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## School board revises gender policy

### Biden's Title IX updates end after court decision

By Jonathan Richie  
OSHKOSH HERALD

The Oshkosh Area School District has erased recent Title IX regulation updates regarding sports and gender from its programming after a federal judge struck them down as unconstitutional.

Last year, the Board of Education had extensive talks about the new regulations

that were announced by the U.S. Department of Education. The board eventually passed them to put the district in compliance by a vote of 5-2.

Title IX was introduced in 1972 to assure that educational institutions receiving federal funds cannot deny females an equal opportunity to participate in sports. The Biden administration announced a new set of regulations in 2024 that included discrimination based on gender identity as a violation of the law.

Opponents of the new regulations said

men would be allowed to use female facilities such as bathrooms and locker rooms in schools under the policy.

On Jan. 9, the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky struck down the administration's 2024 regulations, ruling they were unconstitutional at public schools nationwide.

Last year's Title IX ruling was challenged in several states, including by the conservative group Moms for Liberty,

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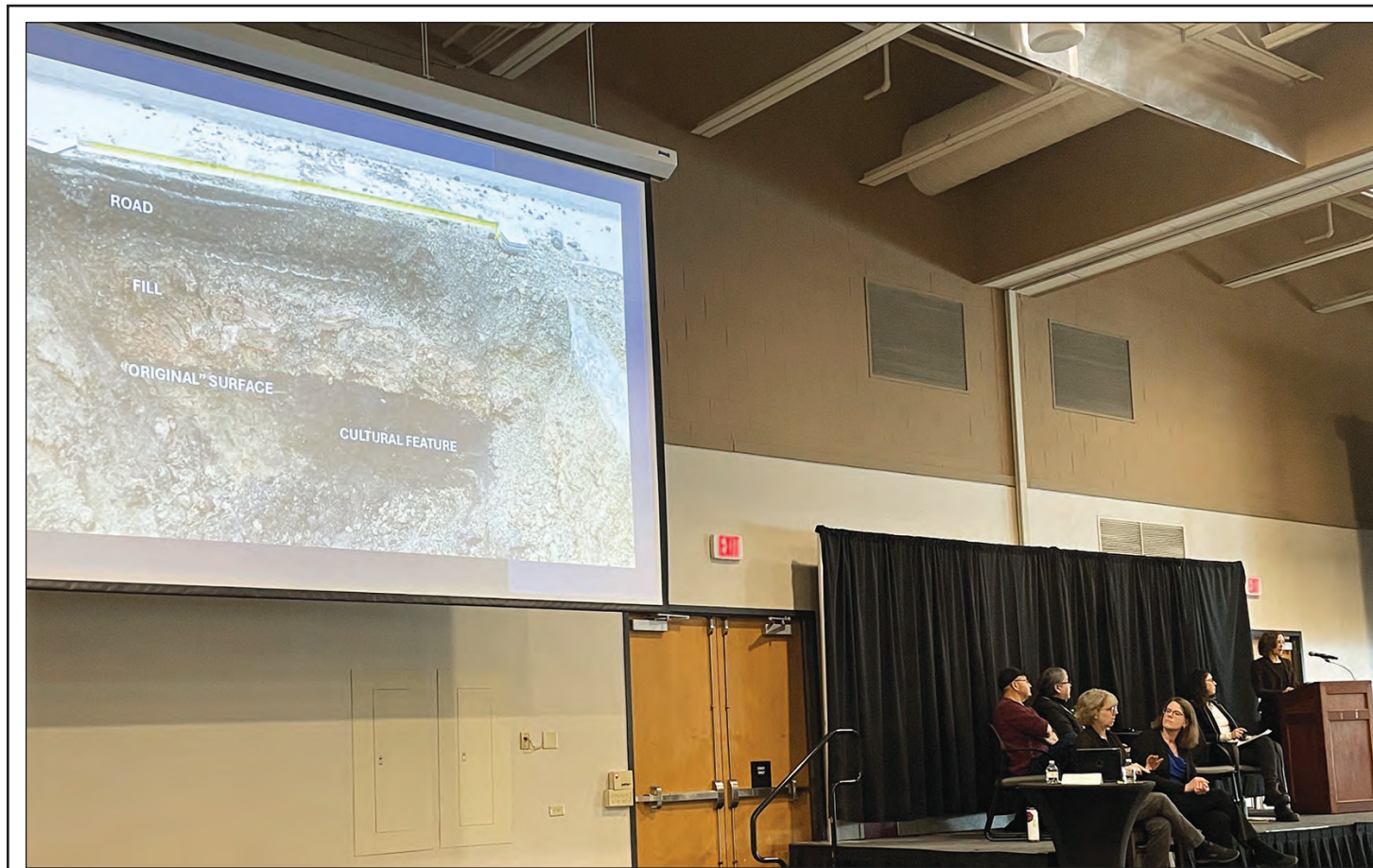
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Representatives from the Menominee and Ho Chunk tribes and University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee discuss some of the archaeological findings sparked by a road project in Menominee Park in 2023 during a public event Sunday at the Oshkosh Convention Center. The Native American village and its relation to Wisconsin tribal history will be the topic of future presentations.

## County executive finalists, school referendum on ballot

### April 1 election ballot set for state, local officials

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The ballots have been cast and voters have determined the races for the top county office and Wisconsin superintendent of schools.

In the primary race for Winnebago County executive, incumbent Jon Doemel and former Assembly Rep. Gordon Hintz advanced and will face off in the general election April 1. Doemel and Hintz de-

feated Sheriff John Matz in Tuesday's primary.

Hintz collected 48.5% of the 14,669 votes cast in the election, while Doemel received 27%. Matz received 22% of the votes, just 631 fewer than Doemel.

Although the county executive position is nonpartisan, Doemel and Matz both had Winnebago County Republican Par-

ty support that is expected to coalesce around Doemel for the general election. Hintz is a former Democratic minority leader in the state Legislature.

"I would like to thank John Matz for having the courage to run for office," Doemel said in an online statement. "We should always have a choice, and I am glad to have you as our sheriff. I would like to congrat-

ulate Gordon Hintz on making it to the general election.

"I pledge to keep this a clean campaign and never make it personal. Let's commit to a campaign that people deserve."

Hintz also acknowledged his opponents in the primary after advancing to face the current county executive.

"I'm happy to see that our message of better communication and engagement resonated across the county with so many voters," he said. "We will need to continue

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Doemel



Hintz



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# Rep. Grothman speaks to full house in Algoma

By Jonathan Richie  
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U.S. Rep. Glenn Grothman was met with vocal opposition when speaking to constituents in the Town of Algoma. A room packed with people attended the listening session to get his answers on what is going on at the federal level.

The Republican congressman began the session Friday at Algoma Town Hall with an update on his work in Washington since winning re-election in November. He has been a strong supporter of President Trump since his first term and part of the crowd's opposition to Grothman was directed at Trump.

The interest in the event was so great that several people were not let in because capacity had been reached. Grothman started the session by calling the situation with the federal government a "fiscal mess."

He said the country is spending too much on Medicare and Medicaid, suggesting that some medical tests and surgeries "are not necessary."

At one point, Grothman blamed the Biden administration for inflation, a statement that was met with boos from the audience and a short chant of "Tax the rich."

Grothman also said military defense funding is too high and that aircraft carriers might become obsolete in specific conflicts as technology advances.

Grothman proposed changing the GI Bill, which helps veterans get money for college or vocational training, suggesting a college degree is less valuable than it used to be and that some veterans should instead get money for a down payment on a house.

During his discussion about Washing-



Photo by Michael Cooney

Sixth District Congressman Glenn Grothman holds a listening session Friday in the Town of Algoma.

ton, the crowd booed and shouted when they disagreed with him, and some held up red cards in opposition. Grothman spoke of how Elon Musk was going to find inefficiencies in the federal government and cut unnecessary spending.

"We did not elect him," shouted one person from the crowd. The conversation eventually shifted back to Trump and his time in office.

"Trump says different things on different days," Grothman said.

He was asked if he ever disagreed with Trump. He said he doesn't believe the Gulf of Mexico should be renamed the Gulf of America and that Canada should not be the 51st state.

"I think he's done a great job with executive orders," he said.

Some of those executive orders attacked diversity, equity and inclusion programs within the federal government and

schools. Grothman called racial ideology a "dangerous thing" and said he supported the administration cutting funds for those programs.

This was met with more boos and shouts of "liar" and "he's a liar" from the crowd.

Earlier in the day, Grothman spoke at Fox Crossing's municipal building at a similar event that also had to turn away people. He said this crowd was very different from the one in Fox Crossing, insinuating people there were more complimentary of his work.

The combative listening session ended with people chanting "do your job" at Grothman.

Grothman represents Wisconsin's 6th District, which extends from Lake Michigan to Wisconsin Dells and as south as Mequon. He was re-elected to his fifth term after defeating Oshkosh's John Zarbano in November.

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Miss Oshkosh and Miss Oshkosh's Teen, who will represent the community for the next year and enter the Miss Wisconsin and Miss Wisconsin's Teen competitions in June, will be selected Saturday.

The Miss Oshkosh Scholarship Organization's competition to name both titles will be held starting at 7 p.m. at Alberta Kimball Auditorium at Oshkosh West High School. Seven area women are competing to become Miss Oshkosh and eight are vying for the title of Miss Oshkosh's Teen.

All contestants will compete in five phases: private interview, talent, evening gown, health and fitness, and an on-stage conversation.

Finishing out their year as Miss Oshkosh 2024, Addy Wachholz, and Miss Oshkosh's Teen 2024, Jayden Dalton, will crown the two new titleholders. Winners will receive scholarships to the school of their choice, the opportunity to represent

their community for the next year, and the chance to compete for Miss Wisconsin, and potentially Miss America. The Teen winner will go on to compete for Miss Wisconsin's Teen, and potentially Miss America's Teen.

Miss Oshkosh contestants include Meghan Numrich, Breena McIntyre, Thea Bender, Aryssa Wright, Amallia Lloyd and Daisia Golombowski. Miss Oshkosh Teen contestants are Areanna Williams, Kylie Rietz, Kylie Kempen, Annika Hitchcock, Lydia Rentmeester, Izzi Mugerauer, Raewyn Polinsky and Amiyah Thomas.

Miss Oshkosh and Miss Oshkosh's Teen are available for community and charity events, parades and fairs, emcee and speaking engagements, school programs, fashion shows, and sporting and holiday events.

Tickets are \$20, cash or check only, and available at West Pointe Bank. Tickets will also be available at the door.



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## Bike patrol support

Appleton Wheel & Sprocket recently delivered 14 new Trek Service bikes to the Oshkosh Police Department in a partnership effort with the police department and Fox Valley community. The bikes will be used by the Community Policing Unit to patrol parks, neighborhoods and other public spaces, and also for special events and community outreach programs.

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# New DEI direction has institutions looking for answers

## Schools, universities have to cut racial preferences

By Jonathan Richie  
OSHKOSH HERALD

Over the years, diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) efforts have gained ground in schools, businesses and government bodies. Still, the U.S. government is pushing to eliminate these programs at the federal level and groups that receive those dollars.

Under the Trump administration, the Department of Education has directed schools and universities to cease using race in admissions, financial aid, hiring, training and institutional programming.

A letter sent to schools and universities on Feb. 14 states education institutions have 14 days to cease DEI efforts that the department calls racial discrimination.

"In recent years, American educational institutions have discriminated against students on the basis of race, including white and Asian students, many of whom come from disadvantaged backgrounds and low-income families. These institutions' embrace of pervasive and repugnant race-based preferences and other forms of racial discrimination have emanated throughout every facet of academia," the letter states.

It was written by Craig Trainor, acting assistant secretary for civil rights at the Department of Education.

"Discrimination on the basis of race, color, or national origin is illegal and morally reprehensible," Trainor wrote.

Cynthia Jackson-Hammond, president of the Council for Higher Education

Accreditation, told National Public Radio that the two-week deadline would be challenging because it would require changing core value systems.

"There's a fine line between removing programs that are considered to be discriminatory by race and removing programs that speak to a cultural or ethnicity support for students," Jackson-Hammond said. "So this is not going to be a quick and easy kind of examination."

As for the Oshkosh Area School District, diversity, equity and inclusion are part of many aspects of its strategic plan. The district equity plan is one of the core areas in strategic planning.

The district has been working on equity in its schools since 2017. In April last year, the district released an updated equity plan compiled by Anthony Miller, director of community engagement and equity.

The executive summary of the report outlined the purpose of the efforts.

"The OASD is committed to fostering a safe, inclusive, and equitable environment for all students, families, staff, and community members. Our commitment to equity is rooted in the understanding that not all students have equal access to educational opportunities, and we strive to address disparities and disproportionately based on factors such as disability, ethnicity, gender, race, and socio-economic status," the plan states. "As an integral part of this commitment, our district has embarked on a journey toward equity, recognizing that this endeavor is ongoing and requires continuous learning, adaptation, and growth to ensure the

success of all students.

"The core goal of the OASD Equity Plan is to provide all students with access to high-quality teaching and learning so that all students can achieve their potential. This goal will increase the likelihood that all OASD students will be adequately prepared to fully engage and contribute to society."

The University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh has implemented DEI policies and programs to promote students, staff and faculty. The university's DEI statement is on its human resources website:

"Diversity drives innovation, creativity, and progress. At the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, the culture, identities, life experiences, unique abilities, and talents of every individual contribute to the foundation of our success. Creating and maintaining an inclusive and equitable environment is of paramount importance to us. This pursuit prepares all of us to be global citizens who will contribute to the betterment of the world. We are committed to a university culture that provides everyone with the opportunity to thrive."

The Universities of Wisconsin is waiting for more guidance from the Education Department on the DEI directive.

"We are reviewing the recent federal guidance and directive related to diversi-

ty, equity and inclusion. We expect there will be further guidance from the U.S. Department of Education to help us fully understand our legal and regulatory obligations," UW director of media relations Mark Pitsch said.

"The Universities of Wisconsin have a longstanding commitment to ensure our students are best positioned to succeed," he said.

The Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction has voiced concerns that President Trump's recent executive orders, including the potential to dismantle the Department of Education, could jeopardize more than \$1 billion in "critical" federal funds for Wisconsin schools.

"Recent executive orders from President Trump and ongoing discussions about potentially dismantling the U.S. Department of Education put critical federal funding and programming in jeopardy. The uncertainty surrounding these decisions means it is more important than ever to advocate for the stability and continued support of federal funding for our schools," the DPI stated.

Wisconsin is receiving \$838,035,186 in federal funding for the current school year. That figure does not include school meal program funds or Pell Grants. Last year, Wisconsin received \$273,641,559 for school meals in federal funds.

## Community Band presents spring concert

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The Oshkosh Area Community Band will present Pairs, a Spring Concert, at 7 p.m. March 22 at Alberta Kimball Auditorium at Oshkosh West High School.

The band, led by David Berndt, will present musical selections paired in some way. Music for the theater will be represented by "An Overture on Themes" from "Porgy and Bess" by George Gershwin, arranged by James Barnes; and "Selections from Wicked" by Stephen Schwartz as arranged by Jay Bocook.

An abridged arrangement of Maurice Ravel's "Bolero" will feature several incidental solos while "The Turtle Waddle" by Gus Guentzel will feature the tuba section.

Folk songs from the United Kingdom also will be paired. "My Bonnie Boy, the intermezzo from Ralph Vaughan Williams' English Folk Song Suite, will be paired with Wisconsin composer Michael

Story's setting of the Irish folk melody "Down By the Sally Gardens." Britney Harrison will be guest conductor.

The band will pay tribute to the recently departed Quincy Jones by playing his "Soul Bossa Nova." "Pie in the Face Polka" from the motion picture "The Great Race" will be played in honor of the 100th anniversary of the birth of Henry Mancini. Ralph Nussbaumer will be on the podium for this tribute.

The Jazz Ensemble, under the direction of associate music director Jon Basten, will play a pair of charts penned by two members of the band. "Girl of My Dreams" was arranged by David Koepp, a member of the baritone saxophone section, and director emeritus Terry Hathaway wrote an original chart "On the Slow Slide" that the band will bring to life.

There is no admission charge but donations are accepted at the door.

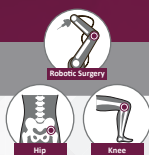


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**Marco's Pizza** closed its 330 Ohio St. location earlier this month with the business posting a "permanently closed" message on its Facebook page. The Toledo, Ohio, national restaurant chain has more than 1,000 locations with the next closest being on South Commercial Street in Neenah.

**Joann Fabrics** announced it will be closing 16 of its Wisconsin stores, including in Oshkosh, as part of a nationwide downsizing that will shut down more than 500 of its 800 locations. The company, which filed for bankruptcy in January, will announce closure dates for the affected stores at a later date.

**Fortifi Bank** has opened an Oshkosh branch at 400 N. Koeller St. that was marked this week with a ribbon-cutting ceremony by the Oshkosh Chamber of Commerce. Fortifi, formerly 1st National Bank, also has locations in Winneconne and Omro with state headquarters in Berlin.

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The **Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB)** International announced the **University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh** is among 60 institutions throughout the nation that have successfully extended their business accreditation. UWO's College of Business has been accredited since 1970 and the educational home to more than 1,160 undergraduate students and more than 130 master of business administration (MBA) students. AACSB accreditation includes an in-depth assessment of internal activities, mentorship with an AACSB adviser and a peer-reviewed evaluation.

**Skipper Bud's Oshkosh Marina** at 1351 Egg Harbor Lane has met pollution prevention standards required for certification as a **Wisconsin Clean Marina**. The program provides guidance, education and technical assistance to support marinas in the adoption of best management practices to reduce pollution from their facilities and boaters into Wisconsin's waterways.

## Oshkosh educators celebrated at annual event

The Oshkosh Area Community Foundation and community partners will present more than \$50,000 in grant awards at the annual Celebrate Education event March 10 that recognizes educators, administrators and volunteers.

The event from 4:30 to 6 p.m. at the Oshkosh Convention Center is free and open to the public. Visit [OshkoshAreaCF.org/events](http://OshkoshAreaCF.org/events) or call 920-426-3993 to re-

serve a seat.

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

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# Oshkosh North High School

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 Trip Kujawa  
 Brannick Larson  
 Macey Lee  
 Lehna Mitchell  
 Emma Niemczyk  
 Morgen Nuetzel  
 Grace Penzenstadler  
 Autumn Reindl  
 Laura Rogne  
 Logan Schettle  
 Brianna Schulte  
 Addison Schulze  
 Warren Seeley  
 Francesca Serafini  
 Sawyer Sharratt  
 Zachary Splittgerber  
 Stefan Stojilovic  
 Katelynn Sturtz  
 Ezekiel Sturtz  
 Cadence Taylor  
 Linda Thor  
 Daniel Thor  
 Grace Toney  
 Hailie Trochinski  
 Hailee Valdez  
 Miles VanThiel  
 Jasmin Vey  
 Hailey Widmann  
 Brianna Wilson  
 Lillian Worden  
 Lanie Zellmer  
 Joshua Zietlow
- High honors**  
 Marcus Anderson  
 Aiden Brewer  
 Raelynn Bryant  
 Charles Clark  
 Paine Engelmann  
 Nawal Mahmoud Falah  
 Fahima Hasan  
 Sophia Housworth  
 Aminah Kamel
- Charlie Kempf  
 Morgan Kolodzick  
 Natalie Kossolapov  
 Skylar Kuehn  
 Izabella Loiacono  
 Cade Martin  
 Violet McKeefry  
 Garret Munig  
 Lillian Nicholas  
 Ireland O'Brien  
 Ireland Page  
 Evy Pamerter  
 Brooke Peters  
 Sareah Reaves  
 Joshua Rivers  
 Alexandra Ruedinger  
 Annika Sabai  
 Edgar Salzler  
 Katelyn Schneider  
 Henry Schultz  
 Noah Schweda  
 Autumn Shelton  
 Hser The Soe  
 Ayessa Marjorie Solaybar  
 Isabella Strobel  
 Palai Thao  
 Andrew Thao  
 Jamilua Thompson-Schreck  
 Jaycheevada Valsaint  
 Alisha Vang  
 Dynastee Vang  
 Noah Wenzel  
 Elaina Wojahn  
 Travis Xiong  
 Ethan Yang
- Honors**  
 Tuka Abazid  
 Anna Adams  
 Titus Alic  
 Bella Anderson  
 Kiera Barnett  
 Owen Bidwell  
 Kamiya Birkhead  
 Iya Blackwell  
 Serenity Brewer  
 Matthew Brown  
 Virginia Burk  
 David Burkhead  
 Nicholas Calkins  
 Elliott Cauley  
 Kashmira Conner  
 Noah Dordel  
 Hannah Fiser  
 Tiara Fountion  
 Jenna Ghilani  
 Alyssa Gilbert  
 Mason Griese  
 Caden Haase-Munro  
 Kaylee Hidde  
 Zachary Hintz  
 Sabat Iribagiza  
 Esther Jasmine  
 Mto Wasekye Jean  
 Yubdej Lor  
 Faith Lor  
 Khuyu Lor  
 Maggie Lynch  
 Rhonan MacInerney-Nason  
 Jasmine Mata-Sims  
 Brian Matheson  
 Cameron Miller

- Xzavion Mitchell  
 Aimable Munyarugo  
 Lila Murphy  
 Anthony Nguyen  
 Liem Nguyen-Rivers  
 Kiara Palmore  
 Connor Palmquist  
 Noah Probst  
 Makenzie Reyes  
 Isabella Spatt  
 Owen Stephany  
 James Stern  
 Shaylee Stromberg  
 Sabrina Thao  
 Madison Umansky  
 Jaziel Valero  
 Preston Vang  
 Hero Vang  
 Daejaaq Vang  
 Isabel Velders  
 Fredrick Ware  
 Camden Watson  
 Sarahlyn Webb  
 Malinda Yang
- High honors**  
 Jack Anderson  
 Andrew Brockman  
 Hannah Conrad  
 Lacey Domiter  
 Campbell Gies  
 Myranda King  
 Gikundiro Kwigaba  
 Confiance Madolari  
 Gavin Martinson  
 Priya Rodig  
 Jasmine San  
 Taylor Sherer  
 Kevin Stahl  
 Roman Swan  
 Yinghoua Thao  
 Nalee Vang  
 Kurtis Vang  
 Jamison Wright
- Honors**  
 Isabella Adams  
 Qusai Al-Qawasmi  
 Jackson Anderson  
 Evan Auler  
 Isabella Bellson  
 Edward Bielak  
 Braylon Buhrow  
 Yerenmis Canino Ibarra  
 Logan Conrad  
 Madilyn Cravillion  
 Levandra Dawood  
 Alexis Dombrowski  
 Binti Ebanga  
 Damien Engelmann  
 Hala Mahmoud Falah  
 Benjamin Follett  
 Kendra Gaulke  
 Natalie Gray  
 Maelyn Gregory  
 Giovannie Haralson  
 Tianna Hayes  
 Annaliese Hinkens  
 Stephen Hulett  
 John Ilunga  
 Conner Kislewski  
 Mason Krings  
 Connor Kuehn  
 Crystal Kuhn  
 Kallum Larson-Poeschl  
 Drake Lauritch

- Addison Perzentka  
 Aubrey Salisbury  
 Layla Silva  
 Mya Sonneleitner  
 Laine Stoff  
 Antonio Thompson  
 Evelyn Voss  
 Owen Weber
- High honors**  
 Sophia Lazaro  
 Alexander Linsensbigler  
 Logan Luft  
 Anastasia Lyngen  
 Aiden Mansell  
 Alexandria McDowell  
 Cole Meiselwitz  
 Tyran Moore  
 Keirah Palmquist  
 Samantha Pattion  
 Keegan Rees  
 Taron Roberts  
 Elliya Rosin  
 Jade Schroeder  
 Jamare Scott  
 Sullivan Snow  
 Alexander Strobel  
 Abigail Techlow  
 Lina Salman  
 Ashton Vang  
 Paja Vang  
 Elijah Victor  
 Emma Wara-Krivoshin  
 Xavier Waters Eaton  
 Evan Werch  
 Dorian Wilkinson  
 Landen Wright  
 Salina Yang  
 Shylee Yenter

- Caden Ames  
 Bailey Barrera  
 Brynn Bellcorelli  
 Kiyah Brunner  
 Jhon Cruz Castellano  
 Spencer Diven  
 Abigail Dutschek  
 Zoe Fiser  
 Elise Geffers  
 Yamama Ghannam  
 Emily Gillingham  
 Campbell Harrison  
 Nigar Hasan  
 Jude Horton  
 Brady Huinker  
 Dante Krause  
 Kylie Lor  
 Emily Nigl  
 Olivia Salman  
 Olivia Shears  
 Promise Shehi  
 Owen Spaulding  
 Jasmin Vang  
 Aviana Worden
- Honors**  
 Shahed Alhamad  
 Awut Alic  
 Virginia Arrington  
 Jackson Bailey  
 Ella Barlow  
 Eleanor Baumgartner  
 Noah Bigelow  
 Noah Blau  
 Carter Bottomley  
 Adrijana Clark  
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 Elijah Lor  
 Baloci Mbalu  
 Lilit Molenaar  
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 Abigail Moss  
 Shatterra Nowell  
 Lilyana Oleson  
 Alexandra Pamerter

- Clayton Poquette  
 Grey Richards  
 Callie Rudoll  
 Seamus Rutkowski  
 Guliano Saverda  
 Lily Schneider  
 Cooper Snell  
 Chloe Stadtmueller  
 Rebecca Tong  
 Madison Ventura  
 Jordan Witt  
 Chonlada Xiong  
 Anikan Xiong  
 Jalina Xiong  
 Lue Xiong  
 Katsumi Xiong  
 Zayden Yenter  
 Zara Zinth
- FRESHMEN**  
**Highest honors**  
 Lilli Ames  
 Mason Anderson  
 Evelyn Annamitta  
 Wyatt Balke  
 Raegan Batten  
 Marissa Bustillos  
 Matthew Chopp  
 Allison Cummings  
 Lakshay Dhirar  
 Cooper Doemel  
 Lily Engelke  
 Brewer Feiter  
 Max Greuel  
 Ryan Guenther  
 Phoenix Hodgen  
 Lucinda Housworth  
 Autumn Kislewski  
 Madrona Larson-Poeschl  
 Blake Lederhaus  
 Alexia Lor  
 Ian Miller  
 Chifeng Moua  
 Grace Mueller  
 Lia Nicholas  
 Rylan Nicholas  
 Eli Ott  
 Elanor Paulsen  
 Gabriella Pereira Da Silva  
 Penya Richards  
 Savannah Rust  
 Lillian Rutkowski  
 Mugisha Sebhunja  
 Claire Stueber  
 Keeley Ulrich  
 Asher Vanesky  
 Eddy Vang  
 Elena Voss  
 Jay Weber  
 Oscar Zaborski
- Honors**  
 Rimas Abo Ezreek  
 Braden Anderson  
 Ajak Awak  
 Olivia Baer  
 Brady Barbian  
 Maxton Collins  
 Aurora Cravillion  
 Kaden Crooks  
 Hazel Desotell  
 Miguel Diaz Valenzuela  
 Ace Doemel  
 Myidas Elliott  
 Michael Fredrick  
 Dillan Gorski  
 Dean Jackson  
 Logan Janes  
 Sophie Jepsen  
 Kirah Kaminski  
 Brady Knudson  
 Halaynah Kong  
 Carter Lane  
 Raymond LaPointe-Mitchell  
 Veda Lemke  
 Amelia Marquette  
 Janaya Melton  
 Delilah Meyer  
 Mason Mitchem  
 Elaina O'Donnell  
 Tyler Paulsen  
 Elizabeth Peterson  
 Aydin Pouh  
 Jayden Pyke  
 Griffin Resop  
 Julian Rew  
 Gavin Riess  
 Xavier Rucinsky  
 Landon Rufer  
 Landon Schulze  
 Jacob Seager  
 Meena Singharath  
 Mackenzie Stevenson  
 Edwin Torres  
 Star Vang  
 Nahla Whitley  
 Rylan Wilhelm  
 Melody Xiong  
 Tidus Xiong  
 Sunisa Xiong  
 Kalina Yang

- SENIORS**  
**Highest Honors**  
 Darya Averkamp  
 Hailee Bauer  
 Anthony Behnke  
 Grace Cater  
 Emelia Day  
 Natalie Edwards  
 Remington Force  
 Vincent Force  
 Ava Geffers  
 Donovan Hemminghaus  
 Jack Hochstein  
 Katelynn Hughes  
 Allison Huizenga  
 Heidi Husman  
 Bree Kane  
 Natasha Konop  
 Katherine Lynn  
 Hannah McDowell  
 Taylin Mecklenburg  
 Grace Meyers  
 Erin Moore  
 Elena Mueller  
 Kathleen O'Connor
- Megan Slagter  
 Trista Starshak  
 Anika Wellens
- High Honors**  
 Caden Anderson  
 Bennett Pecore  
 Michaela Schneidewend
- Honors**  
 Reagan Jaber  
 Wade Lindahl  
 Monserrat Luquin  
 Sabur Machiros  
 Payten Miller  
 Duong Nguyen  
 Delaney Ruedinger
- JUNIORS**  
**Highest Honors**  
 Cameron Crandall  
 Adam Dinegan  
 Gabriel Ditscheit  
 Grace Meyers  
 Erin Moore  
 Elena Mueller  
 Kathleen O'Connor
- Daria Hatokova  
 Karsyn Havlik  
 Anika Leitch  
 Claire Lowe  
 Aoife Mains  
 Brett Maki  
 Ryder Mullen  
 Janek Pisarek  
 Braeden Ridenour  
 Quin Ruark  
 Isaac Rucinski  
 John Santiago  
 Lucia Schade

- ## Lourdes Academy
- Lourdes Academy has released its high school honor roll based solely on the students' first-semester grade point average. Highest honors are for a GPS of 3.75 to 4.0; high honors are 3.5 to 3.749; honors are 3.25 to 3.49.
- Allie Schaefer  
 Aubrey Schettle
- High Honors**  
 David Mueller  
 Jasmine Saiyed  
 Parker Slusarski  
 Claire Trofka  
 Mathias Yaggie
- Honors**  
 Benjamin Byczek  
 Ava Copening  
 Tristan Gomez  
 Rayne Laufer
- Kaden Okon  
 Andrew Syson
- SOPHOMORES**  
**Highest Honors**  
 Henry Achterberg  
 Maximus Behnke  
 Nomundari Bolorsukh  
 Jackson Buttke  
 Breann Emons  
 Joseph Foss  
 Lila Geffers  
 Arianna Hoefgen
- Merryn Jerger  
 Marlie Kieckhafer  
 Elizabeth Koch  
 Matthew Loker  
 Estella Marschall  
 Annie Moore  
 Tessia Mroczowski  
 Elizabeth O'Connor  
 Katelyn Potratz  
 Sasha Quandt  
 Celia Ralofsky  
 Allison Stromske  
 Abigail Thorson

- Kayla Wihlm
- High Honors**  
 Brady Bauer  
 Walker Dlugolenski  
 Cameron Kapral  
 Rachael Kowalske  
 Henry Spanbauer
- Honors**  
 Elliott Halla  
 Samuel Rehm
- FRESHMEN**  
**Highest honors**  
 David Agosto  
 Christian Baumann  
 Khloe Bunton  
 Grace Dillenber  
 Reid Dwyer  
 Sarah Hafemeister  
 Maya Hawi  
 Emma Lindahl  
 Alexis Maki  
 Izziana Mugerauer  
 Mason Piechowski  
 Abigail Ridenour
- Honors**  
 Connor Salm  
 Ian Simmons  
 Elijah Troiber  
 Asher Wellens  
 Allie Winchester
- High Honors**  
 Christina Agosto  
 Blake Busby  
 Brianna Caulfield  
 Finley Coats  
 Evelyn Heinzen  
 Annika Hitchcock  
 Maggie Kilde  
 Adhieu Liabwill  
 Ding Machiros  
 Brynn McKone  
 Jacob Salm  
 Lavontae Smith  
 Addison Wilburn
- Honors**  
 Christopher Bailey  
 Josephine Egan  
 Jasmine Hughes

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# Honor rolls

## Valley Christian School

Valley Christian School released its 2024-25 first-semester honor roll.

<p><b>SENIORS</b> <b>High honors</b></p> <p>Susannah Johns Mikaylah Osinga Jordan Gehrke Maliha Demler Zoey Hilbrand Josie Weiss Dora Zodrow Hannah Johnson Elizabeth Brechlin Nykole Van Groll Quinn Nelsen Brady Patterson Gage Hasse Madyson Clark Christopher Jepson Ethan Robson Alaina Wojtowski Loes Oosterbaan Rebekah Neuman</p> <p><b>Honors</b></p> <p>Ho-su Isom Ethan Millar Lilly King Jayden Wellhoefer Aiden Ziegler Ashlynn Sohrweide Josh Curtis Alexis James Cade Krause Hannah Schneider Joshua Johnson Halle Weyenberg Ian Kuhlow Dalton Smith Ethan Reinke</p> <p><b>JUNIORS</b> <b>High honors</b></p> <p>Carter Belville</p>	<p>Maura Willis McKenzie Murphy Maddy Weiss Anna Giannopoulos Brynn Weinaug Tessa Weinaug Micah Vander Heiden Sam Vilski Kendra Sandahl Danny Kunde Bostyn Clark Derek Wallace Lexi Maldonado Dawson Miller Bella Birr Rylan Koller Olive Long Olga Swannstrom Lizzie Fink Jonah Menet Aubryn Lehman Anna Sawicki Raven Meyer Katherine Custer Uriah Churchill Zikri Kallio Paige Boevers Irie Dorsey</p> <p><b>Honors</b></p> <p>Ben Schilder Katy Calderon Dieringer Austin Keyes Emily Lovato Hope Kramer Younhee Isom Christopher Luedtke Isaiah Hyvonen Kaleb Richardson Emma Malczewski Isaiah Hanford</p>	<p><b>SOPHOMORES</b> <b>High honors</b></p> <p>Grace Espersen Hadassah Gutierrez Kuhaupt Ben Curtis Brady Day Mason Everts Rachel Freund Eavie Heffernan Mya Moran Micah Humiston Merian Getz Noah Zodrow Brynn Martin Briana Mueller Xander Osinga Melia Patrick Tyler Andersen Maliya Engel Titus Nelsen Mackenzie Grammer Eliana Ross</p> <p><b>Honors</b></p> <p>Cole Highfill Riley Hill Kayla Mathwig Cyrus Ehrlich Kenan Ernst Adam Laabs Jeron Bjarnarson Jack O'Brien Maverick Luedtke Mady Bjarnarson Ian Kramer Mya Hasse Liam Clayton Emma Reinke Natalie Robson Abel Garcia Cuevas Kenlyn Probst Lyla Koller Lincoln Kuhlow</p>	<p><b>FRESHMEN</b> <b>High honors</b></p> <p>Kyla-Belle Dampier Silas Johnson Cyrus Omdal Joshua Sandahl Anna Vander Heiden Simon Menet Portia Weiss Pyper Burns Gabe Custer Bri Davis Eliana Demler Lydia Hardy Lyla Marchetta Julia Miller Levi Rask Wyatt Sawicki Zachary Werner Maddie Laabs Noel Long Lily Ochowicz Steven Stiansen Aiden Kralovetz Charlotte Graper Titus Weyenberg</p> <p><b>Honors</b></p> <p>Elena Calderon Dieringer Vivianna Golackson Brianna Grammer Beatrice Schmidt Payton Rabe Maddie Busch Maya Heet Noah Ekholm Phin Churchill Amy Willis Willis GracieAnn Ware Emily Spence Haley Hill Ella Urban Tyler Galow</p>
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# Ukrainian UWO student honors friend, fellow students

By Grace Lim  
UW OSHKOSH TODAY

When Vladyslav “Vlad” Plyaka, a University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh sophomore from Rivne, Ukraine, learned that a friend had been killed while serving as a drone operator in Ukraine’s military, he knew he couldn’t let his friend’s story fade into the background.

To honor his friend Kostiantyn “Kostia” Yuzviuk, 23, and shed light on the ongoing war, Plyaka, a double major in journalism and political science, spearheaded a powerful event at UW-Oshkosh, bringing together the voices of students affected by the conflict.

Ukrainian Student Stories: Three Years of Russia’s War in Ukraine, will take place from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday (today) in Reeve Memorial Union’s Ballroom.



Plyaka

Plyaka, 19, will tell the story of Kostia, who had spent much of his life fighting for Ukraine – first as a teenage activist during the 2013 Revolution of Dignity – later as a volunteer, and ultimately as a soldier defending his country from Russia’s full-scale invasion. He died on July 18, 2024, from injuries sustained while serving with the 117th Brigade of the Armed Forces of Ukraine in the Zaporizhzhia direction, Plyaka said.

The event, which is open to the public, will feature two photo exhibits—one focusing on Kostia’s life on the front lines and another titled “Unissued Diplomas,” which honors 40 Ukrainian college students who lost their lives in the war. The Tommy G. Thompson Center on Public Leadership sponsored the event, and UW-Oshkosh student interns designed the exhibits and video podcasts. It is also supported by Wisconsin Ukrainians, a nonprofit organization working to raise awareness of the war’s impact.

Attendees will also have the opportunity to watch video podcasts that tell the stories of the Ukrainian students – Kostia, Plyaka and Iryna Levada, a UW-Eau Claire student from Zaporizhzhia, Ukraine.

“This project is an incredible example of student-driven civic engagement,” said Mike Lueder, director of UW-Oshkosh’s Center for Civic and Community Engagement. “Vlad and Kostia represent the truest forms of civic and community engagement. I hope UWO students and others who see their work and their sacrifices realize they too can make a difference on campus, in the community and beyond.”

For Plyaka, the war is not just a distant political conflict—it is deeply personal. On the morning of Feb. 24, 2022, he woke up in his family home in Rivne, Ukraine, and discovered that his classes had been suspended indefinitely. Confused, he checked the news and saw that Russia had launched a full-scale invasion.

“I went downstairs and found my dad packing emergency supplies,” Plyaka recalled. “I asked him one simple question: ‘War?’ And he just said, ‘War.’ That’s when I knew everything had changed.”

In the weeks that followed, Plyaka and his family took shelter in their basement, hoping to stay safe from missile strikes.

“At first, it felt secure,” he said. “Then we realized the basement had only one entrance. If the house collapsed, we would be trapped with no way out.” They moved to the first floor, following the “rule of two

walls”—positioning themselves between two interior walls to minimize the impact of potential explosions.

One night, Plyaka made the risky decision to sleep in his own bedroom on the third floor.

“That was a mistake,” he said. “I was awake late, playing on my phone, when suddenly there was a massive explosion. The house shook. A second explosion came, even stronger. I was frozen. My hands were shaking. I realized that at any moment, the war could take everything from me.”

Plyaka came to the U.S. on a student visa in August of 2022. He hasn’t been able to go back to Ukraine since because there is no guarantee he’d be allowed to come back to the United States.

“It is so hard to be in a safe place and see how my friends and relatives and my nation are being killed by missile and drone attacks,” said Plyaka, who plans to return to Ukraine after earning his degree to work as an investigative journalist. “In 20 years I want to be able to look my children in the eye and tell them that I did everything I could to ensure that they live in a peaceful and prosperous Ukraine.”

Plyaka’s personal experiences with war make his mission to share Kostia’s story even more urgent.

“Ukraine is paying its highest price in this unjust war, and that price is human life,” he said. “There are thousands of stories that remain untold. By telling Kostia’s story, I hope to inspire more people to become civically and socially engaged.”

Talking to Kostia’s family was one of the most challenging parts of organizing the event.

“It was extremely painful,” Plyaka said. “Every time I texted Kostia’s sister and his girlfriend, I had to carefully choose every word. I didn’t want to hurt anyone’s feelings. It’s been six months since he died, and I don’t know if that’s enough time for their hearts to heal.”

Despite the emotional weight, Kostia’s family was supportive of the project.

“They were thankful and glad that I was working to keep Kostia’s memory alive,” said Plyaka, who first met Kostia at a volunteer event in Rivne. “His energy stood out immediately. One day, he was collecting money for the Army. The next day, he was evacuating animals from war zones. He was always helping others whenever he could.”

Kostia was rejected multiple times when he tried to enlist, but he persisted, eventually joining the military in 2023. He became a skilled drone operator with the call sign “Stambul,” working in some of the most dangerous conditions in the war.

“He believed in Ukraine’s sovereignty and died fighting for that cause,” Plyaka said. “Like many Ukrainian students, he made the ultimate sacrifice.”

For Iryna Levada, a first-year student at UW-Eau Claire, the war is just as deeply personal. She remembers the moment she realized how devastating it had become: when a classmate messaged her in April 2022, desperate for advice on how to console his mother after his father was killed on the front lines.

“He was only 16, the same age as me at the time,” she said.

Even from the U.S., she is constantly reminded of the war’s impact.

“I get texts from my parents about power outages, missile strikes near our home, and the sound of drones overhead,” Levada said. “At night, I have nightmares about losing them.”

## County highway worker reported seriously injured

A Winnebago County Highway Department employee was seriously injured last week when reportedly struck by a vehicle.

County Executive Jon Doemel reported the incident on social media last week, noting the highway department employee

was injured Feb. 20.

A public scanner report stated the incident happened near U.S. 45 and County T.

No other information has been released regarding this incident.



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# Spring election

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our hard work in the weeks ahead to be successful on April 1.

"I want to thank Sheriff John Matz for running and creating a competitive primary election, and congratulate County Executive Doemel for advancing to the spring general election."

Matz said he was disappointed with the results but accepted the democratic process and will continue serving the county as sheriff.

The primary election for the state superintendent of schools was also on the ballot. Incumbent Jill Underly and Brittany Kinser advanced to the general election, defeating Sauk Prairie School District Superintendent Jeff Wright.

State results matched Winnebago County numbers as Underly received 38% of the county votes compared with 34% for Kinser and Wright with 25%.

Turnout was much lower than in the November presidential election, when more than 95,000 voters cast their ballots across the county, compared with 14,669 votes cast in the primary last week.

The April 1 election will have several local contests on the ballot, including Oshkosh Common Council, Oshkosh Area School District Board of Education and a school district facilities referendum, along with state races for Wisconsin Supreme Court and school superintendent.

There are two seats up for election on the council along with the mayor's seat. Incumbents Karl Buelow, Paul Esslinger and Joe Stephenson are running for re-election against challenger Brad Spanbauer. Mayor Matt Mugerauer is running unopposed for his second term.

Three candidates are vying for two seats on the school board. Member Molly Smiltneek, appointed to the seat last year, is seeking election while incumbent Stephanie Carlin is not seeking re-election.

Smiltneek will face challengers Michael Ford and Jacob Wolf for the open seats.

Voters will also be asked their opinion on the \$197.8 million facilities referendum. If passed, the referendum will update multiple elementary schools, including adding space and air conditioning, a new auditorium at North High School, and a new middle school.

Former attorney general Brad Schimel is facing Dane County Judge Susan Crawford for the Supreme Court. Incumbent Judge Ann Walsh Bradley is not seeking re-election.

In 2023, candidates and special interest groups spent more than \$51 million on the Wisconsin Supreme Court race when Milwaukee County Judge Janet Protasiewicz defeated former justice Dan Kelly.

The Wisconsin Democracy Campaign, which tracks election spending, reported a record \$51.06 million spent on the race two years ago. Finance reports from the two campaigns show Crawford has raised more than \$7 million since last June and Schimel has raised almost \$5 million since announcing his candidacy in late 2023.

# Gender policies

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shortly after the Department of Education announced the regulations. The OASD Board of Education had extensive discussions on the topic with most supporting the update.

Board members Kelly DeWitt and Tim Hess questioned whether the district should approve a policy that was being challenged at the federal court level.

The district receives around \$5.5 million in federal funding and there was concern it could lose that money, which supports the food services program and special education.

The board approved the updated Title IX regulations in September and now five months later approved deleting them from school policy to comply with the latest federal guidelines. The district separately updated a policy that states the board does not discriminate based on gender identity.

Superintendent Bryan Davis said during discussions last year and in January that when policy changes at the federal level the district desires to stay updated with federal policy.

Discussions were heated at times, with board member Stephanie Carlin calling Moms for Liberty a terrorist organization. The national group advocates against school curriculums that mention LGBTQ rights, race and ethnicity, critical race theory and discrimination.

Over the summer, the school board discussed Title IX at multiple meetings with an abundance of public comment. The district also brought in an attorney to explain the situation to the board and community.

Board member Barb Herzog said even



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Board member Molly Smiltneek discusses her opposition to removing the Title IX 2024 regulations from board policy, saying it could harm students.

though the Title IX policy has rolled back to the 2020 rules, the district has anti-bullying policies in place to protect students and staff.

"It's important to remember that we also have anti-bullying policies and regardless of what group a student or a staff member may belong to, we need to respect the rights of everyone," Herzog said.

Federal Judge Danny Reeves ruled in the case that the Department of Education under the Biden administration exceeded its statutory authority and violated the Constitution.

The court decision aligns with the Trump administration, which earlier this month signed an executive order banning transgender women from competing in women's sports.

"In recent years, many educational insti-

tutions and athletic associations have allowed men to compete in women's sports. This is demeaning, unfair, and dangerous to women and girls, and denies women and girls the equal opportunity to participate and excel in competitive sports," the executive order states in part.

"Therefore, it is the policy of the United States to rescind all funds from educational programs that deprive women and girls of fair athletic opportunities, which results in the endangerment, humiliation, and silencing of women and girls and deprives them of privacy. It shall also be the policy of the United States to oppose male competitive participation in women's sports more broadly, as a matter of safety, fairness, dignity, and truth."

On the first day of the new administration, an executive order signed by Trump stated there are only two genders and attacked gender identity as having no connection with biology.

"'Gender identity' reflects a fully internal and subjective sense of self, disconnected from biological reality and sex and existing on an infinite continuum, that does not provide a meaningful basis for identification and cannot be recognized as a replacement for sex," the order states.

Board member Molly Smiltneek opposed reversing the Title IX policy and advocated for students and staff who may feel unwelcome.

"We know now that the current administration at the federal level will not protect trans students with these rules," she said. "I cannot be complicit in the adoption, implementation or enforcement of unjust rules, policies or law. I cannot take action that makes kids feel less safe in school."

The policy updates were approved 6-1 with Smiltneek being the lone opposing vote.

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Photo from Oshkosh Arena

The CoComelon: Sing-A-Long Live tour visits the Oshkosh Arena on April 30.

## CoComelon children's show to visit arena

CoComelon: Sing-A-Long Live starts its North American tour this spring with an April 30 stop in Oshkosh at the Oshkosh Arena.

The new production from Round Room Live and Moonbug Entertainment features the characters of CoComelon and brings JJ, Cody, Nina and friends to life for families of all ages.

Tickets are now on sale and can be found at oshkosharena.com.

"Singing and dancing along to CoComelon tunes is a huge part of why families

love to watch CoComelon together," said Susan Vargo, head of experiences for Moonbug Entertainment. "After its success around the world, we're delighted to share this experience with families in the U.S. and Canada."

CoComelon follows JJ, his siblings and friends on adventures that teach life skills through music. Created with child development experts, the show has been presented to audiences in more than 80 countries with more than 4 billion monthly views on platforms like Netflix and YouTube.

## Anti-bullying scarf project engages fifth-graders

The Anti Bullying Campaign (ABC) is again yarning up for the 2025-2026 school year, encouraging knitters and crocheters to create scarves for fifth-graders in the Oshkosh Area School District and surrounding area.

As fifth-graders are often the oldest in elementary schools, they are asked to

wear these scarves as symbols of kindness and cooperation. Red Heart yarn in 5-ounce skeins with pattern by their makers can be dropped off at First Congregational Church on Algoma Boulevard.

The scarves are delivered to participating schools in the fall. Contact kathychap@gmail.com for more information.

## Regional high school music competition set

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Students from area schools will participate in a Wisconsin School Music Association (WSMA) sanctioned District Solo & Ensemble Music Festival on Saturday at Oshkosh North High School.

During the daylong festival, which is open to the public, students will perform

vocal and instrumental solos, duets, trios and small ensembles before an adjudicator.

The festival will draw students from area schools, including Oshkosh, Fond du Lac, Menasha and Neenah. Bridget Duffy-Ulrich, Oshkosh North music director, will be the festival manager.

## Calendar of events

### Wednesday, Feb. 26

Sister's Easter Catechism, 7 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh

### Friday, Feb. 28

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

Listen to Her Heart: The Tom Petty Experience, 7 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh

UWO Student Produced One Acts, 7:30 p.m., Theatre Arts Center, Experimental Theatre

Wisconsin Herd vs. Raptors 905, 7 p.m., Oshkosh Arena

### Saturday, March 1

Gibson Social Club Bags Tournament, noon, 537 N. Main St.

Oshkosh Gallery Walk, 6 p.m., downtown galleries and businesses

Fasching celebration, 5 p.m., Poplar Creek Barn, 4541 County K

Boots vs. Badges Basketball Game, 2 p.m., Oshkosh Arena

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

Wisconsin Herd vs. Raptors 905, 7 p.m., Oshkosh Arena

UWO Student Produced One Acts, 7:30 p.m., Theatre Arts Center, Experimental Theatre

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

### Sunday, March 2

St. David's Day Hymn Sing, 2:30 p.m., St. Paul's UCC, 1250 Leonard Point Road

### Wednesday, March 5

Aesop Bops, 12:30 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh

### Thursday, March 6

Jazzmeia Horn, 6 and 8 p.m., The Howard

History Buffs Book Club, 6:30 p.m., Morgan House, 234 Church Ave.

### Friday, March 7

Veterans Prohibition Ball with comedian James B. Connolly, 6 p.m., Venue 404

Rhythm of the Dance, 7 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh

Morgan House evening tours, 6 p.m.,

Morgan House, 234 Church Ave.

### Saturday, March 8

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

Fox Cities Roller Derby, 5 and 7 p.m., Oshkosh Arena

Mom Prom, 7 p.m., Gibson Social Club, 537 N. Main St.

Puzzle Fundraiser for Love the Mess, 4 p.m., Hooper Community Center, 36 Broad St.

"Ferris Bueller's Day Off," 7 p.m., Time Community Theater, 445 N. Main St.

### Thursday, March 13

Author G. Anthony, 5:30 p.m., Carmel Crisp Bookstore, 200 City Center

### Friday, March 14

Wisconsin HER Day, 11 a.m., Oshkosh Arena

Lourdes Academy's "Seussical the Musical," 7 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh

Wisconsin Herd vs. Cleveland Charge, 7 p.m., Oshkosh Arena

### Saturday, March 15

Weaving a Legacy: Ho-Chunk Black Ash Basketry exhibit opening, Paine Art Center (through June 29)

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

AmazSpring Shopping & Craft Show, 9 a.m., Sunnyview Expo Center

Oshkosh Symphony Orchestra, 7 p.m., UW Oshkosh Arts & Communication Building

Lourdes Academy's "Seussical the Musical," 7 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh

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

### Sunday, March 16

Valley Fox, 12:34 p.m. (potluck at 11:30 a.m.), Algoma Boulevard United Methodist Church, 1174 Algoma Blvd.

Lourdes Academy's "Seussical the Musical," 2 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh

### Tuesday, March 18

Wisconsin Herd vs. Long Island Nets, 6 p.m., Oshkosh Arena

### Thursday, March 19

Oshkosh Chamber Business Expo, 11 a.m., Oshkosh Convention Center

Open Creative Flow workshop series, 10 a.m., Jambalaya Arts, 413 N. Main St.

### Friday, March 20

Wisconsin Herd vs. Long Island Nets, 6 p.m., Oshkosh Arena

EAA Speaker Series: The C-130 in Combat, 7 p.m., EAA Aviation Museum

### Saturday, March 22

Journey Together Service Dog Bowling Fundraiser, 1 p.m., Revs Bowl Bar & Grill, 275 N. Washburn St.



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# North/Lourdes repeats third-place finish at state meet

By Steve Clark  
OSHKOSH HERALD

River Reeves is getting used to bringing home hardware from the WIAA Division 1 State Swimming and Diving Championships.

The Oshkosh North/Lourdes Academy diver placed in the top eight for the third straight year and took third for the second time in a row at the state meet Saturday at the Waukesha South Natatorium.

"It's pretty exciting to get back on the podium, especially with all of the guys I

have been diving with through the years," Reeves said Sunday. "Even if I'm not moving up necessarily, it's still fun to go up on the podium with all of my friends."

Reeves, who was seeded second entering the state meet, finished with a total of 426.70 points on his dives. He was one of only three divers to top 400 points and finished more than 60 points ahead of the fourth-place finisher.

Defending state champion Brady Huettl of Waukesha South/Catholic Memorial, a senior, won the state title with a score

of 502.45, while Madison Memorial's AJ Beard took second with 494.65.

"It definitely wasn't my best day. I feel like I could have done a lot better," said Reeves, who totaled 427.50 at last year's state meet. "I had some big dives this year. I had the hardest level of difficulty of dives this year and I think I could have performed them a lot better."

Reeves was in third place only six points behind Huettl after the round of preliminary dives but a rough semifinal round left him trailing the two leaders by about 50 points.

"They had some higher difficult dives there and I had some lighter dives," Reeves said. "The two difficult dives I had, I kind of biffed and went a little bit short on so I didn't get as many points as I usually do."

The second straight third-place finish already has Reeves looking forward to next season and a potential fourth trip to the state meet.

One of the ways he plans to prepare for his senior season is to spend some of the summer working with Beard, who is a sophomore.

"It's going to be fun because I think we have a lot to learn from each other," Reeves said. "He has some smaller dives that he has some really good form on and I have some bigger dives that I can work my form on."

Perfecting his form and technique is the best way to possibly add to his point total next season as he can't increase the difficulty of his dive lineup much.

"Technically, I could add a little more difficulty to my dives and I probably am going to add a front 3.5 (flips) next year," Reeves said. "But for my voluntary dives, I'm pretty capped so I can't add much more so I'm going to try to just refine my dives so they look really good."

Reeves was the only Oshkosh competitor at the state meet this year.

Middleton won the team title with 273 points, topping second-place Verona by 98 points for the title. Neenah was the top Fox Valley Association finisher, placing ninth with 113 points.

Reeves scored 16 points by placing third in diving so North/Lourdes finished in a tie for 29th place.

## Prep sports roundup

### BOYS BASKETBALL

#### Mitchell moves into top 5 on all-time scoring list

Xzavion Mitchell poured in 40 points in an 85-80 win over Fond du Lac last Thursday to move into the top five on state's all-time prep scoring list.

Mitchell entered the game tied with Sam Dekker for fifth place all-time but moved into sole possession of the spot with his first points of the game. The Iowa State commit now has 2,633 points in his career and trails former Gale-Ettrick-Trempeleau standout Cody Schmitz by 21 points for fourth place.

Mitchell was 12-of-14 from the free-throw line and added 12 rebounds in the win.

Jackson Anderson finished with 13 points and seven assists for the Spartans, who knocked the Cardinals out of a tie for first place in the Fox Valley Association with the win. Bryce Ott added nine points and eight rebounds.

Earlier in the week, North knocked off Hortonville, 78-61, behind 31 points and nine rebounds from Mitchell. Ott added a season-high 18 points and nine boards, while Stefan Stolicjovic added 10 points.

#### Ware's double-double boosts Wildcats to win

Joey Ware finished with 20 points and 11 rebounds to help boost Oshkosh West to a 55-54 win over Appleton East last

Tuesday night.

Noah Gelhar added 12 points and eight rebounds in the win.

The Wildcats lost a heartbreaker to Neenah on Friday, 45-42, after leading the Rockets by seven points at halftime.

Once again it was the duo of Ware and Gelhar leading the way with 11 and 10 points, respectively. Gelhar also finished with a team-high eight rebounds.

Malakai Herlihy chipped in six points in the game for West.

#### Knights gain road win against Hustisford

Braden Studinski scored 21 points to pace Lourdes Academy in a 51-45 win over Hustisford in a Trailways East contest Friday night.

Jackson Buttke added 13 points and Harlan Kuehn chipped in seven points for the Knights.

Earlier in the week, the Knights fell to Winneconne, 89-49. Individual statistics were not available.

#### Warriors drop pair of games to Crusaders

Valley Christian went 0-2 against Central Wisconsin Christian last week, losing 61-56 at home on Tuesday and 64-34 on Friday in Waupun.

The Warriors trailed just 28-21 at half-time Friday, but were held to just 13 points

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# Knights stymie Oaks to claim Trailways East title

By Steve Clark  
OSHKOSH HERALD

Lourdes Academy girls basketball coach Ali Starr is generous with just about everything she has in her life.

Just don't ask her to give up a part of a conference basketball championship.

"I joke with the girls that I will share anything with anyone but I don't want to share a conference championship with anyone," Starr said. "So I told them, let's go win this thing outright."

That's exactly what the Knights did.

Despite missing standout Delaney Ruedinger because of an illness, the Knights hit nine 3-pointers and controlled the game almost from the outset in a 59-50 win over Oakfield last Thursday night to claim their third straight Trailways East title and 11th conference crown in the past 15 seasons.

"I wouldn't trade this for the world," said senior Hailee Bauer, who led the Knights with 16 points. "Delaney not being here tonight, I knew we would come together as a team and pull it off. I knew I personally had to step up and I expected my teammates to step up, too, and they performed really well."

Starr said she wasn't surprised that the Knights were able to beat the Oaks – who were second in the Trailways East – without Ruedinger.

Not that Ruedinger hasn't been a vital piece of the team's success but she believes her senior's leadership is felt whether she is on the court or not.

"She may not be here physically, but her heart print on this program is undeniable. She's left a legacy in each one of these kids," Starr said. "Of course we want her on the floor, but there was no energy lost with her not here. That's exactly what she would have expected and that's what we rolled with and that's powerful."

After Oakfield scored the first points of the game, the Knights' responded with an Allie Huizenga three-point play and a pair of baskets by Bauer.

The Oaks then pulled within 7-5 but Lourdes Academy followed with a 17-5 run to seize control of the game.

Aubrey Schettle drained a 3-pointer to start the surge – the first of five she hit in the game – as the Knights were dialed in from behind the arc hitting nine treys in the game.

"It's electric when the first one goes in," said Schettle, who finished with 15 points. "As soon as I shot it, I felt the good feeling a shooter feels when they shoot it. All night it was like that. I felt in rhythm and I was confident."

Schettle said that she definitely felt a lit-



Photo by Andy Ratchman

The Lourdes Academy girls basketball team celebrates winning the Trailways East title following its win over Oakfield last Thursday at The Castle.

tle more pressure with Ruedinger not able to play.

"I knew I had to step up tonight and play a bigger role and be prepared for them coming out to beat us," Schettle said. "To have a starter gone for such a big game and knowing that Delaney is such a big part of our team, for most of the day I was pretty nervous."

Starr also got an indication of what was about to unfold following Schettle's first 3-pointer.

"When she hit that first one, I saw her crack a little smile and I thought OK, she's having fun and it's going to be a good night," Starr said. "She's one of the most poised kids I've ever coached. Whether she makes or misses, she's locked in on the next possession on the next shot."

Schettle added two more 3-pointers as the Knights extended the lead to 31-14 and then hit a fourth with four seconds left in the half to give Lourdes Academy a

35-24 lead at intermission.

The Knights maintained their 10-point cushion for nearly the entire second half but the Oaks got within nine points with 1:09 left to play.

That would be the final points of the game, though, as Lourdes Academy ran out the remaining time.

"This was a great game going to regionals next week," said Bauer, who finished with a team-high seven assists. "This is what we needed as a confidence boost. Oakfield is a great team and coming out and getting the win is huge for us."

Huizenga finished with eight points in the game, while Adhieu Liabwill came off the bench to score seven points. Sabur Machiros and Hannah McDowell each chipped in five points.

Five different players hit 3-pointers in the game with Schettle making five and Bauer, Huizenga, McDowell and Ellie Koch each tallying one.

Machiros and Schettle each finished with five rebounds to lead the Knights.

The Knights were slated to open WIAA Division 5 tournament play at home on Tuesday against Hilbert. Lourdes Academy will host both the regional semifinal on Friday and the regional final on Saturday if the Knights continue to win.



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Aubrey Schettle hit five 3-pointers and finished with 15 points for Lourdes Academy last Thursday.



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# Oshkosh North can't hold off Fond du Lac in FVA loss

By Joe Matzek  
HERALD CORRESPONDENT

A slow start was too much for the Oshkosh North girls' basketball team to overcome in its Senior Night game against Fond du Lac.

The Spartans fell behind by 13 points early in the game and by 20 points early in the second half before mounting a comeback that fell short in a 61-50 loss to the Cardinals at North High School on Thursday night.

Fond du Lac burst out to a 19-6 lead behind seven points from Amaria Kejo, a strong 6-foot senior forward who was hard to stop on the low block.

"She's a tough one to handle," North coach Rick Leib said of Kejo. "She's physical and you can't really rattle her. She keeps her composure. If you help (on defense) too much, it leaves the shooters open."

Although North cut the deficit to 29-24 late in the first half, the Cardinals scored the next nine points to go up 38-24 at half-time.

The Spartans were plagued with 13 turnovers in the first half against the Cardinals' half-court trap and press.

"We've been talking about getting paint touches and getting to the hoop and things like that (but) the pressure bothered us today," Leib said. "We've talked to the girls about playing with a little more purpose and urgency off the ball."

Led by Kejo, Fond du Lac took command near the basket by making 15-of-21 two-point attempts in the opening half.

The second half started the same way, with Fond du Lac expanding its lead to

49-29 as the Spartans looked for a combination to play as a unit.

"I think when you face adversity, you've either got to come together or you go your separate ways, and there were times tonight when we went our separate ways," Leib said.

North (5-19 overall, 3-15 FVA) finally found a lineup that worked as it went on a 20-8 run to cut the Cardinals' lead to 57-49 with three minutes remaining. Seniors Hailee Valdez and Morgan Kolodzick, and sophomores Awut Alic, Navi Lao-Facundo and Promise Shehi, sparked the comeback with aggressive defense and a sense of direction on offense.

"I was proud of the girls. We found some grit," Leib said. "The other nice thing is that I wasn't calling out the play sets. It was nice to see them just controlling the court."

Alic, who scored nine of her game-high 23 points during the run, fouled out just seconds later, and the Spartans couldn't get any closer despite the Cardinals making just 8-of-19 free throws on the night. Alic was the only North player who scored in double figures.

Amaria Kejo led Fond du Lac (8-16, 6-12) with 15 points and eight rebounds. Lilah Johnson followed with 12 points and Lilly Kejo added 10 points for the Cardinals.

North finished with 19 turnovers to Fond du Lac's eight.

The Spartans lost their ninth straight game after defeating Fond du Lac and Appleton West in back-to-back games in mid-January.



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Oshkosh North's Naviana Lao Facundo battles for a rebound against Fond du Lac last Thursday.



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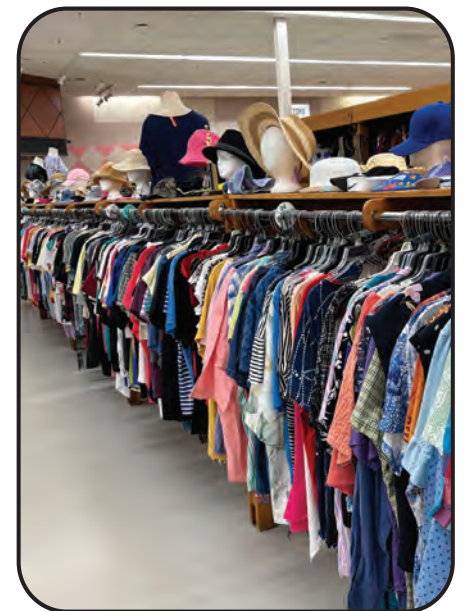
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# Senior trio headed to state meet for Wildcats

By Steve Clark  
OSHKOSH HERALD

Oshkosh West will be represented by a trio of seniors when the WIAA State Wrestling Tournament opens up Thursday at the Kohl Center in Madison.

Ryland Schneider became just the second four-time state qualifier in school history by placing second at 175 pounds at the Division 1 Menasha Sectional on Saturday and will be joined by two-time state qualifier Eddy Schroeder and first-time qualifier Nelson Fournier in Madison.



Schneider

"It's awesome to see those guys get through," Oshkosh West head coach Matt Cuadra said. "They put in so much work over the past four years."

Fournier was the only one of the three to win a sectional title, topping Noah Klug of

Merrill, 6-0, in the 215-pound title match.

Fournier had reached sectionals the previous two seasons and finished fourth last year, but had yet to earn a trip to Madison before Saturday.

"It felt amazing to hear that whistle blow and know I was going," Fournier said. "Been working at it the past couple of years but just fell short. Definitely great to make it."

Fournier pinned Elmer Heard of Wausau East in his first match of the day and then won a hard-fought 7-5 decision over Hortonville's Austin McHugh in the semifinals.

Fournier registered two takedowns against McHugh to take a 6-2 lead after two periods, but McHugh closed the gap to one point with about 30 seconds left in the match. Fournier got a point for an escape with 17 seconds left and then fended off McHugh to close out the win.

"Nelson had a tough week last week but bounced back," Cuadra said. "We were really focused on the Hortonville kid to make sure we got past him and we didn't look too much at what was next."

In the title match, neither Fournier or Klug mounted much offense for the first minute of the match, but Fournier struck with about 40 seconds left in the period to take the lead. He added another takedown in the second period to go up 6-0.

"Getting that first takedown is definitely a momentum boost," Fournier said. "It feels like, this is my match now when you get that first one instead of going down."

Fournier's second takedown came about 30 seconds into the period and the



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Above: Nelson Fournier tries to turn Merrill's Noah Klug after taking him down in the 215-pound championship at the WIAA Division 1 sectional at Menasha High School on Saturday.

At right: Eddy Schroeder works for control over Wisconsin Rapids' Carter Freeman in the 138-pound championship match Saturday.

West wrestler was able to ride Klug out the rest of the stanza.

So, when it was Fournier's choice to start the third, he took the option to be in the top position and rode Klug the entire period.

"Recently, I've felt good riding but also didn't want to get thrown. That kid had good upper body (strength)," Fournier said. "Might as well ride him and if he gets out then we are back on our feet anyway."

Cuadra admitted it was an unusual approach but was confident Fournier could make it work.

"Very rare are we going to go on top in the scenario," Cuadra said. "Nelson was just controlling it in the second period and the other kid showed some stuff where he could throw us to our back and when we're tired we are susceptible to that. So just taking control in that third period was awesome."

Both Schroeder and Schneider finished second, with both avoiding wrestlebacks in earning their trips to Madison.

Schroeder pinned Ethan Drury of Hortonville in 3:38 in the first round at 138 pounds and then edged D.C. Everest's Josiah Beltran, 5-2, in the semifinals. He lost to Carter Freeman of Wisconsin Rapids, 9-2 in the title match.



Schroeder, who finished third at the state meet last year, is excited about getting another shot in Madison.

"It feels good. Celebrate tonight and then get back to work. I have some work left to do. Just give it everything next week," Schroeder said. "I think (going to state last year) helps tremendously. I think now knowing what it's like down there is going to help this time. It's not going to be something new."

Going to state is nothing new for Schneider either, who joins Alec Hunter as the only four-time state qualifiers in school history.

Schneider needed just 35 seconds to pin Stevens Point's Kyle Madlena in his first match of the day before earning a 7-1 decision over D.C. Everest's Blake Bangston in the semifinals.

In the finals, he faced a nemesis in Kaukauna's Liam Crook. Crook has dealt Schneider four of his five losses this season and beat him 10-3 in the title match.

"He's tough," Schneider said of Crook. "Today, I just wanted to focus on what I can control, have fun and score some points. It feels great to go back to state. I've worked hard for this so it feels good."

Now all three wrestlers have their sights set on bringing back some hardware from Madison.

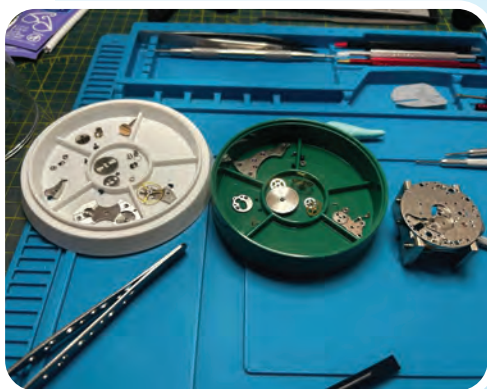
"I'm going there with the goal to win it and I think the other guys are, too," Schroeder said. "I think we are all capable of it and I think it's going to be a fun time."

Schneider, who finished fifth a year ago, has improved each year at the state meet and is hoping to climb to the top of the podium in his final trip to state.

"It's always been my goal. Every season I get close to it so I hope I can cap off my senior year with that," Schneider said. "Just get my mental right. Mentality is a big thing for me and if I believe I can win, most of the time I do."

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# Varsity veteran Gelhar does it all for Wildcats



Photo by Jim Koepnick

Oshkosh West senior Noah Gelhar has showcased his all-around skills for the Wildcats this season, leading the team in scoring, assists and steals, while sharing the team lead in rebounds.

By Tim Froberg  
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

Hamburgers and sandwiches are occasionally named after athletes.

If the Noah Gelhar Burger ever became a reality, chances are it would not be skimpy.

It would come with everything.

A mix of multiple contributions is what Gelhar provides on the basketball court. Just ask West coach Dan Weisse.

“Noah does a bit of everything for us,” said Weisse. “We ask a lot from him on both ends of the floor. He does a lot for us off the court as well.”

Gelhar agrees with his coaches’ assessment. He’s no one-trick pony. Instead, Gelhar is a multidimensional Swiss Army knife type of player. Twenty-one games into the 2024-25 season, Gelhar was tied for the West team lead in scoring (10.4 points per game) and rebounding (5.2 per game). He was the team leader in assists (2.9 per game) and steals (17) and second in blocked shots (five). He had also drained seven 3-pointers.

“I’m a little bit of everything,” said Gelhar when asked to describe his game.

Gelhar is a tweener. He has the height (6 foot 4) to score inside the paint, clean the glass and defend inside the lane. But he also has guard skills. He is a solid mid-range shooter and a fine passer and facilitator. Gelhar’s team-high 60 assists are 20 more than the second-best West total.

“I went into the season knowing I had to be a lot more aggressive,” Gelhar said. “I’ve played at this level for three years and it was time for me to step it up. Expectations aren’t as high when you’re a sophomore or junior. As a senior, you need to

## Senior Spotlight

give double-digit scoring nights and be a leader. I see myself as someone who the young guys can come to with any questions.”

Gelhar has put together a breakout senior year. He has doubled his scoring average from his junior season when he started 22 of 27 contests and averaged 5.2 points, 4.5 rebounds and 1.8 assists. A third-year varsity player, Gelhar started 18 games of 27 games as a sophomore and averaged 5.1 points, 2.9 rebounds and 0.9 assists.

“As a coach, one of the best things about high school and college athletics is to see the growth of your student-athletes,” Weisse said. “It’s fun to see kids like Noah mature physically and mentally and become leaders for their group.”

“He’s been an excellent leader and a great example for our youth kids coming up. You won’t meet a nicer young man. Sometimes I think he’s too nice on the floor. But he’s the genuine article and will be doing great things in whatever he decides to do. He has a bright future.”

A soccer ball has also been part of Gelhar’s athletic career at West. He lettered in the fall sport his first three years before deciding to focus on basketball.

“I wasn’t a varsity-level player in soccer like I am in basketball,” said Gelhar. “Soccer is really not my thing. I just did it for fun and to stay in shape for basketball. It really helped improve my footwork and stamina. Soccer gets you into really good shape.”

Gelhar has been playing basketball since

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## Wrestling

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No matter how they finish, at least the three seniors will be capping their careers together.

“Been wrestling them for a lot of years now so it’s great to have all of those friends going there,” Fournier said.

Added Schroeder: “It’s awesome. Not many teams experience that. We have been wrestling together since we were young and it’s always been fun. This last year, we are going to make it count.”

The group nearly had a fourth senior join the state-bound group but Jaiden Fronczak came up just short, taking third at 165 pounds.

Fronczak bounced back from a semifinal loss to beat Gavin Madson of D.C. Everest, 11-6, in the third-place match to get a wrestleback for a state berth. But he came up short against Kolin DeGroot of Kaukauna, 15-2, and had to settle for third.

“He wrestled a great kid,” Cuadra said.

“We knew it was going to come down to those two right there and he fought his butt off the whole time. It just turned out on our side.”

Preston Schneider also picked up a third place, finishing 2-1 with a pin at 126 pounds. Schneider edged Kaukauna’s Hunter Taff, 3-1, in the third-place match but did not get a wrestleback for second place.

Xavier Vang (113), Yylah Yang (120), Jaxen Lloyd (144) and Zach Bartels (190) each lost in the first round for West.

Oshkosh North had three sectional qualifiers in Alex Barerra (106), Rijko Urban (113) and Dominic Wywicki (144), but each lost in the first round of the tournament.

On Friday, Menasha hosted the girls sectional meet with three Oshkosh wrestlers competing.

West’s Lauren Klinger (107) and Kait Lundt (185) were each pinned in their quarterfinal matches, while North’s Maddy Ketola was taken down late in third period and lost a 14-11 decision to Two Rivers’ Sophia Soukup at 132 pounds.

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# Prep roundup

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in the second half as the Crusaders were able to pull away.

Mathias Behling finished with 13 points to lead the way for the Warriors, while Derek Wallace finished with seven points.

Individual statistics were not available for Tuesday's game.

## GIRLS BASKETBALL

### Oshkosh West can't rally past Neenah

The Wildcats outscored the Rockets in the second half but couldn't overcome an eight-point deficit at intermission and fell to Neenah, 72-65, in the regular-season finale Thursday.

Maddie Rasmussen posted a double-double with 15 points and 10 rebounds to lead the Wildcats.

Kamryn Stauffacher added 11 points and Kinslee Nelson finished with 10 for West, which finished just 3-of-17 from 3-point range, while Neenah was 9-of-27 from behind the arc.

It was the fifth straight loss for the Wildcats, who will open WIAA Tournament play at Appleton East on Friday in a Division 1 regional semifinal.

### Spartans unable to keep pace with Papermakers

Oshkosh North fell behind by 14 points at halftime and couldn't recover in a 67-43 loss to Kimberly in a Fox Valley Association game last week.

Brinna Paulson hit three 3-pointers and finished with 15 points to lead the Spartans, while Awit Alic added 11 points and six rebounds

Naviana Lao-Facundo finished with seven points and five rebounds for Oshkosh North.

### Knights fall to state-ranked Wolves

Lourdes Academy was held to just 15 points in the first half and dropped a 67-37 nonconference contest to Winneconne last week.

The Wolves are ranked 10<sup>th</sup> in Division 3.

Sabur Machiros finished with eight points and Delaney Ruedinger finished with six points in the game.

Lourdes Academy finished just 2-of-16 from the 3-point line in the game.

### Warriors can't hold off Sheboygan Christian

The Warriors led by 10 points at half-time but the Eagles rallied in the second half to hand Valley Christian a 66-63 loss last Thursday.

Mya Moran poured in 27 points to lead the way for Valley Christian, which had three players in double figures.

Lizzie Fink added 15 points and six steals for the Warriors, while Paige Boevers tallied 13 points, 15 rebounds and seven assists in the game.

## GYMNASTICS

### Oshkosh extends reign in Eastern Valley

The Oshkosh co-op gymnastics team posted a team score of 135.025 to win its third straight Eastern Valley Conference title at the conference meet in Kaukauna on Saturday.

Neva Schlies had an impressive showing to lead the way for Oshkosh. Schlies finished first on the uneven bars (8.95) and balance beam (9.15), while tying for first



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The Oshkosh co-op gymnastics team captured both the varsity and junior varsity team titles at the Eastern Valley Conference meet in Kaukauna on Saturday.

place on the floor exercises (9.25). She also tied for fourth on the vault.

Schlies captured the all-around title with a score of 35.45, to finish nearly a full point ahead of teammate Lydia Barr.

Barr's best finish was second on the uneven bars, placed third on the balance beam and floor exercises, and tied for fourth on the vault.

With Schlies and Barr taking first and second on the bars, Oshkosh turned in the top four scores on that apparatus with Mia Drexler taking third and Kendall Irwin finishing fourth.

The Oshkosh junior varsity team also won the conference title.

Earlier in the week, Oshkosh had a record-setting performance in a dual meet win over Kaukauna.

The team set a school record on the balance beam with a mark of 35.35, to top the previous high that was set in 2010. Drexler, Ahna Schlies, Ja'nyah Ford, Barr and Neva Schlies competed in the event. Neva

Schlies and Barr finished 1-2 on the beam, with Ahna Schlies finishing third.

Neva Schlies and Barr also finished first and second, respectively, on the other apparatus and the all-around to lead Oshkosh. Drexler added a third place on the uneven bars to give Oshkosh a sweep of the top three scores in that event.

Oshkosh finished the dual meet with a team score of 136.375.

## BOYS HOCKEY

### Ice Hawks ousted from WIAA tournament

The Oshkosh Ice Hawks fell to defending WIAA Division 1 state champion Green Bay Notre Dame, 10-0, in the first round of the WIAA Tournament last week.

The Ice Hawks totaled just five shots on goal in the game.

Gage Bauer finished with a whopping 48 saves in the game for Oshkosh.

## Senior Spotlight

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elementary school. His parents, Matthew and Tiffany, played high school hoops at Lourdes Academy, while his uncle, Jacob Mosling, was a starting point guard for Brad Clark on Oshkosh West teams from 2007-2009.

"I'm really grateful for my family and what they've been willing to do for me," said Gelhar. "My dad was a spot-up shooter kind of guy, a lefty shooter. My uncle Jacob (Mosling) was a big inspiration for me and another one of my uncles, James Mosling, really helped me improve."

"I remember the summer of my freshman year when he (James Mosling) would pick me up each morning at 5:30. We would go to the Y and work out and get shots up and then go to my grandma's for breakfast before school. That became a routine."

Gelhar has plenty of family ties within the West basketball program, His younger brother, Eli, is a member of the Wildcats' jayvee squad long with Gelhar's cousin, Carter Kufel. Gelhar has another cousin, Brayden Kufel, who is a valuable member of the West varsity team.

"All of us have played a lot of basket-

ball against one another and that's really helped me improve," Gelhar said. "My brother and cousins and I played a lot at my grandma's house or wherever we could find a hoop."

Gelhar, a solid student with a 3.3 grade-point-average, will attend the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee in the fall where he will major in business-marketing and minor in psychology. He doesn't plan to play college basketball but hasn't ruled out the game completely.

"It's just a different level," he said. "I don't think I'll continue playing basketball, but if there's a walk-on opportunity, well, you never know. I love the game and I'd be willing to be a staff guy who helps out with the program. My uncle Jacob went to school there and did some stuff with the program as a scout type of guy who helped out with practices. He's the reason I was interested in going to school there."

Until then, Gelhar is just looking for a strong finish to a solid prep basketball career.

"Growing up, I was not one of the better players at all," he said. "It took a while to find my groove and figure out what type of player I wanted to be. I'm really going to miss it. I'm just trying to play my game and enjoy the games I have left."

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# Obituaries

## Dr. James Basiliere

On February 22, 2025, Captain James Basiliere, M.D. passed away after a courageous battle with



pancreatic cancer. Dr. James Basiliere was born in Oshkosh, WI, on September 8, 1934, to Loren and Marceda Basiliere. He attended Oshkosh High School where he is

remembered as being a gifted athlete. He played as a quarterback for the Oshkosh Comets and was also a catcher for the Oshkosh Giants, both semi-pro teams. He joined the United States Navy and was stationed in Jacksonville, FL. In the Navy, he served as a Corpsman and found a passion for medicine. During his enlistment, he played for the Naval Flyers Baseball Team, an honor, where some very Big League players were a part of this elite Navel team. In Jacksonville, he met his future southern-bell wife, Jessie Ann Branch.

After fulfilling his term of enlistment, James returned to Oshkosh to attend college at the U.W.O. He was on track of achieving his dream of becoming a doctor. Thereafter, James continued his education at the University of Wisconsin Madison Medical School, and he was forever a lifelong dedicated fan of the Wisconsin Badgers. He was lucky enough to watch and support them throughout his life and attend several Rose Bowl games. He was always dressed in red and white Bucky Badgers clothing on gameday. He often treated his family, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren to an exciting Badger football game.

After graduating from medical school, returning to the Navy, he moved to San Diego, California, to complete his residency and internship in Internal Med-

icine at the Naval Hospital. He also became board certified in hematology. James had fond memories of his three little girls coming to the hospital for Easter dinner dressed up in their beautiful dresses. Thereafter, James was stationed in Hawaii at the hospital where he treated wounded warriors and military enlisted. He got to spend his free time, -the little there was, at the beach surfing and sword fishing. After Hawaii, the family was relocated back to San Diego then to Great Lakes in Waukegan, IL. Thereafter, he was promoted to Commander and decided to stay in the Naval Reserves and bring his family back to his hometown of Oshkosh. There he became an Internal Medicine Physician treating many patients earning the nick-name of "Bring em back Baz" He was an expert physician, well respected by his peers and served as Chief of Staff at Aurora, Mercy Medical Center, and the Great Lakes Naval Hospital.

Basiliere continued his passion for sailing with E-scows and then his A boat (A Scow) and was quite proud when he won the cherished Felker Cup. He loved hunting and fishing with his friends, sons, and grandsons. One of his favorite trips was in Canada with his sons and older grandchildren. He had numerous hunting buddies and knew how to enjoy himself on the good "Up north" fishing trips where his friends would not let him shop for groceries because (he was always health conscious) he purchased turkey bacon.

James served his community as a doctor for over 40 years, including dedicating time to North High School as the Spartans football team doctor. He was a huge advocate for the sick and their need for healthcare. When managed healthcare came to Oshkosh, James became a doctor for Aurora. He also worked for the State of Wisconsin, treating patients at Winnebago Mental Health. He served on many Committees to cure Cancer

and won numerous achievement awards throughout his career. He was also published in professional Journal. Eventually, he retired as a Captain in the US Navy. After retirement from Aurora he volunteered his time as a physician at the Living Healthy Clinic treating those who are uninsured and underserved. He was so dedicated to the practice of medicine and finding solutions for the medical issues his patients faced, that even after working his day shift and making his evening rounds, he would read, research and study his medical books, solving many challenging issues his patients faced. He was a very dedicated and respected physician

James had so many passions in life whether it was racing E scows, iceboating or golfing, he always was an active participant. But most of all, his biggest dedication was to the many patients that were blessed enough to have him as their doctor. After retirement, he spent many winters in Amelia Island, FL and some traveling with friends. After Jessie passed away, Basiliere was lucky enough to find a new beginning of love when he married Rita Anderson. With Rita he met new friends and traveled to Alaska on a cruise and Florida to get a break from the winter.

Dr. Basiliere is preceded in death by his first wife, Jessie; parents, Loren and Marceda Basiliere; sister, Janet Monroe; and granddaughter, Jessica Drexler. He is survived by his wife, Rita; his daughters, Patricia Basiliere Kleinfeldt, Kathryn (Kevin) Drexler, Attorney Teresa (Timothy), Basiliere-Madaus; his sons, James (Tiffany) Basiliere jr., Richard (Annette)

Basiliere; grandchildren, Attorney Robert (Jennie) Kleinfeldt, Keara (Jason Klug) Kleinfeldt, Jordan (Ashley) Drexler, Ryan (Megan) Basiliere, Eric Madaus, James Basiliere III, Gabriella, Riley, Anikka, Alex and Olivia Basiliere; he is further survived by his beloved great-grandchildren, Malia, Eli, Bryson, Isabella, Asher, Penelope and Aren; Rita's daughters, Kate (Ryan) Vaubel and their children, Gavin, Emma, and Lucas, and Sarah Larson and her children, Jacob and Kendall.

Dad, thank you for your love, guidance and commitment to being a healer and a wonderful Dad. We have precious memories of spending time with you enjoying the rides at Disney and Great America and swimming in the surf at the beach. Most of all, you always gave us a sense of comfort when we were sick that all would be okay. We remember the many nights you stayed up worrying about a sick patient, God truly created a healer in you. The world was a better place because of you. We will miss you every day, rest in peace Dad -we love you. Now you may sail with the angels.

A funeral service for Dr. James Basiliere will be held at First English Church, 1013 Minnesota St, Oshkosh, on Monday, March 3, 2025 at 10:30am. Visitation will be held from 9:30am till the start of the service. The family ask in lieu of flowers donations be made to the Oshkosh Yacht Club, Carbone Cancer Center, or the University of Wisconsin Medical School to be given to a student pursuing a medical degree.

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## Fay C. Klima Sutter

Fay Christine Klima Sutter, 74, of Oshkosh, Wisconsin, passed away on February



14th, 2025, surrounded by her loving family and friends. Fay C. Klima Sutter was born May 3rd, 1949, in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, the daughter of Richard Klima and Dorrine Phillips. She

married Richard Sutter in January 2005 in Oshkosh.

Fay had a lengthy career at Plus Wood for 47 years where she eventually retired at the age of 65 in 2014, where she enjoyed the smaller things in life such as gardening, where she would tend to her plants in front of the house.

## Scott C. Rothe

Scott C. Rothe, age 67, of Oshkosh, WI, died on Saturday, February 8, 2025, after a



battle with cancer. He was born in Denver, CO on December 18, 1957, to Richard Rothe and Marilyn (Rothe) Mc Cormick. During his younger years he inherited his father's wanderlust, during that time he worked in several states including California, Colorado, and Wyoming.

After his son was born, he remained in Oshkosh and spent the rest of his life taking care of his special needs son, Alex. During that time, he attended UW Osh-

Remaining to cherish Fay's memory are spouse, Richard Sutter; children, Jay Pegel, Serena Smith, and Amy Sutter; grandchildren, Richard Smith, Desiree Smith, Raymond "Little Man" Pegel, Kaeli Ziebell, Paige Pegel, Kendall Pegel, Ethan Magnuson, Jackson Magnuson, Aiden Pegel, Jr. Raymond Pegel and Olivia Pegel; niece and nephew Amanda Vanderlinden and Brandon Klima and best friend, Gwen Heagle.

Preceding Fay were her children, Raymond Pegel and Sarah Magnuson; parents, Richard Klima and Dorrine Phillips; brothers, Ricky Klima, David Klima and Craig Klima.

There will be a celebration of life forthcoming in Summer 2025.



kosh, graduating with a degree in business.

He is survived by his son, Alexander Rothe; mother, Marilyn Mc Cormick; sister, Kim Kruger; aunts, Quinn (Dick) Polinske and Jean Price; and many cousins and friends. He will be deeply missed by all.

A memorial service for Scott will be held at 12:00pm on Tuesday, March 4, 2025, at Konrad-Behelman Funeral Home-Westside, 100 Lake Pointe Dr., Oshkosh, with Lyn Zahorik officiating. A time for visitation will begin at 11:00am and conclude at the start of the service.

A memorial has been established in Scott's name.



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## Wayne C. Coe

Wayne Carl Coe passed away with his family by his side on February 18, 2025.



He was born in Milwaukee on July 6, 1940 to Orville and Erma Coe.

Wayne worked for Morgan Doors, Griese and Ross Construction, CR Meyer. He also worked at the Utica Golf Course as the "Lawn-Ranger." He was an active member of the Elo Church of the Nazarene.

Wayne loved to be outdoors. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, mowing lawn, fixing things and tinkering in the garage. He especially enjoyed his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. His face would light

up when the littles were around.

He is preceded in death by his parents; Orville and Erma Coe, sister; Nancy Trapp and brothers; Burton (Mick) Coe and Eugene Coe, and grandson Joseph Stadler.

He is survived by his wife, Jean Kriz Coe of 63 years. He is further survived by his daughter, Cindy, (Mike) Schaefer, grandchildren Alex Schaefer, great-grandson Joseph Schaefer, granddaughter Abby (Dillon) Lesicko, great-grandchildren Olivia, Zoey, and Ozzy Lesicko, daughter, Sandy Coe (Darren Boyle), grandchildren, McKenzie Boyle and Jeremy Boyle.

He is also survived by his youngest sister, Shari (Dave) Dykstra, sisters-in-law, Barbara Coe and Beverly Coe, nieces, nephews and good friends; Ehrenberg's, Heilke's, and Pepler's.

A memorial service, for Wayne, will be held on Saturday March 1, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. at Fiss & Bills- Poklasny Funeral Home (865 S. Westhaven Dr.). A time of visitation will be held from 9:00 a.m. until the time of service at the funeral home on Saturday.

We would like to thank the staff at Oakwood Manor for their tender loving care for Wayne. They were like a second family,

## Norman Charles Shurtz II

Master Sergeant Norman Charles Shurtz II, 76, passed away unexpectedly Sunday, February 16, 2025. Norm was born September 9, 1948 in Sacramento, California, son of Norman and Elaine (Claus) Shurtz.

Norm served a total of 30 years in the United States Marine Corps from 1968-1998. Also was a member of the Winnebago Detachment of the Marine Corps League and the United Veterans Honor Guard here in Oshkosh.

He was a very active man. He was extremely passionate about his wine, bowling, golf, and his newest hobby; stamp collecting.

Norm was preceded in death by his parents and his sister Pamela LaValley. Survivors are his brother-in-law William LaValley, a niece Dawn, and a nephew Scott. Norm impacted so many hearts for the short time he has been in the state of Wisconsin. His jovial personality, his devotion to the sports he loved, and his passion for newly restored Corvette.

especially Sam, Megan, Bryce, Nucharee, Shelby, Nevaeh, Kenzie and Velvet.

We would also like to thank Moments Hospice staff, especially Kimberly, Becky and Erin for her beautiful music therapy. Wayne was so well cared for and loved by the staffs.



Funeral services for Norm will be held on Thursday, February 27, 2025 at 1 pm in the Fiss & Bills-Poklasny Funeral Home, 865 S. Westhaven Drive. A time of visitation will be held at the funeral home from 11 am until the time of service. Full military honors will be accorded by the United Veterans Honor Guard immediately following the service. Burial will follow in the Veterans Section of Riverside Cemetery in Oshkosh.

Norm you will truly be missed by all. Your smile, your infectious laughter, and especially your famous jig you danced for us, will make you be forever in our hearts. From all of us to you, "Atta way to go!"



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# Obituaries

## Evelyn L. Bowerman

Evelyn Lorraine Bowerman, age 97, of Oshkosh, passed away peacefully on Thursday, February 13, 2025, at Evergreen Retirement Community. She was born in Rochester, New York on May 3, 1927. Evelyn was a Head Nurse in Pediatrics at Strong Memorial Hospital in Rochester, New York where she met her future husband, Dr. Charles Bowerman. He was her beloved husband of 49 years until his passing on January 29, 2001.

Evelyn devoted her life to her family, her faith, a lifelong commitment to serving the community through volunteering (a list too long to include because she requested that the obituary be short) and a passion for learning. She was ahead of her time. A champion of women's rights; gentle and unwavering in her devotion to social justice.

She was a long-time member of Oshkosh First Congregational Church. Over the decades, the staff and church members provided unconditional love, support and healing for her on her faith journey.

She was the beloved mother of four daughters, Sharon (Philip) Buchanan, Nancy (Tom) Neher, Carol (David) Pulkrabek and Beth (Michael) Dover; two sons, Neil (Lisa) Bowerman and

Bruce (Janet) Bowerman; the beloved grandmother of Jessica, Natalie, Jennifer, Allison, Matthew, Kelsey, Ryan, Lucas, Sadie, Alex and Emma; and great-grandmother of Merrick, Carter, Edyn, Silas, Cory and Aiden.

She was an inspiration to all who knew her and while we grieve our loss, our memories will be filled with joy, gratitude and a deep appreciation of the compassion, kindness, and love she embodied every day of her life.

Our family would like to extend our deepest gratitude to the staff and caregivers at Evergreen Retirement Community for their compassionate and dedicated care of our beloved mother. We are forever grateful for the love and dignity with which you cared for her in her final years.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Sunday, May 4, 2025, at First Congregational Church, 137 Algoma Blvd, Oshkosh, WI. Visitation will be at 1:00 PM, followed by a service at 2:00 PM.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Evelyn's name to Oshkosh First Congregational Church or Planned Parenthood.



Per Bob's wishes no service will be held. A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

Bob's family wishes to thank all of the doctors and nurses at Aurora Medical Center and Clinics that took good care of him this past year.

Being a tissue donor Bob helped save many lives.

Any memorials will be made to heart or kidney organizations.

Mueller Funeral Home-Winneconne is assisting the family. If you wish, please submit online condolences/memories to muellerfh.net.

*When tomorrow starts without me,  
an angel called my name and said  
my place in heaven was ready.  
Don't think we're far apart,  
for every time you think of me,  
I'm right there in your heart.  
I'm at peace now.*



Surviving Charles are his wife, Marion Beyer; step-children, Mark Babler and Amy Spanbauer; four grandchildren, four great-grandchildren and three nieces.

He is preceded by his two sisters, Margaret Schultz and Della De Troy.

Per his wishes, no formal services were held.



2025 at 1PM. A time of visitation will be held from 11AM until the time of service.

Arrangements are being handled by Konrad-Behlman Funeral Homes.

A full obituary may be viewed at Konrad-Behlman's Website.



## Sandra L. Kienert

Sandra (Sandy) L. (Merkel) Kienert age 77, of Oshkosh, passed away peacefully on



Monday, February 17th, 2025 at Bethel home where she had resided for the past 2 years. She was born to the late William Merkel and Beatrice (Ceelen) Getchel on July 2, 1947, in Oshkosh. She married Darwin Kienert on May 21, 1983. He preceded her in death in 2011.

She worked as a switchboard operator for 38 years at Lenox Candles.

Darwin and Sandy also owned and operated Tuffy's Tavern from 1982 till 1991.

Her favorite pastime was playing cribbage, where you could find her at any cribbage tournament in Oshkosh or with anyone that just wanted to play.

Sandy is survived by her children, Tim (Becky) Sawicki, Lori Ulrich, Lisa Busby (Robert Davies); grandsons, Justin Sawicki (Mira Kaetzel) and Blake Busby; as well as her sisters Denise (Gary) Griedl and Corine Roberts and several nieces and nephews. Along with her special friends Kay and Sheila.

In addition to her parents, Sandy was preceded in death by her husband, Darwin Kienert, brother Thomas Merkel and infant sister Susan.

Thank you to the staff and volunteers at Bethel Home for taking such great care of mom over the past 2 years.

A celebration of life will be held at Konrad-Behlman Funeral Homes-Westside (100 Lake Pointe Dr) on Thursday, February 27 from 2PM until 4PM.

A memorial has been established for the Boys & Girls Club of Oshkosh, WI.



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## Charles E. Beyer


Charles E. Beyer, 95, passed away on February 11, 2025. He was born on October 20, 1929 in Oshkosh, to parents, William and Alma Beyer. He married Marion Babler in 1979 and in his younger years he worked at Coca-Cola and Dr. Pepper, then as a construction worker of the local 330 for 55 years retiring in 1991. Charles enjoyed fishing, gardening and polka dancing.

## Donna M. Perkins

Donna M. Perkins, age 79, passed away on Friday, February 21, 2025 at Edenbrook of Oshkosh. She was born to the late Michael and Lois (Fuller) Kolb on February 5, 1946 in Oshkosh.


A memorial service for Donna will be held at Konrad-Behlman Westside (100 Lake Pointe Dr) on Saturday, March 1,

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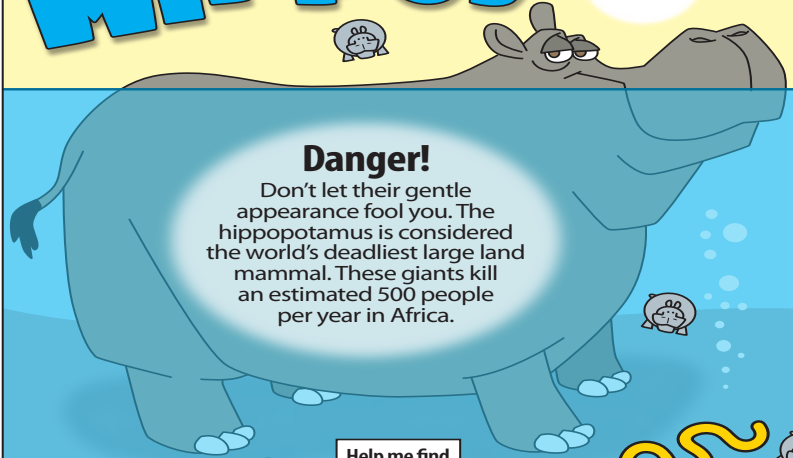
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**How Hippos Keep Their Cool**

To stay cool in the African heat, hippos spend most of their day in rivers and lakes. Their eyes, nose and ears are located on the top of their head, which means they can see and breathe while the rest of their bodies are under water.

**The Hippo Code**

Use the code to discover some facts about hippos.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> = CALF	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> = BULL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> = COW
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> = RIVER	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> = HORSE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> = TUSK

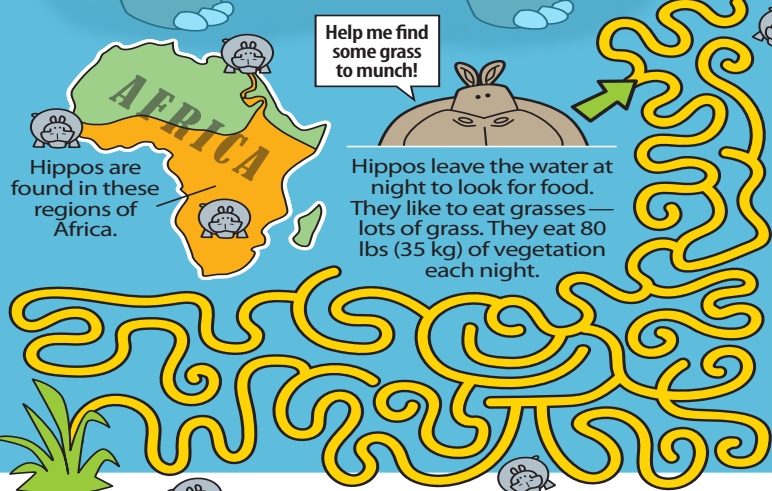
**Q: What does the word *hippopotamus* mean?**  
A:

**Q: What is a baby hippo called?**  
A:

**Q: What is a female hippo called?**  
A:

**Q: What is a male hippo called?**  
A:

**Help me find some grass to munch!**



Hippos are found in these regions of Africa.

Hippos leave the water at night to look for food. They like to eat grasses—lots of grass. They eat 80 lbs (35 kg) of vegetation each night.

**CAUTION: SPEEDING HIPPOS**

**Are hippos slow? Quite the opposite!**  
Even though their legs are short, and their bodies are large and heavy, a hippo can run fast! Hippos have been clocked running at speeds of 19 to 25 mph (30-40 km/h).

**Open Wide!**  
Hippos have a huge mouth, measuring up to 4 ft (1.2 m) when opened wide!


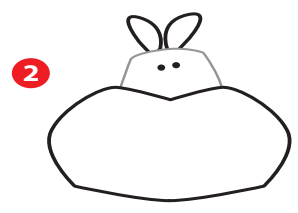
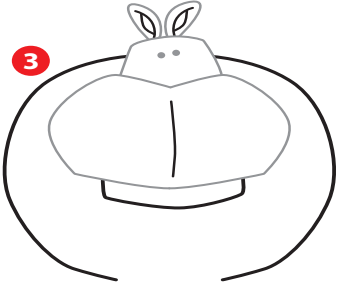
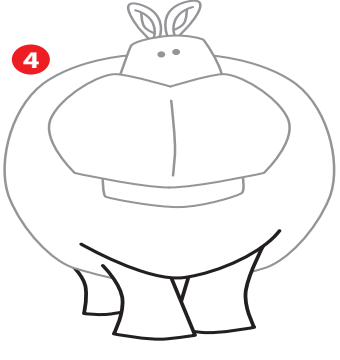
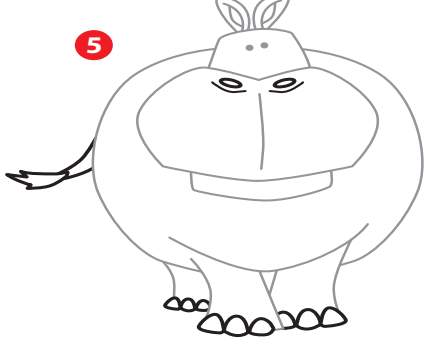
Hippos have a pair of huge incisors in each jaw. The large, curved lower canine teeth are like tusks as they grow throughout a hippo's life. They can reach a length of 1 foot 8 inches (50 cm)! These teeth are used for combat, not eating. When a hippo yawns, it's not tired but it is a sign of a threat.

**Extra! Extra! Opposites**

Look through the newspaper to find words that are opposites. For example: large and small wet and dry

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension; Recognize antonyms.

**Kid Scoop Together**  
**Let's Draw a Hippo!**

- 1 
- 2 
- 3 
- 4 
- 5 

**Kid Scoop Puzzler**

## Sweaty, Sweaty Hippos?

Hippos have an oily red liquid that oozes out of their skin. It isn't sweat. Sweat evaporates and cools a body. This liquid looks red in sunlight and it stays on the skin and protects it from drying out—and acts as a sunblock, too!

When early European explorers first noticed this reddish liquid on the hippos they observed, they gave it a name.

Circle every other letter to see what they called it.

**DBKLTOWOYDJSAPPEAVT**

**B**

**Double Double Word Search**

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

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

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

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