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# City asking state for highway funding

By Jonathan Richie  
OSHKOSH HERALD

City officials gathered near a busy Oshkosh intersection Monday morning to highlight the need for additional funding for state highways.

Mayor Matt Mugerauer said it's vital the state continues to fund state highway projects as delaying these projects can have adverse effects on the community.

"We need the state to stay on track with state highway funding for roads like this one," he said while standing near the inter-

section of North Sawyer Street and Oshkosh Avenue.

The press conference attendees included representatives from public works, public transportation, the Oshkosh Fire Department and UW-Oshkosh who are pushing for more funding for state highways. The state highways in Oshkosh include WI-44, WI-21, WI-76 and WI-45.

"These are the main roads through Oshkosh. They need to be maintained," Mugerauer said.

Oshkosh Fire Department Battalion

Chief Aaron Droessler said it's imperative for the department to have well maintained roads for a number of reasons, including getting to emergencies quickly and safely and providing smooth rides when transporting patients.

Droessler added that bad roads can increase response times for first responders and increase the costs of maintaining the department's vehicles.

Alex Hummel, the chief of staff for the

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Photo by Michael Cooney

## Mysterious dinner party

The Oshkosh Community Players cast rehearses last week for performances of *Rope* by Patrick Hamilton at The Grand Oshkosh, which included a scene where the cast is having a dinner party served on top of a trunk that contains unknown to them the recently murdered body. The fall production was the first of the season for the group, which is scheduled to perform *Weekend Comedy* by Jeanne Bobrick and Sam Bobrick Jan. 8-10 along with *Death by Design* by Rob Urbinati March 5-7.

# Common Council eliminates rules on second reading

By Jonathan Richie  
OSHKOSH HERALD

In a move to streamline efficiency, the Oshkosh Common Council has eliminated a long-standing rule that allows time for the public to provide comments on potential projects, policy changes or any other proposed ordinance.

The council voted last week to eliminate the rule stating new ordinances need to have two readings at consecutive meetings before it can be voted on and approved.

Historically, the council has two readings for every ordinance that is on the agenda for its approval. In most cases the council does the first reading at a meeting with no discussion although discussion is allowed. Then two weeks later, they bring it back for a vote and discussion.

There is no state law requiring the two readings, but it has long been in Oshkosh's municipal code. The first reading is used as an introduction to a proposed ordinance and allows the public to read the ordinance and speak at the council meeting if

they wish to address it.

"We've just been operating under the assumption that we've always had to do two (readings); it's what we've always done. That's a dangerous mindset to stay in," Mayor Matt Mugerauer said. "I'm glad we're looking to make some improvements to our process."

Mugerauer said there are concerns that by having additional time, it sometimes elicits some public response or comment to an ordinance.

The council will still have the ability to layover items to move the item to a future meeting. Any council member can also call for a vote for an ordinance to be sent back to a committee for further discussion or have a public hearing on the issue.

During Mark Rohloff's time as city manager, he once explained to the coun-



Grill

cil that ordinances are sometimes still being researched by city staff as they gather more information before the second reading. This could include traffic, environmental and financial impacts of any given ordinance.

City Manager Rebecca Grill explained the move will help streamline ordinances through the system with the newly approved council meeting schedule.

The council approved the ordinance eliminating the second reading of ordinances with no opposing votes. It first had to waive the rules to waive the second reading to avoid confusion with carrying it over to the next meeting.

The council approved a new meeting calendar for next year which will shift to 18 meetings a year instead of 24. The council meets on the second and fourth Tuesday of every month. In recent years the council has tended to only meet about 20 times.

Grill said there won't always be two meetings every month and that there won't be meetings if there is an election.

"As a former clerk, I really appreciate when there's elections having a meeting the next day or even the day before or anything like that taxes the clerk," she said.

With fewer meetings, it will take longer for ordinances, resolutions and other council business to get through the approval and oversight process. Grill said having the second reading rule in place with the new calendar would add an additional 10 days to wait for approval.

"We're trying to be more friendly with development and things like that," Grill said.

Grill is not concerned about limited public input and added the city needs to be more intentional now if there are concerns in the community.

"I'm not concerned," she said. "I'm sure there will be sometimes where we don't necessarily get it right and we'll just hold it over until the next meeting."

Council member Jacob Floam added

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Council decision sends troubling message

At last week’s meeting, the Oshkosh Common Council voted to eliminate the long-standing Oshkosh requirement that new ordinances be read at two separate council meetings before voting on the ordinance for adoption – unless the council itself decides otherwise by waiving the rules for a second reading. Essentially, they waived the rules to waive the rules.

This was presented by the council as a way to avoid delays on projects, particularly in months when only one council meeting is scheduled.

But here’s the problem: the council has *always* had the authority to waive the rules. This change wasn’t about solving a real obstacle; it was about rewriting a transparent policy for a hypothetical

McDuffie joins Herald as ad account executive

Oshkosh Herald

Aurora McDuffie has joined the Oshkosh Herald as an advertising account executive for the Oshkosh area.

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“what if” situation. Worse yet, there was little opportunity for the public to weigh in. Agendas are posted on Friday for Tuesday meetings, leaving just two business days for residents, the press and anyone trying to keep the community informed to review, question and share information. To my knowledge — confirmed by at least one council member — this change was not publicly discussed in advance.

### Back in the Day



Oshkosh history by the Winnebago County Historical Society

**Oct. 6, 1933**  
**Oshkosh Memory Expert Expires:** “Railroad Jack,” famous character with the encyclopedic mind, is dead. The former Oshkosh resident’s real name was Harry Cooper but later in life, he adopted the nickname “Railroad Jack.” He was known for his forte of standing on a street corner, goading bystanders to ask him a question he could not answer. The price to ask a question was a mere five cents and if he was stumped, a dollar was paid to person asking the question. He moved about town pushing a small cart and carried a bag emblazoned with his moniker “Railroad Jack – Memory Expert” with him on his travels which he preferred to ride by slinging his hammock beneath the car of a passenger or freight train – riding about ten inches above the rails. He preferred sleeping in the “out of doors” - even in winter. Harry Cooper was found dead this morning in a room behind an oil station in Coldwater Michigan. He was 69 years old.

Source: Remember When by Randy Domer, 2025

Stripping away the second reading as a default may be efficient for the council, but it comes at the cost of public transparency. One less opportunity for residents to understand, question and respond means one more way important decisions can slip past without adequate scrutiny. State law does not require municipalities to have two readings before adoption, but it has been an ordinance and the practice for creating legislation in Oshkosh. The council’s decision to waive the rules to waive the rules sends a troubling message: convenience is being prioritized over accountability. And in local government, accountability should never be treated as optional.



Photo courtesy of Bentley Historical Library  
Harry Cooper, more famously known as Railroad Jack, was an Oshkosh resident with an encyclopedic mind.

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# Winnebago County Executive proposes \$227M budget for 2026

Oshkosh Herald

Winnebago County Executive Gordon Hintz recently released a proposed budget for 2026, with a focus on infrastructure upgrades, housing initiatives and expanded social services while reducing the county’s structural deficit.

The proposed budget projects \$226.8 million in revenues against \$236.9 million in expenditures, leaving a \$10.2 million deficit to be covered through a combination of general fund balance use, turnover savings and departmental reserves. The county’s structural deficit has been reduced from \$8.6 million to \$7.2 million, according to budget documents.

“This budget reflects a commitment to building a transparent, accountable budget that delivers high-quality services to its residents while being fiscally responsible and forward-looking,” Hintz wrote in the budget brief. “This budget prioritizes investments in housing, infrastructure needs, efficient government, and fulfilling our mandates in social services to the federal and state government as well as the expectations of our communities.”

Property tax revenue is projected at \$74.1 million, including roughly \$884,000 in additional revenue from new construction throughout the county, which has increased the taxable property base by about 1.43%.

Human Services remains the largest department by spending at \$59.2 million, or nearly 25% of the budget, followed by the Sheriff’s Office at \$32 million and the Highway Department at \$21.9 million.

Top funded programs include roadway

maintenance and repairs at \$13.5 million, inmate housing at \$9.4 million, and youth justice services at \$6.5 million.

The plan invests \$19.2 million in capital improvements, paired with \$9.6 million from other sources. The \$28.8 million total represents a 57% increase over 2025.

Hintz said the county faces \$67 million in deferred maintenance, security non-compliance at the courthouse, and inadequate facilities for highway operations and county staff.

He cautioned that federal cuts to Medicaid and uncertainty around grants could require the county to maintain services through property taxes or cutting programs.

Employee wages include a 3% market adjustment, and a 2% merit pay increase. The county will add a net 26.2 full-time equivalent positions, including new deputies at the jail, maintenance staff, public health strategists and permanent staff for the Homeless, Evictions and Loss Prevention (HELP) program. The five HELP project positions are being converted to permanent roles with “a negligible impact on the budget year-to-year.” Five county staff positions will also be eliminated, saving about \$432,000.

Hintz has been holding listening sessions about the proposed 2026 county budget. The next sessions include meetings at 6 p.m. Tuesday at the Omro Area Community Center; Oct. 8 at the Winnebago Municipal Center and Oct. 9 at the Neenah Police Department community room, 2111 Marathon Ave.

The final 2026 budget is expected to be adopted in late October.

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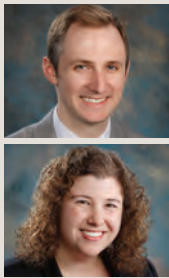
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# Free speech concerns discussed during school board meeting

By Jonathan Richie  
OSHKOSH HERALD

Dozens of community members attended the Oshkosh Area School District Board of Education meeting Sept. 24 to discuss free speech-related issues.

An Oshkosh West High School teacher posted comments online following the murder last month of conservative activist Charlie Kirk that sparked online outrage by some saying that the teacher should be fired. Similar stories have been reported across the country regarding comments made following Kirk's death.

The teacher's post on his personal Facebook page stated Kirk stood for racism, homophobia, bigotry and division. He called Kirk morally evil and said, "the world is a better place without his voice and his ideas."

The Winnebago County Republican Party has been calling for the teacher to be fired since it reposted the teacher's comments on its social media pages.

"Is this who we want teaching our children?" the post asked.

The situation is similar to what has been

happening in Wisconsin and across the country. A Rosendale-Brandon School District employee was placed on administrative leave following remarks the employee made on social media about Kirk. A South Carolina teacher aide has filed a federal lawsuit against her former employer over a Kirk-related post that the aide alleges led to their firing.

It's not just teachers in the public sector, but it has also been others in the private sector – a sports reporter in Arizona, a cable news contributor and a stock market employee have all been fired over social media posts, according to reports.

A group of local residents sat last week in the Alberta Kimball Auditorium at Oshkosh West High School to give their opinions on the topic. The meeting was moved to the auditorium to allow ample space for residents on both sides of the issue to attend. Speakers on one side of the issue were calling for the teacher to be punished and others were asking the district to protect the teacher's free speech rights.

More than 20 people spoke for over

an hour at the meeting, with many more sitting in the crowd. One man called the school board "radical Marxists" and then quoted a verse from the Bible. Another speaker said punishing the teacher sets a "dangerous precedent."

"I found contents of the post that were derogatory, insensitive and extremely unprofessional," Michael Faust said.

Current and former students, along with parents of students, spoke about the benefits of having the teacher in class and the positive impact the teacher had on their education.

School board president Beth Wyman told the audience before opening the meeting to public comment that the teacher could not be referred to by name or attendees could be removed from the meeting.

Multiple speakers referenced the fake Facebook profiles used by board members Kelly DeWitt and Tim Hess, which were discovered by Herald reporting in January. At the time, Hess and DeWitt both stated that they were protected by the First Amendment's free speech clause to voice

their opinions however they wished.

Several people in the auditorium held up signs that read, "Protect Free Speech."

Oshkosh lawyer Gary Yakes spoke about the importance of the school board protecting First Amendment rights. He added this discussion could be a good civics lesson for everyone.

The district has two policies, po7544 and po7540.04, that reference staff usage of social media for personal reasons. There are other policies that reference staff using social media to promote the schools and programs within the district.

"While the board respects its employees' First Amendment rights, those rights do not include permission to post inflammatory comments that could compromise the district's mission, undermine staff relationships, or cause a substantial disruption to the school environment," the policy states.

The school board did not announce any actions regarding the teacher's employment status as the agenda item for the executive session was only to discuss the topic.

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# Fugitive flees on foot near school, found by police

Oshkosh Herald

Oshkosh Police said last week it completed a drug investigation that resulted in the arrest of a 36-year-old man near an elementary school.

The police allege that almost two ounces of methamphetamine and other drug paraphernalia were found inside an Oshkosh home.

The search of the home took place on Sept. 23 in the 1500 block of Doemel Street, which is in the neighborhood that includes Emmeline Cook Elementary School.

“For the safety of all school students and staff, the Oshkosh Police Department notified Emmeline Cook Elementary School of the search of this residence prior to it being served, and continued to update the school on the ongoing search of the wanted subject who fled from the residence,” Lt. Brett Robertson said in a release.

The OPD vice and narcotics unit led the investigation. The man, who was identified as a “wanted fugitive,” fled on foot from the residence.

## Library hosting family history workshop

Oshkosh Herald

An upcoming workshop is designed to help turn family tree charts, photos and stories into something memorable.

Oshkosh Public Library will host author, photographer and genealogist Michael Cooney for a session on writing about family history.

The program takes place from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Oct. 14 in the library’s lower

Multiple citizens reported seeing the suspect in the area. Authorities found the man in a backyard near Murdock Avenue and Hazel Street.

While searching the house, OPD allegedly found 43 grams of methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia.

The Oshkosh Police Department would not confirm the identity of the man with the Herald, citing that the man has not been charged.

The Herald made an open records request with the department asking for the police report of the case. The request was denied with OPD responding that the investigation is ongoing despite telling the public the VNU “completed a drug investigation.”

OPD said it took the man to jail and arrested him for drug-related charges, including possession with intent to deliver methamphetamine and maintaining a drug trafficking place.

At press time, the district attorney’s office had not filed any charges related to this case.

level meeting room.

Cooney will share practical tips and creative strategies for transforming years of research into a compelling narrative. From spreadsheets and lineage charts to family group sheets and photos, he will show participants how to craft a story that family members will want to read.

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# ACLU lawsuit could end county jail cooperation with ICE

## Winnebago jail among those with ICE partnership

By Bethanie Gengler  
OSHKOSH HERALD

The American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) of Wisconsin has filed a petition with the state Supreme Court asking that the practice of county jails honoring federal immigration detainers be declared unlawful.

The legal challenge was filed Sept. 18 on behalf of immigrant rights group Voces de la Frontera. It names Walworth, Brown, Kenosha, Sauk and Marathon counties as respondents.

If successful, the case could impact jails statewide, including Winnebago County, where Sheriff John Matz entered into a formal 287(g) agreement with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) in March.

Thirteen Wisconsin counties had entered into 287(g) agreements with ICE as of July.

Under the agreement, ICE trains, certifies and authorizes local law enforcement to serve and execute administrative warrants and detainers on noncitizens in jail.

An ICE detainer is a request asking local sheriffs to hold individuals for up to 48 hours beyond their release date under state law, so federal immigration agents can take custody. They are not criminal warrants and do not require a judge's signature.

The ACLU's petition argues that honoring detainers amounts to making a new arrest without legal authority.

"We believe that state and local law enforcement are overstepping their authority under Wisconsin law by honoring ICE detainers, regardless of whether they operate under a 287(g) agreement with ICE that purports to delegate certain immigration enforcement powers to local law enforcement," said Tim Muth, senior staff attorney with the ACLU of Wisconsin. "This is an important issue that must be addressed quickly, as our immigrant

neighbors are living in fear and constantly at risk of being unlawfully held and apprehended by ICE."

Christine Neumann-Ortiz, executive director of Voces de la Frontera, said immigrants committing minor infractions like driving without a license can be detained or deported.

"It diverts scarce public-safety resources away from truly urgent community needs, and it doesn't make us safer; it instead spreads fear and dehumanizes our immigrant neighbors," she said. "Wisconsin should be investing in keeping families together and strengthening communities, not working with ICE to exploit and intimidate people who are essential to our state's economy and social fabric."

Matz said at a Judiciary and Public Safety committee meeting in August that the person has to have committed a jailable offense for Winnebago County to notify ICE.

According to the ACLU, more than 1,000 people were detained by ICE in

Wisconsin under 287(g) agreements between January and June. In Winnebago County, from Jan. 1 to July 18, 126 foreign-born people were booked into the jail. ICE was notified about 88 of them, placed detainers on eight, and ultimately took custody of six. The other two were transferred to another agency.

Winnebago County has also received a total of nearly \$80,000 in federal funds from the State Criminal Alien Assistance Program (SCAAP) between 2021 and 2024 in exchange for sharing jail data with federal authorities, according to a July 2025 ACLU report.

The ACLU lawsuit comes as the state legislature considers Assembly Bill 24, which would require sheriffs to investigate citizenship status and comply with ICE detainer requests or risk losing state funding. Rep. Nate Gustafson of Fox Crossing, who represents Assembly District 55, is a cosponsor of the Senate version of the bill. The ACLU says the bill will fuel the "jail-to-deportation pipeline."

# New Wisconsin law establishes vaping product directory

By Jonathan Richie  
OSHKOSH HERALD

A new Wisconsin law has created a list of nicotine vaping devices that can be sold in the state. One hope for the law is that it reduces kids' use of vaping products that could be dangerous to their long-term health.

Wisconsin Statute 995.15 went into effect on Sept. 1 and created the Electronic Vaping Device Directory. The directory outlines what vaping devices can be sold in Wisconsin.

The law states that all vaping devices for sale in Wisconsin must be compliant with

federal regulations within the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act and be listed in the newly created directory.

Retailers can only sell nicotine devices listed in the directory, which is maintained by the Wisconsin Department of Revenue.

If a business is selling a nicotine vaping product not in the directory, then they are subject to the product being seized and could receive a fine of \$1,000 per day per item on the shelves.

There are currently 284 products listed in the directory, which will be updated monthly. Manufacturers have to annually certify

each product by July 1 by having FDA marketing authorization or have the product submitted as a Premarket Tobacco Product Application still under review.

Community Action for Healthy Living (CAHL) is a nonprofit organization based in Northeast Wisconsin that partners with communities to reduce youth substance abuse and build healthier communities. The group's mission is to educate, empower and advocate for healthy communities throughout Wisconsin.

Executive Director Emma Kane said the purpose of the new law is to limit youth access to the harmful products.

"Restricting youth access is one of the most proven, evidence-based strategies to prevent youth nicotine and tobacco use," Kane said.

The directory will be used to track which nicotine vaping devices can be sold in Wisconsin.

"The directory ensures that only federally authorized products can be sold in Wisconsin and provides enforcement mechanisms against non-compliant devices," Kane said. "By limiting the marketplace to authorized products, the law also helps reduce youth access to vaping devices."

Kane said there are a plethora of dangers for young people using nicotine products, including harm to adolescent brain development. Kane added nicotine use can affect a young person's attention, learning, mood and impulse control.

"Youth can develop addiction quickly – no tobacco product, including e-cigarettes,

is safe for youth," Kane said.

Scientific reviews continue to show that vapes expose users to fewer toxic chemicals than cigarettes, but they are not harmless, Kane said.

She recommends people looking to quit cigarettes or nicotine should focus on FDA-approved quitting medications and counseling over switching to vapes.

"No e-cigarette has been FDA-approved as a smoking cessation product, regardless of what packaging and advertising says," Kane said.

There are studies that have been done such as the 2024 Cochrane Review that found evidence that nicotine e-cigarettes can help people quit smoking cigarettes.

"Nicotine e-cigarettes can help people to stop smoking for at least six months. Evidence shows they work better than nicotine replacement therapy, and probably better than e-cigarettes without nicotine," the study states. "They may work better than no support, or behavioral support alone, and they may not be associated with serious unwanted effects."

It continues, "However, we still need more evidence, particularly about the effects of newer types of e-cigarettes that have better nicotine delivery than older types of e-cigarettes, as better nicotine delivery might help more people quit smoking."

The directory is currently only for nicotine devices, but devices containing hemp will be listed on the directory beginning July 1, 2026. Enforcement on hemp-derived vaping devices will start after that date.

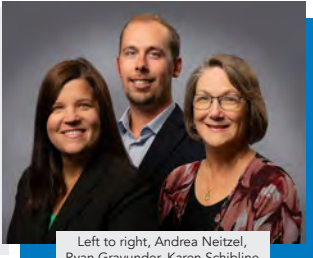


**Ryan Gravunder**, a licensed producer with Insurance Services by Karen, was awarded the 2025 Producer of the Year Award by Erie Insurance Company at their recent Annual Business Meeting held at Lambeau Field in August.

Insurance Services by Karen services the Oshkosh and Berlin area. The agency was also recognized as a Branch Elite Agency in Personal Lines, Commercial Lines, and Life in 2024.



Gravunder was presented the Producer of the Year award by Jerre McNeill, Regional Vice President of Erie Insurance Company and Angela Dix, Wisconsin Branch Manager.



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# City reaches new EMS agreement with Algoma

## New contract approved with firefighter union

By Jonathan Richie  
OSHKOSH HERALD

Oshkosh and Town of Algoma are moving forward with an ambulance services contract for 2026.

The move comes just a few months after the Oshkosh Fire Department and city staff explained a staffing shortage and lack of new applicants had forced the department to greatly decrease its coverage.

Before the contract was terminated, it stated that 10 municipalities, about 250 square miles, would be covered by Oshkosh ambulance services until the end of 2026. The council's decision earlier this year meant that seven of the 10 municipalities would not be covered after 2025.

In 2026, the Oshkosh Fire Department's ambulance services will cover Oshkosh and Algoma at a per capita fee of \$40.40. Those fees drastically rose after 2023, when per capita rates were \$3.60; in 2025, the rates were \$31.20 and was scheduled to be \$37.77 in 2026 under the previous contract.

The towns of Algoma, Black Wolf and Nekimi are allowed to continue under the contract until the end of 2026. However, Black Wolf and Nekimi have ended those conversations with the city and are part of an ambulance board that was created following the announcement of the contract termination.

The contract was terminated due to staffing difficulties within the Oshkosh Fire Department. The city had also planned to add a fourth ambulance unit but received no applicants for the eight new positions.

The towns of Black Wolf and Nekimi will be covered by Oshkosh until the end of this

year but next year the towns will be part of the Intergovernmental Ambulance Board.

Other municipalities in the IGA are Poygan, Rushford, Utica, city and town of Omro and village and town of Winneconne. All of the municipalities will only be covered by Oshkosh EMS services until the end of this year.

The Oshkosh Common Council passed the new agreement with no opposing votes. The term of the contract is for the year 2026 after which it could be revisited. The contract also states the response time for calls in the town will be less than 20 minutes at least 90% of the time.

When the city was covering 10 municipalities a rising concern was response time. A call from Poygan could have an ambulance crew taking 29 minutes to get to the scene.

At its Sept. 23 meeting, the council also

approved a new union contract with the International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF) Local 316 for 2024, 2025 and 2026. This agreement includes pay raises throughout the contract's duration.

One change with the contract is changing shifts for firefighters with the department. The department currently uses a 24-hour on, 24-hour off, 24-hour on, 24-hour off, 24-hour on and then four days off work schedule.

The new shifts will be 48 hours on and 96 hours off. Oshkosh Fire Chief Tim Heiman told the council these shifts are becoming industry standard.

"We're seeing a lot of departments make that shift," Heiman said.

He said multiple departments in the region are already using the 48/96 shifts. The new shift structure will address fa-

tigue amongst workers who, Heiman said, often don't get enough rest with the 24 hours off compared to the 96 hours off.

"The recovery time, they're finding is much better," he said.

There are no personnel changes being made with the new contract. The department will have the same number of employees and firefighters as before the contract was approved.

The new shifts are something that new recruits are asking about when Heiman speaks to new firefighters, and he recognizes the department must match what the workforce wants.

"As far as mental health, having the longer time in between shifts is helping firefighters decompress a little bit more," Heiman said. "And another thing is it's just more family time for our employees."

## Hope Fridge reopens to support community food security

Oshkosh Herald

The Hope Fridge is returning to Oshkosh as a coalition of community groups support this resource to help fill the gaps for food insecurity. It will be located outside Trinity Episcopal Church on 203 Algoma Boulevard in Oshkosh.

The supporting partners include Hope Fridge, Trinity Episcopal Church, First Congregational Church, Solutions Recovery, Christine Ann Domestic Abuse Services, Algoma Blvd United Methodist Church, Winnebago County Public Health and other neighbors.

The Hope Fridge is a mutual aid, community-driven initiative designed to help address food insecurity by operating on a simple principle: take what you need, leave what you can. This public fridge,

freezer and pantry provide a safe, easily accessible place where anyone can receive food and community members can donate items.

A grand reopening will take place from 9 to 10 a.m. Thursday outside Trinity Episcopal Church. The event will feature remarks from community partners and local leaders about the importance of this resource, especially during a time of increasing food insecurity.

Guests attending the event are encouraged to bring donations to help stock the fridge.

Accepted items include fresh produce such as bananas, oranges, apples and vegetables; ready-to-eat or grab-and-go meals and snacks; pastries, baked goods and bread; cheeses, yogurt, pasteurized

eggs and pasteurized milk; cured sandwich meats, Lunchables, fruit snacks and granola bars; frozen dinners; fruit juices, water and sports drinks; cooking oils (no glass containers); homemade meals (must follow safe preparation guidelines, include ingredient labels and date made) and prepared meals from commercial kitchens (must include ingredient labels and date made).

To get involved or volunteer, contact HopeFridgeOshkosh@gmail.com. Financial contributions can be made by sending a check to: Algoma Blvd United Methodist Church c/o Hope Fridge. Funds will be used to restock the fridge when supplies run low, replace items as needed, fridge maintenance and to sustain this resource for the community.

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## Packers pride on display at library

Oshkosh Herald

Green Bay Packers fans know what 1929, 1967 and 2010 have in common. They're three of the 13 unforgettable seasons that cemented the Green Bay Packers as one of the most storied franchises in NFL history.

Oshkosh Public Library at 2 p.m. Oct. 5 will host Green Bay's 13 Championship Seasons, a highlight-reel program that celebrates the team's championship legacy.

Held in the library's lower level meeting room, the presentation is perfectly timed. There's no Packers game that day, making this an opportunity for fans to relive the glory of every title-winning season.

The program is led by Jim Rice, found-

er of The Packers Century Project, a long-running effort to document every Packers game in history (more than 1,400 and counting). From Lambeau leaps to Super Bowl victories, Rice brings the heart of the game to life with stories from fans across the country, videos, blog posts and behind-the-scenes tales.

There will be time for questions throughout the program, and Rice will stay after the final whistle to talk football and swap stories with fellow fans. This free event is open to the public and promises an afternoon of football nostalgia, Wisconsin pride and great conversation.

For questions about the program, visit [oshkoshlibrary.org](http://oshkoshlibrary.org) or call 920-236-5205. To view Rice's archive of Packers history, visit [packerscentury.com](http://packerscentury.com).

## Estate planning workshop planned

Oshkosh Herald

Planning for the future can feel overwhelming, but a free workshop at Oshkosh Public Library intends to make it easier. Adults are invited to learn the basics of estate planning from experienced attorney Tracy Gibson.

Estate Planning Q&A: Coffee and Conversation will be held from 10 to 11:30

a.m. Oct. 11 in the library's lower level meeting room. No registration is required.

Attendees are invited to learn the risks of estate planning shortcuts and essential estate planning tools such as wills, trusts and powers of attorney that best fit them and their family.

To learn more, visit [oshkoshlibrary.org](http://oshkoshlibrary.org) or call 920-236-5205.

## Spellbound for Literacy coming Thursday

Oshkosh Herald

The Winnebago Area Literacy Council will host its annual Spellbound for Literacy fundraiser from 5 to 8 p.m. Thursday at the Oshkosh Convention Center.

The event celebrates 36 years of providing free adult literacy services in the community.

The event features team spelling games,

local trivia, a silent auction, raffle baskets, a wine wall, chocolate wall, heavy hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar. Teams of six to eight players will compete in two rounds of word-related challenges.

All proceeds from the event will directly support WALC's programs. Tickets are available at [winlit.org/spellbound-for-literacy](http://winlit.org/spellbound-for-literacy).



Photo from Oshkosh Area School District

Students from Oaklawn Elementary School celebrate a \$10,000 donation from Hoffmaster, presented on Sept. 17. Pictured, front row from left: Oaklawn Elementary School students. Pictured second row from left: Theresa Duren, OASD Education Foundation director; Shana Lavrenz, senior manager employee experience and services; Maggie Faust, senior director of food service marketing; Brandy Zehner, office manager. Pictured back row from left: Scott Johanknecht, Oaklawn Elementary School principal; Tober Moderson, division operations director; Chris Wright, OASD Board of Education vice president and Dr. Sam Coleman, OASD assistant superintendent of operations.

## District receives gift for student field trips

Oshkosh Herald

The Oshkosh Area School District (OASD) Education Foundation is partnering with Hoffmaster, which has committed \$10,000 to support educational field trips for elementary students.

Now in its third year, this collaboration continues to expand learning opportunities beyond the classroom. District officials said field trips funded through this partnership give students experiences that bring classroom lessons to life, spark curiosity and connect learning with the world

around them.

Each of the eight participating OASD elementary schools will receive grant funding designated this year for fifth-grade field trips, ensuring students have access to opportunities that enrich their education.

The following schools will receive funding through this year's initiative: Emmeline Cook, Franklin, Jefferson, Menominee, Oaklawn, Read, Roosevelt, and Shapiro STEM Academy. These schools were selected based on the economic needs of their students and families.



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Game changers

For the first time in Wisconsin, pieces of a Shahed drone used against Ukraine were on display Sept. 24 as a part of an exhibit at UW-Oshkosh. The Drones – The Game Changers of the War in Ukraine event included “War in 360 Degrees” (an immersive experience and exhibit), remnants of a Shahed drone and speaker Davyd Piasetskyi made a presentation and led a discussion about drones’ influence on warfare in Ukraine.

Expert shares Halloween history

Oshkosh Herald

With Halloween lurking just around the corner, author and paranormal researcher Chad Lewis will present Halloween: History, Folklore and Customs from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Oct. 15 under the Dome at Oshkosh Public Library.

The free program uncovers the eerie origins of Halloween traditions. From jack-o’-lanterns and scarecrows to witches, bats and things that go bump in the night, Lewis explores the supernatural stories behind the holiday’s most iconic symbols. Lewis has spent more than 30 years

chasing legends and lore across the globe. His adventures have taken him from haunted castles in Ireland to vampire hotspots in Transylvania and monster sightings in the Midwest. He’s authored more than 35 books on the strange and unexplained and has appeared on the Discovery Channel, ABC’s World’s Scariest Places and Ripley’s Believe It or Not Radio.

For more information, visit oshkoshlibrary.org, call 920-236-5205 or learn more about Chad Lewis and his work at chadlewisresearch.com.

Haunted History Walk features ghosts, local lore

Oshkosh Herald

A Haunted History Walk features an immersive experience that blends eerie folklore with spooky truths from the city’s past. Led by local storyteller Leeann Morrill, this guided downtown walk invites participants to explore the supernatural side of Oshkosh through spine-tingling tales and ghostly legends.

The Haunted History Walk will be held from 4 to 6 p.m. on Saturday and Oct. 8. The program is intended for ages 14 and older and begins under the Dome at Oshkosh Public Library. Registration is required. To sign up, visit the library’s event calendar at oshkoshlibrary.org and click on either of the dates. For more information, call 920-236-5208.

Area jobless rate slightly decreases in August

Oshkosh Herald

The Oshkosh-Neenah metropolitan area (MSA) and Winnebago County saw their unemployment rates decrease slightly to 3.0% in August from 3.1% in July, while increasing from 2.7% in August 2024, according to preliminary data from the state Department of Workforce Development.

Jobless rates decreased in seven of Wisconsin’s 35 largest cities over the month, increased in 15 cities and stayed the same in the remaining 13 cities. Rates decreased in one city over the year, while increasing in 32 cities and staying the same in the remaining two cities.

The preliminary August unemployment rate decreased in one other metropolitan area over the month: Fond du Lac. Unemployment rates increased in two metropolitan areas over the month and stayed the same in the nine remaining metropolitan

Preliminary August 2025 jobless rates decreased in 26 counties over the month, stayed the same in 22 counties and increased in 24 counties.

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# Powerful Tools for Caregivers class offered

Oshkosh Herald

A Powerful Tools for Caregivers workshop will be held from 3 to 4:30 p.m. on Thursdays for six weeks beginning on Oct. 16 at Oshkosh Public Library.

The free workshop is designed to help caregivers meet their own needs, while caring for a loved one, whether that loved one lives with them or lives in a care facility, if they are distant caregivers or are helping a friend or neighbor.

Powerful Tools for Caregivers can help caregivers identify and manage stress,

manage difficult feelings due to losses, schedule changes, increased responsibilities, trying to manage work and caregiving.

They will also learn effective communication tools and several relaxation techniques that can help ease the challenges of caregiving.

For more information, call Alisa Richetti at the Aging and Disability Resource Center of Winnebago County at 920-236-1227 or email at [arichetti@winnebago-countywi.gov](mailto:arichetti@winnebago-countywi.gov).

# Waived rules

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this will be beneficial to developers and business owners along with citizens as the city continues to streamline the meeting schedule.

Council meetings in the 2026 calendar eliminate a meeting in April due to the

midterm elections, and there will only be one meeting in July, August, November and December.

The second meetings in November and December are traditionally canceled by the council leading up to the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. Additionally, the second meeting in July is often canceled due to EAA AirVenture taking place that week.



Photo from UW-Oshkosh

# Making connections

More than 130 local, regional and national employers met with students Sept. 24 during the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh Fall Internship and Career Fair in Kolf Sports Center. UWO holds biannual career fair events, sponsored by UW-Oshkosh Career and Professional Development, to provide students an opportunity to connect with employers to learn about full- and part-time positions, internships, co-ops, practicum, volunteering and networking opportunities.



Oshkosh Herald

Oshkosh Fire Department Battalion Chief Aaron Droessler explains the importance of well-maintained roads and how poor roads can contribute to increased response times.

# Highway funding

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chancellor's office at UWO, noted the university recently benefited from the reconstruction of Algoma Boulevard in 2023.

Hummel said that 91% of UWO graduates that are from Wisconsin stay in the Oshkosh area after graduation. He said that about 40% of graduates from out of state also stay. The roads and lack of congestion are main reasons for graduates staying.

"The roads are certainly one of the reasons graduates stay in the area," Hummel said.

State Rep. Lori Palmeri said the issue of more funding for roads is not unique to Oshkosh and is happening all over Wisconsin.

City officials have been working to develop the Oshkosh Avenue corridor as a place for visitors and residents to enjoy more businesses. Since the Oshkosh Corp. global headquarters opened in 2020 the city has continued to develop the area. This includes building a number of shopping centers that house restaurants, bars and two hotels.

Executive Director of the Oshkosh Convention & Visitors Bureau Amy Al-

bright said it's important for the gateways to the city to have the best curb appeal.

"When things look shabby, that's how Oshkosh looks to visitors," she said. "We want these gateways to reflect what we want the community to look like."

The city is planning to redesign the intersection of North Sawyer Street and Oshkosh Avenue in 2028. The new intersection will be a four-way stop light that will incorporate Rainbow Drive.

"Crumbling roads is not what we want for Oshkosh," Mugerauer said. "We need the state to continue funding these projects so we can continue to modernize our roads and this corridor."

# Drive for a Cure supports breast cancer research

Oshkosh Herald

Bergstrom Automotive will host Drive for a Cure, an event Saturday benefiting breast cancer research at the Medical College of Wisconsin Cancer Center.

This year's event will take place at Bergstrom Volkswagen, located on South Washburn Street near the Outlet Mall.

From 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., guests are invited to test drive a special fleet of 100 Bergstrom vehicles, including EVs, trucks, SUVs, cars and luxury models. For every mile driven, Bergstrom Automotive will donate \$1 to breast cancer research at the Medical College of Wisconsin Cancer Center.

No advanced registration is needed. Drivers must be 21 years or older with a valid driver's license. Guests can enjoy free food and refreshments, a commemorative T-shirt and the chance to win raffle prizes, including autographed Packers merchandise.

Since its inception, Drive for a Cure has raised more than \$660,000 in support of breast cancer research programs at the Medical College of Wisconsin. Additional information is available at [bergstromauto.com](http://bergstromauto.com).

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## Purple pride

The Oshkosh Walk to End Alzheimer’s Saturday is expected to raise more than \$80,000 with the support of more than 250 walkers. The funds will directly support families across Winnebago County with education, care and support services, advocacy efforts and the Alzheimer’s Association’s 24/7 Helpline, 800-272-3900. More information about donations can be found at [act.alz.org/oshkosh](http://act.alz.org/oshkosh).

## DNR increases monitoring for round goby

Oshkosh Herald

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is increasing its monitoring and response efforts for the invasive species round goby in the Lake Winnebago System.

An angler reported seeing a round goby in June near the Bowen Street Fishing Pier and more have been spotted since. Round goby infestations can impact a lake’s sport fish and panfish species through competition and eating native species eggs.

Round goby look similar to the slimy sculpin and mottled sculpin fish that are native to the area. To best identify the invasive species, the DNR said to look for the single fused pelvic fin resembling a suction cup and the prominent black spot on the first dorsal fin.

If an angler suspects a round goby has

been caught, the DNR instructs that it’s killed immediately and taken to a DNR service center for inspection. If a round goby is spotted but not captured, sightings can be reported online at [survey123.arcgis.com/share/36d249cc13d-64c78a175feb2b50e151c](http://survey123.arcgis.com/share/36d249cc13d-64c78a175feb2b50e151c).

Round goby are listed as a restricted species in Wisconsin meaning they cannot be transferred live or transferred or introduced to the state from elsewhere. Round goby must only be brought to a service center deceased.

Never use round goby as bait. Wildlife, recreational and environmental violations can be reported to the DNR’s violation hotline available 24/7 and confidential. To report online, go to [wi.accessgov.com/dnr/Forms/Page/8500-005/form8500-005](http://wi.accessgov.com/dnr/Forms/Page/8500-005/form8500-005) or text or call 1-800-847-9367.

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of events

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Pups in the Garden Fundraiser, 3 p.m., Fifth Ward Brewing

Friday, Oct. 3

Remember...Hiwela and Camp Fire Memorabilia Open House, 10 a.m., Algoma Boulevard United Methodist Church, 1174 Algoma Boulevard  
Homecoming Parade, 5:30 p.m., Oshkosh West High School

Saturday, Oct. 4

Downtown Oshkosh Farmers Market, 8 a.m.  
Remember...Hiwela and Camp Fire Memorabilia Open House, 10 a.m., Algoma Boulevard United Methodist Church, 1174 Algoma Boulevard  
ReStorative Art Fest, noon, Oshkosh Habitat ReStore, 1640 S. Koeller St.  
Oshkosh Gallery Walk, 6 p.m., Downtown Oshkosh  
Scream, 7 p.m., Time Community Theater  
Mariachi San Jose, 7 p.m., The Grand Oshkosh

Tuesday, Oct. 7

First Tuesday at First Congregational featuring singer Sean Lynch and pianist Marty Vajgrt, noon, 137 Algoma Boulevard

Wednesday, Oct. 8

Lakeside Speaker Series featuring Jason Jensen, 6:30 p.m., Jesuit Retreat House on Lake Winnebago, 4800 N. Fahrwald Road

Thursday, Oct. 9

UWO Jazz Ensemble and Jazz Lab Band “Basie Swings,” 7:30 p.m., Theatre Arts Center

Friday, Oct. 10

Homecoming Parade, 5:30 p.m., Oshkosh North High School  
Streets of Hope Day by Day Fundraiser, 6 p.m., Becket’s, 317 City Center  
SCFF presents: The Giant Spider Invasion with special guest director Bill Rebane, 7 p.m., Time Community Theater

Saturday, Oct. 11

Copia Cup Soccer Tournament, all day, Winnebago County Park  
Downtown Oshkosh Farmers Market, 8 a.m.  
Oshkosh Public Museum’s Día de los Muertos celebration, 10 a.m., 1242 High Ave.  
Sawdust Community Fright Fest, 12:30 p.m., Time Community Theater  
Boos and Brews – Seltzer and Cider Stroll, 1 p.m., Downtown Oshkosh  
Mission We Hear You Benefit Concert, 6 p.m., Oshkosh Arena  
Oshkosh Symphony Orchestra presents Comfort, 7 p.m., 1010 Algoma Boulevard

Sunday, Oct. 12

Copia Cup Soccer Tournament, all day, Winnebago County Park  
Four Wheels Photography Cars & Coffee Season Closer, 9 a.m., Oshkosh Arena  
Oshkosh Harvest Craft and Vendor Show, 10 a.m., Oshkosh Convention Center

Thursday, Oct. 16

EAA Speaker Series: Flying the E-4, 7 p.m., EAA Aviation Museum

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# Spartans remain on roll with rout of Red Devils

By Zachary Bellin  
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

The lights were bright, the stands were full and parents lined the field to be recognized.

By the time the final whistle blew, Oshkosh North's 36-0 rout of Green Bay East on Parents Night on Friday turned into a perfect backdrop for a night where family and football felt inseparable.

Oshkosh North's defense, which has allowed just 21 points at home this season, in the dismantling of Green Bay East was responsible for 16 points, all coming in the second quarter. The Spartans scored on back-to-back defensive possessions by way of interception and then forced a safety before the two-minute mark in the second quarter.

"We've got kids that'll fly around, Tyler Farnsworth, Andrew Oehler, they do a great job," head coach Luke Ott said. "It just helps, it helps but then it makes the offense sit for a long time... it's still a great job, and they were flying around, that's what we've had from our defense all season."

Oehler ripped off the first interception for a touchdown, then three plays later, Farnsworth snagged the first of his two interceptions.

Farnsworth reached pay dirt with the help of his teammates, who got the senior through traffic at the goal line.

"I knew what the routes were coming in, but we didn't get what we were expecting," Farnsworth said. "So, whenever it was a pass play, I tried to get my opportunity and I luckily came down with two of them

(interceptions)."

The senior connection of Bryce Ott and Dalton Clark set the tone early with a deep throw and catch for about 30 yards on the first play of the game and proceeded to keep it going as Clark accounted for 94 of Ott's 174 passing yards.

The duo also connected on a 40-yard pass on the Spartans' second possession.

"They've gelled, the two (Clark and Bryce Ott) have been doing it together since eighth grade, and they do put in the extra time, you can see Bryce's confidence when he goes to Dalton," Luke Ott said. "Dalton's going to run the right route, and Bryce is going to put it where he needs to."

After the deep pass by Ott on the first play, the Spartans survived a fumbled snap to reach the end zone by way of Jamare Scott, who punched it in from the 1-yard line to make the score 6-0.

The second long Ott-to-Clark connection set on an Ott touchdown run, as he kept it himself to push it in and give the Spartans a 14-0 lead.

East didn't gain a first down until time was expiring in the first quarter, but had to eventually punt again.

North wouldn't get back into the end zone until there were eight minutes left in the first half on the Oehler and Farnsworth interception returns. The defense scored again when a punt pinned the Red Devils deep in their own territory and the Spartans tackled a Green Bay East runner in their own endzone for a safety for a 29-0 lead.

Scott scored his second touchdown of the game on the opening play of the next



Oshkosh North quarterback Bryce Ott lets go of a pass just over the outstretched hands of a Green Bay East defender on Friday night.

possession as he took a screen pass 63 yards for the score and the 36-point lead.

Even with the success, the team wasn't satisfied with the results. Both Farnsworth and Luke Ott made it clear that there were changes that need to be made for the future to go as planned.

"We just have to cut down on the mistakes," Farnsworth said. "Too many flags, too many guys running their mouths after plays. We just got to cut that stuff out."

It was a special night for head coach

Luke Ott, as he and his sons Bryce and Eli were able to pick up a victory on parents night.

"I'm blessed to have two kids that love football that take my coaching because sometimes father son combos aren't always great, but it's awesome," Ott said. "It's a great feeling to be 6-0, have two kids on the team, and the senior class I've been coaching since they were in eighth grade. They're not my true kids but they're really close and I'm really proud of them."

# Wildcats can't get going against powerhouse Kaukauna

By Joe Matzek  
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

Any hope that the Oshkosh West football team could build momentum from its close loss to Neenah the previous week fizzled out quickly against Kaukauna on Friday.

The Wildcats allowed a touchdown on a

kickoff return and had a punt blocked, leading to another score. They fell behind 35-7 at halftime on the way to a 48-14 defeat.

"We had a good game last week and we had a good week of practice, (but) we made too many mistakes, especially on special teams, early in the game," Wildcats head coach Joseph Ray said. "We gave up

a big play we shouldn't have and just got ourselves in a hole, and that was it."

West (0-6 overall, 0-4 Fox Valley Association) was coming off a game in which it took FVA co-leader Neenah to the limit before losing 28-24.

But the Ghosts (3-3, 3-1) needed just three plays to cover 58 yards on their opening drive, ending with Aiden Reardon's six-yard touchdown run.

The Wildcats tied the game 7-7 on their third possession. A 30-yard pass from Drew Abitz to Owen Heim set up Joey Ware's 23-yard touchdown run off a lateral.

But Kaukauna struck back immediately with Will Clark's 98-yard kickoff return, and special teams became an issue a few minutes later when the Ghosts blocked a punt. Kaukauna used that miscue to score on Muhammad Jobe's 1-yard run for a 21-7 lead.

After Kaukauna grinded out a 17-play, 80-yard drive that ended with a 5-yard Reardon touchdown run, West got into position to score. But on third down from the Kaukauna 19, Dylan Lotzer undercut a route near the goal line for an interception.

The Ghosts then went 99 yards in just six plays, capped by a 45-yard touchdown

pass from Ryan Carrel to Tyler Schwalbach with just six seconds left in the half.

Kaukauna scored quickly to start the third quarter when Bennett Geitner got behind the West defense, grabbed Carrel's pass and took off for a 75-yard score.

"We knew that they were going to try and run the ball," Ray said. "They made some plays early in the passing game, we had to make some adjustments coverage-wise and that messes with our (run) fits. Then at the start of the second half, they got us in a matchup we didn't like."

West's second touchdown came early in the fourth quarter on Carter Kufel's 25-yard return of a blocked punt. The Ghosts capped the scoring with a 42-yard interception return by Cole Smith.

Abitz was 10-of-20 for 122 yards and also ran 12 times for 40 yards. Wyatt Marten led the Wildcats with 48 yards rushing on 13 carries.

"I think our offense is continually taking steps, and Drew's doing a good job of putting the ball where it needs to be," Ray said. "Wyatt's running the ball well and our O line's moving people up front. The biggest thing for us is we can't get behind the sticks (with) penalties or negative plays."

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# Knights finish off Dodgeland to collect Trailways victory

By Steve Clark  
OSHKOSH HERALD

Dodgeland may have breathed a little sigh of relief when Lourdes Academy’s senior hitter Anika Leitch rotated out of the front row and was unable to swing away at the net.

Leitch, though, didn’t let the Trojans off that easy.

Leitch unleashed a bevy of back row spikes and finished with a match-high 23 kills in leading the Knights to a 25-18, 22-25, 25-16, 25-23 Trailways Conference win inside The Castle on Thursday.

“Anika is lethal in any spot she is in which is amazing to have,” Lourdes Academy head coach Rachel Laehn said. “Sometimes you have a strong hitter and she is only useful in the front row, but Anika is a tool in any spot.”

Leitch said she hasn’t always been able to hit out of the back row but plays around the complete rotation this season for the Knights which has afforded her the opportunity to keep on hitting.

“It definitely feels different than hitting out of the front row but I felt like I was on tonight with my back row hitting,” Leitch said. “My setter and my back row players were putting up nice balls for me.”

Leitch came through when the Knights needed her the most, too.

With the score tied at 12 in the fourth set, Leitch registered four kills over a span of nine points as the Knights were able to pull away to a 19-14 lead and never surrendered the lead again.

Leitch finished with a total of eight kills in the fourth set overall.

“Anika has been absolutely amazing. This year she has really grown into being that leader on the court,” Laehn said. “We

know we can go to her in a bind and she can turn that attitude around a little bit and raise us. It’s a huge thing for our team to be able to depend on a player like that and pump us up when we needed it.”

Naomi Liabwill had a big spike later to keep the Knights’ lead at five, while Claire Lowe’s kill off a dig helped Lourdes take a 23-18 advantage.

But Dodgeland rattled off the next three points to narrow the gap and then, after a Trojan hitting error got the Knights to match point, scored two more points to pull within 24-23.

The Knights, however, were able to score the next point to end the match and avoid facing a decisive fifth set.

“Once you get into a fifth set, there is just so much anxiety that I was super proud of us that we were able to take it in the fourth,” Leitch said. “It was nice to see all of us work together and accomplish that.”

Dodgeland got off to a strong start in the match and led in the early stages until Allie Schaefer served the Knights from a four-point deficit into an 18-13 lead. Schaefer had an ace during the run, while Leitch had three kills and Naomi Liabwill picked up a nice stuff block.

The Trojans would get as close as 19-17, but the Knights then scored six of the final seven points to win the set, capped by Libby Guerrero’s ace.

Lourdes Academy appeared to be in control of the second set, taking a 13-8 lead on back-to-back aces from Celia Ralofsky, but the Trojans rallied back to grab a 17-16 advantage.

A back-row kill from Leitch put the Knights back in front, while Naomi Liabwill picked up another block and an Au-



Photo by Andy Ratchman

Lourdes Academy’s Anika Leitch smacks a spike out of the back row during the Knights’ match against Dodgeland last week.

brey Schettle kill helped Lourdes stretch the advantage to 22-18.

But the Knights wouldn’t score again as Dodgeland rattled off the next seven points to take the set and even the match.

Lourdes Academy took the lead for good early in the third set as Adhieu Liabwill and Naomi Liabwill combined for

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# Reed’s powerful leg proving to be weapon for Wildcats

By Tim Froberg  
HERALD CONTRIBUTOR

Swing away is primarily a baseball expression. Those two words carry a different meaning in Elliot Reed’s world and have nothing to do with a wooden bat. They are simply the mechanics that Reed goes through to drive a football through the uprights. Few prep athletes in Wisconsin do it better than the Oshkosh West senior. Reed has such a powerful leg that he has the potential to kick at the collegiate level. He has already nailed a 47-yard field goal in 2025 game action against Green Bay Preble and hit one from 49 yards last season. He has connected from as far away as 60 yards (during a live operation) in practice and routinely launches the ball into the end zone on kickoffs. “I truly believe Elliot is one of the best in the state at his position,” said West coach Joey Ray. “I’ve had the privilege to coach a lot of kids and see a lot of growth from a lot of individuals. There are few that have stood out like Elliot. “He’s a weapon for us and continues to get better and better.” Reed has drilled five field goals on nine attempts this season, but three of his misses have been from long distances of 52, 51 and 48. He has nailed five of six conversion kicks and his only miss was blocked. Reed began turning heads as a junior when he hit six of 10 field goals and 11 of

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13 extra points. He also punted in three games for a 32.0 average. “I usually tell my coaches that if we get to the (opponent’s) 35, that I’m confident in my abilities from there,” said Reed, who received all-Fox Valley Association honorable mention last season. “The wind can factor into things, but given a normal scenario, I don’t doubt I have the capacity from 60.” Reed never tries to overpower the ball. Regardless of distance, his game plan is always to strike the ball in normal fashion. “If I get sent out for a 48-yard field goal and swing my leg as hard as I can, it’s never going to go through,” Reed said. “I never look at the yards or where the ball is at on the field. I think about that when it’s all done. I just try to stay as calm, fluid and loose as possible.” Reed is a student of his craft who works diligently at it. He admits that he still has some rough edges to knock off as a kicker. “I have a big leg and have worked my entire football career to get to where I’m at now, but I’m still a bit inconsistent,” said Reed, who considers the Dallas Cowboys’ Brandon Aubrey to be his favorite NFL kicker.



Photo by Jim Koepnick  
Oshkosh West senior Elliot Reed is one of the top place kickers in the Fox Valley Association and hopes his powerful right leg will give him the opportunity to play at the collegiate level.

Reed also contributed on defense as a starting linebacker in 2024 and had 25 tackles. He is focused solely on his kicking this season and isn’t handling punting chores, either. “I wasn’t super productive last season as linebacker and kicking is what I really want to do,” he said. “We have some good linebackers who got a lot of minutes as sophomores last season. So I kind of stepped aside to give them that opportunity – just because they could probably be more productive than me and my goals are different than theirs. I just thought it would be best for everyone. “As for punting, I’m really not that good of a punter.” Reed’s genesis as a kicker came basically out of boredom when he was a third-grade student attending Traeger Elementary School. “Kind of a fun story,” said Reed with a chuckle. “The YMCA is right down the street from the school. Every day after school my buddies and I would walk over there and play pickup football and soccer. “My parents work 45 minutes away, so I was always the last one to get picked up. Out of boredom I started kicking the football around. It was just to fill in time. It became a daily thing. My buddies would leave and I would start kicking while I waited for my parents. I ended up getting kicking tees, stands and equipment. “That’s how it started. I just kicked the ball around and got better and better. Then, around eighth grade, I realized that this is what I wanted to do. I set a goal for myself and started working towards it.” Playing youth soccer also helped Reed’s development as a kicker. “Soccer was the first sport I played and I’ve been playing it since kindergarten,” Reed said. “I had the basic swing down,

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North/Lourdes also won the 200-yard medley relay with a team of Perzentka, Mya Sonnleitner, Anderson and Zinth.

Anderson added a second place in the 500-yard freestyle, while Lucy Schade took second in the 200-yard individual medley.

## TENNIS

### North edges West in crosstown matchup

Oshkosh North won three of the four singles matches – two of them in three sets – to key the 4-3 win over rival Oshkosh West in a Fox Valley Association dual meet last Thursday.

Madrona Larson-Poeschl bounced back from a first-set loss to win 3-6, 6-2, 11-9 at No. 1 singles, while Anna Lyngen did the same for the Spartans posting a 3-6, 6-3, 10-8 victory at No. 4 singles.

Myranda King also added a singles triumph for the Spartans, winning in straight sets at No. 2 singles.

Oshkosh North was also victorious at No. 1 doubles with Liv Borowitz and Rica Hanson earning a straight set win.

Oshkosh West winners were not provided.

The Spartans then won its second straight match posting a 6-1 win over Kaukauna last Thursday.

## VOLLEYBALL

### Wildcats capture title at Monona Grove

Oshkosh West finished 5-0 and captured the title at the Monona Grove Invitational on Saturday.

The Wildcats beat Madison East and Cambridge in straight sets and picked up a



Photo by Jim Koepnick

Oshkosh North's Liv Borowitz hits a return during last week's match against Oshkosh West. Borowitz played at No. 1 doubles with Rica Hanson and the duo collected a win.

three-set win over Monona Grove in pool play to advance to the championship bracket. In the semifinals, the Wildcats dominated Sun Prairie East 25-14, 25-6 and then came back from a first-set loss to top Watertown, 24-26, 25-21, 15-7 in the title match.

Three Wildcats finished with at least 20 kills on the day, with each finishing with a hitting percentage of at least .333. Sydnee Nelson topped the team with 49 kills, with Emma Liebergen totaling 43 and Kayana Turner finishing with 20.

MaKaelyn Clark paced West with 110 assists and six aces, while Nelson also

finished with six aces and Elaina Butz finished with five. Butz led the team with 57 digs at the tournament, while Noelle Prickett racked up four blocks.

West also picked up a win over Kaukauna last Thursday with set scores of 25-18, 25-15, 25-23.

Nelson finished with 15 kills and four aces in the match, with Liebergen picking up 12 kills.

Clark finished with 33 assists and 13 digs with Butz also record 13 digs for West.

### Warriors go unbeaten at Algoma invite

Valley Christian posted a perfect 5-0 record to take first at the Algoma Invitational on Saturday.

The Warriors posted wins over Pacelli, Two Rivers and Peshtigo in pool play before topping Sevastopol and Ashwaubenon to complete the perfect run.

Lizzie Fink totaled 39 kills in four matches with Anna Giannopoulos collecting 34 kills and 46 digs. Bella Birr and Laila Gostas Sims each finished with 14 kills.

Lydia Hardy and Birr totaled 50 and 45 assists, respectively, while Ellie Demler chipped in 42 digs.

Stats were not available from the match against Ashwaubenon.

Earlier in the week, the Warriors posted dominant wins over Horicon and Hustiford to improve to 5-0 in conference play.

In the 25-6, 25-16, 25-13 win over Horicon, Giannopoulos led the way with 12 kills, while Gostas-Sims and Fink each had eight. Gostas-Sims and Fink also added six aces apiece.

Hardt and Birr finished with 5 and 14 assists, respectively and Gostas-Sims and Aubryn Lehman each had 12 digs.

The Warriors topped Hustisford 25-11, 25-8, 25-9 with Giannopoulos totaling 10 kills and Fink adding nine.

### Knights finish 2-2 at tournament

Lourdes Academy posted wins over Westfield and Coulee Region Christian in its first two matches at the Westfield Tournament, before falling to Royall and Montello.

Anika Leitch led the Knights with 10 kills in the win over Coulee Region Christian, while Allie Schaeffer totaled eight aces.

Leitch paced a balanced attack at the net against Westfield with seven kills, while Naomi Liabwell and Aubrey Schettler each had five and Claire Lowe had four. Liabwell also picked up five blocks.

Celia Ralofskey had 16 assists in each matches of the first two matches and posted 18 against Montello, while Libby Guerrero totaled 27 digs to lead the Knights.

Leitch also had nine kills against Montello. Stats from the match against Royall

were not available.

Lourdes Academy also picked up a 25-6, 25-10, 25-11 win over Wayland Academy during the week with Leitch posting 10 kills and Schettler and Schaefer each finishing with nine.

Schaeffer and Leitch each had four aces in the match with Marlie Kieckhafer adding three.

Kieckhafer also led the team with 32 assists, while Guerrero and Kylie Rietz finished with 14 and 10 digs, respectively.

### Spartans split pair of matches

Oshkosh North won 1-1 last week, topping Menasha 21-25, 28-26, 25-23, 25-15 in a nonconference match before falling to Fond du Lac, 25-12, 25-10, 23-25, 25-8.

## SOCCER

### Lourdes/Valley collects pair of Flyway wins

Micha Humiston stopped all three shots he faced to earn the shutout as the Knights topped Omro 1-0 last Thursday.

Kaleb Richardson scored the lone goal for Lourdes/Valley with Jackson Buttke picking up the assist.

Earlier in the week, Lourdes/Valley tallied an 8-0 win over Lomira as Richardson scored three goals, Josiah Franz had two and Matthew Loker, Isaak Rucinski and Mat Yaggie each had one.

Rucinski, Buttke and Brett Maki each finished with two assists in the match.

### Spartans roll past Lightning

Kade Woebbeking and Kiza Lukoko each scored two goals as Oshkosh North topped Appleton North, 4-0, in a Fox Valley Association match last week.

Cooper Snell picked up an assist in the match, while Espoire Amisi finished with six saves.

The Spartans then played to a 1-1 tie with Appleton East as Sebaste Majaliwa tallied the lone goal for Oshkosh North.

## GOLF

### Wildcats edge Spartans in dual meet

Oshkosh West pulled out a win over rival Oshkosh North at Westhaven last week, collecting the victory by a single shot 225-226.

The Spartans' Sammie Leib earned medalist honors in the match with a 51, one shot better than Oshkosh West's Lauren Klinger.

Keely Toman added a 55 for West, while Valerie Mantia and Samreen Chahal each had 59s.

Also scoring for the Spartans were Nelly Harrison with a 54, Maci O'Loughlin with a 60 and Willow Standke with a 61.

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stuff block for a 5-4 lead. The Knights registered three more blocks as they stretched the lead to seven points and later got consecutive spikes from Schettle and Schaefer to take a 16-7 lead.

“We have some very tall ladies and have been working on our blocking,” Laehn said. “We changed our blocking strategy and that definitely helped us in the third and fourth set.”

The Trojans got as close as four points later in the set but the Knights were able to pull away for the set win and then finish off the match.

“Tonight was Senior Night and we wanted to make sure we won the game for our seniors,” Laehn said. “We wanted to do it in three (sets), but that’s OK. The girls just got to play a little longer.”

Naomi Liabwill chipped in eight kills and finished with a team-high five blocks in the match, while Ralofskey totaled 35 assists and also led the team with three aces.

Guerrero racked up 25 digs to lead the Knights, while Leitch and Ralofskey each had 16, Kylie Reitz added 15 and Schettle finished with 12.

“I feel like we are trying to rise to that peak right now,” Leitch said. “We still have a couple of tough games in front of us before regionals but we are starting to put things together. I feel like we are working hard in practice and we are getting things



Photo by Andy Ratchman

Lourdes Academy’s Allie Schaefer goes up for a block against Dodgeland on Thursday.

done and not just going through the motions and I think that showed on the court tonight.”

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but it still took me awhile to figure kicking out. I still play rec soccer with the Oshkosh Youth Soccer Club.”

Reed hits the weight room regularly to work on his physical strength and doesn’t neglect the mental part of kicking.

“The mental side is big,” Reed said. “I spend a lot of time doing mental preparation. I have a mental routine I go through every night. The night before a game is a lot of visualization.

“On game day, I’m not the type to get all riled up with music. I just try to keep to myself throughout the day, get my mind right and stay calm.”

Reed wants to kick collegiately and may get that opportunity. He has received strong interest from the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh to kick at the Division 3 level, but may get a scholarship offer or two by the end of the year.

“I’ve been working for that ever since I started kicking,” Reed said. “I have an offer from Oshkosh and I’m in talks with a couple D-2s.”

Reed is an excellent student who carries a 3.96 grade point average. He is considering exercise science or psychology as potential majors.

“I’m kind of torn between those two,” said Reed. “Football is my life. When I’m done playing, I would like to coach college football. Exercise science goes right along

with that: understanding how the body moves and works. As for psychology, a big part of kicking is mental. To fully understand it and have control over it would be pretty powerful.”

Despite playing strictly on special teams, Reed is a team captain and one of the squad’s most respected players.

“He has earned the title of captain,” said Ray. “I credit a lot of the shift in our team culture and attitude this year to Elliot and his senior peers. Elliot is an outstanding person. He’s the type of young man I hope my son and other young people in our community look up to and strive to be when they get older.”

Reed enjoys working, interacting and encouraging younger athletes in West’s football program.

“Elliot makes it a point to treat the younger players in our program, especially the freshmen, with nothing but respect and care,” Ray said. “He set up a group chat for the freshmen to reach out to upperclassmen for rides to football events like workouts and practices. He’s willing to do the things for us that others sometimes cringe at – like helping to clean up the locker room and helping with equipment

Reed is also a member of the school’s Connected club in which students like Reed work with individuals who have special needs.

“He’s a caring individual to anyone he interacts with,” said Ray. “Elliot is truly one of the best kids I’ve ever had the privilege of coaching.”

Obituaries

Robert E. Williams Jr.

Robert “Bobby” E. Williams Jr., age 81, passed away peacefully listening to his favorite country tunes on September 25, 2025, 3 days before his 82<sup>nd</sup> birthday, at Aurora Medical center.



Bobby was born on September 29, 1943, son of the late Robert Williams Sr. and Frances (Matson) Mientke-Williams. He graduated from Oshkosh High School in 1961. Bobby’s first job was setting pins at Ralph Lanes and AC Duce. He held various jobs throughout his life, including Victorlight Candle Co., Mavel Equipment Co., and Stelzner Manufacturing, where he retired from after 30 years. His favorite and most notable job was roofing with Bob Williams Roofing and Siding. Bobby met his soon to be wife, Gwen Peters, on a

blind double date on December 1<sup>st</sup>, 1962, that was set up by her cousin/sister, Lynn. His sense of humor reeled her in. Bobby and Gwen were married by the following September 29, 1963.

Bobby was a loving and caring husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather who always put everyone before himself. He cherished spending time with his family and friends, especially his wife and daughters, Michelle and Tammy (his little girls). They were always welcome and he always sent them off saying, “If you can’t sleep, come on back.” Although he hated flying, he enjoyed a good adventure. Some of his favorite adventures were out west to Arizona, Las Vegas, and Mexico. He was even convinced to take a cruise to Alaska. He enjoyed his annual trips to Door County for the past 10 years.

In his younger years, he enjoyed goose and deer hunting, fishing, and trap shooting at the local trap club, Fox Valley Trap. In his more recent years he enjoyed play-

Sharon A. Witzke

Sharon A. Witzke, age 82, passed away on Thursday, September 25, 2025, in Peoria, AZ. She was born to the late Vernon and Frances (Kannitzer) Jensen on September 8, 1943, in Seattle, WA. Sharon married James Witzke on August 26, 1988. Sharon was a long-time member at Trinity Lutheran Church, Oshkosh, WI, and current member of Mt Zion Lutheran Church, Peoria, AZ.



Sharon graduated from Ballard High School in Seattle, WA. She worked at First Wisconsin National Bank and US Bank for 28 years. She enjoyed travelling the world in retirement and especially enjoyed cruising with her beloved husband Jim. She was a kind soul, always ready to lend a hand. She was active in the women’s circles at her churches and spent many

years teaching Sunday School and leading Campfire Girls and 4-H groups when her daughters were growing up.

Sharon is survived by her husband, Jim; daughters, Linda Rohde of Red Granite, WI, and Tami (Ken) Madura of Peoria, AZ; stepdaughters, Erika Witzke of Columbia, MO, and Mary Annie (Scott) Openlander of Wylie, TX; 9 grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren; as well as her brother, Michael Jensen of Seattle, WA.

In addition to her parents, Sharon was preceded in death by her son-in-law, Doug Rohde.

A service for Sharon will be held at Trinity Lutheran Church on October 6 at 11AM. A time of visitation will be held from 9:30AM until the time of service. A burial will take place at Peace Lutheran Cemetery.

In lieu of flower, donations may be made to Lutheran World Relief at [www.lwr.org](http://www.lwr.org)



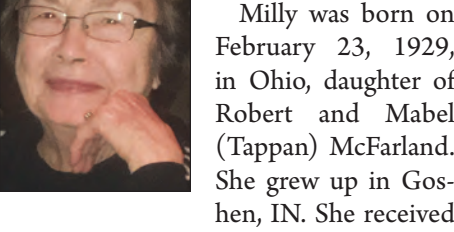
ing Yahtzee with his family and watching the Game Show Network with his wife and cats. He looked forward to going to Wedgewood every Thursday to spend time with his close friends.

Bobby is survived by his wife of 62 years (just shy of 62 years by 3 days), Gwen Williams; daughters, Michelle (Douglas) Nigl and Tammy (William) Norton; grandchildren, Tashia (Jacob) Johnson, Krissy (fiancé, Luke Micalski) Bill (Rie) Norton, Josh (Yuta) Nigl, Jake Nigl, and Jay Nigl; great-grandchildren, Lily, Emily, and Mina Norton, Bray Wright, Madisen Frank, Jackson Micalski; sister, Joyce (William) Freiberg; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents; brother, James (Nancy) Mientkel; sister,

Millicent Paske

Millicent “Milly” Paske, age 96, beloved wife, mother and grandmother died peacefully surrounded by family on September 22, 2025.



Milly was born on February 23, 1929, in Ohio, daughter of Robert and Mabel (Tappan) McFarland. She grew up in Goshen, IN. She received her Bachelor of Science Degree in Chemistry at Indiana University. She worked as a chemist for Eli Lilly Pharmaceutical Company.

She married the love of her life, Donald H. Paske, in 1955 and together they had two sons. Milly is survived by her sons, Craig (Jackie Sandene) and Kurt (Anne Boyer): five grandchildren; Karl, Jimmy, Catherine, Jaana and Mac. She was preceded in death by her parents, brother (Richard) and husband (Don).

Milly was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother. She helped her husband establish Klein-Dickert, Oshkosh, Inc. (later renamed Omni Glass & Paint, Inc.). Milly and Don enjoyed entertaining friends & business associates at their home. Milly

Donna (Arleigh) Schroder; sister-in-law, Shirely (David, Boots) Staerker.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to the staff at Aurora Medical Center, who were very accommodating. As well as to Tracy, Lyle, and Wayne at Wedgewood for always making sure Bobby was well taken care of.

A funeral service for Bobby will be held on Monday, October 6, 2025 at Konrad-Behlman Funeral Home-Westside, 100 Lake Pointe Dr., Oshkosh, at 12.00 pm. A visitation will begin at 10:00 am and continue until the start of the service. Burial will take place at Lake View Memorial Park.



loved to cook. She loved creating gourmet meals and decorating for holiday parties, sometimes spending weeks preparing.

Milly held many volunteer positions throughout her life; including teaching Sunday school, volunteering with & sometimes presiding over chapters of; Church Women United, AAUW, VNA & The United Way. Milly was also a Campfire Girl and member of PEO & Tri-Delta Sorority. Milly served on the boards of the YMCA and Evergreen Manor. Milly enjoyed sailing, fishing, downhill skiing, camping, hunting, tennis and hosting bridge parties.

She will be remembered by all for her generous nature, community involvement and her love for her family and grandchildren. She will be greatly missed by family and friends, and her spirit will live on through those who loved her.

A funeral service for Milly will be held Friday, October 10, 2025, at Konrad-Behlman Funeral Home-Westside, 100 Lake Pointe Dr, Oshkosh. Visitation 10:00 am, funeral 11:00 am with burial to follow the service. Memorials are preferred to The Alzheimer’s Foundation.





Obituaries

Sally A. Helm

Sally Ann Helm passed away peacefully on September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at the age of 91. She was born on June 19, 1934, in Oshkosh to the late Herman and Margaret (Gross) Fritz. She married Martin H. Helm in 1954. Martin preceded her in death in 1965.

A lifelong resident of Oshkosh, Sally worked as a crossing guard on “her” corner, Irving and Jackson, for 38 years. Rarely did she miss a shift in all those years and spoke lovingly of the many children she grew to know. In her free time, Sally spent as much time with her grandchildren as

possible. She lovingly adorned them with frequent sleepovers, hours of card games, endless shopping trips, walks to the local Burger King and insisted on escorting them to every local parade. Sally was also an avid embroidery artist, sharing her beautiful creations every Christmas with her family and friends. She especially enjoyed embellishing pillowcases and many a bedroom have benefitted from her endeavors.

Sally leaves behind her children, Robert (JoAnn) Helm and Mary (Duke) Kallas; 6 grandchildren, Tiffany Helm, Ashley (Rick Singh) Helm, Arden (Elizabeth)

Helm, Vernon Kallas, Tanya Kallas and Troy Kallas as well as 6 greatgrandchildren. All miss her dearly.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by her siblings, Betty (Bob) Caras of California, Gilbert (Lucille) Fritz of Arizona, Herman (Bonnie)Fritz of Oshkosh, and Nancy (Jack) Meyer, of Florida.

The family would like to extend heartfelt thanks to Aurora Medical Center ICU for their tender care during her passing as well as to Evergreen Manor for lovingly helping her traverse through her last 7 years.

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**Victor J. Jamnik**

Victor J. Jamnik, age 81, passed away at his residence on the Evening of Saturday, September 20, 2025, in the Villages, FL surrounded by his family. He was born to the late Victor Frank and Agnes (Senica) Jamnik on March 21, 1944, in Waukegan, IL. He attended the Immaculate Conception Grade School in Waukegan, IL. Vic received his pharmacy degree from North Dakota State University. He worked for Walgreens for most of his pharmaceutical career.

Vic married Marsha Fitzgerald on September 10, 1986, and they were together until her passing in 2015. Victor married Sharon Dearing on December 3, 2016, at St. Jude Catholic Church in Peoria, IL.

Vic was very involved in the St. Scholastica Catholic Church in Lecanto, FL. He was a Grand Knight in the Knights of Columbus. Later on, he was a member of the St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church in The Villages, FL. Vic loved U.W. sports, but



he was still incredibly faithful to the Cubs and Bears. All his life Vic adored his Sheltie dogs; they held a special place in his heart. Vic also enjoyed golfing and traveling.

Vic is survived by his wife, Shari Jamnik; son, Victor W. Jamnik; stepson, Jason (Gayle) Studt; stepdaughter, Jeanette Studt; grandson, Vincent (Kayli) Studt; great-grandchildren, Holden Van Effen, Lillian Studt, and Huxley Studt; sister, Patricia (John) Walther; nieces and a nephew. He is preceded in death by his parents; and his first wife, Marsha

A Funeral Mass for Vic will be held at St. Raphaels the Archangel Parish, 830 S Westhaven Dr, Oshkosh, WI, on Friday, October 10 at 11:00 am. A time of visitation will be held from 9:30 am until the time of service. A burial will take place on Saturday, October 11, 2025, at 12:00 pm, at Ascension Catholic Cemetery in Libertyville, IL.

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Obituaries

Sharon L. Sawicki

Sharon L. Sawicki, age 81 of Oshkosh, passed away on September 21, 2025, at Bethel Home.



Sharon was born in Green Bay, WI, on March 25, 1944, the daughter of the late Keith and Catherine (Clemons) Parkinson. Sharon proudly shared with everyone she met that she was born and raised in Green Bay, and she was a fiercely zealous

Green Bay Packers fan, believing “God Must Be A Packer Fan”, as well. Sharon’s vocation and passion was supporting her students, retiring from her final career role as a teacher assistant for the Oshkosh Area School District following decades of dedication.

Her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, backyard bird- and squirrel-watching, crossword puzzles, winning at canasta, non-fiction books, visits with friends, shopping outings, Elvis Presley, taking photographs at family get-togethers, and the Holy Bible were just a few things that brought Sharon

genuine joy at every opportunity. Everyone she encountered mentioned how lovely and sweet she was, and her smile would seriously light up a room.

Sharon is survived by her close and special companion, Tom Sawicki, Dad to Andy, Steve, Sandy, and Lizz; one son, Andrew (Suzanne) Peper of Detroit; two daughters, Sandy (Paul) Hamblen of Detroit and Lizz (Tim) Romanek of Westfield, WI; two brothers, Wayne Parkinson of Phoenix, AZ, and Richard Parkinson of Oshkosh; and one sister, Rosemary Cade-na of Pampa, TX. Sharon is further survived by her beloved grandchildren, Chelsea Peper, Caleb (Kelsey) Peper, Katie (Ian) Thompson, Kelly (Trey) Allen, and Lucas Krumenauer, and great-grandchildren, Levi, Benny, Esmé, soon-to-arrive great-grandson, Atlas, Silas, Peter, and Jeremiah. Sharon is also survived by her best friend, Lynda Schaffer, dear nephew Kegan Parkinson, numerous cousins, nieces

and nephews, and their children.

Sharon was preceded in death by her parents, one brother, Jim Parkinson, and one son, Steve Peper.

A Funeral Mass will be held on October 17, 2025, at Most Blessed Sacrament Parish, St. Peter’s site, in Oshkosh, WI. Visitation will begin at noon, with Mass at 1 PM.

Sharon’s family is grateful for the Ascension oncology, Heartland Hospice, and Senior Stride teams that provided her so much comfort.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the Day By Day Warming Shelter in Oshkosh: [https://daybydayshelter.org/Fiss & Bills - Poklasny Funeral Homes](https://daybydayshelter.org/Fiss&Bills-Poklasny-Funeral-Homes) 865 S Westhaven Dr.

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Carol A. Raugh

Carol A. “Maynard” Raugh, age 83 of Oshkosh, passed away on September 21, 2025.



She was born on September 8, 1942. Carol was united in marriage to the love of her life, Harvey Raugh, on September 8, 1962 and together they raised two children.

For many years, Carol worked at Mercury Marine and made lots of great memories there and beyond. Maynard and Harvey shared a passion for adventure, whether it was camping, traveling, hitting the casinos, snowmobiling, or bowling. They truly made the most of every moment together.

Carol is survived by her children, Shane (Peg) Raugh and Leah Raugh; grandson, Kody Raugh; brothers, Mike, Bert and Tracy; sisters, Cyndy, Sandy, Renee and

Pam. She is further survived by numerous nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, Carol was preceded in death by her husband, Harvey Raugh; brother, Harold; sisters, Bonnie, Julie and Chris.

A funeral service for Carol was held at 2:00 pm on Tuesday, September 30, 2025, at Konrad-Behlman Funeral Home-Westside, 100 Lake Pointe Dr. Oshkosh, WI 54904. Visitation was held at the funeral home from 12:00 pm until the time of the service, followed by burial at Lake View Memorial Park.

The family would like to extend their heartfelt thanks to Aurora at Home Hospice, especially Amy, for the compassionate care provided to Carol, and to her sister Cyndy, who stood by her side until the end. Maynard will always be remembered for her vibrant spirit and the joy she brought to everyone around her.

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Richard J. Paulsen

On Friday, September 26, Richard J. Paulsen passed away peacefully with his



family and close friends by his side, following a long and courageous battle with cancer. Heaven gained an incredible angel that day. Richard was born on September 11, 1955, in Oshkosh, WI, to Robert W. (Bob) Paulsen and Marion D. (Kolodzik) Paulsen.

Visitation will be held on Friday, October 3, 2025, at Calvary Lutheran Church, 2580 W. 9<sup>th</sup> Ave, Oshkosh, WI, from 10:00am to 12:00pm, service to follow at 12:00pm. His final resting place will be at Lake View Memorial Park Cemetery, Oshkosh, WI.

For a full obituary, please go to the Fox Cities Funeral and Cremation website at, <https://www.foxcitiesfuneral.com/obituaries-oshkosh>.



Kathleen Davis

Kathleen (Kathy) Davis, 75 of Oshkosh, died on Monday, September 22, 2025 in her home after a short battle with cancer. Kathy lived a quiet life focusing on those who meant the most to her: her son Chris and her beloved dog Dice. She is survived by her son, Chris Davis of Menasha, her

sister Diane Cartwright of Oshkosh, her sister-in-law Carole Davis, her nieces and nephews, and her dog Dice. She is preceded in death by her parents Melvin and Shirley Davis of Oshkosh, and her brother Melvin Davis. She is gone from our sight, but never from our hearts. Rest in peace Kathy.

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**Notice and Order for Name Change Hearing Case No. 2025CV000877**

**NOTICE IS GIVEN:** A Petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:  
From: First – Colton Middle – Ross Last – Cavett To: First – Colton Middle – Eric Last – Ashcroft Birth Certificate: First – Colton Middle – Ross Last – Cavett

IT IS ORDERED:

This Petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Winnebago County, State of Wisconsin: Judge's Name: Hon. Michael S. Gibbs Place: Winnebago County Courthouse, 415 Jackson St. Room 240, Oshkosh, WI 54901 Date: 10-16-2025 Time: 2:45 PM If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 920-236-4868 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the

court does not provide transportation.

**NOTICE TO NEWSPAPER AND PETITIONER:** Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the following newspaper Herald Oshkosh.

**BY THE COURT: DATE SIGNED: September 11, 2025 /s/ Hon. Michael S. Gibbs Winnebago County Circuit Court Judge, Branch 4 Runs: September 17, 2025, September 24, 2025 and October 1, 2025.**

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**STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, OUTAGAMIE COUNTY Small Claims Publication Summons And Notice Case No.25-CV-000792**

PRESTIGE FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC See attached for additional plaintiffs. Plaintiff(s) -VS- REBECCA SCHWARZ 2009 MOUNT VERNON ST OSHKOSH, WI 54901 See attached for additional defendants. Defendant(s).

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Plaintiff. A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your address as stated in the caption above. The lawsuit will be heard in the following Small Claims court: OUTAGAMIE County Courthouse Telephone Number of Clerk of Court: 920-832-5131 Courtroom/Room Number: B Address: 320 S Walnut St, Courtroom B-2nd FL City: APPLETON State: WI Zip: 54911

Within forty (40) days of receiving this summons, you must respond with a written answer, as that term used in chapter 802 of the Wisconsin Statutes, to the complaint. The court may reject or disregard an answer that does not follow the requirements of the statutes. The answer must be sent or delivered to the court, whose address is: 901 N. 9TH STREET, ROOM 104, MILWAUKEE, WI 53233 and to Shindler & Joyce, Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 1990 E. Algonquin Road, Suite 180, Schaumburg, IL 60173. You may have an attorney help or represent you.

If you do not provide a proper answer within forty (40) days, the Court may grant judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the complaint, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the complaint. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future, and may also be enforced by

garnishment or seizure of property, at the telephone number above to determine if there are other methods to answer a complaint in that county.

Date Filed 09-04-2025 Signature of Plaintiff/Attorney MICHAEL R JOYCE /S/ Plaintiff's/Attorney's Telephone Number: (847) 537-1000 Attorney's State Bar Number: 1098691 Law Firm and Address: Shindler & Joyce 1990 E. Algonquin Rd., Suite 180 Schaumburg, IL 60173 Runs September 17, 2025, September 24, 2025 and October 1, 2025

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**STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, WINNEBAGO COUNTY Case No. 25CV782 Code No. 30301**

Capital Credit Union Plaintiff, v. Janei Rice Defendant.

**PUBLICATION SUMMONS- THE STATE OF WISCONSIN**

To each person named above as a Defendant:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Plaintiff named above has filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you. The Complaint, which is attached, states the nature and basis for the legal action.

Within 40 days after September 24, 2025, of receiving this Summons, you must respond with a written Answer, as that term is used in Chapter 802 of the Wisconsin Statutes,

to the Complaint. The Court may reject or disregard an Answer that does not follow the requirements of the statutes. The Answer must be sent or delivered to the Court, whose address is Clerk of Circuit Court, Winnebago County Courthouse, 415 Jackson St, PO Box 280, Oshkosh, WI 54903-2808, and to Plaintiff's attorney, whose mailing address is PO Box 1473, Wausau, Wisconsin 54402-1473. You may have an attorney help or represent you.

If you do not provide a proper Answer within 40 days after September 24, 2025, the Court may grant Judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the Complaint, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the Complaint. A Judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.

Dated this 16th day of September 2025. Bates Legal Group, LLC, Attorney for Plaintiff By: /s/ Attorney Justin J. Bates Justin J. Bates State Bar No. 1066128 PO Box 1473 Wausau, WI 54402-1473 (715) 843-5599

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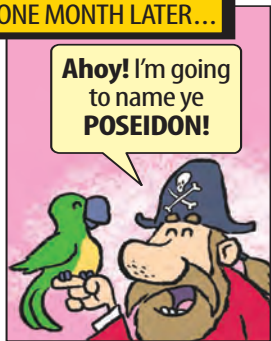
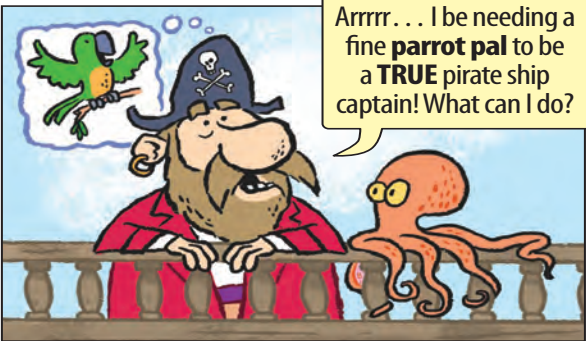
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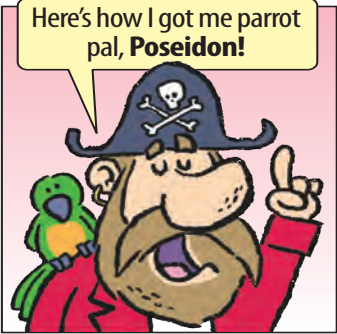
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Angelina had the goal of reading 20 hours in one month. At first that sounded like a lot of reading. By breaking the goal into smaller daily and weekly goals, she did it!

Angelina made her goal by making the smaller goal of reading 4 hours a week. If she did the same amount of reading time every day, that came to about 35 minutes a day.



Captain Crabcakes worked hard for his 10 doubloons. Put a check mark next to each job he did. If you checked the right boxes, they will add up to **exactly** 10 doubloons.

- ☐ Swab the ship's deck ..... 3 doubloons
- ☐ Roll up the mooring lines .... 1 doubloon
- ☐ Wash porthole windows ..... 2 doubloons
- ☐ Cook the crew's dinner ..... 1 doubloon
- ☐ Scrub the apple barrels ..... 1 doubloon
- ☐ Sweep the crow's nest ..... 3 doubloons

## You Can Do It!

What's a big goal you would like to achieve? Is it saving money, improving in a sport, or hitting an awesome reading goal?

MY GOAL: \_\_\_\_\_

Break your goal into smaller goals:

First: \_\_\_\_\_

Second: \_\_\_\_\_

Third: \_\_\_\_\_

**GOAL!**

## Treasure or Trash?

There's an old saying: *One person's trash could be another person's treasure.* Look through the newspaper for ads where people are selling things they don't want anymore. Can you think of how those unwanted items might be a treasure for someone else?

Write a story about a person finding something special that was no longer wanted by another person.

**Standards Link:** Language Arts: Write descriptively using supporting details.



### Kid Scoop Together

## Treasure Hunt

Race a friend or family member to see who reaches the treasure first! Ready? Set. GO!



**Standards Link:** Language Arts: Follow simple written directions.

## Kid Scoop Puzzler

### Double Doubloons

Time yourself as you match each pair of gold doubloons.

Now have a friend try. Who was faster?

**Standards Link:** Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.



## Double Word Search

BREAK COIN DAILY DOUBLOONS FIRST GOAL JOB MONEY NEED PARROT PLAY READING SAVING SPORT THINK

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

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

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

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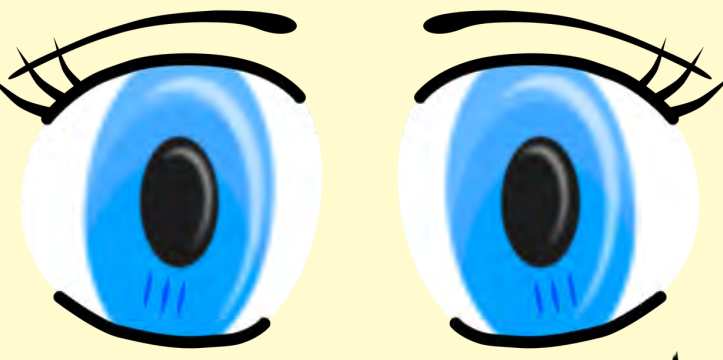
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## Write On! Goal!

What is a goal you have for this school year? What will you do to achieve it?

**Standards Link:** Language Arts: Write descriptively using supporting details.




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