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Candidates move on to general election

By Jonathan Richie
OSHKOSH HERALD

The candidates are set for the spring election on April 7 after voters went to the polls during the primary last week to thin the field for seats on the common council, school board and county board.

Voters usually go to the polls in February to settle state primary races for offices like state Supreme Court, but that race this year will go straight to the Spring general. But last week after 6,463 ballots were cast, the number of candidates running for Oshkosh Common Council dropped from eight to six.

The crowded field of potential council members was led by incumbent Jacob Amos receiving 2,608 votes. Voters could vote for up to three candidates who will

serve two-year terms.

Meredith Scheuermann, Paul Esslinger, Alec Lefebber, Logan Jungbacker and Tim Neubauer all advanced to the general election.

Eric Gumz and Dan Lenz received the fewest votes in the election.

“I pray that whoever wins will have the knowledge, wisdom, and courage to do what is right to make this city safe, stable, a place where families and businesses will grow, and our children will have a future,” Gumz said in a Facebook post following the defeat.

Board of Education

Five candidates were vying for two seats on the Oshkosh Area School Dis-

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Vote totals

Oshkosh Common Council Top six advance

Jacob Amos	2,608
Meredith Scheuermann	2,104
Paul Esslinger	1,942
Alec Lefebber	1,912
Logan Jungbacker	1,904
Tim Neubauer	1,606
Eric Gumz	1,236
Dan Lenz	900

OASD Board of Education Top four advance

Barb Herzog	3,676
Mallory Schneider Birschbach ...	2,846
Jacob Wolf	2,419
Paul Molitor	2,165
Jefferey Watts	568

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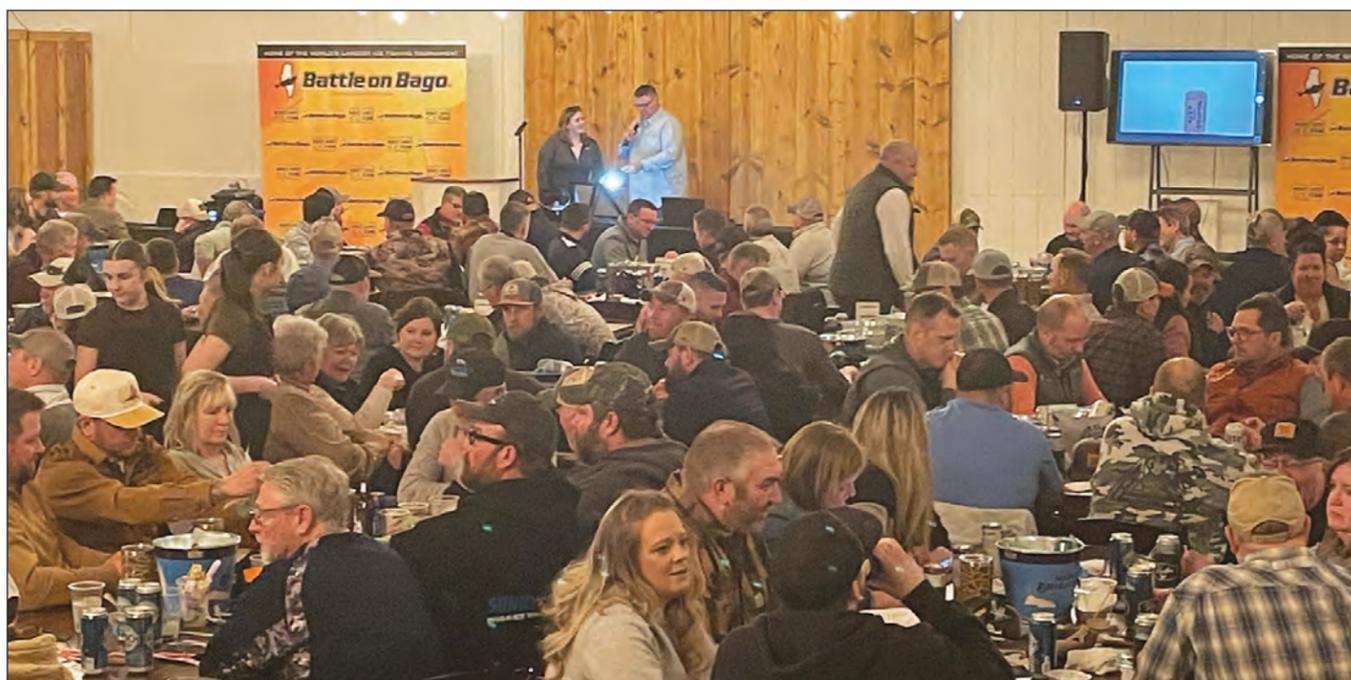


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Catching support

Hundreds of Battle on Bago supporters attended a fundraiser Thursday at Brighton Acres. The private annual event raised over \$100,000 for the volunteer organization. Battle on Bago, in its 19th year, has raised nearly \$3 million to fund efforts to get youths up, outdoors and involved in local conservation efforts. Organizers cancelled the fishing portion of Battle on Bago due to uncertain ice conditions, but other entertainment throughout the weekend continued as planned.

County charts future plans for former UW- Fox campus

By MaryBeth Matzek
OSHKOSH HERALD

Winnebago County is working to get the Communication Arts Center and fieldhouse operational and ready for use at the former UW-Fox campus now that Faith Technologies Inc. (FTI) decided last week not to purchase it.

“We’re going to be talking to stakeholders, businesses and community groups about what they would like to see there,” said County Executive Gordon Hintz.

“We would like to get some development and get some of the property back on the tax rolls, but we also want to keep the community assets viable.”

Winnebago County took over sole ownership of the 43-acre UW-Oshkosh Fox Cities campus on July 1, 2025, after the university closed the two-year campus due to declining enrollment. Prior to that, Outagamie and Winnebago counties owned the site together under a 1970 agreement. Outagamie County sold the

campus to Winnebago County for \$1 in May 2025.

The Barlow Planetarium, which is run by the county, and a child care center run by the Menasha Joint School District, are the only entities operating on the 43-acre campus.

“We will have to see what the market will support on that site,” Hintz said. “A next step will be to conduct a visioning and market assessment.”

There are a couple of organizations in-

terested in using the theater space in the Communication Arts Center, so getting the space ready to be rented out will help generate some income for the county.

When the county took ownership of the campus last summer, it began talking with community and business leaders about the site. In the fall, FTI approached Winnebago County about possibly purchasing the site as a location for a national hub for workforce development and advanced

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UWO hosting events celebrating America's 250th anniversary

By Jill Trotter
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

UW-Oshkosh is presenting several events throughout the spring, summer and fall to celebrate the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence.

A wide range of programming is planned, including panel discussions, video screenings and a choir concert, designed to educate, engage and celebrate America's history. All events are free and open to the public.

The university kicked off its celebration of America's 250th anniversary on Feb. 18 with a panel discussion titled "History Wars: Teaching Truths about America's Past in a Time of Political Polarization."

Gabriel Loiacono, professor of history at UWO, said that the university will take a balanced approach to presenting stories from the past. The events will share various perspectives from personal stories throughout history. He believes that despite the polarization of politics today, the university can remain neutral while still sharing many different stories that cut across political lines.

The message Loiacono hopes to spread

through these events is that "this is a really important topic for us all to study- from fifth graders to retirees," and that "history is a topic to revisit again and again in life."



Loiacono

He wants people to have a place to think about and continue to learn about the past, which is exactly what the university's celebration of America's history will allow people to do. Loiacono encourages the public to engage and get involved with the university by asking questions, having a dialogue and learning together.

This is not the first time the university has recognized and celebrated historical moments by inviting members of the public to events. In fact, this has become somewhat of a tradition for the university. In 2017, the university celebrated the 500th anniversary of Martin Luther's 95 Theses. Most recently, in 2018, the university hosted a series of events in recognition of the centennial anniversary of World War I.

Events this week for the country's 250th anniversary are today with "Religious

Faith and the Founders of the USA" and Thursday with "Searching for Cuff Roberts, a Black Continental Army Soldier in the American Revolution."

In April, also on campus, there will be "Panel: The US Army, Russia, and Schools circa 1776" on April 1 and a screening of PBS' "Voices & Visions of 1776" on April 7.

While most of the planning and organizing for these events is spearheaded by Loiacono and the other members of the university's civic engagement center, the university is partnering with other local agencies.

The Oshkosh Public Museum, Oshkosh Public Library, PBS Wisconsin and Sturgeon Spirits, along with the Military Veterans Museum are active participants in contributing to and hosting several of the events. Some events are also supported by the Menard Center for the Study of Institutions and Innovation, the SL Brown Foundation and the Tommy G. Thompson Center on Public Leadership.

For questions or ideas for new events to add to the university's calendar, Loiacono can be reached at page@uwosh.edu. The country's 250th anniversary is July 4. For the full calendar of events, visit uwosh.edu/history/usa-250.



Campus plans

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technology training. After its 90-day review, the Menasha-based company decided it wasn't a good fit.

While the county board budgeted enough funds to keep the campus' lights and HVAC system working and it does generate a small amount of revenue, Hintz said Winnebago County will look at multiple options in the months to come.

Several two-year UW campuses have closed in Wisconsin during the past few years leaving other counties with vacant

campuses.

In Fond du Lac County, officials took the former UW-Oshkosh Fond du Lac campus and transformed it into a county-run complex featuring government offices, law-enforcement training, an event theater, sports facilities and community meeting spaces.

After UW-Milwaukee closed its two-year West Bend campus, Washington County moved its public safety training and community training to the site.

At UW-Platteville in Richland County, parts of the campus have been sold while the county continues to look at long-term uses for the remaining pieces of the campus.

Back in the Day



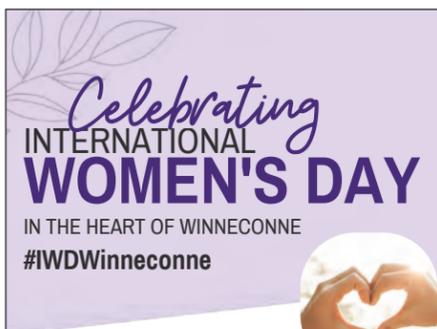
Oshkosh history by the Winnebago County Historical Society

Feb. 21, 1905

Oshkosh Power Boat Club Organized:

On this date, twenty-five power boat owners and public-spirited men met at the Athearn Hotel to form a Power Boat Club. Concerned about sunken logs in the Fox and Wolf Rivers, the club met with discussions to improve the safety of navigating local waters. Club goals were to promote knowledge of the rules of navigation, encourage and conduct races, cruises, and club runs, and encourage harmony and good fellowship among members. On April 6, 1906, a three-acre property was purchased in the Village of Butte des Morts with the intent to build a clubhouse. Initially, they did not have the money to construct a clubhouse, so two out-houses were erected to "suffice for now." By mid-summer (July 12), sufficient funds were raised and a clubhouse was erected at a cost of \$1,400. The first piece of furniture to be purchased, outside of chairs, was a phonograph. Work commenced over the years to clean up the rivers and place lighted buoys and a lighthouse at the foot of the Fox River to aid safe navigation.

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Comedy 'Death by Design' coming to the Grand

Oshkosh Herald

The Oshkosh Community Players return to the stage with a comedy, "Death by Design" by Rob Urbinati, running March 5-7 at The Grand Oshkosh.

Three shows starting at 7 p.m. each evening and a Saturday matinee starting at 2 p.m. will be offered.

The fast-paced murder-mystery comedy introduces audiences to glamorous and volatile show-business couple Edward (Casey Nash) and Sorel (Madeline Molchaney), who retreat to their English country house after a disastrous opening night of Edward's latest play — starring Sorel — and equally brutal reviews. Tempers flare, egos bruise and the marriage quickly descends into open warfare.

In classic theatrical fashion, Sorel invites an adoring admirer, Walter (Dalton Zanin), to the house for the weekend, unaware that Edward is close behind. Walter soon finds himself in the awkward position of attempting to seduce another man's wife... with the husband very much present. As additional guests arrive, misunderstandings multiply, tensions escalate and before long, foul play is suspected.

Critics have praised "Death by Design" for its sharp wit and clever construction, blending Noël Coward-style comic repartee with an Agatha Christie-inspired whodunit.

Director Robert Amsden, professor emeritus of Ripon College, admits he is "a hard sell on comedies," but calls this production "world class."

The cast features an ensemble of seasoned performers, including Molchaney, recently seen at The Grand Oshkosh in "Weekend Comedy," "Rope" and "The Importance of Being Earnest;" Nash, who appeared in "Death of a Salesman" at The Grand Oshkosh and "The Book of Will" with Attic Theatre; Zach Cadwell ("Weekend Comedy," "Rope," "Now and Then," "Arsenic and Old Lace"); Becky LaDue ("Now and Then"); and Madysen Schmidt, president of the

Oshkosh Community Players, who has performed more than 16 roles throughout the Fox Valley in recent years in productions, including "Silent Sky" and "The Revolutionists" with Attic Theatre.

Tickets for "Death by Design" may be reserved online at thegrandoshkosh.org or by calling the Oshkosh Grand Box Office at 920-424-2350. The production is suitable for middle-school-aged students and above.

Winnebago ice report

By Jim Nobbe
PAYNE'S POINT HOOK & SPEAR FISHING CLUB

As of Monday we are seeing 16-18" of ice on the lake in the areas out from Payne's Point Hook and Spear Fishing Club.

We have pulled our truck bridges off of the lake after the recent warm up rainfall. We have an ATV bridge on the main crack



0.4 miles out from the landing, and we have an ATV bridge on the east west crack that runs across the lake north of the treeline.

It is located on the west side of Haystack Reef. Be careful traveling on the lake. Most of the sturgeon hole markers have fell down and the landings are getting beat up after the warm weather and rain we got last week.

Don't forget to support your local fishing clubs and remember the ice is never 100% safe.

American Legion names speech contest winner



Oshkosh Herald

An Oshkosh West High School student is the winner of the Winnebago County American Legion Oratorical Contest.

Rowen Stellpflug won the contest held at the American Legion Cook Fuller Post 70. Stellpflug, a senior from Oshkosh West, earned a Certificate of Distinction, a check for \$200 and will now compete at the district level of the contest against winners of contests in other communities.

Each contestant delivered a prepared oration as well as an oration on a randomly assigned constitutional topic.

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Prison financial literacy program wins state award

By MaryBeth Matzek
OSHKOSH HERALD

A program created in Winnebago County to educate prisoners about financial matters before their release won the 2025 Governor's Financial Literacy Award.

Reentry Ready: Focus on Finances educates prisoners about basic financial and community resources, explains different concepts such as budgeting, dealing with debt and learning how to open a bank account. Prisoners typically attend workshops to help them prepare for re-entry into the general community about six months before their release date.

Todd Wenzel, human development and relationships educator for Extension Winnebago County, a division of the University of Wisconsin-Madison Extension, created the program in response to requests from staff and inmates from the Oshkosh Correctional Institution after gaining ap-



Wenzel

proval from the Madison Extension office. Wenzel already taught the Rent Smart program, which is designed to help individuals find and maintain safe, affordable housing, at the prison and received a lot of personal finance questions during those classes.

"There was a definite need out there for this information," he said. "If we can help people get started on the right foot financially when they leave prison, that can help decrease the recidivism rates."

Wenzel pulled the course together utilizing research-based information along with some tips from other programs, such as Rent Smart. The pilot class was held in 2022 at the Oshkosh Correctional Institution. After that, the program expanded.

Reentry Ready is a six-hour class spread over three days. The program helps attendees build strong money skills and answer financial questions they have before they are released from prison, such as finding out what's on their credit report or how to manage their money. About 12 people are enrolled in each class. About 400 participants have been through the class.

"In Oshkosh, we run the program about eight times a year and when we're not offering Focus on Finances, we are usually running the Rent Smart program," Wenzel said.

He said some inmates have been in prison for 20 years or longer and need to learn about the changes in technology and how that relates to banking.

"They don't know about smartphones and how they can be used to help with banking, that most checks are direct deposit, or you can pay bills online," Wenzel said. "It's things we take for granted that they've never heard of before."

After Wenzel rolled out the initial class in Oshkosh, seven other people were trained to teach the program in jails and prisons across Wisconsin. There is also a website with information covered in the class. Prisoners completing the class earn a certificate.

"It was gratifying to win the governor's award since this program is so new, but I feel this is great work that we're doing to help people prepare for life after they leave prison," Wenzel said.

For more information, go to finances.extension.wisc.edu/reentry-ready-resources.

Election results

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district Board of Education. Incumbent Barb Herzog gained the most votes with 3,676.

Voters could vote for two of the five candidates that will serve a three-year term on the board.

Herzog will be joined by Mallory Schneider Birschbach, Jacob Wolf and Paul Molitor in the general election in April.

Jefferey Watts was the sole candidate not to win on Tuesday.

"I'll be back next year," Watts said.

County Board

One primary race was among the Winnebago County board seats that will be on the ballot on April 7. In district 14 incumbent Tom Swan was defeated by challengers Rich Norenberg and Jon Doemel. Doemel formerly served as Winnebago County Executive for one term.

All 36 seats on the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors are up for election this year. Supervisors serve two-year terms and the Herald is focused on the seats within its coverage area, which are districts 11 through 25 and 31.

The supervisors in districts 13, 15, 18, 20, 21 and 25 are running unopposed this

spring. In District 11, incumbent Tim Paterson is running for reelection against challenger Jacob Klaameyer. District 12 Supervisor Maribeth Gabert is seeking reelection while facing Toby Vanden Heuvel.

A number of incumbents are not seeking reelection for the 2026-2028 term. Several of these contests have two candidates vying for the seat, but in districts 16 and 22 the incumbents are not seeking reelection and only one candidate is running for each of the seats.

In districts 19 and 31, the incumbent is not seeking reelection, and two candidates have filed papers. In District 31, Glenn Vogelsang and Brian Noe will be running for the seat previously held by Supervisor Ralph Harrison. In District 19, Micah Graf and Bob Poeschl are competing for the seat currently held by Joshua Belville.

District 17 Supervisor Billy Halbur is seeking another term on the county board and is being challenged by Caden McCartney. In District 23, incumbent Brenda Pluchinsky is facing Cameron Crandell for the seat. In District 24, Supervisor Andy Buck is up against Lorenz Scherzer.

All 36 county supervisor district maps can be seen at winnebagocountywi.gov/758/Supervisory-District-Maps. For more information about what is on the ballot, go to myvote.wi.gov.

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Floral arrangements will decorate rooms in the Paine Art Center and Gardens Mansion for the upcoming Room of Blooms exhibit.



Photo by Jim Koepnick

Organizers hope indoor greenery will provide visitors with a sense of spring while viewing the Room of Blooms exhibit.

Rooms of Blooms springs into action at the Paine

By Cassidy Johnson
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

For the first two weekends in March, The Paine Art Center and Gardens mansion will be transformed into a flourishing indoor garden. Rooms of Blooms returns just in time, too, as Wisconsinites begin to crave the greenery of spring after a long winter.

Rooms of Blooms is an exhibit the Paine has every other year, featuring over 100 floral arrangements, designs and “show-stopping” tablescapes throughout the entire mansion from local florists from Oshkosh, Green Bay, Appleton and more.

The exhibit begins from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. March 5 and continues from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. March 6 to March 8. It will continue the next weekend with the same arrangements but with fresh, new flowers from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. March 12 and from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. March 13 to March 15.

“Getting to see the artistry, the beauty, the

smells... [it’s] just a splash of spring-like life in the middle of winter,” Marketing Manager Noell Dickmann said. “It’s just a really special time; people really love rooms of blooms. It’s one of our most-loved events.”

Reservations are required and can be made at thepaine.org/event/Rooms-of-Blooms. Admission also includes the Paine’s new exhibition, “Dancing with Life: Mexican Masks,” an exhibit featuring new and old masks from Mexican culture.

Often made from vibrantly-colored wood or clay, the masks are traditionally worn at festivals and celebrations and are believed to ward off evil spirits, honor the dead and tell stories through its intricate designs. With this exhibit also being part of the Rooms of Blooms experience, each mask will be paired with a unique flower arrangement to complement each piece.

“It’s really cool because you never really know what you’re going to see as you’re going through,” said Dickmann. “It could

be any sort of design. It’s really just what they’re inspired by and letting their creativity soar.”

New this year, Rooms of Blooms will also feature a “shop hop” challenge to allow attendees to explore the florists participating in the exhibit.

From March 5-15, attendees are encouraged to visit three or more participating florist locations where they can receive discounts or specials. After visiting three or more florists, participants can come back to the Paine to receive a free, limited-edition Rooms of Blooms tote and the chance to win a Bronze-level Membership to the Paine.

Also included with admission is the Market in Bloom, allowing participants to shop for floral-inspired crafts and goods from local artisan vendors in the carriage house from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. each Saturday and Sunday the exhibit runs.

The Rooms of Blooms exhibit also has a variety of options to elevate the experience even more, including Tea Time and Sip & Savor held in the conservatory,

where there will be a “massive” floral installation created by the Paine’s Curator of Horticulture, Dickmann said.

For an added cost of \$12 per person, participants can sip on their favorite tea and enjoy tea cakes and snacks from Manderfield’s Home Bakery in Appleton while taking in the beauty of the exhibit’s plethora of flower arrangements, reminiscent of having a relaxing cup of tea in a garden in the springtime.

Tea Time will take place in the mornings and afternoons, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. each Saturday and Sunday. Afternoon tea time will take place from 1 to 4:30 p.m. March 5, from 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. March 6-8 and from 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. March 12 through March 15.

For a snack and drink with more of a buzz, attendees can also participate in the Sip & Savor for \$16. Participants can enjoy their choice of rosé, red or white wine paired with mini charcuterie boards amidst the flowers in the conservatory.

Sip & Savors will take place from 5 to 7:30 p.m. March 5-8 and March 12-15.

Student gallery walks honor Black History Month

Oshkosh Herald

The Oshkosh Area School District (OASD) is holding events this month to serve as a showcase of student-led projects, history and creativity in honor of Black History Month.

The Gallery Walk events are being hosted by Oshkosh North and Oshkosh West High Schools. Students, families and community members are invited to the

Gallery Walk from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Friday in the Oshkosh North cafeteria. Guests can enter via Door 1 starting at 4:45 p.m.

The evening will include a brief opening program followed by an open-house style exploration of the displays.

A gallery walk was held Feb. 18 at Oshkosh West. The gallery walks offer a dedicated space for community members to view student work firsthand.

The community events are designed to highlight student achievement and foster a shared environment of learning and reflection. The displays represent a culmination of student efforts to explore and present historical milestones and cultural contributions through various creative mediums

First Tuesday concert feature pipe organ music

Oshkosh Herald

First Tuesday at First Congregational presents organist Dr. Mark Bloedow, an Oshkosh native. He will perform an organ recital on the Casavant pipe organ.

The public is invited for music at 12 noon sharp Tuesday, followed by homemade soups, salad, dessert, coffee and four kinds of fresh home-made baked breads. The suggested donation is \$11 per person. The church is located at 137 Algoma Boulevard.

Bloedow’s program includes works by J. S. Bach and Herbert Sumsion. It also in-

cludes chorale prelude settings on “Blessed Assurance” by German composer Paul Fey; Christina Harmon’s “Joyful, Joyful” and two of Bloedow’s own arrangements on Lenten hymns, “When Israel Was in Egypt’s Land” and “O Sacred Head, Now Wounded.”

In addition to serving eight years on the music faculty at Concordia University, Mequon, Bloedow is presently organist and music director at Immanuel Lutheran and St. Paul Lutheran Churches in Madison.

He also serves as artistic director for Maestro Productions’ community music ensembles. They include the Madison Community Chorus, Maestro Community Orchestra and Ringing Badgers Handbell Ensemble.



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Man found guilty in Menominee Park fatal stabbing

Oshkosh Herald

An Oshkosh man was found guilty last week in connection to a stabbing at Menominee Park last year during the Fourth of July weekend.

Daunte D. Riley, 20, pled guilty to one count of first-degree reckless homicide after initially facing life in prison and being charged with first-degree intentional homicide. The other charge in the case is disorderly conduct with the modifier use of a dangerous weapon. That charge was dismissed but read in to the record for sentencing purposes.

Riley's attorneys, Adam Levin and Katie Drury, sat with Riley as he waited for the hearing to begin on Wednesday morning. Riley has been in custody at the Winnebago County Jail since he was arrested for the fatal stabbing of 27-year-old Walter Brooks of Oshkosh in July at Menominee Park.

The state intends to argue for a 25-year prison sentence followed by 10 to 15 years of extended supervision. Levin said he will argue for a shorter sentence at the sentencing hearing in May.

According to the criminal complaint, Oshkosh Police responded to a vehicle that crashed at the intersection of East Irving Avenue and Grove Street on July 5. Brooks was in the vehicle after being stabbed; he was unconscious, and witnesses were attempting CPR.

After the Oshkosh Fire Department arrived on the scene Brooks was transported to a hospital via ambulance. The stab wound was on the left side of Brooks' chest. He was pronounced dead at the hospital at 11:36 p.m.

Then police started investigating a party happening that evening at Menominee Park. According to one witness who arrived at the park around 10:30 p.m., a group of people were attempting to start a fight when an unidentified male pulled out a can of bear mace and sprayed it at people.

Police interviewed several other witnesses

over the following couple of days. On July 8, OPD received a tip that Riley's girlfriend had video of the incident on her phone. Officers were able to locate a video the woman attempted to delete. Officers found the video in the deleted items media folder.

The video is shot from inside a running vehicle that was near Menominee Park. Brooks' cousin, Brooks and Brooks' girlfriend are all shown following the vehicle.

The video shows Brooks and Riley in a verbal confrontation and then Riley appears to stab Brooks once. Police did not see anything in the video that proved Brooks had any type of weapon on him.

The vehicle then appears to pursue Brooks as he runs away from the incident.

The complaint states that Riley's girlfriend filmed the incident while also encouraging Riley to chase down Brooks.

Police believe Riley's girlfriend is the woman in the video heard screaming, "Show him who you is! Get it bae." This is shortly after Riley stabs Brooks.

At this point, Brooks runs away from the vehicle, and Riley continues to pursue

Brooks.

An autopsy was done and found that the cause of death was a single stab wound to the chest that "caused a cut to (Brooks') heart."

At the hearing on Wednesday, Levin argued ending the no-contact order between Riley and his girlfriend. There was concern over evidence tampering in this case along with a concern that Riley's girlfriend would delete or destroy evidence in the case.

Jorgensen did end the no-contact order despite two people opposing the move. Brooks' stepmother spoke during the hearing and said Riley's girlfriend was a party to the crime and said if she can't speak to her loved one ever again, then why should Riley be allowed to speak to his girlfriend.

Jorgensen explained that the no-contact order was not a punishment, but it was put in place to protect evidence. Therefore, he lifted the no-contact order because Riley had pled guilty.

Riley is scheduled to be back in court May 7 for his sentencing hearing.



Riley

Oshkosh woman charged with decades of financial fraud

Oshkosh Herald

An Oshkosh woman, who formerly was president and CEO of an Oshkosh credit union, is facing financial fraud allegations.

Michele Spanbauer, 84, is charged with one count of fraud against financial institutions, value exceeds \$100,000. Court documents allege that over 31 years Spanbauer opened over 100 bogus loan accounts in hopes of getting the credit union, where she was president and CEO, to stay open.

The reporting party worked for Community First Credit Union, which was in the process of merging with the credit union led by Spanbauer. It reported Spanbauer was opening bogus accounts, but it did not have any evidence that Spanbauer had used any of the funds for personal use.

According to the criminal complaint, in June 2025 Oshkosh police officers were dispatched to a credit union in the 1000 block of West 20th Avenue.

The reporting party explained the credit union was a very small institution. Spanbauer was the only person at the credit union that handled loan applications and was the approving official for loans. When Spanbauer was not working, those tasks were not completed at the credit union.

Spanbauer allegedly told the reporting party in April 2025 that she had been creating and approving fraudulent loans for over 30 years.

In an effort to make the credit union appear more profitable, Spanbauer would allegedly open four to five loans in the name of a dead person. She would then use the

money from the bogus loans to pay off other loans.

On Jan. 21, police officers spoke with Spanbauer at her home and provided a written statement. Officers reported Spanbauer was forthcoming in providing information about her direct involvement with the bogus loans at the credit union.

In 2000, Spanbauer was president of the credit union and during an audit she overheard that the credit union did not have enough loans and that might lead to a merger.

"I then decided to create a loan that was bogus in order to boost the number of credit union loans and I then started to create bogus or fake loans in order to keep the credit union open," Spanbauer's statement says in the complaint.

These actions allegedly continued over the next 25 years.

The National Credit Union Administrative Board (NCUAB) filed an administrative order last year stating Spanbauer was responsible for approximately \$1.7 million in losses for her employer.

The reporting party told police they have no evidence that Spanbauer used the money for personal reasons. Spanbauer told police the same thing, that the money was not used by her but instead used to pay off the bogus loans.

The NCUAB found that from December 1997 to March 2025, Spanbauer was president and CEO of Oshkosh Postal Employees Credit Union, which has since merged with Community First Credit Union.

The report states Spanbauer's misconduct was found when OPECU was merging with Community First Credit Union.

The NCUAB made a similar administrative order in 2015. Melisa A. Beyer was ordered by the NCUAB to never participate in an "conduct of the affairs of any federally insured credit union, and from continuing or commencing to hold any office, or participate in any manner, in the conduct of the affairs of any other institution or agency."

Two years later Beyer, who worked at

the Oshkosh Central Credit Union, was charged in federal court with embezzlement and falsifying bank records. She was found guilty in federal court and sentenced to three years in prison and ordered to pay \$800,000 in restitution.

Spanbauer could face up to 10 years in prison followed by up to five years of extended supervision. She is scheduled to have her initial appearance in front of Court Commissioner Eric Heywood in March.

Man faces possession of child pornography charges

Oshkosh Herald

Police officers allegedly found videos of child pornography, almost 100 firearms and a sex doll while executing a search warrant earlier this month at an Oshkosh apartment while investigating child sexual abuse.

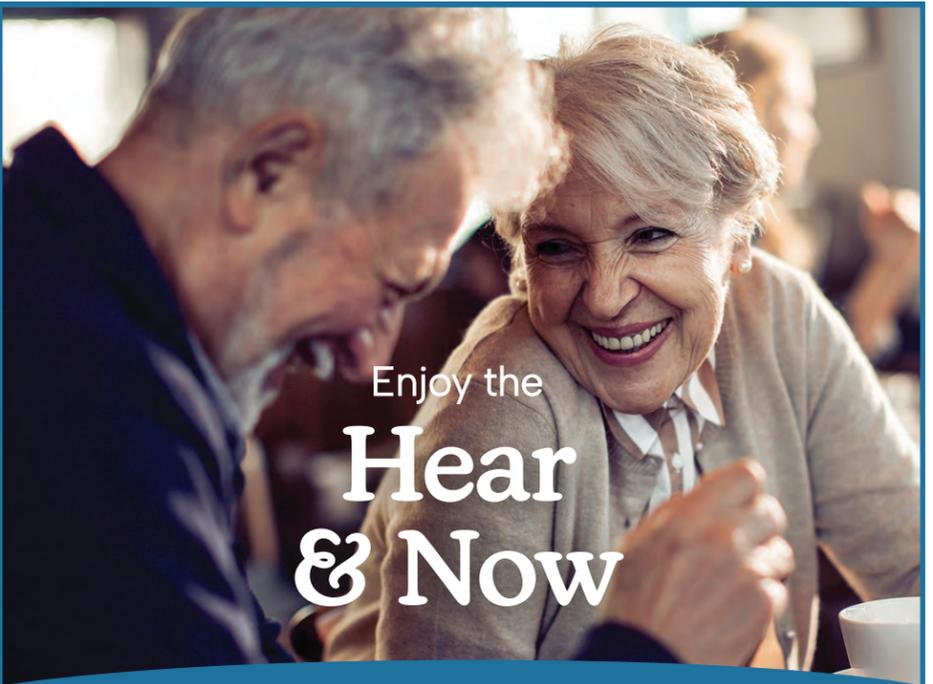
After the search, Shawn P. Black, 53, is facing five charges of possession of child pornography. If convicted on all charges he faces a maximum of 75 years in prison, followed by up to 50 years of extended supervision.

Court documents allege Black's activity and interactions with child sexual abuse materials (CSAM) goes back to June 2024 when the Oshkosh Police Department was first informed by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NC-

MEC). Black remains in custody at the Winnebago County Jail since his arrest on Feb. 11. He attended an initial appearance via video last week from the jail. Court Commissioner Eric Heywood set Black's cash bond at \$20,000.

According to the criminal complaint, 91 firearms were discovered in the apartment along with a large amount of ammunition. Black has been ordered to surrender all his firearms within 24 hours of being released from jail.

Black said his laptop contained possibly 1,000 images of girls between the ages of 6 and 14. Police found girls underwear in the apartment and Black said it was for the sex doll that police located in the apartment.



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Academic Achievement for Oshkosh area schools

Oshkosh West High School

Honor rolls for the first semester at Oshkosh West were released by the school district. Highest honors were given for a grade point average between 3.75 and 4.0; high honors went to 3.5 to 3.749; honors went to 3.00 to 3.499.

- Seniors**
- Highest honors**
 Nabeel Ahmad
 William Amel
 Andrew Anfinson
 Logan Auxier
 Gabriel Balcom
 Lydia Barr
 Aria Boehler
 Elise Boettcher
 Henry Bongers
 Maxwell Bowden
 Kassandra Bowlus-Jasinski
 Megan Bruss
 Elaina Butz
 MaKaelyn Clark
 Aiden Cross
 Carter Crowe
 Kristin Curtis
 Kiara Deppiessie
 Hollie Dobyns
 Ava Doty
 Madelyn Ehlert
 Molly Erickson
 Adele Faust
 Kalia Furtick
 Isaac Gelhar
 Jack Gonzalez
 Austin Guenther
 Joshua Hatfield
 Jade Hendricks
 Maggee Hild
 Samantha Jahnke
 Evan Johnson
 Michael Jungwirth
 Amara Kessler
 Mason Kilburg
 Hailey Knutson
 Samuel Kuerschner
 Katherine Kuhaupt
 Layla Leinen
 Gwen Liptow
 Valerie Mantia
 Hailee Marchant
 Harlee Martin
 Kennedy Maslowski
 Chance Mbababzi
 Noah Muehrer
 Archer Mugerauer
 Mugisha Ndaruhutse
 Hunter Nguyen
 Ireland O'Marro
 Emily Pankau
 Reid Potter
 Audin Racine
 Nida Rafiq
 Ivan Raymond
 Sydney Rothenbach
 Avery Sacdalan
 Neva Schlies
 Macenzi Setzke
 Delaney Smith
 Will Snyder
 Sierra Stang
 Roman Stanuch
 Kole Stauffacher
 Gavin Steiner
 Rowen Stellpflug
 Kymani Stephen
 Brennan Stephenson
 Ava Strasser
 Drew Streeter
 Novally Thao
 Jack Uecker
 Fern Ulrich
 Benjamin Valero
 Anthony Vollrath
 Elizabeth Wallace
 Avah Walter
 Felicia Wilkens
- High honors**
 Isabella Alatorre
 Mackenzie Anderson
 Parker Asen
 Samantha Bryant
 Ticia Cipriano
 Piper Crawford
 Geneva Dodge
 Emma Donahue
 Lauren Ebben
 Kate Elliott
 Samuel Englund
 Alexander Fanshaw
 Micah Finley
 Wyatt Folske
 Aurora Framnes
 Madysen Gau
 Pierce Gauthier
 Ian Grancorbitz
 Marnie Grey
 Ethan Hackbarth
 Cole Heideman
 Malakai Herlihy
 Kylie Hielsberg
 Michael Hotter
 Reeghan Jaschob
 Lydia Johnson
 Hoe Jung
 Kaiden Kaufman
 Trinity Kessler
- Levi Kiefer
 Kerrigan Kimball
 Lucas Kohfeldt
 Linsey Koslowski
 Magda Kreuzpointner
 Sydney Kuen
 Brayden Kufel
 Sarah Leatherwood
 Caleb Lee
 Kaylea Leriger
 Jade Macias
 Abigail Mack
 Kiera Madel
 Abigail Marquissee
 Camden Martin
 Aubrey Messerschmidt
 Leah Moen
 Owen Moon
 Nora Mueller
 Elizabeth Neubauer
 Eli Newman
 Rosa Ortiz-Young
 Rilyn Polakowski
 Hallie Potratz
 Jakson Presser
 Nshimiye Rafiki
 Tenna Ruetten
 Kaitlyn Schaller
 Madeline Schoening
 Dini Siddiqi
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 Caitlyn Smithson
 Michael Smithson
 Lily Sowers
 Camryn Steinert
 Meredith Stellpflug
 Nathaniel Stiefvater
 Ethan Toppins
 Leah Tyson
 Chenchua Vang
 Joseph Ware
 Olivia Warren
 Kelsey Williamson
 Sidra Yousef
 Jamal Zhang
- Honors**
 Amelia Bell
 Caleb Bergin
 Ayden Binder
 Avah Bloch
 Laylah Boos
 Alejandro Carrillo Tejeda
 Romeo Carter
 Violet Clark
 Nora Clements
 Samantha Dante
 Alex Dedecker
 Jake Donovan
 Shannon Dresel
 Ethan Ducoty
 Jazbia Farooq
 Isla Fisher
 Daina Gibson
 Jessica Graf
 Kaylee Gray
 Conner Hamill
 Nathan Hernandez
 Ragen Hinton
 Jack Hoeft
 Lily-Rose Howard
 Clark Howell
 Mia Jordan
 Memphis Kloehn
 Devon Kopitzke
 Claudia Krueger
 Louisa Lang
 Jacob Lemke
 Ryan Ludwig
 Olivia Mack
 Kyan Martini-Zeller
 Maddalyn Meartz
 Ibrehen Mejia- Gomez
 Nicholas Miller
 Michael Moreno-Gillstrom
 Abdul Muqtadir
 Sydnee Nelson
 Kyan Norman
 Nora Pakula
 Ava Pamer
 Everett Pickart
 Emma Polishinski
 Emma Poquette
 Jaydon Quella
 Isabella Rabe
 Elliot Reed
 Brogan Renning
 Evelyn Riley
 Samuel Roblee
 Kayla Ronning
 Leah Schertz
 Sadie Schmidt
 Annabelle Schmitz
 Naomi Schneider
 Jordan Schroeder
 Mason Seager
 Rylee Simak
 Landon Stang
 Evan Stratton
 Arabella Straw
 Sirada Tannarat

- Gabriella Trinrud
 Sophia VanEngen
 Cenlee Vang
 Derek VanThiel
 Chase Watkins
 Josslyn Xiong
 Alok Yang
 Anastasia Yang
 Ariana Yoki
 Summer Zinsli
- Juniors**
- Highest honors**
 Sophie Anderson
 Adam Averbeck
 Reagan Bandelow
 Kaylee Beck
 Ava Beesley
 Angad Behl
 Katie Berry
 Mckenzie Blair
 Genevieve Blustin
 Peyton Bowers
 Josie Burke
 Mason Callahan
 Samreen Chahal
 Carson Choinski
 Asher Connelly
 Isaac Considine-Buelow
 Rylee Coppernoll
 Aubrey Epprecht
 Phoebe Fletcher
 Samantha Frank
 Kaitlyn Haack
 Alec Hoeft
 Nolan Holladay
 Haylie Hullar
 Rhett Jodarski
 Sophie Kalka
 Lauren Klingner
 Kinsey Koepsell
 Elizabeth Kramer
 Freya Kuennen
 Lena Kuennen
 Soren Larson
 Emma Last
 Garrett Lawatsch
 Riley Lecker
 Jacquelyn Lobas
 Chloe Lusvardi
 Elizabeth Lynn
 Ana Maldonado Aguirre
 Eli Maloney
 Cody Mann
 Madelyn Marino
 Silas McBair
 Uzma Mirza
 Romeo Mrazek
 Riley Mugerauer
 Kaelyn Oaks
 Natalia Okrah
 Lilianna Olson
 Samantha Panske
 Macy Pluchinsky
 Ryan Sadowska
 Grace Schellinger
 Emerson Schneider
 Jacob Schneider
 Shayla Schrock
 Clover Stiefvater
 Cayleigh Tabbert
 Max Thiemeke
 Kylie Triebold
 Payton VanBeek
 Clara Weber
 Owen Weigandt
 Heinrich Weis
 Adam Wiebel
 Emma Willison
 Olivia Xiong
 Yylah Yang
 Sydney Ziegler
 Lucas Zurawski
- High honors**
 Farhana Amin
 Trista Beck
 Breana Bilson
 Jana Bochinski
 Alexander Bolton
 Mila Crowe
 Kiersten Dietschweiler
 Caden Dorn
 Hailey Elst
 Clairra Fronczak
 Sophia Geis
 Audrey Hernet
 Kendall Irwin
 Cole Jennings
 Parker Jungwirth
 Arjen Karns
 Cole Kennedy
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 Tahlia Schwartz
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 Matthew Stinski
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 Jasmine Thor

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 Yukti Bhandari
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 Gwendolyn DeBord
 Peyton Dorn
 Mia Drexler
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 Sotjar Karla
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 Sajid Khan
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 Mckenna Sykes
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 Ava Trinrud
 Audrina Ukasick
 Courtney Vesperman
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 Isabella Bombonato Athayde
 Kezi Bougie
 Argelia Brost
 Wyatt Byes
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 Edmund Carns
 Mason Clark
 Anya Coleman
 Edwin Connelly
 Brynn Coppernoll
 Brandon DeVoe
 Raiden Donicht
 Elizabeth Draxler
 Ava Dymond
 Kaitlyn Eddy
 Cameron Eggen
 Ethan Gao
 Eve Geffers
 Devyn Gietman
 Aubrey Goyke
 Parker Green
 Elena Hoffman
 Brody Humke
 Brookelyn Kufel
 Erin Kuhaupt
 Lawand Kurdy
 Ryan Last
 Lia Lipinski
 Gabriella Loos
 Morgan Lovell
 Lexi Madel
 Raluca Miron
 Juliet Monnett
 Brisa Morales
 Julian Morris
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 Molly O'Connell
 Riley Palecek
 Graham Perzentka
 Kenzie Reasons
 Savanna Rhinehart

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 Jeremy Splittgerber
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 Caleb Koon
 Lydia Korell
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Oshkosh North High School

Honor rolls for the first semester at Oshkosh North were released by the school district. Highest honors were given for a grade point average between 3.75 and 4.0; high honors went to 3.5 to 3.749; honors went to 3.00 to 3.499.

- Seniors**
Highest honors
 Jack Anderson
 Ashlynn Anderson
 Jack Anderson
 Elliana Auler
 Isabella Bellson
 Anthony Berger
 Everix Blessent
 Olivia Borowitz
 Daniel Bowman
 Macie Boyd
 Jacob Braun
 Hannah Conrad
 Madilyn Cravillion
 Olivia Dennis
 Alexis Dombrowski
 Lacey Domiter
 Lydia Dougherty
 Ava Duran
 Kaisten Feiter
 Veronica Fogleson
 Campbell Gies
 Benjamin Hansen
 Rica Hanson
 Alexis Hayes
 Brooklyn Henry
 Ryan Hoerth
 Reilly Jacoby
 Kyra Jones
 Azarié Kalunga
 Elliott Kipp
 Ean Langkau
 Allie Leib
 Gavin Martinson
 Cole Meiselwitz
 Ethan Merckx
 Xavier Morris
 Tyler Nicholas
 Andrew Oehler
 Kayli Olesen
 Bryce Ott
 Audrey Parrott
 Brinna Paulson
 Addison Perzentka
 Charlotte Rehm
 Lilly Reinert
 Taylor Rodig
 Max Rohr
 Aubrey Salisbury
 Jasmine San
 Berenika Slovakova
 Mya Sonnleitner
 Antonio Thompson
 Pamee Vang
 Kurtis Vang
 Evelyn Voss
 Owen Weber
- High honors**
 Evan Auler
 Alai Awak
 Shaylenn Blissett
 Braylon Buhrow
 Dalton Clark
 Levandra Dawood
 Eugenia Ferrero
 Benjamin Folletz
 Nayeli Geurts
 Natalie Gray
 Giovannie Haralson
 Annaliese Hinkens
 Conner Kislewski
 Daniel Koch
- Gikundiro Kwigaba
 Broderick Lammey
 Sophia Lazaro
 Caden Lederhaus
 Kyah Leitz
 Alexander Linsenbigler
 Pilar Lobo
 Aydan Lor
 Sebaste Majaliwa
 Callie McBriar
 Jessica Myers
 Stephen Nash
 Cadence Preston
 Keegan Rees
 Jannet Saidi
 Edgar Salzler
 Arifullah Sayedullah
 Caleigh Schleicher
 Krizelle Sicut
 Yanitzia Sierra
 Momen Shah Soltani
 Laine Stouff
 Abigail Techlow
 Nickolas Torres
 Paja Vang
 Ashton Vang
 Payton Victoria
 Xavier Waters Eaton
 Evan Werch
 Salina Vang
- Honors**
 Qusai Al-Qawasmi
 Olivia Altman
 Jackson Anderson
 Ehebelo Asende
 Kara Bentle
 Andrew Brockman
 Yerenmis Canino Ibarra
 Binti Ebinga
 Collin Eickmeyer
 Damien Engelmann
 Amisi Espoire
 Kendra Gaulke
 Maelyn Gregory
 Lukas Haen
 Fahima Hasan
 Benjamin Hoepfer
 Stephen Hulet
 Nadia Huser
 Liam Jepsen
 Sophia Johns
 Myranda King
 Luka Kovacevic
 Celeste Krause
 Mason Krings
 Connor Kuehn
 Drake Lauritch
 Tylan Lister
 Milian Lor
 Suzan Lusambo
 Anastasia Lyngen
 Natalie Maggard
 Alexandria McDowell
 Summer McGovern
 Tyran Moore
 Karen Muralles
 Kiley Musha
 Chakubuta Nasoro
 Keirah Palmquist
 John Patrick
 Samantha Pattison
 Bryant Rasmussen

- River Reeves
 Taron Roberts
 Karl Ruehmkorf
 Grace Saidi
 Saikou Sawaneh
 Titus Schroeder
 Layla Silva
 Sullivan Snow
 Kevin Stahl
 Willow Standke
 Alexander Strobel
 Roman Swan
 Yinghoua Thao
 Phumiephoon Thao
 Sally Jo Valore
 Priya Vang
 Emma Wara-Krivoshein
 Aubree Witty
 Kein Xiong
 Shylee Yenter
- Juniors**
Highest honors
 Alissa Abendroth
 Happiness Ajao
 Caden Ames
 Reid Anderson
 Virginia Arrington
 Brynn Bellcorelli
 Noah Blau
 Carter Bottomley
 Kiyah Brunner
 Quetzali Burmeister
 Adrijana Clark
 Olivia Craig
 Abigail Dutschek
 Braydan Frank
 Yamama Ghanam
 Emily Gillingham
 Campbell Harrison
 Sonya Herman
 Cora Hershberger
 Sienna Hyde
 Paige Jarvey
 Naviana Lao-Facundo
 Samantha Leib
 Cliff Moll
 Tucker Moskal
 Clayton Poquette
 Kaitlin Schmiedel
 Layla Smiltneek
 Emily Steiner
 Hudson Sundquist
 Jasmin Vang
 Hanako Wertanen-Grine
 Chonlada Xiong
 Katsumi Xiong
- Honors**
 Shahed Alhamad
 Dewilo Asende
 Ella Barlow
 Bailey Barrera
 Eleanor Baumgartner
 Ava Botterman
 Tre'maine Chapman
 Michael Cook
 Tristan Cotts
 Madelyn Erickson
 Mason Feavel
 Zoe Fiser
 Helix Fritz
 Aidan Hartman
 Nigar Hasan
 Jude Horton
 Austin Housworth
 Emmi Klatt-Wehr
 Oskar Konda
 Myridas Krause
 Gabriella Lofton
 Kylie Lor
 Brandon Lor
 Dilena Lor
 Elijah Lor
 Ayanna Martinez-Djupstrom
 Lilith Molenaar
 Abigail Moss
 Emily Nigl
 Shattera Nowell
 Lilyana Oleson
 Alexandra Pamerter
 Timothy Pui
 Grey Richards
 Natalie Robinson
 Callie Rudolf
 Lillian Rutkowski
 Seamus Rutkowski
 Matty Sanneh
 Guliana Saverda
 Brendyn Sawall
 Cayden Schmid
 Adilynn Schmidt
 Olivia Shears

- Promise Shehi
 Gabriel Stolz
 Msewa Sumaili
 Rebecca Tong
 Connor Trochinski
 Madison Ventura
 Atiyatul Waheed
 Brianna Watson
 Lillianna Wiggins
 Jordan Witt
 Jalina Xiong
 Zara Zinth
- High honors**
 Aurora Cravillion
 Jose Diaz Valenzuela
 Eliza Bin Ebinga
 Lily Engelke
 Aidan Flanigan
 Dillan Gorski
 Mason Gumz
 Dean Jackson
 Christina Jolie
 Brady Knudson
 Eli Lor
 Mia Montalbano
 Justina Mundt
 Hanna Noskowiak
 Maci O'Loughlin
 Griffin Resop
 Damien Rivera
 Landon Rufer
 Jacob Seager
 Prapeeya Thao
 Rijko Urban
 Eddy Vang
 Elena Voss
 Felix Walker

- Sophomores**
Highest honors
 Lilli Ames
 Mason Anderson
 Wyatt Balke
 Allison Barajas
 Raegan Batten
 Marissa Bustillos
 Matthew Chopp
 Allison Cummings
 Lakshay Dhirar
 Miguel Diaz Valenzuela
 Cooper Doemel
 Emaly Duran
 Nolan Farnsworth
 Brewer Feiter
 Max Greuel
 Ryan Guenther
 Teja Hilson
 Phoenix Hodgen
 Lucinda Housworth
 Sophie Jepsen
 Madrona Larson-Poeschl
 Blake Lederhaus
 Wesley Loewe
 Zita Loiacono
 Alexia Lor
 Mattalin Maxwell
 Ian Miller
 Rylan Nicholas
 Eli Ott
 Jeffrey Parrott
 Justin Parrott
 Elanor Paulsen
 Gabriella Pereira Da Silva
 Natalie Petersen
 Emily Reimers
 Penya Richards
 Savannah Rust
 Lillian Rutkowski
 Claire Stueber
 William Toney
 Keeley Ulrich
 Asher Vanesky
 Jay Weber
 Oscar Zaboriski

- Honors**
 Braden Anderson
 Ajak Awak
 Erika Barlow
 Melanie Bentley
 Isabel Cameron
 Kaden Crooks
 Lucas Davis
 Hazel Desotell
 Lucas Dodge
 Ace Doemel
 Myridas Elliott
 Assa Faizi
 Nazir Fisher
 Khamvieng FNU
 Michael Fredrick
 Elizabeth Fuqua
 Oksana Grant
 Aaliyah Harris
 Emmanuel Jones-Campbell
 Autumn Kislewski
 Veda Lemke
 Willamina Manchester-Baer
 Amelia Marquette
 Alexander McNeill
 Janaya Melton
 Ya'Nais Mills
 Chifeng Moua
 Grace Mueller
 Elaina O'Donnell
 Hendrix Ortega
 Tyler Paulsen
 Alexander Prenot
 Jayden Pyke
 Kashfa Qaiser

- Clayde Aiden Rosalin
 Mikaela Rosemond
 Xavier Rucinsky
 Emily Rumsey
 Ibrahim Saidi
 Mohammad Samdani
 Landon Schulze
 Meena Singharath
 Tanner Smith
 Nahla Whitley
 Kade Woebeking
 Nathan Xiong
 Tidus Xiong
 Sunisa Xiong
 Caylex Yang
 Jayden Yang
 Teya Zinth
- Jaci Miner
 Gracie Moua
 Nathaniel Oehler
 Talen Oesterreich
 Christian Plato
 Jaxon Rudoll
 Laine Samples
 Lilly Sprenger
 Abigail Tiffany
 Thalia Vue
 Eugene Xiong

- Freshmen**
Highest honors
 Alyssa Altman
 Jack Bennett
 Dylan Bork
 Abigail Cahill
 Quintinn Cline
 Isiah Considine-Buelow
 David Dawood
 Andrew Dawood
 Ella Dawson
 Trinity Dutschek
 Conor Dutschek
 Hope Egerton
 Lauren Foerster
 Braeden Gehrke
 Connelly Harrison
 Estelle Helbling
 Bailey Houle
 Esther Johnson
 Kendall Juedes
 Rebecca Kolodzick
 Lyra Lor
 Ashling Lynch
 Sophia Nigl
 Anna Notzke
 Chloe Pennell
 Leo Prissel
 Avery Rodig
 Sophia Schintken
 Aria Schneider
 Maci Swanson
 Uline Thao
 Dean Thomas
 Mallory Tyczkowski
 Sophia Vang
 Grace Verville
 Mariah Weir
 Keiana Weir
 Mason Wrage
 Sunshine Xiong
 Pearl Xiong
 Noah Xiong
 Devyn Zimmerman

- Honors**
 Brock Binder
 Kira Campshure
 Zaharra Dawson
 Hope Dettlaff
 Myrcini Gouroutidis
 Rachel Hegman
 Kenshin LaPoint
 Mikaela Lee
 Harrison Loewe
 Blake Ludwig
- Kylie Behlman-Dain
 Nha Vy Bengel
 Lorylei Briscolino
 Callen Brockman
 James Patrick Bruss
 Christina Burk
 Kamden Cartwright
 Madeliene Conger
 Jocelyn Court
 Isabella Courtney
 Owen Cushman
 Emma Dawood
 Hamsa Drammeh
 Owen Dukelow
 Lilly Eickmeyer
 Amanda Eroh
 Dalaa Mahmoud Falah
 Mzigire Faustine
 Patrick Guerrero
 Weston Gumz
 Alexis Haen
 Alishba Haidari
 Hayden Harwood
 Parker Hoef
 Koda Janssen
 Braelyn Johnson
 Harlow Kaiser
 Landon Kaminski
 Ngalula Kateembo
 Caiden Kneffel
 Emily Krause
 Lars Kroll
 Sydney Kruse-Plier
 Xavia Larson
 Lillie Lester
 Dylan Lor
 Savannah Lor
 Lily Lor
 Dylan Lor
 Tristen O'Hara
 Liana Peterson
 Otto Pinnow
 Tyler Posorski
 Vienna Raoach
 Sophia Sandoval
 Makhan Sawaneh
 Baile Schultz
 Ma'khia Scott
 Mason Selner
 Philip Skovsted
 Skye Spiegelberg
 Aston Tiffany
 Soliana VanAuken
 Jude Vanesky
 Lawson Veesser
 Lauren Wagner
 Zachary Wohler
 Yumeng Xiong
 Nicholas Yang
 Marlii Zillges

- Seniors**
Highest Honors
 Ava Copening
 Cameron Crandall
 Adam Dinegan
 Gabriel Ditscheit
 Lillian Doemel
 Cydney Foster
 Henry Geck
 Tristan Gomez
 Elizabeth Guerrero
 Rayne Laufer
 Anika Leitch
 Claire Lowe
 Aoife Mains
 Brett Maki
 Ryder Mullen
 Braeden Ridenour
 Quinlan Ruark
 Isaac Rucinski
 John Santiago
 Lucia Schade
 Allie Schaefer
 Aubrey Schettle
- Parker Slusarski
 Claire Trofka
 Mathias Yaggie
- High Honors**
 Karsyn Havlik
 Brennon Kraft
 Kylie Rietz
- Honors**
 Crystal Caulfield
 David Mueller
- Juniors**
Highest Honors
 Henry Achterberg
 Nomundari Bolorsukh
 Jackson Buttke
 Breann Emons
 Mackenzie Grammer
 Arianna Hoefgen
 Merrylyn Jerger
 Marlie Kieckhafer
 Elizabeth Koch
 Matthew Loker
 Jazmin Lukacs

- # Ourdes Academy
- Ourdes 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.
- High Honors**
 Estella Marschall
 Anne Moore
 Tessia Mroczkowski
 Elizabeth O'Connor
 Katelyn Potratz
 Alexandra Quandt
 Celia Ralofsky
 Samuel Rehm
 Dominika Sarova
 Antonia Scholl
 Allison Stromske
 Abigail Thorson
- Honors**
 Anna Karpati
 Rachael Kowalske
 Kayla Wihlm
 Maximus Behnke
 Elliot Halla
- Sophomores**
Highest Honors
 Christian Baumann
 Khloe Bunton
- Finley Coats
 Reid Dwyer
 Maya Hawi
 Nadia Hesse
 Maggie Kilde
 Izzianna Mugerauer
 Abigail Ridenour
 Connor Salm
 Ian Simmons
 Elijah Troiber
 Asher Wellens
 Allie Winchester
- High Honors**
 David Agosto
 Blake Busby
 Sarah Hafemeister
 Evelyn Heinzen
 Annika Hitchcock
 Adhieu Liabwill
 Brynn McKone
 Jeordie Warwick
- Honors**
 Christina Agosto
 Grace Dillenberg

- Mason Piechowski
 Landon Rabe
 Addison Wilburn
- Freshman**
Highest Honors
 Adelle Balda
 Katelyn Bartley
 Katelyn Butt
 Alexandra Douglas
 Virginia Egan
 Alejandra Feuerhelm
 Tallulah Feuerhelm
 Raya Fisher
 Stella Hunt
 Ella Laib
 Hudson Lang
 Abigail Mroczkowski
 Halle Nebl
 Caroline O'Connor
 Keisha Rasmussen
 Elliana Reichenberger
 Leah Ridenour
 Jayden Ryan
 Vivienne Schade
- Madisyn Stelzer
 Millicent Swanson
 Lydia Thorson
 Zella Tidemanson
 Delaney Weber
 Avianna Wihlm
- High Honors**
 Liam Buttke
 Zanthé Foster
 Kennadie Fronek
 Lucien Hahn
 Grace Martin
 Kody Neitzel
 Henry Quandt
 Maci Stegeman
 Jacob Thelen
- Honors**
 Mya Blanchard
 Zachary Bowman
 Dominic Goel
 Colton Hable
 Camryn Johnson
 Ava Pacheco
 Adriana Saucedo
 Jonathon Schultz

For Valley Christian honor roll, see page 10

A Strong Community Starts in the Classroom

The Oshkosh Area Community Foundation proudly recognizes and celebrates the outstanding achievements of the students who made the Fall 2026 Honor Roll.

Your hard work and dedication have paid off, and we are honored to acknowledge your academic excellence.

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Honor rolls

Valley Christian School

Valley Christian School has announced its first semester honor roll. High honors were given for a grade point average of 3.67 to 4.0. Honors went to a GPA of 3.0 to 3.66.

<p>Seniors High honors</p> <p>Carter Belville Bella Birr Paige Boevers Uriah Churchill Bostyn Clark Katherine Custer Lizzie Fink Anna Giannopoulos Isaiah Hyvonen Younhee Isom Zikri Kallio Austin Keyes Rylan Koller Danny Kunde Aubryn Lehman Emma Malczewski Alexis Maldonado Jonah Menet Raven Meyer Dawson Miller Kenzie Murphy Kendra Sandahl Anna Sawicki Ben Schilder Micah Vander Heiden Sam Vilski Derek Wallace Brynn Weinaug Tessa Weinaug Maddy Weiss Maura Willis</p> <p>Honors</p> <p>Matthias Behling Katy Calderon Dieringer Grayson Chapin Irie Dorsey Rain Dorsey Scarlett Henderson Hope Kramer Jordan Normandin Kaleb Richardson Matthew Van Groll</p>	<p>Juniors High honors</p> <p>Tyler Andersen Jeron Bjarnarson Ben Curtis Brady Day Hudson Depue Maliya Engel Kenan Ernst Grace Espersen Mason Everts Rachel Freund Merian Getz Isabella Goodin Hadassah Gutierrez Kuhaup Mya Hasse Eavie Heffernan Cole Highfill Riley Hill Micah Humiston Brynn Martin Kayla Mathwig Mya Moran Briana Mueller Xander Osinga Ben Schilder Emma Reinke Natalie Robson Eliana Ross Taleeya Smith Noah Zodrow</p> <p>Honors</p> <p>Mia Abella Chairez Mady Bjarnarson Liam Clayton Cyrus Ehrlich Abel Garcia Cuevas Hadassah Golackson Lyla Koller Ian Kramer Lincoln Kuhlow Adam Laabs Landon Loeck Jack O'Brien</p>	<p>Jackson Pletcher Kenlyn Probst Ethan Sell Brooklyn Snyder Corbin Spahr</p> <p>Sophomores High honors</p> <p>Pyper Burns Elena Calderon Dieringer Gabe Custer Kyla-Belle Dampier Bri Davis Eliana Demler Brianna Grammer Charlotte Graper Lydia Hardy Benjamin Johnson Silas Johnson Maddie Laabs Mason Leach Lyla Marchetta Simon Menet Julia Miller Gabriela Muñoz Cyrus Omdal Levi Rask Joshua Sandahl Wyatt Sawicki Beatrice Schmidt Steven Stiansen Anna Vander Heiden Portia Weiss Zachary Werner Titus Weyenberg</p> <p>Honors</p> <p>Leeland Chapin Noah Ekholm Tyler Galow Charlie Gardner Sam Gloude-mans Vivianna Golackson Maya Heet Haley Hill Elisha Houge Jonathan Lehman Lily Ochowicz Payton Rabe</p>	<p>Amy Willis</p> <p>Freshmen High honors</p> <p>Lucas Aggrey Claire Baker Brielle Birr Evangeline Bratton Wesner Sam Depue Simeon Duncan Faith Eberhardy Ezra Ehrlich Ailana Engel Adel Frank Josiah Freund Emmett Getz Elias Gutierrez Kuhaup Sierra Hardy Mason Hoff Christian Moyer Aiden Murphy Faith Oetken Tim Olson Brielle Osinga Nolan Pletcher Will Robson Zedekiah Ross Liam Sell Mason Siebert Jonathan Stertz Jackson Urban</p> <p>Honors</p> <p>Izzy Bandy Emerson Behnke Camille Belville Novalie Bocinsky Joanna Divens Zara Ekholm Levi Hintz Josiah Houge Tikva Kallio Kaylee Laabs Gracie Moon Nathan Ney Adam Pann William Porter Abby Schilder Sarah Schneider Victoria Smith</p>
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Calendar of events

Wednesday, Feb. 25
Religious Faith and the Founders of the USA, 6:30 p.m., UWOC Culver Family Welcome Center

Thursday, Feb. 26
UW-Oshkosh Jazz Ensemble: "Elington's Harlem - A Jazz Portrait," 7:30 p.m., Theatre Arts Center

Friday, Feb. 27
Black History Month Gallery Walk, 5 p.m., Oshkosh North High School
Charlie Chaplin's The Circus, 7 p.m., Time Community Theater
Battle for the Lake Rodeo presented by Wildhorse Productions and Sandburr Rodeo Productions, 7:30 p.m., Oshkosh Arena

Saturday, Feb. 28
Meet Poet James Hamilton, 1 p.m., Caramel Crisp Bookstore
Candlelit Hike, 5 p.m., Winnebago County Community Park
Back to the Future, 7 p.m., Time Community Theater

Battle for the Lake Rodeo presented by Wildhorse Productions and Sandburr Rodeo Productions, 7:30 p.m., Oshkosh Arena

Sunday, March 1
Oshkosh Seed Savers Spring Seed Swap, 2 p.m., Culver Family Welcome Center at UW-Oshkosh

Tuesday, March 3
First Tuesday Concert featuring Organist Mark Bloedow, noon, First Congregational Church, 137 Algoma Boulevard

Wednesday, March 4
We Heart You, 9:30 a.m., UWOC Culver Family Welcome Center

Thursday, March 5
Death by Design by Rob Urbinati presented by Oshkosh Community Players, 7 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh

Friday, March 6
Morgan House Tour, 6 p.m., 234 Church Ave.
Death by Design by Rob Urbinati presented by Oshkosh Community Players, 7 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh
Wisconsin Herd vs. Mexico City Capitanes, 7 p.m., Oshkosh Arena

Saturday, March 7
WHBA Home Show, 9 a.m., Sunnyview Expo Center

Listening sessions will address safe routes, healthy neighborhoods

Oshkosh Herald

Greater Oshkosh Healthy Neighborhoods, Inc. (GO-HNI), more commonly known as Oshkosh Healthy Neighborhoods, invites the community to in-person listening sessions to discuss concerns and suggestions regarding safely getting children to and from school.

Details on session dates, times, locations and virtual meeting links are available on the GO-HNI March events calendar at gohni.org/upcoming-events. Parents, students, relatives and neighbors are all welcome to attend in-person and virtual listening sessions.

In-person dates, times and locations are at 6 p.m. March 12 in the Vel Phillips Middle School Conference Room (B103) and 6 p.m. March 17 in the Oaklawn Elementary School Media Center.

Virtual sessions will be offered on the following times and dates: 10 a.m. March 10, noon March 19, 6 p.m. March 24 and 10 a.m. March 26.

GO-HNI has been awarded a Community Design for Physical Activity Grant, allocating funds from the State of Wisconsin CDC State Physical Activity and Nutrition (SPAN) cooperative agreement to facilitate a neighborhood-based project to address transportation and mobility challenges, with a focus on improving safe, active and equitable transportation access for students, families and residents.

Key elements of this project include:

- Resident-driven identification of transportation barriers related to walking, biking and access to schools and bus stops.
- Collaboration with municipal and school district partners to align neighborhood concerns with existing policies and plans.
- Advancing visible, community-level actions that improve safety and support active transportation.

GO-HNI will serve as a community connector and implementation partner, working alongside residents, neighborhood associations, municipal departments and institutional partners to elevate transportation concerns, align them with adopted plans and support tangible, on-the-ground improvements. The project will focus on neighborhoods most impacted by school consolidation, where travel distances, traffic patterns, and safety conditions have changed.



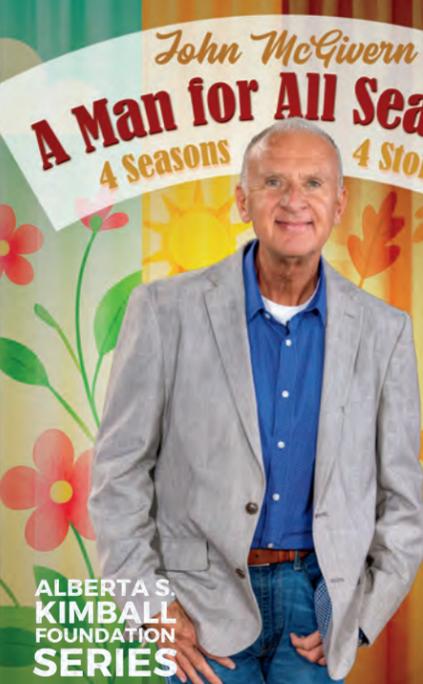
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WI Empire or Fuji Apples
3 lb bag
\$2.99 each
Limit one with separate \$25.00 purchase
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Offer expires 3/3/26 PLU 27208
Piggly Wiggly Water
24 pack, 16.9 oz. bottles
3/\$9
Must buy three. Limit three with separate \$25.00 purchase
Good at Red's Piggly Wiggly in Omro and Oshkosh only
Offer expires 3/3/26 PLU 27209

Bubbl'r
6-pack, 12 oz. cans
2/\$11
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Good at Red's Piggly Wiggly in Omro and Oshkosh only

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		 99¢ lb Jumbo Red, White or Sweet Onions
		 3.99 12 oz Chick-fil-A Salad Dressing

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North/Lourdes' Reeves finishes second at state meet

By Steve Clark
OSHKOSH HERALD

Oshkosh North/Lourdes senior River Reeves capped his high school diving career by taking second at the WIAA Division 1 state meet on Saturday at Waukesha South High School.

Reeves had finished third the past two seasons and took eighth as a freshman.

"I placed third the last two years so it was nice to get a different medal," Reeves said. "I'm glad I made it that far but I'm mostly there just to have fun. I'm just glad to be there with everyone else."

Reeves finished with a score of 449.15 points, up more than 20 points from his total last season. He finished behind Madison Memorial's AJ Beard, who won the title with 472.60 points.

Reeves trailed by more than 40 points entering the final round of dives and was able to cut into the margin but fell short of overtaking Beard.

"With me and AJ, we were going first and second the whole way and he came out on top. It was nice to keep it close, though," Reeves said. "I felt pretty good. I had some really good dives. I messed up a couple of my bigger dives. Other than that it was going pretty smoothly."

Although he had qualified for the state in each of his three previous seasons, Reeves had to overcome some adversity to make this year's meet.

He suffered a concussion and was out for two weeks in the middle of the season and then was sidelined by multiple ear infections toward the end. Yet, he returned for the Fox Valley Association meet and the WIAA Division 1 sectional meet last weekend in Neenah and took titles in both competitions.

"I was able to get back for conference and sectionals," Reeves said. "Coming back and placing second at state made me very happy after not being able to be here most of the season."

Aside from the competition, Reeves appreciated the camaraderie among the state field.

The diving competition is held separately from the swimming portion of the state meet so the group of qualifiers tends to be supportive of each other.

"We're all hyping each other up and we're all getting ready for our next dives," Reeves said. "Before some dives, I'll splash the water to make sure they can see it. We had a big meeting where we talked about just having fun and make the most of the moment."

One of the fellow divers Reeves had the chance to be around at the state meet just happened to be one of his good friends.

Fellow North/Lourdes diver Everix Bl-

essent also earned his way into the state field giving Reeves a teammate in the competition for the first time. Blessent posted a score of 97.80 points in the first round of dives and was one of four divers to be eliminated before the semifinal round.

"That was awesome. I've never had a teammate there before," Reeves said. "It was nice to be with someone I'm very comfortable with and live the moment together for the first time."

Reeves hopes his accomplishments will open the door so that others will follow in his footsteps.

"I hope to do that," Reeves said about leaving his legacy. "I would love to see someone go to North or anywhere in the Fox Valley and take on those bigger dives."

Oshkosh West was also represented at the state meet, marking the first time a Wildcat has competed at state since 2019.

Senior Caleb Bergin participated in a pair of individual events as well as anchoring West's 200-yard freestyle relay which qualified.

"It was pretty amazing. It was something I had been looking to do for four years," Bergin said. "It took a lot of work to get there and it was definitely amazing to get to that level and be there to watch all of the other guys."

Bergin placed 22nd in the 200-yard free-



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Oshkosh North/Lourdes' River Reeves (second from left) stands on the awards podium at the WIAA Division 1 state meet on Saturday after finishing second in the diving competition.

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Knights hang on for victory to share conference title

By Steve Clark
OSHKOSH HERALD

Less than three minutes into the second half, Sarah Hafemeister's basket boosted Lourdes Academy's lead to 36-16 over Central Wisconsin Christian.

The Knights appeared well on their way to a victory in a Trailways East girls basketball game.

It didn't turn out that easy.

The Crusaders rattled off the next 15 points and eventually got as close as four but Lourdes Academy held on to claim a 50-43 win to earn a share of the conference title for the fourth straight season.

"It feels really nice to win it," senior Aubrey Schettle said. "When we lost our first conference game, we sat the team down and told them just how much it meant for us to get it again as seniors. I think they all stepped it up and it feels really nice to finish strong and get that last one."

The Knights finished 10-2 in conference play to finish tied atop the league with Valley Christian.

"I feel like it was so important because we owe it to the seniors so much," said Adhieu Liabwill. "We just kept saying on the court we had to push, push a few more minutes."

Adhieu Liabwill scored six straight points for the Knights in a 7-1 run that pushed Lourdes Academy's lead to 43-33 with 8:24 remaining, but Central Wisconsin Christian rallied again by scoring eight of the next 10 points to get within 45-41 with about three minutes to play.

But the Knights' defense allowed only two free throws the rest of the way and Lourdes Academy was able to make enough free throws to pull away.

Schettle hit four shots from the foul line,

while Naomi Liabwill added another.

"I wanted to hold (the ball) because I could hear their coach on the bench yelling 'Not her, not her.' I feel very confident going to the line," Schettle said. "I don't know if at the beginning of the season we would have (held on for the win), but our growth and improvement has helped us to be able to weather that and not crumble under the pressure."



Schettle

Lourdes Academy broke the game open midway through the first half on back-to-back 3-pointers from Schettle and another trey from Adi Saucedo. Baskets by Ellie Koch and Hafemeister capped the 13-2 run that gave the Knights a 23-10 advantage.

Most of the damage came against the Crusaders' zone defense which allowed the Knights to pound the ball inside before kicking it out to the perimeter.

"Anytime someone wants to play a zone against us, we love it," head coach Ali Starr said. "We have shooters and we have scorers on the inside (with height) we haven't had in this program in a while. It's a beautiful combination and it's fun to coach."

A Hafemeister 3-pointer capped the first half scoring and sent the Knights into intermission with a 30-12 lead and Lourdes Academy would extend the advantage to the 20-point margin early in the half.

That's when the Crusaders started their rally.

"They just kind of jumped on us and started finding the holes (in our defense),"

Schettle said. "Once we felt that, it was easier for us to adjust and we saw what we needed to do to pick it up."

Schettle finished with 16 points to lead the Knights, while Adhieu Liabwill added 10 points and 13 rebounds. Hafemeister chipped in nine points.

It was the eighth win in the last 10 games for the Knights and helped the program secure another conference title.

"We didn't have expectations that were

Lourdes Academy boys can't keep pace with Crusaders

By Steve Clark
OSHKOSH HERALD

The short-handed Lourdes Academy boys basketball team was doing everything it could to keep pace with high-powered Central Wisconsin Christian.

The Crusaders entered the game having five of the last seven contests and have routinely racked up 70 points in games this season but the Knights were hanging right with them throughout the second half.

One hiccup, which lasted less than two minutes, derailed Lourdes Academy's hopes for a win.

The Crusaders scored 10 straight points and notched a 15-2 run in total to break the game open as they handed the Knights a 71-57 loss at The Castle last Thursday night.

"We fought hard but just that minute and a half that's all it took. It's an eye-opener for us," Lourdes Academy head coach Brett Baehman said. "It felt like it was an uphill battle at all times. We would climb up a little bit and then fall back down and then climb up again and fall back."

The Knights trailed by 10 points early in the second half but climbed back into the game with a 9-2 surge capped by Henry Achterberg's 3-pointer. Brady Bauer, Jackson Buttke and Parker Slusarski also scored in the run that brought the Knights to within 35-32 with 13:03 remaining.

The game stayed tight over the next

unrealistic but there was an expectation to win a conference championship and I am just so proud of them," Starr said. "We knew we were reloading this season and I could just not be more proud of what this team accomplished."

And the Knights – who had to replace four starters from last year's state tournament team – may not be done yet.

"I feel like we have come so far," Adhieu Liabwill said. "At the beginning of the season, it was like I don't know if we could go to state but now we're here and we have put so much work in. We don't want to stop just at conference. We want to go to state now."

eight minutes as the Crusaders never led by more than six points, while Lourdes Academy got as close as 42-40 on a driving layup from Quin Ruark.

But the Knights were never able to get over the hump or even pull even with Central Wisconsin Christian.

"We need to have that sense of urgency when we need a run, we have to make it happen instead of expecting it just to happen," Baehman said. "We executed but there were just those small lapses and when it's February or March, it makes a difference."

Two free throws from Buttke left the Knights trailing 53-50 with 5:18 remaining but a couple of minutes later, the Crusaders' lead was 15 points and the Knights were not able to recover.

Buttke finished with 23 points to lead the Knights, who were playing without starting forward Harlan Kuehn because of an injury. Lucas Neuens has also been lost for the season because of an injury.

Achterberg added 15 points for the Knights and continues to be a big scoring threat after moving into the starting lineup.

"Henry is a key guy for us. He's put in a lot of work and he's waited his turn. He found his confidence and it's good to see," Baehman said. "What Henry has done is spread the floor for us so players like Jackson and Parker, who feel good going downhill at this point of the season, have more space to get to the basket."

The Knights, who closed out the regular season on Monday against Ripon, will open WIAA Tournament play at home against Niagara Lake on March 3.

Baehman believes games like this will help the team as it moves forward into the postseason.

"Those key points of the game, you never know when they are going to happen so we just have to keep playing and execute every play," Baehman said. "We just have to finish. We have to believe in ourselves and have the confidence that we are going to close out the game."

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Stauffacher's shot caps West's comeback win over North

By Steve Clark
OSHKOSH HERALD

Oshkosh West's Kamryn Stauffacher admitted she wasn't having the best shooting night last Friday.

But when she got the ball at the top of the key with about 30 seconds left and her team trailing by two, the sophomore was dead-on perfect.

Stauffacher's 3-pointer gave the Wildcats a one-point lead with 24 seconds left and they held on to claim the 61-60 win over rival Oshkosh North inside Frank Schade Fieldhouse.

"It felt amazing. I was like, 'Oh yeah, that's going in,'" Stauffacher said. "I wasn't shooting great this game but I knew my team needed me to shoot it so I shot it with confidence and it went in."

It was the first time the Wildcats led in the second half and it was West's first lead since going up 11-9 with 15:28 left in the first half.

"As soon as I saw it let go, I knew it was going in," senior Ava Strasser said. "I was floored. I was jumping up and down."

The win extended the Wildcats winning streak over the Spartans to 14 games but Friday's game was as close as North has come to knocking off their crosstown rivals.

West head coach Kenisha Goss believes that it was important for her squad to pull out the win heading into its WIAA Tournament opener at Neenah on Friday.

"This is a huge game for us," Goss said.



Oshkosh West's Kamryn Stauffacher (14) fends off the defense of Oshkosh North's Emily Duran last Friday.

Photo by Jim Koepnick

"West has won it for a few years in a row now and losing it wouldn't have been great for morale going into regionals. It is good to see us come out and win in a close game so we know we can fight. It was a good game for us to get under our belt for the tournament."

Following Stauffacher's 3-pointer, North was unable to generate a shot as the Wildcats' pressure defense forced multiple backcourt turnovers and the Spartans were forced to foul.

West was 0-for-3 from the foul line in the final 20 seconds but the defensive

pressure – which helped the Wildcats forge its way back into the game – was too much for North to handle.

"We were pressing and we got some steals and I think that gave us more energy and that got us the win," Stauffacher said. "It was tough (in the second half). I think we thought we weren't in that game like we weren't very energized."

Back-to-back 3-pointers from Brinna Paulson and a baseline jumper by Emaly Duran staked North to a 46-38 lead midway through the half, while an 8-2 run later in the stanza gave the Spartans their biggest lead at 54-43 with 8:10 remaining.

Awut Alic's free throw capped the run but a little more than a minute later the Spartans' standout was whistled for her fifth foul, finishing with 20 points, seven rebounds and five assists.

"Awut had it going but she was also setting her teammates up," North head coach Rick Leib said. "We stayed right there (after Alic fouled out). We had some kids who needed to step up and they did."

But when Alic fouled out, it seemed to give West a boost.

"It was motivational, 100 percent," Strasser said. "It definitely lifted our spirits and gave us a little fire under our butts."

Strasser helped fuel the Wildcats comeback scoring eight of her team-high 17 points in the final five minutes of the game.

She hit an inside basket and then con-

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Fast start carries Spartans to easy win over rival Wildcats



Photo by Jim Koepnick

Oshkosh North's Bryce Ott finishes off a slam dunk during the first half against Oshkosh West on Friday night.

By Steve Clark
OSHKOSH HERALD

Oshkosh North simply never let Oshkosh West get going.

The Spartans scored the first 13 points of the game, led by 23 points midway through the first half and rolled to an 80-33 win over the Wildcats in a Fox Valley Association boys basketball game inside Frank Schade Fieldhouse last Friday night.

"Coach was just letting us know that we need to lock in right away. We beat them by a lot last time but it's very important how we emphasize each game. Fear no one, respect all," North senior guard Tylan Lister said. "It feels great. Everybody came together and just played their role and did what they had to do to get the win."

Four players reached double figures in the game for the Spartans, led by senior Kallum Larson-Poeschel who had a perfect shooting night in notching a career-high 16 points.

Larson-Poeschel was 7-of-7 from the field, including one 3-pointer, and he also

converted his lone free throw attempt in the game.

"It felt great, honestly," said Larson-Poeschel, who also grabbed six rebounds in the game. "I trust my guys to get me the ball when I'm in the right spot and today I was in the right spot."

North head coach Brad Weber was happy to see Larson-Poeschel have a big game coming off the bench.

"Some guys will pout if they aren't starting but he's never pouted. He's starred in his role," Weber said. "He's been there when we needed big sparks."

Bryce Ott added 14 points and six rebounds, while Lister finished with 13 and Dalton Clark chipped in 12.

Jackson Anderson finished with nine points, but also dished out 10 assists in the win.

"We have a group of guys where anyone can come out and score double digits any night," Lister said. "It's awesome."

Joey Ware led Oshkosh West with 13 points – including a dunk off a baseline

drive for the Wildcats' first points – while Carter Kufel added 11 points. No other West player had more than four.

The Spartans opened the game with eight straight defensive stops as they built a 13-0 lead.

Lister and Ott each scored four points in the opening run – including a breakaway dunk from Ott off a West turnover – while Larson-Poeschel scored five points and Clark added seven straight capped by a 3-pointer for a 31-7 lead with 6:36 left in the first half.

"I love to see our energy coming on the defensive end and not the offensive end," Weber said. "Everybody who has been around sports knows that momentum is a real thing. You get big momentum as your sixth man as opposed to the other team and that's big. Success breeds success out there and it validates what you are doing out there when you are getting the stops."

Larson-Poeschel's three-point play

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Oshkosh duo ready to take aim at state wrestling mats

By Steve Clark
OSHKOSH HERALD

For Oshkosh West's Preston Schneider, making it to the WIAA State Wrestling meet continues a tradition of the Wildcats wrestling in Madison.

For Oshkosh North's Jamond Thompson-Schreck, it's kind of the opposite.

Thompson-Schreck becomes the first Spartan wrestler to advance to the state tournament since heavyweight Copeland Barrett made the field in 2022 and can be the first North qualifier in more than a decade to win a match at the Kohl Center this week.

"It's putting a lot of pressure on me to get there, but then again a lot of the pressure has already happened," Thompson-Schreck said before a practice last week. "Now there are kids that will be coming to North knowing that the program is heading in the right direction."

Thompson-Schreck (31-8) will be seeded eighth in the WIAA Division 1 165-pound bracket and will open against Brown Deer's Alijah Thames-Martin (18-

5) on Thursday afternoon.

Schneider (41-6) garnered the No. 4 seed in the 138-pound class and will face Westosha Central's Jonathan Sandrik (37-8) on Thursday.

"I'm excited to see what that match holds," Schneider said. "I have not wrestled him before so I can just do my own stuff then. They don't know what I do and I don't know what they do."

Schneider, a sophomore, is the latest West wrestler to make it to Madison and he said it was important for him to advance.

He is one of the most experienced wrestlers on the West roster so he felt he had the best shot to keep Oshkosh West represented at state.

"We have a lot of new guys on the team so not a lot of experience," Schneider said. "So, I had to step up to make sure at least one guy was representing us at the state



Schneider

tournament."

Schneider nearly advanced to state as a freshman, finishing third at the sectional tournament last season – one spot away from qualifying for state.

He was confident he wasn't going to let that happen again.

"I came (to sectionals) prepared and did what I had to do," said Schneider, who finished second at sectionals to Hortonville's Cashtyn Botting, the

No. 1 seed for the state meet. "It feels really good getting it done this year."

Thompson-Schreck, who won a sectional title, also nearly made it to state before after finishing third at sectionals as a sophomore. He fell short of making it to sectionals last season.

Both experiences have served as motivation for his senior season.

"(Finishing third) was one of the hardest

things I've gone through and that pushed me a little harder," Thompson-Schreck said. "Last year not even making it to sectionals pushed me 10 times harder to make it this time."

Thompson, who missed the Fox Valley Association meet because of a concussion, is just the seventh North wrestler to make the state tournament since 2015 and could be the first to win a match in Madison since Brandon Green finished sixth in 2015.

If he wins his first match on Thursday, he would feed into a match against top-seeded Kolin DeGroot of Kaukauna.

Schneider could face Botting in the semifinals on Friday night if both wrestlers progress, but Schneider is adamant about not looking ahead in the bracket and taking each opponent as they come.

However, he knows what it would mean to wrestle all three days at the tournament and come away with a medal.

"I'm really looking forward to the opportunity (to wrestle on Saturday) if I do get there," Schneider said. "That would be awesome. I hope I can make it happen."

Prep sports roundup

HOCKEY

Ice Hawks drop WIAA tourney game in OT

Oshkosh rallied from a 2-0 deficit to force overtime but West Bend scored three minutes into the extra period to hand the Ice Hawks a 3-2 loss in a WIAA Division 1 regional tournament game last week.

Trent Krueger scored late in the second period to get the Ice Hawks within a goal before Zach Zimpel's power play tally in the third period evened the game.

Grant Magnuson finished with two assists for Oshkosh, while Willaim Beck had one.

Chase Magadzanz made 40 saves in the game for Oshkosh.

GYMNASTICS

Oshkosh nets fourth straight conference title

Neva Schlies set a program record in the all-around as the Oshkosh West/North co-op gymnastics team won its fourth straight Eastern Valley Conference title last week in Manitowoc.

Oshkosh finished with a season-high score of 136.025 to finish easily ahead of the rest of the field. Manitowoc Lincoln was second with 127.875.

Schlies finished first on three of the four

apparatus in totaling 36.425 to finish as the top all-arounder at the meet. Schlies finish 1.4 points ahead of runner-up Clara Sieracki of Valders.

Schlies led a sweep of the top three places on the vault for Oshkosh, taking first with a score of 9.35. Aubrey Goyke was second and Parker Asen finished third in the event for Oshkosh.

Schlies also finished first on the uneven bars and on the floor exercises, while taking third on the balance beam.

Mia Drexler added a second-place finish on the uneven bars, while Kendall Irwin on the uneven bars and Joy Wheel on the floor exercises were each fourth.

Oshkosh will compete in WIAA Division 1 sectional meet on Saturday in Manitowoc.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Valley Christian earns third share of conference title

The Warriors wrapped up their regular season with wins over Horicon on Thursday and Oakfield on Friday to finish tied with Lourdes Academy for the Trailways East title.

Both teams finished with 10-2 league records and split the season series.

Mya Moran and Paige Boevers each scored 20 points in the win over Oakfield that clinched the tie for the title. Boevers also led the team with 15 rebounds and six



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The Oshkosh West/North co-op gymnastics team won its fourth straight Eastern Valley Conference title last week in Manitowoc.

assists.

Lizzie Fink added 18 points in the win.

In the win over Horicon, it was Moran leading the way with 25 points, eight rebounds and seven steals.

Boevers added 21 points and Fink finished with 14 points in the win.

Valley Christian finishes the regular season having won 14 of its final 15 games, with the lone loss in that span coming last week against Sheboygan Christian, 73-65.

Moran led the way with 28 points, Fink had 14 while Boevers and Anna Giannopoulos finished with 10 and eight points, respectively.

Knights knock off Pirates at Oshkosh Arena

Aubrey Schettle hit six 3-pointers and

finished with 19 points as Lourdes Academy downed Fall River, 61-56, at the Oshkosh Arena on Saturday.

Adhieu Liabwill finished with 12 points, while Ellie Koch chipped in eight in the win. Naomi Liabwill and Kylie Rietz each scored seven.

The Knights were held to just 39 points in an 88-39 loss to Division 1 powerhouse De Pere last week. Adhieu Liabwill led the team with 10 points.

Impressive defense leads North to win

The Spartans held Watertown to just seven first-half points and rolled to a 68-22 nonconference win last week.

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Hard work leads to breakout season for West's Herlihy

By Tim Froberg
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

Breakout players are often patient athletes who outwork teammates and pounce on opportunity.

That sounds a lot like Malakai Herlihy.

Herlihy didn't take any shortcuts in his inspiring hoops journey at Oshkosh West. He took the long road to basketball success and it proved to be a rewarding route.

The Wildcats' shooting guard has evolved into one of the team's best performers after being a rotational player with modest numbers his junior year.

Herlihy leads the Wildcats in 3-pointers made (41 through 23 games) and is their second-leading scorer with a 11.6 points per game average. The 6-foot-2 Herlihy is third in assists (1.8) and steals (0.8) and fourth in rebounding (2.8). He is shooting a solid 44.6 percent from the floor and 43.2 percent from the 3-point line.

Herlihy's numbers have soared from his junior season when he primarily came off the bench. Herlihy made just six starts during the 2024-25 season and averaged 5.0 ppg along with 1.3 rebounds, 0.8 assists and 0.5 steals. Herlihy connected on 24 3-pointers, shooting 40.5 percent from the floor and 31.2 percent from beyond the arc.

"Being able to make a bigger impact is definitely a lot more fun," Herlihy said. "To have games where you go off for 20 or more points, you feel like you're helping the team more. We lost a lot of points from last year due to graduation and the coaches were expecting more scoring out of me. It's been a fun season."

So how did Herlihy elevate his role so significantly in a single season? How did he go from spare part to shooting star?

Herlihy didn't just hit a switch that allowed him to spike his numbers. He made the gym his home following last season and refined all areas of his game, especially his perimeter shooting.

"Malakai is a perfect example of what happens when hard work meets belief in the program," said West coach Dan Weisse. "Every summer and every season, he has improved tremendously. That dedication has turned him into our second-leading scorer and one of the players we trust the most when we need something done on the floor."

The long hours in the gym allowed Herlihy to develop more confidence in his game and greater consistency with his shot.

"I've always been a solid scorer, but after last season I got a lot more shots off in the gym," Herlihy said. "That helped my confidence and the mechanics of my shot. Coach Weisse really helped me with my mechanics and footwork. I started releasing the ball at a higher point and my foot-



work became way more efficient."

Herlihy believes that most players can become good shooters, providing they're willing to put the time in.

"I really believe that just about anyone can become a good shooter - if you have good mechanics, get in enough reps and start developing that confidence," he said. "I feel like I'm more of a self-made player than anything with all the time I've spent in the gym and weight room."

Herlihy made sure the extra time he put into the game didn't become tedious and tiresome.

"You need the right mindset, but if you really like the sport, putting in the work is a lot of fun," he said. "It's exciting to see yourself getting better and that keeps pushing you to do the work. Being able to go to the gym and just put up shots - sometimes when no one else is there - that's really nice."

Herlihy's biggest game of the season was a 29-point explosion against Appleton North on Dec. 12 when he swished a season-high six 3-pointers. He followed with a 23-point effort (with four threes) four days later against Appleton West. Not bad for a player who scored in double digits just twice during his junior season, with a season high of 12 points.

"Malakai has become a rock for this team," Weisse said. "He's someone his teammates rely on and someone the coaches can always count on. Malakai has fully bought into what we're building here. His consistency and determination represent exactly what high school athletics is all about."

Herlihy has been playing the game since his elementary school days. His father, Greg, played basketball and football in his prep days while growing up in Warren Township in Illinois.

"I grew two or three inches going into my junior year and got a lot stronger from being in the weight room," Herlihy said. "That's when I started becoming a better player."

Herlihy is also a top performer in the classroom. He carries a 3.8 grade-point-average and plans to attend the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse next fall where he will likely major in either science or biology.

"Time management is important when you're playing sports and going to school," he said. "You need to put in the work at

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Malakai Herlihy has enjoyed a breakout season for Oshkosh West, emerging as the team's second-leading scorer.



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Girls hoops

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verted two free throws before Maddie Bellin's runner with 2:14 left. Strasser then scored on back-to-back possessions to bring the Spartans within a point with 1:15 left.

"Mentally I knew I had to get around and I had to have the motivation to get those buckets," Strasser said. "Being able to push through that contact and finish is really nice."

Paulson made one of two free throws with 53 seconds left to extend North's lead to 60-58, but that left time for Stauffacher – who got the opportunity for her game-winning shot after an offensive rebound by Mya Johnson – to shoot the Wildcats to the win.

"I'm proud of her for stepping up and taking it when she was open," Goss said. "We tell Kam that she is the one we want to have the ball at the end and just have her have that confidence."

Stauffacher finished with 13 points in the game, while Nelson added 11. Samantha Panske chipped in nine points for the Wildcats.

Paulson added 16 points in her final regular-season game for North, hitting five 3-pointers in the contest. With that she became the school's all-time leader with 156 3-pointers, passing Lori Goerlitz who ended her career in the 1990-91 season.

"I don't think Brinna was ever concerned about records, but as a kid who has put the time in she has, it will be neat to look back five or 10 years from now and see the evidence of that hard work," Leib said. "What it shows is a kid who was a gym rat for a lot of years. She not only broke the record, but she sets an example and a standard for this program."

Navi Lao-Facundo added nine points for the Spartans and Alai Awak finished with seven.

North lost by 38 points the first time these two teams met this season and scored only 39 points in the game. Leib was pleased with the progression his squad has shown over the season.

"It's a loss for us but it shows we have arrived," Lein said. "We didn't go away this time. We're playing with a bunch of young kids who haven't had this experience. We haven't been in a lot of close games and it showed. But the message is that we're here and now we can close it out the next time."



Photo by Jim Koepnick

Oshkosh North's Promise Shehi dribbles between the double team of Oshkosh West's Riley Mugerauer (30) and Samantha Panske during Friday night's game.

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capped the first half scoring with the Spartans leading by 30 points.

North then scored the first nine points of the second half to take a 54-15 advantage.

"My leaders were saying, no slow starts (in the second half). They have heard it enough and they have seen reality of why that matters," Weber said. "That's growth. They are growing and learning and the cool thing for me is that I didn't have to say it at halftime."

West's best stretch of the night came early in the second half when Ware scored seven points in a 9-2 surge that was capped by a driving layup from Billy Berg.

Anderson stemmed the tide for the Spartans and ignited a 14-2 run for North that extended the lead to 70-26.

"This is exactly what a tournament atmosphere feels like. You know that there is pressure there when you play and we talked about just embracing that environ-



Photo by Jim Koepnick

Oshkosh North's Tylan Lister (left) and Brady Anderson put a trap on Oshkosh West's Brayden Kufel on Friday night.

ment and then let's do what we know we can do and see if we can do it in this environment," Weber said. "I was really proud of these guys."

Of course, it also feels good to beat a rival, which North has now done 11 straight times against West.

"It's great. It feels great every time we beat them," Larson-Poeschel said. "It's been like a family with this team. We know what we can do."

career is winding down. West (8-15 overall 6-1 Fox Valley Association) closes out its regular season Thursday before launching tournament play in early March.

"We've gotten better and we need to keep getting better," said Herlihy. "We're hoping to put together a good run in March."

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school to make sure you have time after school for basketball."

College hoops isn't in his current plans which means his competitive basketball

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State meet

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style and was 24th in the 500-yard freestyle but was competing with an illness that likely affected how he swam.

"I was looking for improvement (from sectionals) but sadly I came down with an illness and wasn't able to perform the way I wanted to," Bergin said. "Ultimately, my goal was just to get to state and so I was just really happy to be there."

Bergin was joined by fellow seniors Carter Crowe and Sam Roblee on the relay foursome, which was rounded out by sophomore Evan Booms. The quartet

placed 23rd out of the 24 teams competing.

Still, Bergin was happy that it was more than just him going into the pool for Oshkosh West.

"I thought it was great we got a relay to state," Bergin said. "I was very happy. If I had to choose between my individual events and a relay, I would choose the relay every time."

Bergin also hopes that getting three events to state will motivate future Wildcats to work to reach the same heights.

"When I was a freshman, my sister went to state for swimming and that's really what drove me," Bergin said. "Just seeing that other West swimmers could do it, I hope it is really inspirational."

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Awut Alic scored 24 points to pace the Spartans, who led 41-7 at the half.

Brinna Paulson finished with 14 points while Nelly Harrison chipped in nine off the bench for Oshkosh North.

Navi Lao-Facundo had nine rebounds in the game and Alai Awak had eight for North.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Oshkosh North extends winning streak

The Spartans ran their win streak to four games with a 72-41 win over Beaver Dam on Saturday.

Bryce Ott paced the win with 28 points, while Brady Anderson knocked down five 3-pointers and finished with 17 points. Tylan Lister also reached double figures with 13 points.



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North also picked up a 90-52 win over Appleton West last week with Jackson Anderson leading the way with 28 points, including an impressive 8-of-11 performance from behind the 3-point line.

Ott added 21 and Brady Anderson and Lister each finished with 14 in the game.

Ott led the team with eight rebounds while Brady Anderson finished with seven assists.

Wildcats collect win over Polar Bears

Carter Kufel finished with 24 points and eight rebounds, while Joey Ware added 22 points as Oshkosh West downed Hortonville on the road, 73-65, last week.

Drew Abitz also reached double figures with 13 points in the win.

Lourdes Academy rolls to win over Hustisford

Henry Achterberg finished with 24 points and Brady Bauer added 20 as the Knights throttled Hustisford, 81-32, last week.

Parker Slusarski and Quin Ruark chipped in nine and eight points, respectively, as Lourdes Academy was playing without three starters in the game.

Ten different players scored in the game for the Knights.

Valley Christian drops pair of games

The Warriors fell in a pair of Trailways East contests last week, losing to Dodge-land 84-75 on Tuesday and to Horicon 72-59 on Friday.



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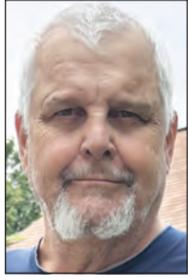
Keith Charles Kremers

Keith "KK" Charles Kremers, passed away with his family by his side, on February 17, 2026, at the age of 69, in Neenah, Wisconsin. He was born to the late James M. and Charlene A. Kremers, on July 14, 1956, in Waupun, Wisconsin. The only boy out of their four children.

He attended Oshkosh High School. On March 22, 1980, he married the love of his life, Deborah Ann Mulvey. Passing one month shy of their 46th wedding anniversary. Together, they raised three beautiful children.

Keith loved working with his hands. He learned the ins and outs of construction business and eventually went into business for himself.

In his free time, he enjoyed fishing, hunting, gardening, and cooking recipes passed down by his parents. Keith also liked to play board games and card games—he was very competitive. His favorite football team to watch was the Green Bay Packers. He loved to travel with his wife, Debbie, to places like Hawaii, Florida, the



Caribbean and countless day trips.

He is survived by his beloved wife, Deborah Kremers; children, Jason (Buffy) Kremers, Amy (Stephen) Vang and Danielle (Josh) Juedes; grandchildren, Ashton, Cole and Clayton; sisters, Alexis (William) Schlichting, Debra (Richard) Haszel and Laura (Douglas) Tyson; mother-in-law, Arlouene Mulvey; brother-in-law, James (Ruth) Mulvey; sister-in-law, Margaret Woods; as well as several cousins, nieces, nephews and many friends.

Preceding him in death were his parents, James and Charlene Kremers; and his father-in-law, James F. Mulvey.

A celebration of life will be held on Friday, March 6, 2026, at Seefeld Funeral Home, 1025 Oregon St., Oshkosh, WI, 54902 from 4:00pm to 6:00pm. This will be a time to pay condolences and share memories together.

In lieu of flowers. A memorial will be established in his honor.

The family would like to thank the The-daCare ICU, 5th Floor staff and the The-daCare Hospice Team for all of their care and compassion during this difficult time.



Bernice R. Brown

Bernice R. Brown, 91 of Oshkosh, passed away at CopperStone of Neenah on February 16, 2026. She was born in Scandinavia, WI on February 4, 1935 to the late Clarence and Ruth (Larsen) Sheveland.

Bernice was a true partner to her husband, John Brown, whom she married on February 13, 1954. Together, they built a beautiful family, raising five wonderful children.

Throughout her life, Bernice was a remarkable homemaker with an extraordinary talent for entertaining. Her home was always open, the coffeepot was always on, and she gladly hosted countless parties and family gatherings, filling the home with life and laughter.

Bernice was a true creative, with an eye for detail and a perfectionistic streak. Whether she be painting pottery, refinishing furniture, sewing stunning wedding dresses for her daughters, or creating an intricate quilt, her craftsmanship always shone. She also loved to garden, filling her home with the beauty of fresh flowers.

Bernice poured her heart into her family and loved her children and grandchildren fiercely. The only person she loved more was her Savior, Jesus Christ. She raised her children to know Him as well, making sure that every time the doors of the church opened, they were there, and her children are eternally grateful for her faithfulness.

Bernice is survived by her son, Phillip (Lynn) Brown; daughters, Susan (Stephen) Dignan, Shari (Steven) Rantala, Sandi (Stephen) Spence and Sarah (Steven) Rutledge; grandchildren, John Brown, Jeffrey (Stephanie) Brown, Stephan (Audrey) Ryder, Elizabeth (Michael) Liu, David (Renee) Dignan, Kyle (Danielle) Dignan, Peter Dignan, Matthew (Fiona) Dignan, Quintin Dignan, Jackson Rantala, Michael (Ashley) Spence, Lauren (Zach) Miller, Emily Spence, Josiah Rutledge, Lucy Rutledge, Elijah Rutledge and Noah Rutledge; great-grandchildren, Charlotte, Caleb, Ivy,



Henry, Madilyn, Emersyn, Cyrus, Asher, Scarlett, Tommy.

In addition to her parents, Bernice was preceded in death by her husband, John Brown; brothers, Leroy (Elaine) Sheveland, Earl (Darlene) Sheveland, Gordon (Delores) Sheveland, George (Marcia) Sheveland, and Richard (Patricia d. 1972, Gloria d. 2025) Sheveland.

A funeral service for Bernice will be at MillCity Church-Oshkosh, 3250 W 9th Ave, Oshkosh, WI 54904 on Saturday, February 28, 2026 at 4:00 p.m. Visitation will be held at the church from 2:00 p.m. until the time of the service. To view the livestream funeral service, please visit <https://www.youtube.com/live/ZpOR-fAt8QZs>. Interment will be held at Lake View Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests that memorial donations be made to the day care at MillCity Church in Bernice's memory. It is a cause she held close to her heart, and your contributions would be deeply appreciated.



Mary Rapp

Please join us to celebrate the beautiful life of Mary (Donker) Rapp.



Family and friends are invited to join us in celebrating the life of Mary on Sunday, March 15, 2026 from 1:00 to 4:00 PM at La Sure's Banquet Hall located at 3125 S Washburn St, Oshkosh.

We welcome you to come share memories, stories, and honor a life well lived.

In honor of Mary's lifelong compassion for others and Mary's personal request, in lieu of flowers and gifts, all monetary donations will be made in her memory to the Oshkosh Area Humane Society and the Emmanuel United Church of Christ food pantry.



Harriet E. Bradley

Harriet E. Bradley, age 95, of Oshkosh, passed away peacefully at Aurora Medical Center on February 20, 2026. Born on January 13, 1931, to the late Harry and Ida (Klegin) Pietz in Oshkosh, Harriet was a beloved mother, grandmother, and great grandmother.



Harriet shared a beautiful life with her husband, Leland Bradley, whom she married on June 3, 1950. Together, they raised five wonderful children until Leland's passing on January 3, 1983. They started Bradley Egg Farms in 1960 and teamed up with her son, Brian, in 1974 before retiring from the egg business after 50 years.

Harriet loved spending time outdoors in her yard. She enjoyed gardening and cutting the grass, playing volleyball, working on puzzles, and playing card games. Above all, she was a woman of deep faith, always putting her trust in Jesus.

Harriet is survived by her loving children: Darleen Bradley, Valinda (Bill) Braasch, Brian (Laurie) Bradley, Cindy Bradley, and Shelly (Aaron) Steinbrenner. She also cherished her role as a grandmother to 23 grandchildren, 28 great-grandchildren, and 2 great-great-grandchildren. She will be missed by her sister-in-law, Lois Pietz, and many others who had the privilege of knowing her.

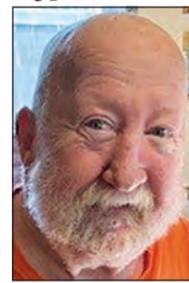
In addition to her parents and husband, Harriet is reunited in spirit with her siblings, Gladys (Robert) Harrison, Erma (Lawrence) Bradley, Harold Pietz and (nephew Scott).

A private family service will be held to honor Harriet's life and legacy.



Michael T. Whitty

Michael T. Whitty went to his final resting place on Sunday February 22, 2026, at Baraga County Memorial hospital. He was born on August 14, 1950, to the late Mary Ratchman and Melvin (Butch) Whitty. Although Mike was 75 years young, he lived a full life and a life that was on his



terms. He served in the United States Navy, that took him to many places. After that, he'd spent a good portion of his time in Oshkosh, WI. His happiest day was when he met the love of his life, Sharon, who he would often be heard calling her, his, Molly. They would marry in 1984, and spend the next 42 years together, right by one another's side. One would say they were inseparable. He wouldn't have had it any other way. He worked for Square D until their closure. At that time, Sharon and Mike would make the decision to sell their home in Oshkosh and permanently move to Baraga, MI. The U.P. was always their home away from home, spending many weekends and more, driving to their beautiful property and spending as much time as possible there. They held many cel-

ebrations and gatherings there with family and friends, creating lifelong memories.

Mike had many interests and hobbies. You could often find him tinkering with something, from saw blades, lawn mowers, fans, and much more. You may have believed it was past its time, but he didn't. He could bring it back to life. He enjoyed a pork chop or two. Spending countless hours down in his pole barn. One of his top hobbies he enjoyed when he could was coming back to Oshkosh, and hanging out at the Boathouse with his brother, Mark and many others. Some may have referred to and will remember Mike, as the best white bass fisherman in Oshkosh.

He is survived by his wife, Sharon. Twin brother Mark (Chris) Whitty. Stepson Scott (Joan) Schiesl. Grandchildren; Sherri (Josh) Wendt, Daniel Haase, Lexii Ashcraft, Chris Schiesl, Sarah (Joe) Schiesl, Rebecca Schiesl. Great Grandkids; Destiny (Jordan) Gies and Xavier Wendt. Great, Great Grandson; Colby Gies. As well as many nieces and nephews.

Besides his parent's, he is preceded in death by his daughter, Dawn Ashcraft. Siblings; Butch Whitty, Colleen Knott, Karen Whitty, and Cathy Whitty. One grandson, Nick Schiesl.

Per his wishes, there will be no funeral services.

Thomas Roland Dunn

Thomas Roland Dunn, age 88, of Oshkosh, WI, passed away at his home in Oshkosh.



Thomas was born on February 3, 1938, in Wauwatosa, WI, son of the late Thomas P. and Genevieve (Jones) Dunn. He married Jean Reischl on October 10, 1959, in Oshkosh. Thomas served in the United States Army. Thomas worked at Mercury Marine in engineering.

Thomas cherished his family and friends, especially his grandkids. He could be found in his garage, tinkering away on a project. He enjoyed woodworking, hunting, and boating. He loved being out up the cabin at Two Island Lake. He looked forward to his "Monday Night Meetings" with his guys.

Thomas is survived by wife, Jean Dunn; children, Debra (Leo) Fleischman, Brenda (Ron) Binder, and Steven Dunn; grandchildren, Erin Rehm, Tyler Van Heuklon, and Alex Van Heuklon; great-grandchildren, Alannah (Kain) Rehm, Charlotte (Daniel) Rehm, and Violeta Flores; great-

great grandchildren, Theo Rehm, Maxwell Rehm; and his brother, Patrick Dunn. Also many brother and sister in-laws, nieces and nephews, and special friends.

He is preceded in death by his parents; sisters, Mary Kay Jennerjohn, Joanne Fogtman, and Mary Ellen Krueger; grandson, Adam Rehm.

A memorial service for Thomas will be held at Konrad-Behlman Funeral Home-Eastside, 402 Waugoo Ave, on Thursday, February 26, 2026, beginning at 11:30am. A time of visitation will begin at 10:00am and continue until the start of the service.

Burial will take place at Riverside Cemetery at a later date.

Family would like to extend a special thank you to Thomas' wonderful staff at Moments Hospice.



Betty A. Vandenberg

Betty A. Vandenberg passed away in the morning of Sunday, February 22, 2026. Funeral arrangements are being handled by Konrad-Behlman Funeral Home.

Obituaries

Lorraine Mary Schneider

Lorraine Mary (Horejs) Schneider, age 97, gained her Heavenly wings, February 19, 2026. She is survived by her children, Don (Lisa) Schneider, Steve (Sherrie) Schneider and Sandy (Wally) Cartwright; daughter-in-law, Linda (Jim) Schneider; sisters, Jean (Bill) Mauritz and Patsy (Neil) Abitz; a dear sister-in-law, Carol Horejs; as well as many nieces and nephews. She was blessed with 13 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; and 3 great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, Alois and Elizabeth Horejs; her husband, Norman; 6 siblings; son, Jim; and daughter, Karen.

Lorraine held many jobs in her lifetime, but the best job of all was being Mom and Gramma 'Raine. Her last job before retiring was a candy dipper at Oaks Candy, which she absolutely loved! She enjoyed

cooking, baking and feeding whoever walked in the door! Family gatherings lit up her world! Playing sheephead and poker with the family was a Saturday night or Sunday tradition back on 12th street. She enjoyed bus trips to the casino and usually always won, "Lucky Lorraine" as she was called. An avid Green Bay Packer and Milwaukee Brewers fan as well. She never showed anger towards anyone and made the best of any bad situation. Always found the "happy."

Her life the past 8 years were spent at Bethel Home where she was welcomed into her second family. She had her favorites but loved you all the same. She attended all of the activities that Laura and Angie could muster up as well as Happy Hour Thursdays with a brandy old-fashioned and a poker game which included baked treats, sometimes made by Ethel from Bethel! She was always up for some shenanigans and silly pictures with them as well as the volunteers that made her stay so special.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, March 5, 2026, at Seefeld Funeral Home,

1025 Oregon St., Oshkosh, WI, 54902, from 2:30pm to 4:30pm with a Prayer Service starting at 4:30pm.

In lieu of flowers, please feel free to donate to the Miravida- Bethel Home Activities Department in her honor.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to the staff at Miravida Living for the love and care she felt and deserved. She thought highly of all of you and ap-

preciated everything you did to make her comfortable and to Moments Hospice, for making her final journey peaceful and for the guidance you gave to our family for her final moments.

She will be missed by many but was loved by even more.



Eileen Marie Scholl

Eileen Marie (Thomas) Scholl, age 85, of Oshkosh, passed away peacefully on February 15, 2026 with her family by her side at Sharon S. Richardson Community Hospice in Sheboygan Falls, WI.

She was born on November 15, 1940 in Baraboo, WI to the late Russell and Ernestine (Volz) Thomas. Eileen graduated from Baraboo High School in 1958. On March 1, 1960, she married Kenneth Charles Scholl who preceded her in death on January 1, 2025.

Eileen worked at Oshkosh B'Gosh before working for the Oshkosh Public Schools in the food service department from 1979 – 2003 when she retired.

Eileen recently moved to Bella Vista – Independent Living in Oshkosh and had made many new friends and enjoyed all the activities that were available. Eileen enjoyed ATV riding in her younger years, camping, playing cards and gambling. Her family was very important to her.



Eileen is survived by her daughter, Lori (Todd) Schneider of Oshkosh and two sons, Gerald (Dawn) Scholl of Oshkosh and Scott Scholl of Van Dyne; a brother, Earl (Diane) Thomas of Baraboo; five grandchildren, Tyler (Danielle) Scholl, Ryan (Sydney) Scholl, Alex Scholl, Jamie Stenson and Kaci Hansen; three great grandchildren, Brianna Stenson, Baily Stenson and Paisley Scholl. She is further survived by other relatives and many dear friends. The family would like to thank the staff at Sharon S. Richardson Community Hospice for their care and compassion for mom.

A memorial service celebrating her life will be held on Friday, February 27, 2026 at 11 am in the Fiss & Bills-Poklasny Funeral Home, 865 S. Westhaven Drive in Oshkosh. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery at a later date. A time of visitation will be held at the funeral home on Friday from 10 am until the time of service.

In lieu of flowers memorials will be made to Children's Hospital Milwaukee, Bella Vista and Sharon S. Richardson Community Hospice.



Rose Mary Sheldon

Rose Mary Sheldon (Schneider), 85, of Oshkosh, died Sunday, February 15, 2026. She was born September 7, 1940, to Lavina and Albert Schneider Sr. Rose Mary was known for her feisty and sassy personality, her quick laugh, and her loving advice. She enjoyed gardening, spending time outdoors, and especially cherished time with her family and friends. She is survived by her sons, John Shel-

don of Janesville and Gary (Nika) Sheldon of Oshkosh; her grandchildren, Jacob, Michael, Winter, and Elijah Sheldon; her great-grandson, Noah; and her brother, Warren (Pat) Schneider.

She was preceded in death by her son, Brian Schuster; her parents; and her siblings, Joann, Bert, Wayne, and Oura "Tub" Schneider.

A celebration of life will be held at a future date.

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Obituaries

Beverly Mae Dieckmann

Beverly Mae Dieckmann, 90, of Sun Prairie, WI passed away on February 15, 2026 at home after spending her last days with family. She was born on March 22, 1935 in Oshkosh, to Margaret (Walker) Rank and Raymond P. Rank. She and her brother, Ray, grew up in the Plymouth/Elkhart Lake area and she graduated from Elkhart Lake High School in 1953.

Bev met her future husband, George Herbert Dieckmann during the summer of 1956 in Elkhart Lake where they both



worked. They eloped in Morris, IL on April 1, 1957, April Fool's Day. Her mother thought it was a joke when they called to wish her a happy birthday and inform her of their news. They were married for 67 years and raised two children, Heidi and Greg.

After moving back to Oshkosh with her family, she re-joined Peace Lutheran Church where she had been baptized and remained a member for over 60 years.

Bev loved children, animals and nature. She worked for the Oshkosh School System for 24 years at Green Meadow and Roosevelt Schools as a Title One Aide and as a school Secretary. She made her home of 50 years in Utica Township where she enjoyed the four seasons and gardening.

Here her children and grandchildren were taught to appreciate nature, forming memories to last their lifetimes. Being a grandma was the joy of her life!

Bev and Herb were fortunate to have wonderful friends with whom they were able to travel. They enjoyed trips to the UK, Canada, several European cruises, and many states within the US. In their later years, they moved to Evergreen Apartments where they lived for 7 years. They met many wonderful friends and she earned the title of "Cookie Lady."

Bev is survived by her daughter, Heidi (Bob) Larson, son, Greg (Anjum) Dieckmann, grandsons, Zach (Kelsey) Larson, Caleb (Erin Eggert Larson) Larson, Ethan (Gabe Neuman) Dieckmann, Ajay Dieckmann and great granddaughter, Atley Jo Larson as well as her sister-in-law, Marilyn

Rank and nieces and nephews.

Preceding her in death were her husband, Herb, her parents and brother, Raymond F. Rank and in-laws, Herbert E. Dieckmann, Irene Dieckmann and Eunice Cleo Snerly Schrader.

Private services will be held at a future date. In lieu of flowers, if you are inclined to honor her memory, donations can be made to St. Jude's Children's Hospital, Peace Lutheran Church, Africa Forward Initiative, Inc (Clinic project), or to the organization that is most meaningful to you.

The family would like to express our sincere gratitude to her caregivers from Davita Dialysis Oshkosh and Sun Prairie, Home Instead and Agrace Hospice. Your respectful and loving care has meant the world to us.

Jeanne T. Hendricks

Jeanne T. Hendricks, age 90 of Oshkosh, formerly of Tigerton, passed away Thursday, February 19, 2026 at Evergreen Assisted Living in Oshkosh.



Jeanne Terese Hendricks was born August 16, 1935, in Laona, Wisconsin to Clarence and Mary (nee McGoey) Roeske. When she was in second grade, the family moved to Tigerton, where Jeanne grew up, graduated from Tigerton High School in 1953, and went on to earn a Bachelor of Science

degree in elementary education from the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point in 1957. Just a week after graduation, Jeanne married her high school sweetheart, Robert "Bob" Hendricks on June 22, 1957. She was preceded in death by her husband, Bob; sister, Yvonne Lindow; and brother, Dr. C. Edward Roeske. Jeanne and Bob were blessed with five children; Barbara (James) Stern, Rob (Phyllis) Hendricks, Mary (Roger) Jameson, Tom (Mary) Hendricks, and Clare (Mark) Vanden Heuvel; 11 grandchildren; and five great-grandsons. Jeanne is also survived by her sister, Judith Earling, many nieces, nephews, and wonderful friends.

Jeanne taught school in New London, Tigerton, and Bowler. She volunteered in church and community. She was a member of Delta Kappa Gamma, an International Society for key women educators. Jeanne was a lifelong member of St. Anthony's Catholic Church, where she played the or-

gan as a teenager, sang in the choir for forty years, taught religious education, and served on the parish council and the Ladies Society. She spent 18 years volunteering with the Girl Scouts as a leader and camp counselor and served on the board of directors at Maple Hills Golf Course. In 1991, Jeanne was honored to receive the Lion's Club Community Service Award. Jeanne's hobbies included playing bridge, cheering for the Packers, golfing, and traveling. She especially enjoyed spending time in Door County and Marco Island, Florida. Jeanne had a gift for hospitality and found great joy in gathering family and friends around her table.

Her family is deeply grateful to the staff at Evergreen and Asceracare for the compassionate care and love they gave Jeanne. Their relationship and love for her was so visible in her everyday care. It was a testament to the bond they had all developed during her time at Evergreen. Remarkably, they extended their care and compassion to Jeanne's family. In lieu of flowers, there is a memorial fund being established in Jeanne Hendricks name at Bree's Closet (Bowler School District, 500 S. Almon Street, Bowler, WI 54416) to provide clothing, hygiene products and other items for families in need.

Mass of Christian Burial was held for Jeanne on Tuesday, February 24, 2026 at 11am at St. Anthony's Catholic Church, 430 Swanke Street, Tigerton, WI 54486. Fr. Mark Rydell officiated and interment took place at Union Cemetery also in Tigerton. Visitation was held at the church on Tuesday from 9:30am until the time of the service. The Eberhardt-Stevenson Funeral Home & Crematory of Tigerton is assisting Jeanne's family. www.eberhardt-stevenson.com



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Zip It!

Zippers were invented in the late 1800s. But they often popped open unexpectedly, causing a lot of embarrassment.

The zipper was perfected in 1923 on rubber boots made by the B.F. Goodrich Company. The company called the fastener a zipper because you just had to "zip 'er up" or "zip 'er down."

Circle every other letter to see what zippers were originally called.

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Draw a line from each Z word to its definition. Stuck? Use a dictionary.

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| 1. ZINC | a. A path with back-and-forth angles. |
| 2. ZEPPELIN | b. Silly or wildly funny. |
| 3. ZITHER | c. The largest city in Switzerland. |
| 4. ZURICH | d. A shiny, bluish-white metal. |
| 5. ZIMBABWE | e. A country in southern Africa. |
| 6. ZONE | f. A blimp-like airship. |
| 7. ZAP | g. Great energy or excitement. |
| 8. ZIGZAG | h. A musical instrument. |
| 9. ZEST | i. An area with a special purpose. |
| 10. ZANY | j. To strike something quickly. |

Extra! Extra!
Red All Over

What's black and white and red all over? Not just a sunburned zebra! Choose one page of the newspaper. Circle in red all of the words that you know.

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

Standards Link: Social Science: Students understand the contributions of individuals in shaping our economy.

Kid Scoop Puzzler

Mystery Z Poem

Our name starts with Z.
 You eat us – now what can we be?
 Our colors are dark green, pale green and yellow.
 Our succulent flesh will taste quite mellow.
 We grow on a bush with prickly stems.
 We're shaped like a sausage with rounded ends.
 We're an excellent source of Vitamin C,
 Good to eat and also fat free.
 In France we're *courgettes*, our name rhymes with linguine.
 Eat us cooked or raw. Our name is ...

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Standards Link: Language Arts: Word recognition.

Double Double Word Search

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

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

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

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ZIGZAG MAZE
 Can you find your way through this maze in under 2 minutes?

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FINISH

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