends up in a landfill. And landfills are filling up. By recycling, you can send less trash to the landfill. Unscramble the words on the pie chart to answer these questions:

What do we toss the most?

How many different kinds of trash are in landfills?

Do landfills have more yard waste or glass?



Standards Link: Math: Interpret information using graphs.

Double Double Word Search

- BLANK
- BOXES
- CEREAL
- COUNT
- CUT
- DRAW
- ESTIMATE
- FACE
- HOLES
- PAPER
- RECYCLE
- REDUCE
- RULER
- TAPE
- WASTE

Find the words by looking up, down, backwards, forwards, sideways and diagonally.

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B	L	A	N	K	H	T	R	W	F

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



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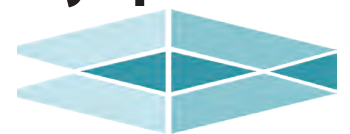
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