Barista bellyaches: The difficulties of serving coffee

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This series includes interviews with the late Stephen Kappell’s best friend, sisters and the Oshkosh Police Department. The case files and evidence were unable to be located or were destroyed by authorities. Numerous news articles as well as autopsy and crime lab reports were examined to gather information.

On an afternoon more than 56 years ago, the body of an 18-year-old UW Oshkosh college freshman was found floating in Lake Winnebago at Menominee Park. The man was found made and beaten, with his hands and knees bound, and a 30-pound rock attached to his feet. A coroner’s inquest could not determine whether the man had died by suicide or homicide.

Over half a century later, the victim’s family still hasn’t received any answers to who or what caused the violent death of Stephen Kappell.

“56 years later, I still cry.”

Martha Kemp was only 8 years old when her brother Stephen disappeared, but she’ll never forget the last time he returned home from college for a visit with his parents, Clifford and Eunice, and three younger siblings Martha, Robert, 10, and Mary Jo, 11.

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To create better technological outcomes, Polgar said companies need to consider how their technology can be misused, which requires them to take input from a variety of people with different backgrounds.

“We’ve seen in the social media sphere what happens if you leave it up to a bunch of Silicon Valley bros,” he said. “Social media is important; it’s how people get the news and it affects democracies across the world. You don’t just want to leave it up to one body because that would be negligent.”

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**IT conference explores ethical dilemmas**

By Joseph Schulz
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To avoid a dystopian future, tech companies need to close the gap between innovation and consideration because technology advances much faster than the government can regulate, Michigan tech ethicist David Ryan Polgar said at the Amplify Oshkosh Ethical IT Conference.

The conference, held in the Culver Family Welcome Center at UW Oshkosh on Nov. 15, aimed to bring awareness to ethical issues facing the tech industry.

Polgar, the conference’s keynote speaker, described his job as coming up with solutions for technologists and engineers.

What Polgar does is try to look at developing and existing technology and try to plan for the problems that can arise from those technologies.

“They talk a lot about the ethics of artificial intelligence, Polgar said.

He said it’s wrong to look at regulating the tech industry as slowing it down “because you can’t slow down American innovation and you probably shouldn’t.”

“We want to make technologists more thoughtful on injecting a greater level of ethical thinking and oversight into the industry,” Polgar said.

He said the thought that regulation slows industry down stems from an age-old American debate: to regulate or not to regulate. What is ethically questionable behavior today may be illegal tomorrow, Polgar added.

He used the example of the internet. When it was first developed, it was thought of as a utopia—an information superhighway, but now it is being used for nefarious purposes, such as collecting personal data from millions of people.

“We didn’t think about how that could be abused,” Polgar said.

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whether they want it hot or iced, or when they change their minds after ordering.

“I think the most obvious thing I’ve had to make was someone saying, ‘You want it hot,’ making their drink, giving it to them, and then starting at it and saying, ‘Did you just order it and [with] soy milk?,’ Shelby said.

It’s clear there’s no end to these coffee baristas’ pet peeves, but there are some things that they specifically cannot stand.

Dana, a former barista at Copper Rock Coffee, said that customers will come in and ask for drinks they found online. Typically, baristas won’t know how to make these unique drinks, so they will ask the customer what’s in it. More often than not, the customer doesn’t know.

This becomes a major frustration for baristas. Another thing that baristas dislike dealing with are extremely impatient customers.

“There was this one lady. [She] just ordered and we were super busy and she got super pissed because it was only two minutes and she wanted her drink now,” Joey recaled.

In addition to the daily things that bother baristas like impatient customers, baristas also encounter lots of obscure questions on the job. Some of these questions include, “Are you single?” “How many calories are in this?” “Is that certified organic?” “Is this your first time?” “What kind of drinks do you have here?” or “Do you guys have coffee?”

While dumb questions can be irritating, one barista emphasizes that there is nothing more obnoxious and awkward than unwanted flirtation from customers.

Shelby said one customer came in and ordered a wrap. After eating the wrap, he came up to the counter and she asked how it was.

He responded, “Oh, it was great. You know what you would make? You would make a great wife.”

In these awkward situations, baristas feel trapped.

“If somebody’s behind the counter, they’re stuck there. So don’t force flirtations,” Shelby advised.

Despite all of the irritations from which there is no escape, baristas all seem to agree that the job still brings them joy and pride.

Joey highly recommended it because it’s fun and “you get to experience the whole environment of that area.” Baristas also said they feel like they make people happy just by doing their job.
Two fires, two homes, two days

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Last Thursday and Friday, the Oshkosh Fire Department responded to two fires in the span of two days, resulting in three people being sent to the hospital for smoke inhalation, according to press releases from the fire department.

Jackson Street
The Fire Department was dispatched to the first fire at 1022 Jackson St. on Nov. 14 at 10:34 a.m. when a caller reported that the downstairs of the duplex was filled with smoke.

The responding units reported the duplex as having flames and smoke coming out the north side of the building.

The upstairs unit housed six people, four of whom were home at the time of the fire. Three of them were sent to the hospital for smoke inhalation.

There were two dogs in the upstairs unit as well, and both got out of the building safely. At the time of the fire, the downstairs tenant was at work.

The Red Cross was called to assist the occupants due to damage done to the structure. The cause of the fire is still under investigation.

The patch of Jackson Street from Scott Avenue to New York Avenue was closed from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. due to the fire.

Monroe Street
The Fire Department was dispatched to the second fire at 939 Monroe St. on Nov. 15 at 5:22 a.m. after receiving a call about a possible structure fire.

Two residents were home at the time of the fire but escaped safely with their two dogs. The cause of the fire is still under investigation.

The first units on scene reported seeing smoke and fire through the garage door. The fire and smoke spread from the garage into the home, causing heat and smoke damage.

Protests continue to erupt in Hong Kong

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Hong Kong, a nation off the coast of China, was leased to Great Britain by the Chinese Qing dynasty in 1898 following the Second Opium War. That lease ended in 1997 after Hong Kong obtained guarantees to preserve its systems, freedoms and way of life for at least 50 years.

The yellow umbrella revolution in 2014 took place in Hong Kong as a means of resistance to Chinese tear gas and pepper spray and as a petition to be able to protest their right for more transparent elections. Tens of thousands of Hong Kong residents flooded the streets for the 79-day strike waving umbrellas, and up until this year there have been peaceful protests with the umbrellas according to an article in The Guardian.

The “Fugitive Offenders and Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters Legislation (Amendment) Bill 2019” was intended by China to extradite criminal suspects from Hong Kong to mainland China’s jurisdiction. This was seen as an infringement on the sovereignty of Hong Kong. This bill sparked a series of protests that lives on today. Of the population of 7 million living in Hong Kong, between 2 and 5 million people marched in the streets according to an article from the BBC.

The Hong Kong Police Force, known to protesters as “Black Police,” have been consistently documented in using excessive force. The Facebook page “Boston Stand with Hong Kong Human Rights and Democracy Act” made posts on Nov. 12 from the location of the Chinese University of Hong Kong with cries for help.

“SoS please do something; they are killing college kids NOW. Headmaster of Chinese University got teargas shot, and the assistant headmaster is in the front line with thousands of students,” the Tuesday Facebook post read. “The police are trying to get to the biggest server in HK, so they can control and to cut off international media connection. HELP!”

The conflict turned bloody on the 12th with initial numbers at 60 university students injured and one confirmed death. This week, Hong Kong police forces continue to encroach on protesters at the Polytechnic University. The police have stated the city is moved by the plight of these students, their newscasters and politicians, their newscasters and politicians, and any person who supports them. It’s our school. We need to protect our home,” said student Candy, 20, in an interview with Reuters.

It is clear the world is watching, but will the international community step in? That remains to be seen, but any person who is moved by the plight of these people fighting for freedom is encouraged to contact their politicians, their newscasters, and send aid when able.

ABOVE: The house on Jackson Street was set on fire Nov. 14. BELOW: The house on Monroe Street was set on fire Nov. 15.
was likely Stephen's. "Mom and Dad sat us down in the living room and then they explained that they found Stephen and that he was found in the water ... and that he was dead," Kemp said. "I just remember asking my dad, 'Aren't we going to go after the people who did this? Aren't we going to find the people who did this to him?'"

"That will never bring Stephen back," her father told her.

As the firstborn, Stephen shared a close relationship with his mother.

"To learn that your dad had gone through a brutal beating, I'm a mother and I can't imagine what she went through," Kemp said.

According to The Post-Crescent of Appleton, Wisconsin, Stephen's parents viewed his body before it was transferred to Milwaukee for the autopsy, but were unable to make a positive identification due to decomposition.

Stephen was laid to rest on Oct. 22, 1965.

The Christmas, Clifford brought a puppy home.

"It was a brown poodle and Mustard with that," Kemp said. "She said, 'You can't re-place a son with a dog,' and he said, 'I never want to replace my son, but we need to have something to bring some happiness.'"

Kemp recalls her mother sitting in a rocking chair that Christmas Day in 1965, grieving the loss of her son just two months earlier, and repeating, "The dog goes, the dog's gotta go."

And that little puppy jumped up on the couch. "She was my buddy ever since," Kemp said. "Dogs know who they need to comfort and help."

They named the puppy Coco and he stayed. Kemp said her mother never stopped talking to her son for Stephen, even on the day she died.

"I went in that morning and I said, 'Good morning, Mom, I'm here,'" Kemp said. "She said to me, 'But where's Stephen? And that was the last thing she ever said to me.'"

For the Kappell family, nothing was the same after Stephen's death.

"Everything changed," Kemp said. "Nobody talked about anything like that. I didn't want sympathy from my classmates. I just remember not liking them saying, 'I'm sorry about your brother.'" Kemp said she couldn't determine if he was conscious when he entered the water and then rendered unconscious by striking something in the water. "Stephen was Kappell the likable, polite, husky athlete and ardent fisherman, murdered?" Northwestern article questioned. "Or was Stephen Kappell the insecure, emerging-from-adolescence young man, plagued with self-doubt, driven to self-destruction?"

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St. Aubin said the inquest was rushed. "From the day he disappeared to the inquest, it was all done in three or four months," St. Aubin said. "They had the inquest when I was still a freshman."

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The coroner's inquest was rushed. Seven jurors would determine Stephen's cause of death at the coroner's inquest, which took place less than two months after the discovery of his body. The inquest lasted 10 hours and included testimony from 22 witnesses including classmates at Kaukauna High School and WSU-O, police and crime lab officials, Stephen's former girlfriend and his parents, according to The Northwestern.

The Post-Crescent reported that Corner Helen Young testified "Stephen was unconscious when he entered the water. Young qualified her statement by saying Ste-

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WRST earns national honors

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WRST-FM Oshkosh, the student-run radio station at UW Oshkosh, recently won its 10th College Broadcasters, Inc. award and its ninth College Media Association award for outstanding student submissions.

Two student-run podcasts, “The Sports Page,” hosted by Nick Bode and Hunter Vaughn and “Script to Screen,” hosted by Gideon Patrick and Max Fredrick, were honored within their categories with first and third place at the College Broadcasters convention this fall in St. Louis, Missouri.

Patrick, who cohosts “Script to Screen” with Frederick, credited him with starting the show with the help of Randall Davidson, the station faculty adviser.

Patrick said the show airs movie reviews every week and often produces bonus shows for both the on-air and their podcast.

“There’s so many opportunities outside of the classroom for students like me who want to just get their hands on and do stuff,” Haese said.

Haese, a junior radio/TV/film major and journalism minor, said he came to UWO for the radio station opportunity and the RTF program.

“There’s no program like the RTF program at any other UW school. It’s something very very special,” Haese said.

Additional information can be found on the university’s website or by contacting the相关部门.
Guns: Recent deaths spark national conversation

Within cities, gun violence is clustered among racially segregat ed, economically disenfranchised neighborhoods, according to Gil ford’s Law Center. 

“People that are more subject to gun violence are people living in the poor areas of central cities,” Jones said. “A lot of it is young males shooting at each other, and the problem with guns is it can kill you.”

Jones added the Second Amendment plays a role in preventing more stringent gun control policies from being implemented. 

“The Second Amendment of the Constitution protects gun owner ship at some very basic level, that you do have the right to own a gun and keep it for your own protection in your own home,” Jones said.

UWO criminal justice professor Durmus Alper Camlibel said gun control advocates would argue that the right to bear arms, especially in the 1700s, was directed at gov ernment oppression toward the citizens.

“The Second Amendment was originally created to give American citizens the opportunity to fight back against an oppressive federal government via a ‘well-regulated militia,’” Camlibel said. “Today, we don’t have to defend ourselves from the tyrannical federal power so they say that you are actually misinterpreting the gun laws or constitution. They argue that the main focus of the second amendment must be ‘militia’ clause not the ‘bear arms’ part. Because, according to those people ‘the right to bear arms should only be grant ed to those well-regulated groups, not to every citizen.’”

Jones said there should be more control over the gun market and the current gun control policies should be better enforced.

“Also, I think, at least limit the availability of high powered rifles because those are the ones result ing in mass destruction,” Jones said. “You don’t need those kinds of guns to shoot a deer and if you’re shooting anything else with that, there’s not going to be any thing left of it.”

Camlibel said it would also be helpful to limit magazine capac ities in order to help prevent gun violence.

“Limiting the magazine capac ity can help because right now they can take 30 rounds, but if you limit it to 10 rounds, it may prevent mass shootings,” Camlibel said. “So we can prevent casualties and deaths in shootings if the magazine capac ity was limited for assault rifles.”

Camilbel said that gun control advocates would suggest enforcing harsher background checks, es pec ially at gun shows.

“People go there and buy several guns at gun shows without a real y thorough background check,” Camlibel said. “And the same people can buy 20 guns and sell those 20 guns on the street and there’s no background check on this type of transaction.”

UWO criminal justice associate professor Michael Lenza said the best way to prevent gun violence is to vote for someone who will make a change.

“Be aware and think critically about who the candidate is and what their policies are,” Lenza said. “Holding our politicians and government accountable is the best defense you have in a democracy.”

This kind of local food insecurity makes community events like Empty Bowls so beneficial for Oshkosh.

Stovall said this year’s event was a success and had a great turnout with about 120 people showing up. 

“We had six bowls left over, which is like a record; usually we have in between 10 and 20,” Stovall said. “We usually have a whole bin full of leftovers, but this year we don’t have that prob lem [and] I’m really happy about it.”

Stovall said that one important aspect of their position as the program adviser for diversity and inclusion programs is connecting the campus to the larger Oshkosh and Fox Valley community.

“I think we have a responsibility as a campus to be connected to our community,” Stovall said. “And I like that this event takes place on our campus and the planning and execution of the event is something that happens internally in the campus, but we are able to connect with organiza tion on the campus or the university that are in the community and be helpful in those ways.”

UWO joins effort to fight world hunger

By Sophia Voight

UW Oshkosh hosted the Empty Bowls event in the Titan Underground on Nov. 15.

“Stovall gave a speech at the event talking about issues of homelessness and hunger in Wisconsin and how people of color and LGBTQ people are disproportionately affected by these issues. “I think it’s important to think about and talk about hunger and homelessness and the ways in which we can help or how we can create an impact,” Stovall said.

Feeding America Western Wisconsin found that more than 10% of Winnebago County residents in 2017 experienced food insecurity.

According to a report from the Oshkosh Area United Way, local food pantries in Oshkosh and Omro tracked a monthly average of 3,800 families coming through their food pantries, with Oshkosh Area Community Pantry distributing more than a million pounds of food in 2018.

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“The Second Amendment of the Constitution protects gun ownership at some very basic level, that you do have the right to own a gun and keep it for your own protection in your own home,” Jones said. UWO criminal justice professor Durmus Alper Camlibel said gun control advocates would argue that the right to bear arms, especially in the 1700s, was directed at government oppression toward the citizens.

“The Second Amendment was originally created to give American citizens the opportunity to fight against an oppressive federal government via a ‘well-regulated militia,’” Camlibel said. “Today, we don’t have to defend ourselves from the tyrannical federal power so they say that you are actually misinterpreting the gun laws or constitution. They argue that the main focus of the second amendment must be ‘militia’ clause not the ‘bear arms’ part. Because, according to those people ‘the right to bear arms should only be granted to those well-regulated groups, not to every citizen.’”

Jones said there should be more control over the gun market and the current gun control policies should be better enforced.

“Also, I think, at least limit the availability of high powered rifles because those are the ones resulting in mass destruction,” Jones said. “You don’t need those kinds of guns to shoot a deer and if you’re shooting anything else with that, there’s not going to be anything left of it.”

Camlibel said it would also be helpful to limit magazine capacities in order to help prevent gun violence.

“Limiting the magazine capacity can help because right now they can take 30 rounds, but if you limit it to 10 rounds, it may prevent mass shootings,” Camlibel said. “So we can prevent casualties and deaths in shootings if the magazine capacity was limited for assault rifles.” Camlibel said that gun control advocates would suggest enforcing harsher background checks, especially at gun shows.

“People go there and buy several guns at gun shows without a really thorough background check,” Camlibel said. “And the same people can buy 20 guns and sell those 20 guns on the street and there’s no background check on this type of transaction.”

UWO criminal justice associate professor Michael Lenza said the best way to prevent gun violence is to vote for someone who will make a change.

“Be aware and think critically about who the candidate is and what their policies are,” Lenza said. “Holding our politicians and government accountable is the best defense you have in a democracy.”

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It’s policy makers who are failing

Rep. Shankland touts new bill

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The United Faculty and Staff of Oshkosh partnered with UW Oshkosh College Democrats to host a Town Hall with state representatives Gordon Hintz (D-Oshkosh) and Katrina Shankland (D-Stevens Point).

Shankland has proposed a six-part “Reaching Higher for Higher Education” legislative bill package that funds higher education while maintaining the tuition freeze.

“I think [the package] is different than what we have seen in the past 10 years,” she said. “It’s a forward-looking package that shows us how we can invest while being sustainable and without asking too much.”

Bill One prohibits the Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System from placing a limitation on the amount charged for resident undergraduate tuition unless the limitation is offset by a corresponding increase in the amount of general purpose revenues given to the Board of Regents.

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A second part of the bill package is the “Blue Ribbon Commission,” which is a 19-member commission with representation from the president of the UW System, faculty and academic staff and students from UW System schools, one chosen higher education expert, one workforce development expert and four legislators.

The commission would be tasked with studying the UW System and facilitating discussion of a public agenda for higher education, setting long-term goals and priorities for higher education and finding plans for accessibility and affordability of higher education.

Hintz did not have a bill package to showcase, but he did support Shankland’s. Hintz also expressed support for the UW System and said he is doing everything he can to advocate for investment in higher education.

Hintz said he was disappointed in Gov. Tony Evers for not gener-

ating the tuition funding that Hintz thought Evers could have gotten with better negotiating.

Shankland mentioned that in-

vesting in the UW System is invest-

ing in the state and an investment that has proven to pay off.

“For every $1 we invest, we see $23 in return,” she said.

People who filled the Reeve Memorial Union ballroom $30 to $70 to 

position expressed concernss for ad-

vocacy in the UW System when 

the question and answer portion of the 

Town Hall occurred.

One faculty member who said he was a member of the United Fac-

ulty and Staff of Oshkosh said that faculty members are trying to keep 

the morale of faculty at UW Oshkosh out of classroom discussions.

He said by doing that, support of the UW System is not being recog-

nized.

He said the current students do not know about the morale of fac-

ulty that he said has left him upset when he sees empty offices, and 

alumni haven’t shown much inter-

est and the general public has been pulled by Marquette University 

as saying investing in the UW System is one of the lowest priorities they have for state investment.

Shankland was the first to grab the microphone between her and 

Hintz and immediately responded.

“At the end of the day, as law-

makers, it is not enough to just pass 

a budget and put out bills that our constituents want,” Shankland said. “I think it is policy makers who are failing and I think it is incumbent on us to fix it and if we are not will-

ling to commit to at least conversa-

tions and modest investments in our technical colleges and university system while showing students and student teachers we value them and are willing to make higher educa-

tion more affordable for them, then we shouldn’t be in office period.”

Faculty members honored for service

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Two UWO faculty members, Morgan Bailey and Catherine Schmitt, were chosen as the 2019 Veterans of the Game for their ca-

reers in the Armed Forces.

They were celebrated during the home Titans football game against UW-River Falls as part of veterans appreciation activities on Nov. 9. UW Oshkosh Resource Cen-

ter Coordinator Tim Smith told UW Oshkosh Today the UW Osh-

kosh Appreciation Football Game is their humble “thank you” to the veterans community.

“It symbolizes that UWO and Titans everywhere recognize and are grateful for the service and sac-

ifice of our military community,” he said. “This year’s Veterans of the Game are outstanding examples of those who have served our nation humbly, honorably, and above all else, proudly.”

Before becoming an assistant professor for the College of Nurs-

ing, Schmitt began her military career in 1987 with a direct com-

mission as a second lieutenant with the Army Nurse Corps in the Wis-

consin Army National Guard. Schmitt joined because she need-

ed to find a way to give back.

“I needed to do something more with my career,” Schmitt said. “So the Army Nurse Corps was a really good fit.”

Smith said Veterans of the Game is the center’s way to honor veter-

ans who have some type of associ-

ation with UW Oshkosh.

“It’s someone who’s served honorably and someone who is as-

sociated with the university is just what we’re looking for,” she said.

According to UW Oshkosh To-

day, Bailey was commissioned as a first lieutenant in the U.S. Army Reserve Nurse Corp Branch in 1989, entering active duty service and attending the preceptorship program two years later.

As a faculty member, Schmitt likes to think her experience in the Army affects the way she teaches, making her more clear and orga-

nized with directions.

Smith said there used to be only one honoree, but the university made the change a couple years ago to make it more inclusive.

“It’s really easy to fall into a situ-

ation where you pick the same kind of Veterans,” he said. “I wanted to make sure we looked at all veterans and made it diverse.”

According to UW Oshkosh To-
day, Schmitt makes sure CON sol-

dier students are recognized during graduation.

Schmitt said it’s important to recognize that these are the students that move quietly through the program and oftentimes, their intent is to take this education and move forward to help support our troops.

“Being a soldier [and] student is additional work, additional respon-

sibility,” Schmitt said. “I think in some way that needs to be called out if they want it to be. I put out the call during the last four weeks and ask them to self-identify and if they do, we make sure they have their honor cord.”

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Opinion
Disney enlists in the streaming war

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With the long-awaited launch of Disney+ last week Tuesday, as well as the premiere of Apple TV+ occurring earlier in the month, it seems like the options for streaming services are becoming endless.

With so many options to choose from, it would seem that the so-called “streaming wars” are truly upon us.

Among the combatants in this battle for your viewer-ship are the newcomers like Disney+ and Apple TV+, main-stays such as Netflix, Amazon Prime Video and Hulu, and future services like HBO Max.

With so many services entering the fray, the chances are that the movies or shows you want to watch are all in one spot get-ting ever smaller.

You want to catch up on “Stranger Things?” Well, it looks like you’ll have to keep your Netflix subscription. You feel like watching some Marvel movies? Better get Disney+ loaded up. After all of that you still feel like binge-watching “The Office” in its entirety for the eighth time? Looks like you are going to need a subscription to Peacock, NBCUniversal/Comcast’s upcoming streaming service after “The Office” parts ways with Netflix.

With all of this content being spread out, keeping up with your favorite movies and shows is quickly becoming a very costly habit. Even so, the price of sub-scribing to multiple services in order to watch a variety of con-tent still remains a much bet-ter deal than most current cable packages.

Most basic cable packages cost around $90/month, which is sig-nificantly more than the cost of your average streaming service, which usually costs around $10/month (depending on if you want ads or not).

The catch here is that to utilize any streaming service, you need an internet connection. Most ca-ble packages come bundled with internet as well, so if you are ad-mant on ditching cable, you will have to get internet separate. De-pending on where you live, this can cost you around $60/month, which leaves you room to sub-scribe to multiple streaming ser-vices and still pay less than you would have otherwise.

After all is said and done, what service is likely to come out ahead?

As of right now, Netflix remains dominant in terms of sub-scribers, boasting a massive 158 million, but its position atop the hill is currently under fire. The introduction of Disney+ not only threatens Netflix in terms of be-ing a cheaper alternative ($6.99/ month for Disneys compared to $12.99/month for Netflix’s most popular plan), but for every new service that is introduced, it seems that Netflix loses more and more from its library.

Fan favorites such as “Friends,” “The Office” and the Marvel/Disney catalogue will all seemingly be finding new homes in the next two years with the emergence of new services.

For me, it’s hard to see a fu-ture in which Disney+ does not come out on top. Not only does it boast a library featuring some of the most popular properties in the world (Marvel and Star Wars, for example), but it also promises a large slate of original content, with original series like “The Mandalorian” and “High School Musical: The Musical: The Ser-ies” already out and much more planned for the future.

What do the other services have going for them?

Netflix, besides having an already immense viewer base, also offers a lot of original movies and shows, which should help soften the blow of losing some of its most popular content in the com-ing years.

Apple TV+ has the advantage of being easily accessible to the numerous amounts of Apple de-vices owners, but the fact that it launched with only nine pro-grams and no library of past con-tent seems to put it at a serious disadvantage.

Amazon Prime Video has a similar advantage, as it is acces-sible to everyone who pays for Amazon Prime, but also boasts a large library of older content and has produced award winning originals such as “The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel” in recent years.

Comcast’s future service Peacock will have “The Office” as well as “Parks and Recreation.” Enough said.

Ten years ago, the notion of “cord-cutting” was very much in its infancy, with only a few alternatives to cable being avail-able, but now, as more and more streaming services enter the mar-ket, people seem more eager than ever to go all in on online view-ing.

But as the number of services keeps increasing with more com-panies looking to capitalize on this trend and the content be-comes increasingly spread out, concerns may start to arise as consumers realize how much they really have to pay in order to access all the shows and movies they want across the multitude of platforms that will be available.

“I’ve got two phones...”
Vector Marketing: Scam or lucrative business opportunity?

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If you’ve walked through Reeve Memorial Union or Blackhawk Commons during your stay at UW-Oshkosh, you’ve probably come across one of Vector Marketing’s recruitment tables. The tables often have vague and alluring messages like “part-time work for full time income” and “make your own schedule.” Vector Marketing Corporation is a subsidiary of Cutlery Corporation, which makes high-quality kitchen knives to be sold at dime stores. The company relies on employees for a 10% cut. Vector has been under a lot of pressure over the years. The second suggestion Google makes after typing “Vector Marketing” is “scam.” Many users of cutlery schemes, or multi-level marketing scams, have a dedicated page about the “Marketer Marketing scam” with 9,290 views. It says the product is “scam.” Many account holders assume me that I would make a lot of money. I left the interview happy, but I had a strange feeling in my gut. After I Googled the company as soon as I got home, I was convinced it was a scam and avoided their calls. Heinritz said the reason for the vague marketing is because no one would be interested in the job if they knew it was about selling knives, but he said that once sought after employees are introduced to the nature of the job, they get excited about the knives.

According to Heinritz, employees are asked to come up with a list of friends and family (50-100) and make a 10% commission on each sale (up to $350). Employees make their own appointments and are not paid for training or transportation. They’re also told to ask their clients to name 5-10 people they know who might be interested in buying the knives. “I worked really hard, busted my butt, made over $100,000 selling Cutco throughout college,” Heinritz said. “Graduated debt-free. Loved it. And now I’m the manager.”

This claim is true, and if Heinritz followed the job description he gave, he would have had to make the average sale of $350 with a 10% commission at 28,571 appointments. I’m not saying he’s lying, just that he would have to be an exceptional and ambitious salesman, which he seems to be.

So where does the truth lie? Is Vector Marketing a scam, luring students with high promises, or is it a legitimate business opportunity for students willing to work hard? “I believe the answer is somewhere in between. The reason I investigate every company I walk into is that I believe they are a scam,” he said.

Lights and movement: UWO Fox Cities’ ‘Curious Incident’

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The lights come up. A boy looks down at a dog on the ground with a pitchfork in its side. The lights flash on and off like a heartbeat as the boy looks in horror. Who killed this dog?

The UW Oshkosh – Fox Cities theatre programme debuted their first show of the semester last Thursdays, “The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time,” with performances continuing this week.

“Curious Incident” is a heart-warming and mysterious tale about a scared and confused young boy, Christopher, who sets out to solve the mystery of his neighbor’s dog’s murder. What follows is a series of diversions within Christopher’s community and his own mind.

The play is rich in visual aesthetics. The stage is mostly bare and nearly every actor in the show recites lines off stage to add to the world’s atmosphere and emphasise certain lines of dialogue, yet the show remains a consistently entertaining experience.

“Curious Incident” is a relatively new play, premiering in 2012 at the Royal National Theatre in London that requires fairly sophisticated technology to pull off well. Because the Communications Arts Centre (UWOFC) is only 10 years old, and because of director Susan Rabideau’s bold ambition, “Curious Incident” is able to give the production quality it deserves.

Compared to the average production at UW Oshkosh, the production value stands out in UWOFC’s “Curious Incident.”

The set design is a part of the production. The stage is rich in visual aesthetics with high-quality lights and projectors above the stage produce bold and memorable shapes, spotlights and shadows throughout the play that emphasize every line of dialogue. Though the set design is minimal, using only a train set and some black boxes as stage props, the show’s dynamic lighting makes every scene feel different. Some spotlights shine on only a few square inches of the stage, so choreography has to be perfect. On opening night, no noticeable cue was missed.

The most famous scene in this play is when the dog is first killed. This scene is a series of diversions within Christopher’s community and his own mind. The dog is killed, and the audience surrounds it, the actors are given body microphones so they can deliver their dialogue naturally without having to project so much. This makes the experience of watching “Curious Inci- dent” even more intimate.

Adding to the show’s visual appeal is the intense choreography. Throughout the course of the show, characters are constantly moving and adjusting to accommodate audience members on all sides of the stage. Sometimes actors are lifted up in the air or use their bodies to resemble parts of the set. Amazingly, nobody tripped over the train set that grew longer with the course of the show.

Since the play’s setting of England and its leads, the character of Christopher in “Curious Incident” has the added challenge of using a British accent, which, for the most part, is convincing.

Brendan Cooper’s performance as Christopher is the standout. Not only is his accent on point, but he’s believable as a 15-year-old boy with mild autism going through life.

Other notable performances come from Ericka Wade as Chris- topher’s mother, Anne, and Lesa Vose as Christopher’s father, Ed with both grace and hospitality.

Rabideau balances the serious and humorous tones of “Curious Incident” beautifully, all while being fair-paced. On opening night, the show brought the audience to their feet, then just minutes later, back up onto their feet.

The only notable flaw in UWOFC’s “Curious Incident” is the technical aspect. It takes a while to communicate to its audience what’s going on and what it’s all about, but by the end, it’s a satisfying experience.

UWOFC has shown through “Curious Incident” that their theatre program is a great place to find valuable high-quality entertainment for all UW students. UWOFC is continuing performances of “The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time” Nov. 13 and 14, at 7:30 p.m. and Nov. 23 at 1 p.m. at the Lucia Baehman Theatre in Menasha. Seats can be reserved online at uwosh.universitictickets.com. Student tickets are $12, and well worth it.
Cutting through scam claims to find the truth
From Page 9
The possibilities of healthy eating at UW Oshkosh
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College can be a big change for high school, and strong social and emotional support is key to enjoying healthy eating habits. If UW Oshkosh was filled with plenty of healthy eating choices on campus, it would be much easier for students to achieve a healthy lifestyle.

First-year students are required to have a “basic” meal plan, which includes regular meals to be used in Reeve or Titan Undergound. Since Blackhawk Commons serves all-you-can-eat, it can be quite difficult to not fill your entire plate with carbs and sugar. Students mostly eat pasta, pizza and french fries because it is the majority of food served there. They also have a variety of sugary candies, but most of them are very high in calories and added sugar.

Blackhawk does offer a small salad bar, but students have to sit in the dining hall to eat and some don’t have much time in between classes or during a busy week. Reeve Memorial Union is a better option for students who are in a rush, while Blackhawk only has a few options for students to grab on the go, and they consist of breaded chicken tenders, grilled cheese or a mashed potato bowl.

At Reeve Union, the options in the dining area are pizza, subs, burritos, burgers, fries and a salad bar. Although the salad bar is a healthy option for students, it is only served on the weekdays, which doesn’t give first year students the option to eat this regularly.

To improve these issues, Blackhawk should offer salads for students to go with fresh ingredients. They should also take some of the unhealthy options I listed before and replace it with healthy proteins, vegetables, fruit, lean meat and stir fry that contains whole grain rice or quinoa blend. Foods high in protein can be very beneficial to the human diet.

As for Reeve, they should try to take out some of the unhealthy choices as well as the chips or positive sides and exchanger them with fruit cups or veggie trays that are included with a student meal.

Students will have more energy and feel better when eating healthy foods. The higher the energy, the better students will feel physically and mentally. Healthy eating can lead to less stress, which could result in higher academic standings for many students here at UW Oshkosh.

Wisconsin students’ high loan debt should be reduced or eliminated
By Kyle Krenke
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Wisconsin students are getting bombarded with student loans at college that can haunt them well into the nation, but that could change.

Currently, Wisconsin students and their families face the highest loan debts at graduation day with an average of $31,705, quite a bit higher than the national average of $29,650. Additionally, 64% of Wisconsin graduates end school with debt, ranking seventh highest in the nation.

I believe that students should be able to get to college to further their education and not have to worry about affording it or struggling to repay once they are further in their careers. I think the government should step in, even just a little bit because since students going to college continue to further their education are creating a huge economic presence after graduation.

To achieve this, the government can do a few things, including offering tax incentives for employers to help pay students back. Tax incentives could include tax breaks for companies, which in the business setting is a big deal. If their taxes are lowered, that means more profits. An alternative to this would be to offer the income tax incentive straight to the student instead of giving it to a company. They should only offer it if students stay in Wisconsin after graduation and only offer it if they do indeed graduate. If you don’t graduate, you don’t get the tax break.

Another solution would be to lower the interest rates for all student loans or just for those who are lower income borrowers. President-elect Joe Biden has proposed a change to student loans, one of which would forgive 95% all student loans, which would be an incredible change.

According to CNBC, their proposal states that borrowers with household incomes under $100,000 would get $50,000 of their student debt forgiven. People who earn between $100,000 and $250,000 would be eligible for forgiveness on a sliding scale: $1 for every $3 a person earns over $100,000. Unfortunately, those who earn over $250,000 would not get any debt relief.

Such changes would provide a big boost to students with an ease of worry about how they are going to pay off their debt. They can instead focus on their studies as well as working toward making our economy even better than it is.
Cats do downward dog

People do yoga Saturday morning as feline friends play in the cat lounge at Pawffee Shop Cat Cafe.

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A yoga class at the Pawffee Shop Cat Cafe in Appleton on Saturday was joined by a group of uncommon guests: cats.

As people did downward dog and warrior poses, the furry critters weaved through their legs and arms, whisking their tails up through the participants’ hair.

The storefront of the Pawffee Shop faces east and is filled with warm morning rays. Inside, the bright café features large picture windows looking into the adjoining room where adoptable cats roam about. Customers can take their beverages and pastries into the cat lounge and mingle among them.

The yoga session cost participants $15, and the proceeds went to Safe Haven Pet Sanctuary, a Green Bay nonprofit that rescues cats with special needs such as blindness, missing limbs or abused cats. Leah Enking co-owns the Pawffee Shop with Elizabeth Feldhausen, who also runs the Pet Sanctuary.

“The inspiration for opening the café came after Enking stumbled across a social media post from a friend who had just visited a cat café elsewhere in the country. After seeing that, Enking knew she had to open one.

“It caught my eye and thought it was a neat idea, and then I just got it into my head that this was what I wanted to do with my life,” Enking said.

Three years later, Enking and Feldhausen have blended their passion for cats and coffee into a reality. The Pawffee Shop Cat Café opened its location at 1745 N. Casaloma Drive in Appleton on Aug. 31.

“We’re just trying to find them homes,” Enking said. “That’s really the ultimate end goal for all of it.”

Battle of the Bands

Students displayed their musical talents in live sets at the battle of the bands competition last week Thursday in Titan Underground. ABOVE LEFT: Zach Miller of the band “Happy to Be Here” sings as James Kies plays saxophone in the background. “Happy to Be Here” went on to win the competition. ABOVE RIGHT: Freshman hip-hop artist Chris Jewson takes the stage.

James Kies’ Key Picks

Hello! My name is James, resident music composition student and music lover! This week’s picks are all electronic/trap influenced bangers to get you pumped up for whatever you need to pump up for. Or if you’re me, you relax to it. “Praey” by the wonderful EASTGHOST is a 7-minute masterpiece of sampling, mixing and fat 808s. “enough” by classic wave-trap artist “vowl.” is a splendid little ditty featuring his signature sound, this one really just sounds like vowl. Alasen’s “Transcendence” is a short track featuring chilling choir samples and a bass sample that may or may not destroy your speakers. Consider yourself warned. Tsuruda’s “Kimichi Crisis” features one of the dirtiest, grittiest, ear-tickling basses I have ever heard. Enough said. Finally, WHITE KATANA’s “SORCERER” is a through and through cookie-cutter trap beat, but it still absolutely knocks your noggin off. Hope you enjoy. Happy up-turning.

James Kies’ Key Picks

Praey
Eastghost, Yespion
Praey
2016

enough
Take/Five, vowl.
enough
2019

Transcendence
Alasen
Transcendence
2018

Kimichi Crisis
Tsuruda
FUBAR
2019

SORCERER
WHITE KATANA
SORCERER
2017
How to ruin Thanksgiving

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Thanksgiving. What a day. With so many moving parts, friends, family and food, it can be easy to get caught up in the spirit of being thankful, or accidentally gorge yourself on the splendid presence of those you love. While that might sound great, don’t forget what Thanksgiving is really all about: stifling any semblance of your personality in front of people you see once a year, mainlining cortisol, and trying not to scream, rip your hair out, or tell grandma the turkey tastes like a lumpy cardboard cloy pulled from the underbelly of a Nissan Altima in mid-November. Sorry grandma, sometimes the truth hurts. So if you want to ensure you have the perfectly disastrous Thanksgiving we’ve all come to love, look no further than the page before you.

Bring up politics

Would it really be Thanksgiving if your uncle wasn’t slamming his silverware on the table, ripping your dad’s head off about the politics that have pervaded every moment of our modern lives? Nope. Invariably, somebody will twist a small, innocuous comment and turn it political. Things will start out relatively civil, but when grandpa is five beers deep and the argument cuts a little too close to home, it won’t be long until you’re using your plate as a shield to block airborne crescent rolls flying across the table. Boof! One hits grandma in the face, but hey, better there than her fresh perm. If you’ve followed these two steps, you’re off to a great start. You might be wondering how you could make dinner better? Well, you could…

Get drunk before the guests arrive

The reasons to follow this step are countless, really. For one, it lowers the likelihood of you remembering the soon-to-be disastrous day at all. Secondly, it makes aunt Karen’s whiny complaints about everything from the drive up to the color of the napkins slightly — really, just slightly — more bearable. Third, the meal your grandma’s prepared, some dried out meat, and trying not to scream, rip your hair out, or tell grandma the turkey tastes like a lumpy cardboard cloy pulled from the underbelly of a Nissan Altima in mid-November. Sorry grandma, sometimes the truth hurts. So if you want to ensure you have the perfectly disastrous Thanksgiving we’ve all come to love, look no further than the page before you.

Allow the vegans to speak

If you didn’t follow the first step, now is the time to get started on that. A couple glasses of mind-numbing fluid is frankly the only antidote for the impending series of insufferable lectures from your condescending, pseudo-intellectual cousin. “Did you know that meat clogs your arteries?” Yes. We did know that. “And you’re eating it anyways?” Yes. We are eating it anyway. “How could you?” Well, it turns out we like to be able to describe our food with words other than “gray.” Speaking of gray, the bleak, unchanging late-November sky’s tone is about as bright as the remainder of the football season for your relatives who happen to…

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The reasons to follow this step are countless, really. For one, it lowers the likelihood of you remembering the soon-to-be disastrous day at all. Secondly, it makes aunt Karen’s whiny complaints about everything from the drive up to the color of the napkins slightly — really, just slightly — more bearable. Third, the meal your grandma’s prepared, some dried out meat, and trying not to scream, rip your hair out, or tell grandma the turkey tastes like a lumpy cardboard cloy pulled from the underbelly of a Nissan Altima in mid-November. Sorry grandma, sometimes the truth hurts. So if you want to ensure you have the perfectly disastrous Thanksgiving we’ve all come to love, look no further than the page before you.

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Would it really be Thanksgiving if your uncle wasn’t slamming his silverware on the table, ripping your dad’s head off about the politics that have pervaded every moment of our modern lives? Nope. Invariably, somebody will twist a small, innocuous comment and turn it political. Things will start out relatively civil, but when grandpa is five beers deep and the argument cuts a little too close to home, it won’t be long until you’re using your plate as a shield to block airborne crescent rolls flying across the table. Boof! One hits grandma in the face, but hey, better there than her fresh perm. If you’ve followed these two steps, you’re off to a great start. You might be wondering how you could make dinner better? Well, you could…

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Warhawks down
Titans win WIAC championship

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In thrilling fashion, UW Oshkosh fended off the No. 3 ranked team in the nation to not only win the WIAC football title, but secure a spot in the Division III playoff chase.
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Three weeks ago, the UW Oshkosh football team suffered a 28-point loss to UW-La Crosse and was on the outside looking in at a chance at the playoffs. On Saturday, Nov. 16, they beat nationally ranked UW-Whitewater and earned an automatic playoff berth.

The team rallied back from the 31-3 loss and strung together a three game winning streak against UW-Platteville, UW-River Falls and UW-Whitewater.

The win against UW-Whitewater last Saturday brought the Titans to 6-1 in conference and earned the Titans the title of WIAC co-champions with UW-Whitewater who ended the season 6-1 in conference as well.

UWO and UWW traded the lead five times in a game that came down to the wire as the Titans prevailed 27-20.

The Titans showed their talent under pressure as freshman quarterback Kobe Berghammer connected with junior Mitchell Gerend for a 35-yard touchdown on fourth down with under ten minutes left in the game.

Haag’s clutch extra point gave the Titans a 21-20 lead.

Haag made a major contribution to the team’s win on Saturday, kicking a 42-yard and a 49-yard field goal late in the fourth quarter to seal the Titans’ victory.

Despite his inexperience as a place kicker, Haag doesn’t have trouble having to perform in high-pressure moments.

“I didn’t kick in high school so I honestly don’t get nervous,” Haag said. “Every kick is the same, I go out and I kick the ball.”

In addition to Berghammer’s touchdown pass to Gerend, Berghammer also recorded a rushing touchdown as did senior Riley Kallas.

The UWO defense embarrassed the UWW offense as the Titans forced five interceptions, the most Whitewater has thrown in a game in more than 20 years.

Junior Kollyn Beyer recorded one of the five Titan interceptions last Saturday, bringing his total on the year to five, the best in the WIAC.

Beyer credited his success forcing turnovers to great team play on defense.

“It’s mostly just about doing my job, and trusting the ten other guys to do their job,” Beyer said. “When we are all doing our jobs we are all going to make plays.”

Since UWO earned co-championship honors, they earned an automatic playoff berth. However, the seeding of the post-season tournament was not determined until Sunday.

The UWO football team, coaching staff and some dedicated fans gathered in Sage Hall Sunday to watch the livestream of the tournament selection.

UWO was selected to play Central College of Pella, Iowa on Saturday, Nov. 23, in the first round of the National Collegiate Athletic Association Division III football tournament.

After the selection process, head coach Pat Cerroni briefly addressed his team.

“Good job, it’s one at a time from here,” Cerroni said.

Cerroni then asked the team seniors if they had anything to add. One senior spoke up without hesitation.

“Let’s get it.”
Mary's University (Minn.).

Senior Olivia Campbell drives to the hoop against her opponent in Oshkosh's 68-54 win over Saint to be a key factor in Oshkosh's scoring 10 points apiece. Loiz who paced the Vikings by were Alexis Jones and Gabriela 20 percent (2-10) from 3-point cent (20-47) from the field and only managed to shoot 42.6 per- lar defense. In all, the Vikings recorded three steals.

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Women’s basketball goes 1-1 in tournament

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Over the weekend, the UW Os- hkosh women’s basketball team competed in the Loras College Tip-Off Classic and had a split record of 1-1. This performance improved their overall record to 2-1.

The Titans’ first matchup was up against the Augustana College Vikings, who they defeated by a score of 65-46. The impressive win was led by Leah Porath’s 22-point performance. Porath shot 9-for-10 from the field and a perfect 4-for-4 from behind the arc.

“I think that we were play- ing well together,” said Porath. “We’ve been hitting the outside shot pretty well as well as getting rebounds.”

Olive Campbell led Oshkosh in rebounds with four and assists with three, while Katie Ludwig recorded three steals.

A major key in Oshkosh’s dominant victory was their stel- lar defense. In all, the Vikings only managed to shoot 42.6 per- cent (20-47) from the field and 20 percent (2-10) from 3-point range. Among the scoring leaders were Alexis Jones and Gabriela Loiz who paced the Vikings by scoring 10 points apiece.

Ball facilitation also proved to be a key factor in Oshkosh’s successful start to the tournament against Augustana. UW tallied nine assists while holding Au- gustana to just five while forcing them to commit 17 turnovers.

Oshkosh lost their first game of the season in their Loras College Tip-Off Classic Championship appearance against Loras Col- lege by a score of 88-83 where the game had to go to overtime before it was officially decided. Porath’s layup tied the game and forced overtime when she laid the ball in with seven seconds remain- ing in regulation.

In overtime, Oshkosh missed a couple of crucial free throws before permanently losing the lead at 86-83. From there, Loras pulled away and secured the win. “They were really good,” head coach Brad Fischer said. “They had four all-conference players coming back from a 22- win team. I think we answered the bell unfortunately we just couldn’t finish the deal when we got into overtime.”

In terms of what went wrong for the Titans, they were domi- nated on the boards, being out-re- bou nded 36-28. These rebounds ultimately helped Loras capitalize more on Oshkosh’s misses than the other way around, con- sidering that both teams shot the ball with a similar success rate. Oshkosh shot the ball at 45.9% and Loras shot the ball 46.8%.

Additionally, Oshkosh didn’t capitalize on turnovers as much as Loras did. Although Loras turned the ball over more than Oshkosh, at a rate of 15-13, Os- khosh was only able to capitalize with 15 points to Loras’ 20.

“We’re not super experienced,” Fischer said. “There’s a lot of lit- tle things that we watched in this weekend that we need to take more seriously on a daily basis. Defensively we have to be a lot more disciplined and more as- signment-sound.”

Despite the loss, Oshkosh had a lot to be proud of in this cham- pionship match. Leah Porath once again set a new career high in points with 26, complet- ing her double-double effort with 12 boards.

“She’s playing really confi- dent,” Fischer said. “She’s play- ing in her own comfort zone right now. She can pick her spots and is now. She can pick her spots and is now. She can pick her spots and is now.”

The Titans will travel to Mil- waukee next weekend for a pair of games at Wisconsin Lutheran College’s Paul Kneppel Clas- sion. The Titans will open the tournament against 10th-ranked DePauw University (Ind.) on Fri- day, Nov. 22 in a rematch of the 2019 Oshkosh regional champi- onship game that the Titans won, 54-52, on a basket with less than two seconds remaining.

Wrestling pinned by UW-Eau Claire

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The UW-Oshkosh wrestling team was defeated by UW-Eau Claire 25-9 last week Wednesday in their dual meet matchup as the Blugolds claimed the first seven contests.

Neither team would score or surrender a pinfall victory during the night, as the three Titans to score victories all won via decision.

Sophomore Bryce Herlache, wrestling at 184 pounds, re- mained undefeated on the sea- son, as he defeated UWEC’s Grant Balconi in a 6-4 decision to give the Titans their first win of the night. Herlache is now 6-0 on the season, with two such vic- tories being by pinfall.

This win came after the Blugolds rallied to take the seven con-secutive matches to claim a 25-point lead, one that would go on to be impossible to rein- quish.

Other Titan wrestlers to win their matches include senior Chandler Muzi who defeated UWEC’s James Huntley by a 4-3 decision, and junior Jordan Lemcke at 285 pounds, who defeated UWEC’s Austen Hakes by a 10-0 decision.

The dual meet at UW-Eau Claire’s McPhee Physical Edu- cation Center started with the 125-pound matchup as Eau Claire’s back Harley took on Os- khosh freshman Denis Murphy. Murphy would be defeated 19-9 via major decision to give the Blugolds the lead at four points to zero.

At 133 pounds, sophomore AJ Schonewolf would be defeated 12-9 by UWEC’s Thomas Sever- son, resulting in a decision win and three more points for the Blugolds, now up seven points to zero.

Sophomore Kobe Allen would defeat UWEC’s Jake Zar on Friday 10-0 via decision.

Senior Nate Arquinez would represent Oshkosh at 157 pounds, but fail to give the team their first win of the meet, as Ar- quinez would be defeated by UWEC’s Adam Reins by way of a 12-3 major decision. This would give UWEC four more points to hold an 18-point lead.

At 165 pounds, and nearing the end of the Titans chances at securing their first conference meet victory, sophomore Muzi Sithshela would fail to secure a win, as UWEC’s Chase Schmidt would claim a 13-2 major deci- sion win over Sithshela.

The Titans now faced a 22-point deficit, and needed to win their next match by way of a major decision or more to rally back.

Unsuccessfully for the Titans, the 174 pound match would de- cide the night for Eau Claire, as sophomore Jordan Blanchard would suffer his first loss of the season by way of a 5-2 decision to the Blugolds.

Herlache, Cashmore, and Lemcke rallied the Titans back to win the final three matches, all by way of decision as aforemen- tioned, but the night had already been decided. The final score concluded at 25-9 in favor of the Blugolds.

UWO still leads the all-time series against UWEC 24-15-1, with their last victory occurring last season on November 13, 2018. The Titans won that meet 27-15.

The nine points scored by the Titans totaled the lowest output by the team in a dual meet since a non-conference loss to Wabash College (Ind.) on January 20, 2018, when the team lost 44-3 to the then-fifteenth ranked squad.

After a break for the team over the weekend, UWO (0-2) pre- pares to host UW-Stevens Point (5-0) this upcoming Thursday as the Titans hope to upset the Pointers to claim their first meet of the season.
The UW Oshkosh men’s basketball team lost its first game since Feb. 21, 2018 to Carthage College on Tuesday night. After 59 seconds to play, senior Adam Fravert went west to coast and was fouled. He knocked down both free throws but the UW-Oshkosh was unable to get the basket.

With the Titans within one in the waning seconds a 3-point attempt by David Vlotho was off line and Carthage ran away with a 64-57 victory.

The team as a whole had an off shooting night as it made four of its 24 3-point shots for a season low 16.7 percent. Addition ally, UWO was only 37.5 percent from the field and 62.5 percent from the free-throw line. Over the course of the game, UWO’s biggest deficit came at the 13:34 mark of the second half when they trailed Carthage by a score of 42-29.

Carthage was out-rebounded by the Titans by 15 boards as UWO held a 53-48 advantage. Last season, the Titans out-re bounded their opponents in 28 out of the 32 games. They won 26 of those contests as opposed to going 2-2 in games where they lost the rebound battle. The Titans also lost the paint battle as they were outscored 36-30 by Carthage in that department.

UWO’s poor shooting, combined with committing 18 turnovers helped Carthage achieve the upset. Oshkosh’s bench also struggled in the game as they recorded six points on 2-7 shooting from the field.

During an 18-point, career-high performance in the game against North Central College (Ill.), sophomore Eric Peterson went 3-13 from the field with nine points against Carthage.

Senior Jack Flynn was in foul trouble all night but still scored 17 points and pulled down eight rebounds in 17 minutes. Junior Connor Duax recorded a double-double as he snagged 11 rebounds and scored 12 points but also committed five turnovers and fouled out in the last minute of the game.

Fratravert had a career-low shooting night for UWO. He launched 15 shots (including nine from the 3-point range) and only connect ed on one. However, he went 8-8 from the free-throw line and recorded five blocks in 39 minutes of action.

Jordon Kedrowski led Car thage with 20 points on 8-14 shooting while playing all 40 minutes of the game.

UWO will look to make their first victory against Elmhurst College (Ill.) and Edgewood College on Nov. 23 and Nov. 26.