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Do you prefer your gummy bears boneless or bone-in?

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Unless you seek out the vegan alternative, you prefer gummy bears bone-in.

This applies to other commonly enjoyed sweets as well, like Jell-O, marshmallows, fruit snacks, ice cream and candy — all of which can contain the ingredient gelatin.

“Gelatin is a protein substance derived from collagen, a natural protein present in the tendons, ligaments and tissues of mammals,” according to Encyclopedia.com. “It is produced by boiling the connective tissues, bones and skins of animals, usually cows and pigs.”

Although animal products, like meat, are common in most diets, it might seem a bit strange that the parts people typically avoid are eaten as dessert.

“Some people are worried that unsafe manufacturing practices might lead to contamination of gelatin products with diseased animal tissues,” according to medlineplus.gov.

Despite this common concern, gelatin is generally recognized as safe by the FDA, and many fitness magazines even suggest that gelatin can provide various health benefits.

“Gelatin is used for aging skin, osteoarthritis, weak and brittle bones, brittle nails, obesity and

many other conditions, but there is no good scientific evidence to support these uses,” according to medlineplus.gov.

Gelatin is notable for its low nutritional value and poor protein quality, and is one of the few foods that has a negative protein efficiency ratio, according to the FDA.

“Despite its low nutritional value, gelatin is not considered hazardous by applicable government regulations,” according to the FDA.

Gelatin isn’t only found in foods as its properties have made it useful in a variety of other products as well.

“Gelatin’s ability to form strong, transparent gels and flexible films that are easily digested, soluble in hot water, and capable of forming a positive binding action have made it a valuable commodity in food processing, pharmaceuticals, photography and paper production,” according to Encyclopedia.com.

Gelatin’s prevalence in a wide range of products is reflected by the more than 300,000 metric tons of gelatin produced annually worldwide, according to a ScienceDirect article.

Considering its mass production, gelatin, as a slaughter product, creates a number of environmental impacts related to meat production, according to the USDA.

“Livestock species contribute

directly and indirectly to deforestation, water pollution, air pollution, greenhouse gases, global warming, desertification, erosion and human obesity,” according to the Smithsonian Magazine website. “The global scope of the livestock issue is huge.”

According to a report published by the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization, 26% of the Earth’s terrestrial surface is used for livestock grazing.

“Globally, 18% of greenhouse gas emissions can be attributed to the livestock industry,” according to the report. “And in the United States, livestock production is responsible for 55% of erosion, 37% of all applied pesticides and 50% of antibiotics consumed, while the animals themselves directly consume 95% of our oat production and 80% of our corn.”

A report from the Worldwatch Institute said “the human appetite for animal flesh is a driving force behind virtually every major category of environmental damage now threatening the human future.”

Considering the low nutritional value and negative environmental impacts, limiting the production and consumption of gelatin, as well as other animal products, has the potential to benefit human and environmental health.

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State pauses Johnson & Johnson vaccine

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Wisconsin is temporarily sus- pending the single-dose Johnson & Johnson (J&J) COVID-19 vaccine after six cases of a “rare and severe” type of blood clot were reported in the U.S.

This comes after the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Food and Drug Ad- ministration (FDA) recommended a pause in the J&J vaccine Tuesday.

“This action is really focused on increasing safety and making sure we know how many of these cases are actually out in the nation,” Wis- consin Department of Health Ser- vices (DHS) Deputy Secretary Julie Willems Van Dijk said.

Officials are pausing the J&J vac- cine to assess if any more cases of the blood clot have been found and prepare healthcare providers for treating them if they occur.

“This is a pause, not the end of J&J,” Van Dijk said at a press con- ference Tuesday. “And we’re really hopeful that it will be a fairly short pause.”

All six cases of the blood clot oc- curred in women between the ages of 18 and 48 with symptoms occur- ring six to 13 days after vaccination. No cases of the rare blood clot have been identified in Wisconsin.

Adverse side effects of the J&J vaccine include severe headache, leg pain, abdominal pain, shortness of breath or new vision problems. These are all signs that could indi- cate a blood clot forming.

Van Dijk recommended that in- dividuals who had already received the J&J vaccine and experience these issues within three weeks of getting the shot contact their health care provider.

Flu-like symptoms, such as fever, body aches, chills and a mild head- ache are common in the 24 to 48 hours after the vaccine.

“If you’ve received the [J&J] vaccine over a month ago, don’t worry about anything, because these symptoms seem to happen in the one to two to three week pe- riod,” Van Dijk said.

Webster Hall to become weekday residence housing

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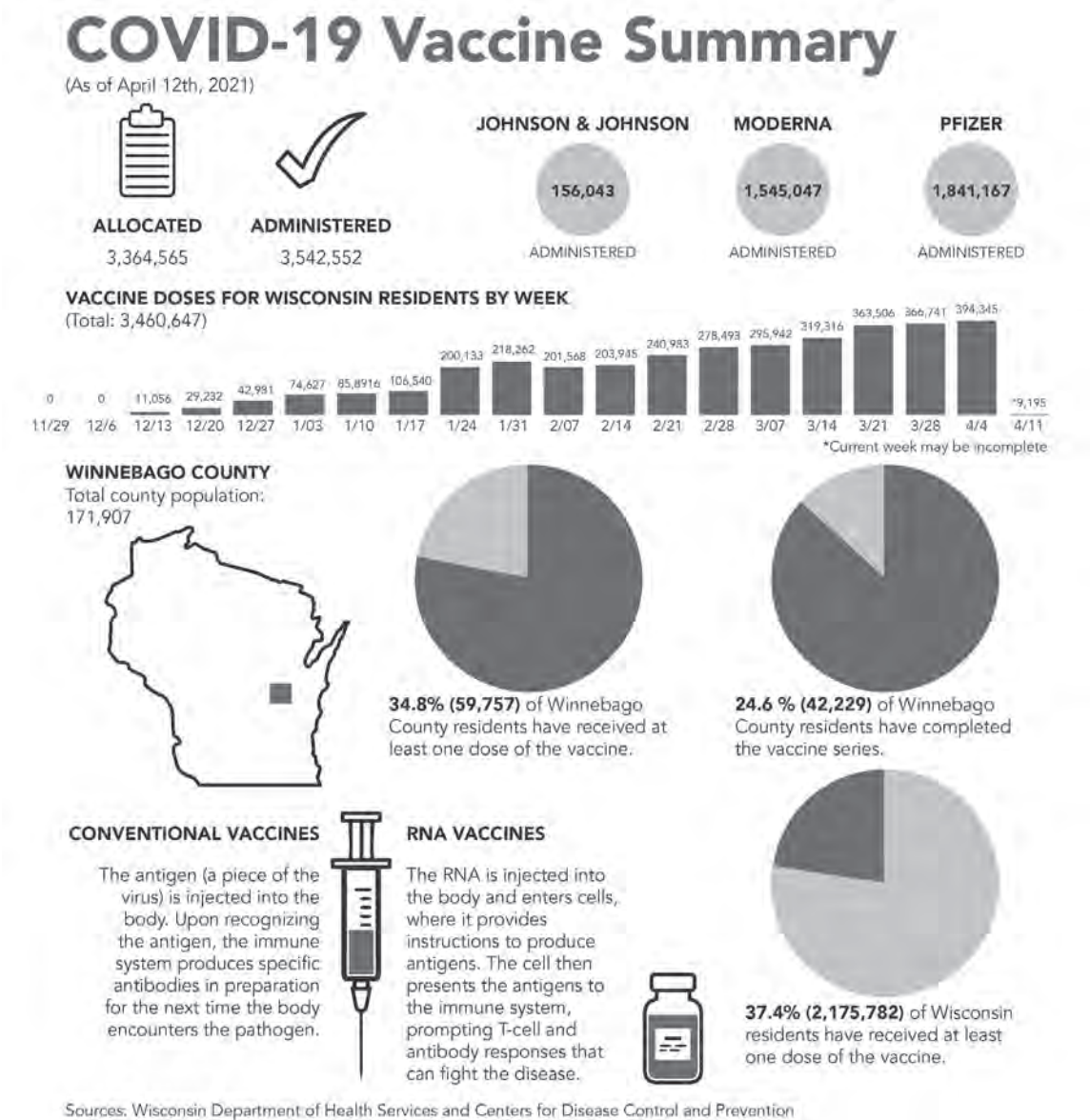
UW Oshkosh has offered up a new option for student housing next school year, as Webster Hall will become a weekday residence hall for those who do not choose to stay on campus over weekends.

“With a new initiative, we are unsure of its popularity,” Director of Residence Life Robert Bab- cock said. “We wanted to take one of our small halls to gauge interest for the first year to not interfere with the use of a larger building.”

There are no stats recording how many students chose to go home on weekends, but it is vis- ibly noticeable walking around campus, and seeing fewer stu- dents in campus buildings over weekends.

This initiative was started by the Department of Residence Life at UWO and no other UW school has this housing option available.

“That is difficult to forecast at this moment,” Babcock said. “We are trying this initiative for the coming year and evaluating an- nually.”



She said there have been zero re- ports of these adverse events in the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines.

This blood clotting disorder from J&J is the same one seen in the As- traZeneca COVID-19 vaccine in Europe, Ryan Westergaard, Chief Medical Officer for the state’s Bu- reau of Communicable Diseases, said.

Cases of the rare blood clot were identified using the CDC’s Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS) which accepts and ana- lyzes reports of adverse side effects after a person has received a vacci- nation.

Anyone who received the COVID-19 vaccine in the last month can sign up to report any ad-

verse side effects at vsafe.cdc.gov.

“It is also important to know that this pause is evidence of our safety protocols working,” Van Dijk said.

More than 6.8 million doses of the J&J vaccine have been admin- istered in the U.S. with Wisconsin administering roughly 156,000 dos- es of the vaccine.

Van Dijk said it may seem like a small number of cases to suspend the vaccine over, but these are very severe cases.

Of the six cases, one person died and one is in critical condition, the FDA said.

Van Dijk said pausing the J&J vaccine will allow officials to re- view the cases and determine if the vaccine has caused any more cases

Graphic by Amanda Hollander of the blood clotting disorder.

As of Tuesday, the state has ad- ministered roughly 3.5 million dos- es of all the COVID-19 vaccines, with over 1.4 million people having completed their vaccine series.

Everyone in Wisconsin ages 16 and older is currently eligible to get the COVID-19 vaccine at no cost.

UW Oshkosh students can sched- ule their vaccination appointment at uwosh.edu/titans-return/vaccina- tion/

“Vaccination is the newest tool we have and the newest way to do your part,” Van Dijk said. “But please remember to continue do- ing your part to stop the spread by washing your hands and physical distancing.”



Katie Pulvermacher/Advance-Titan
Webster Hall will become a weekday-only residence hall beginning fall 2021 for a weekday residence initiative started by Residence Life.

By choosing this housing op- tion, students will receive a dis- count on their housing cost of \$325 a semester, and \$650 an ac- ademic year.

This cut in price means that the hall will be open during the week- day (Sunday 12 p.m. - Friday 8 p.m.) and closed on the weekend (Friday 8 p.m. - Sunday 12 p.m.).

“We believe this will be an

especially attractive option to students who would typically go home on the weekend due to work and/or other obligations,” Asso- ciate Director of Residence Life Adam Hernandez said in his re- cent email to students. “We want to make sure that we can offer a residential experience to as many of our students as possible.”

Juniors and seniors have the

advantage of taking up this op- portunity as well. They will have flexibility to purchase this space as a single, and the room will be assigned at the single rate minus the above-mentioned discount.

All students are still required to have a meal plan and they will need to choose from the existing meal plans offered.

Residence Life would also like to inform students that next year, microwave ovens and mini re- frigerators offered in each of the residence hall rooms, apart from Horizon Village, will no longer be provided.

There will be a surplus sale with both of these appliances available for sale sometime over the sum- mer. Students are still encouraged to bring their own appliances if they so choose.

“Thank you for continuing to live with us, and we hope to con- tinue offering unique, inclusive and diverse housing options that meet the needs of our students,” Hernandez said.

Questions can be directed to the office at 920-424-3212 or hous- ing@uwosh.edu.

Advance-Titan staff wins 22 awards

By Advance-Titan staff
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The Advance-Titan received 22 awards in the 2020 Wisconsin Newspaper Association Foundation’s Collegiate Better Newspaper Contest, and also took third-place honors for the overall publication.

The competition included news coverage from January through December 2020, and awards were announced April 13. The A-T, a weekly student media publication in print and online at UW Oshkosh, covers news on campus and in the local community.

“With the pandemic, the Advance-Titan was forced to stop printing its regular edition, and went only to printing online,” A-T adviser and UWO Department of Journalism instructor Barbara Benish said. “We lost a lot of staff members who had difficulty transitioning to the online-only format for classes, and that meant all of our editors took on double duties.”

Those editors continued to write and publish online from March through August. They include Editor in Chief Carter Uslabar, Fall 2020 Managing Editor Joseph Schulz, Fall 2020 Sports Editor and Spring 2021 Managing Editor Cory Sparks, News Editors Amber Brockman and Sophia Voight, Opinion Editor Owen Peterson and Fall 2020 Copy Desk Chief Kaitlyn Scoville. Other Spring 2021 editors include Arts & Entertainment Editor Lexi Langendorf and Copy Desk Chief Heidi Docter.

In addition, the A-T heavily covered the coronavirus and its impact not only on UWO, but also on the K-12 schools, the state prisons, se-

nior living facilities and more. That coverage resulted in the A-T taking first-, second- and third-place finishes for Coronavirus Coverage.

First-place honors went to Ian McDonald and Sadie Baile for Column Writing for their article on gerrymandering, Leo Costello for Use of Multimedia on Judge Scott Woldt and Joseph Schulz and Billy Piotrowski for Coronavirus Coverage on their stories how area hospitals dealt with the COVID-19 surge. Both Costello and Schulz have since graduated and are working, respectively, as the “Wake Up Wisconsin” News Producer at WAOW Channel 9 and as a reporter for the Ripon Commonwealth Press.

Second-place honors went to Voight for Public Affairs Reporting for her story on housing code violations. Schulz also took second place for Column Writing for his story apologizing to Chancellor Leavitt for doubting UWO’s response to the pandemic. Schulz and Greg Sense took second for Coronavirus Coverage on how the Oshkosh Public School District worked to combat opportunity gaps created with at-home learning due to COVID-19.

Uslabar took second-place honors for an Arts & Entertainment Story on UWO playwright Richard Kalinoski, for a News Photo that showed the deserted UWO classrooms and for Page Design. Tatum Spevacek took second place for Advertisement Design, and Scoville and Docter received second place for the Freedom of Information Award for their stories on alleged harassment by a UWO English professor. Both Spevacek and Scoville have since graduated and are working, respectively, as a graphic de-

signer for Millenilink Digital Media Production and as a reporter for the Oshkosh Herald.

Taking third-place honors were Andrew Haese for Breaking News Reporting for his coverage on Oshkosh bars closing a second time; Voight for Public Affairs Reporting for her coverage of the Winnebago County Board voting down amendments to the health officer position; and Natalie Dillon, Neal Hogden, Schulz and Scoville for In-Depth Coverage for their stories on opioid addiction. Hogden has since graduated and is working as a reporter and live-stream producer at TriMedia.

A-T Chief Photographer April Lee took third place for News Photo of a family doing a window visit with their mother at a nursing home. Schulz also took third place in Coronavirus Coverage for his story how senior living facilities handled COVID-19.

Receiving honorable mentions were Voight for Editorial Writing for an opinion piece about sexual assault, Schultz for Column Writing for how Oshkosh mishandled the pandemic, Costello for Use of Multimedia for the Winnebago County Drug Court, and Grant Hunter and Olivia Ozbaki for Website. Schulz also received honorable mention as the 2020 Collegiate Journalist of the Year.

Students from any major from all three UWO campuses are welcome to join the A-T. The student newspaper is looking for writers for news, sports, arts & entertainment and opinion, as well as copy editors and ad sales representatives. To learn more, email atitan@uwosh.edu.

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UW Oshkosh plans to install honeybee colonies

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UW Oshkosh will install its very own honeybee colonies later this spring, in part to increase local food production and address declining bee populations.

The project was piloted by Mariah Parkin, a UWO biology student. She applied for a grant through the Risk Management and Grounds department last fall, and the grant was approved in early December.

The bee colonies will be located behind the Student Recreation and Wellness Center.

Two colonies from Indian Summer Honey Farms, a company located in both Wisconsin and Florida, dedicated to cultivating naturally disease-resistant bee species, will be installed on May 1. Approximately 10,000 bees will be living in each starter colony.

“We have wonderful grounds and a very diverse plant population that would be benefited by having extra pollinators around, and the fact that it will be here on campus meant that I could hopefully get other interested people involved as well,” Parkin said.

On April 10, Dr. Shannon Davis-Foust, a senior lecturer for biology and environmental studies and faculty adviser to the Sustainable Beekeeping Club, hosted a class to discuss the sud-



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den decline in pollinator populations across the United States and the importance of installing bee colonies on campus. Her talk was part of UWO’s annual Free School Program.

“We’re said to be going through an insect apocalypse, and a lot of this has to do with the way that we are doing agriculture today,” she said. “We are spraying more pesticides than

ever.”

The United States has been using commercial pesticides since the 1930s. Since then, insecticides, such as neonicotinoids, have been severely affecting bee populations.

“There is a newer insecticide out there called a neonicotinoid. It is a neurotoxin, so it kills insects directly by impairing the nervous system,” Davis-Foust

said.

Other pesticides, such as Roundup, have also been known to impact bee navigation skills, foraging behavior and larvae development.

“Roundup affects the digestive system, specifically the microbiota. It prevents bees from digesting food correctly, so it’s going to weaken the bees,” Davis-Foust said. “It’s also known

to affect the immune and reproductive system.”

Davis-Foust explained that installing bee colonies on campus is an important step toward helping the declining bee population.

“Honeybees are the most efficient species of all the pollinator insects, so they will help plant propagation and food production all around the campus area,” Davis-Foust said. “They will serve to educate the community about the value of bees and the causes of their decline.”

Other ways to help the bee population include planting bee-friendly native plants, which is what UWO has been doing since summer 2002, finding green alternatives for pest control, buying local raw honey and buying local organic food because chemicals are not used during the production process.

Along with the installation of bee colonies, a new Sustainable Beekeeping Club has been created for UW students to join. Club activities will include educating the public on bee populations and chemical-free beekeeping, maintaining bee colonies and harvesting honey. Club members will also design signage for the colonies and apply for UWO to be a certified Bee Campus.

For more information about the bee colonies or the Sustainable Beekeeping Club, contact Parkin at parkim77@uwosh.edu.

It’s time to name the COVID-19 generation

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All recent generations have a story and history behind their name, and now there is a new generation of babies emerging through the pandemic awaiting their generation’s name.

One proposed name for this generation is Generation C (as in Generation COVID or Coronavirus), which, hypothetically, would refer to a baby boom caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Nick Pendle, co-founder of the sexual wellness app Lover, was tasked with conducting a poll to gauge the preferred generation name of COVID-19 babies. Respondents chose from a list of 10 names including: Generation C (COVID-19), Generation Q (quarantine), Quaranteens, Coronials, Pandemials and a few others.

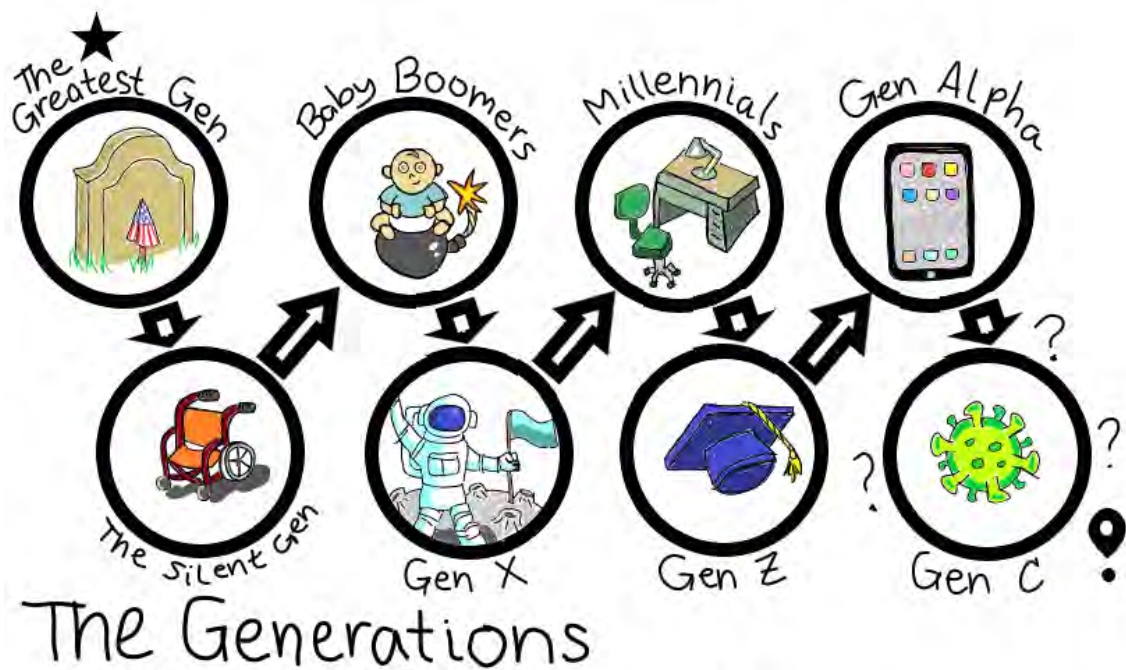
This generation’s name is not officially chosen; it was only a survey to see what Americans would like to see the next generation named. Pandemic babies rightfully deserve a whole new generation name, as this is a monumental time, but only time will tell if babies born or conceived during the pandemic will go on to become known as “Generation C.”

The seven living generations are The Greatest Generation (born 1901-27), The Silent Generation (born 1928-45), Baby Boomers (born 1946-64), Generation X (born 1965-80), Millennials (born 1981-97), Generation Z (born 1998-2010) and Generation Alpha (born 2011 to present).

The Greatest Generation (born 1901-27)

The Greatest Generation name was coined over twenty years ago by Tom Brokaw, former anchor and managing editor of NBC News. He wrote a book titled “The Greatest Generation” in 1998 and the name stuck.

According to Legacy Senior Living, there are four factors that



contribute to the formation of the Greatest Generation, which include: sacrifice and honor, momentous changes, work ethic and frugality.

This generation grew up during a period when the world was experiencing strong shifts in power. They lived through the Great Depression, World War II and into one of the most prosperous eras in the history of our nation.

They are a part of the oldest current living generation, and they sacrificed a lot to get to where they and the rest of us are today.

The Silent Generation (born 1928-45)

The Silent Generation, otherwise known as Traditionalists or Radio Babies, were children during World War II and came of age during the 1950s and 60s.

The Silent Generation began life in the Great Depression, the Dust Bowl and during economic and political uncertainty. Living through rationing, these people grew up with a sense of thrifty resourcefulness, they value stability, relationships and religious beliefs.

McCarthyism, the Red Scare, the Civil Rights Movement and the Korean War are also associated with this generation.

The generation name is quite ironic, as many not-so-silent and untraditional members of this generation shaped the world in remarkable ways.

Baby Boomers (born 1946-64)

The Baby Boomer generation refers to babies born in years shortly after World War II. The boomers were the largest generational group in the United States until very recently.

According to FamilySearch, around 3.4 million babies were born in 1946, and three to four million babies were born each year from 1946 to 1964. These births led to a total population boom of nearly 72.5 million.

As soldiers returned from war, they were ready to start settling down and have families. Through the G.I. Bill, many veterans were given educational and economic opportunities, which helped them own homes and support children.

Boomers grew up during the

height of the Civil Rights Movement, Sputnik, the Berlin Wall and the Cold War, as well as the start of impressive technological advances.

Generation X (born 1965-80)

Generation ‘X’ was used to give the idea that the generation resisted being defined. This generation is also known as Baby Busters, Latchkey Generation and Post-Boomers.

The generation name Generation X was taken from the title of a novel by Douglas Coupland published in 1991.

Gen X grew up with space exploration, tension between the United States and the Soviet Union, the fall of the Berlin Wall, greater development of modern technology and received an emphasis on education.

Generation X has done a lot with their greater amount of education compared to past generations.

They are currently trying to raise a family, pay off student debt and take care of aging parents.

Millennials (born 1981-97)

Millennials are described as

tech-savvy, family-centric, achievement-oriented, feedback-seeking, job-hopping and team-oriented according to The Balance in 2019.

The Census Bureau estimates 83.1 million millennials in the U.S., and the Pew Research Center found that millennials surpass Baby Boomers to be the largest living generation in the United States in 2016.

Millennials account for the fastest growing parts of the workforce, rely on technology in their jobs, use forms of technology nearly 24/7 and bring a variety of experiences into work.

Generation Z (born 1998-2010)

Generation Z is more racially and ethnically diverse than previous generations, on track to be the best-educated generation, have similar viewpoints to Millennials on many major issues, have sharp political differences with their elders, see family and societal change as a good thing and have great comfortability revolving around gender identity.

Gen Z is more likely to have a college-educated parent than previous generations, smartphones and social media are the biggest contributors to communication and the generation has never known a country not at war.

Generation Alpha (born 2011-present)

The launch of the iPad in 2010 coincided with the beginning of our current generation of children, Generation Alpha, according to McCrindle.

The Annie E. Casey Foundation shares that every nine seconds, a member of Generation Alpha is born in the United States.

If current trends hold, Generation Alpha kids will be more racially and ethnically diverse than Gen Z, more likely to go to college, grow up in a single-parent household and be surrounded by college-educated adults.

Attack on Capitol leaves one officer dead

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On Friday, April 2, 25-year-old Noah Green attacked two officers at the United States Capitol Building in Washington, D.C.

Green rammed his car into a barricade at the Capitol, killing one officer and injuring another.

Green murdered one Capitol officer on impact from the collision and injured the other officer by stabbing him with a knife.

Green was shot by police and eventually died at the hospital.

The officer that died in this tragedy was William Evans, an 18-year veteran.

This turmoil occurred just under three months after the insurrection that occurred on January 6 based on conspiracy theories about “voter fraud.”

Why is violence against our government, capitol police and public officials rising?

Lexi Langendorf, UW Oshkosh junior, had an excellent answer to this question.

“I think there has been an increase in violence against our government and police officials because it has



William Evans

become so normalized,” she said. “In today’s age, when people disagree with something, they turn to violent language or behaviors, when in a perfect world, we should all accept one another for who we are and what we believe in.”

Langendorf is correct; it seems that people have lost all social ability, so they express their emotion with violence.

An influencer of antisocial tendencies is the overwhelming use of technology in our society.

People do not know how to manage their emotions and they lack social skills and mannerisms because they exclusively use social media

and other types of technology to express themselves, especially in a global pandemic.

I also spoke to Gaby Newman, a senior at UW.

“One of the most telling factors is the public’s tendency to consume the news, react and move on,” she said. “So many things have happened in recent memory that are talked about for a minute, and then people move on. I think if more people were to have stood in solidarity against the rhetoric that fueled the insurrection at the Capitol in January, then maybe events like this wouldn’t have happened or continue to happen.”

Traumatic events are forgotten easily because there are always other disturbing events to focus on.

Newman suggests that we should recognize when these chaotic events happen, such as the insurrection that occurred at the Capitol and take corrective action.

As a nation, the United States has grown increasingly divided. It is our duty to work together to ensure that America possesses some amount of peace and unity.

I also asked Newman if she could think of a way that lawmakers and citizens could unite to decrease vio-

lence against our government.

“I think lawmakers and citizens can come together to advocate for things like police reform, social justice, funding to provide mental health resources to communities and the organization of peaceful resistance movements that address the major barriers that exist within our society,” she said.

I appreciated that Newman touched on the theme of mental illness, as Green reportedly had delusional thoughts and claimed that he was under government control and that someone was watching him.

It has not been determined if his mental illness played a role in this attack or not.

I think Newman touches on some of the major problems that the United States has had to battle with in the past year, such as policing and social justice.

Often, I think we get so wrapped up with our own lives that we do not think about our communities and how we can help to improve the lives of others.

Green was a follower of Louis Farrakhan, who was known for his acts of antisemitism and homophobia.

Should people that take inspiration from these individuals be monitored more closely on social media?

Some of Green’s posts were centered around his inner struggles and battles with difficult situations.

I wanted to know what students at our campus thought about the increase of social media monitoring, to decrease the frequency of these catastrophes.

“I don’t know that monitoring the suspect’s social media would have helped give any warning in this scenario,” Langendorf said. “As far as I’m aware, he proclaimed his faith to be Islam and said he was having a rough time in his life, but never threatened violence.”

Does social media present other indicators that someone is mentally unstable?

There is a common correlation of these types of disasters and the suspect’s activity on social media.

It seems that more often than not, authorities are not aware of potentially dangerous actions that are portrayed on social media.

This is something that we can all work on to create a community of inclusivity and acceptance.

Sports

Titan Scores

Baseball
Friday, April 9
UW Oshkosh: 0
UW-Whitewater: 15

UW Oshkosh: 5
UW-Whitewater: 8

Saturday, April 10
PPD- vs. UW-Whitewater
PPD- vs. UW-Whitewater

Wednesday, April 14
*Game 1 vs. UW-Stout
*Game 2 vs. UW-Stout

Softball
Thursday, April 8
PPD- vs. UW-Platteville
PPD- vs. UW-Platteville

Saturday, April 10
PPD- vs. UW-Whitewater
PPD- vs. UW-Whitewater

Wednesday, April 13
*Game 1 vs. UW-Stevens Point
*Game 2 vs. UW-Stevens Point

Track and Field
Saturday, April 10
UW-Platteville Invitational
Men: unscored
Women: unscored

Women's Golf
Saturday, April 10
UW-Oshkosh : 1/7, 359

Women's Tennis
Saturday, April 10
UW-La Crosse: 9
UW-Oshkosh: 0

Calendar

Thursday

Softball: vs. UW-Whitewater
at 2 p.m. and 4 p.m.

Friday

Women's Golf: UW-Whitewater
Invitational at 12:30 p.m.
Track and Field: UW- La
Crosse Multi-Event
Invitational at 12:30 p.m.

Saturday

Women's Golf: UW-Whitewater
Invitational at 9:30 a.m.
Track and Field: UW- La
Crosse Multi-Event
Invitational at 9:30 a.m.
Baseball: at UW-Stout at
12 p.m. and 3 p.m.
Softball: vs. UW-Eau Claire
at 2 p.m. and 4 p.m.
Women's Tennis: vs. UW-River
Falls at 2:30 p.m.

Tuesday

Softball: vs. UW-Platteville
at 2 p.m. and 4 p.m.

Wednesday

Women's Tennis: at UW-REar
Claire at 2:30 p.m.

* - check the UWO athletics page
for results



Courtesy of the UWO athletics page

Priebe shot the lowest round of the team last year with a 71, and this year both Footit and Differt have the team's lowest round with an 87 (+15) in the Marian University Invitational on Saturday.

Golf gets ball rolling with a win

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The UW Oshkosh women's golf team came in first out of seven teams at the Marian University Invitational with a score of 359 (71 over par) on April 10 at Whispering Springs Golf Club.

UWO was led by sophomore Megan Footit and senior Nikki Differt, who both shot a nine-over round of 81, and their team score of 359 was just enough to edge out Lake Forest College at 360 strokes.

The team was pleased with their performance, but after winning the meet, they were immediately looking ahead at how they can better themselves throughout the remainder of the season.

"I am happy with our performance this weekend, but there is definitely some room for improvement," Footit said. "I know that every single one of us can pick out

a couple of shots here and there that we would like to have back, but that's golf."

This spring season has presented some cold, windy weather so far for the golf team, and the lack of outdoor play availability during the winter months hasn't helped the scores during the early rounds of this season.

The only player to not shoot over par was Lake Forest College's Chloe Morrissey, who shot an even par 72, or nine strokes better than the next two golfers.

Out of the eight players on the UWO team's roster, half of them are underclassmen. These underclassmen are sophomore Lauryn Davis, freshman Ava Downie, Footit and freshman Gwyn Golembiewski.

Sophomore Lauryn Davis believes that a win this early in the season, especially following the complicated circumstances presented by the pandemic — forcing

an 18-month hiatus upon Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC) golf competition — gives the team a ton of self confidence going forward.

"I believe the team can use this win as motivation to work that much harder at practice to hopefully have more great outcomes we can be proud of," she said.

Footit leads UWO with an average score of 89 so far this season, and she is followed by junior Margherite Pettenuzzo, who averages a score of 93 so far.

Footit acknowledges that poor shots and mistakes are bound to happen, but how one reacts and rebounds from those mistakes is ultimately what determines their round score and ability as golfers.

"The important part is how you recover from those bad shots and holes, which I think our team did a good job of doing this weekend," Footit said. "Golf is a very mental game, so it is important to believe

in yourself and your teammates and have confidence as you play."

UWO will compete in the UW-Whitewater Invitational on Friday and Saturday at the Riverside Golf Course in Janesville with tee times at 2:30 p.m. on day one and 9:30 a.m. on day two.

Footit sees this youth-filled team as one that has the ability to do some serious damage in the WIAC championship this year.

"We are a pretty young team, and I believe this win helps us see the potential we have to continue to win tournaments to come," Footit said.

Regardless of how the team does for the remainder of the season, they are still very thankful to be back on the course after such a long break from competitive play.

"No matter what this season's statistics end up being, I think everyone is just thankful and excited to be out on the golf course competing again," Davis said.

Baseball's winning streak comes to halt

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The UW Oshkosh baseball team had a rough week last week, losing all of four their games against UW-Whitewater on Tuesday and Thursday.

The Titans lost the first game of the day in 11 innings by a score of 5-6. Alex Larson was handed the loss in this contest after going four innings giving up three hits and one run while getting three strikeouts.

The Warhawks got the win in the 11th inning on a sacrifice fly from Nick Santoro, which ended up scoring Jacob DeMeyer for the 6-5 win at Tiedemann Field.

The second game was much of the same for the Titans as they took another loss to the Warhawks, losing 5-9. Jarrett Scheelk (2-1) was handed the loss.

The Titans had more hits in the game than the Warhawks, managing to get 11 hits. The Titans had struggles with leaving 20 runners in scoring position between the

two games. They left 14 runners on base in game one and then six in game two.

The Titans struggled again on Thursday in game one of the doubleheader in Whitewater where they lost by a score of 15-0. The Titans were only able to muster up two hits in the contest to the Warhawks' 18 hits.

The Warhawks' Donovan

Brandl (2-1) went the full game in this one, keeping the bats quiet and allowing minimal free passes, only giving up three walks. Will Michalski (1-2) was handed the loss for the Titans, giving up 15 hits, 11 runs (10 earned) and only getting three strikeouts.

The Titans lost in game two of Thursday's doubleheader losing 8-5. Trevor Niedzwiecki (1-2)

was handed the loss in this one after two-third innings of work going three innings and allowing four runs.

The Titans were supposed to play two more games against the Warhawks on Saturday at home, but those games were postponed to a different date and time due to rainy weather.



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UWO's 4-4 conference record has them sitting in a tie for fifth place in the WIAC with UW-Platteville.

Tennis team searches for first win of year

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The UW Oshkosh women’s tennis team fell to UW-La Crosse 9-0 on Saturday at Neenah Valley Fitness and Racquet facility, making this their fourth consecutive loss of the season.

So far this year, UWO is 0-4 overall with an 0-3 conference record with their closest match being a 6-3 loss against the University of Northwestern (Minn.) in the season opener on April 5.

As a team that is split down the middle between upperclassmen and underclassmen, UWO has a combination of younger players and experienced players that head coach Robert LeBuhn feels can benefit the team in the long run.

“[We have a] combination of experience and youth. With three returning letter winners and three freshmen we have a good foundation for the future,” LeBuhn said.

Despite experiencing a slow start to the season, UWO has leaders in singles and doubles competition who have the potential to provide the spark the team needs to capture its first win.

In singles competition, junior Michelle Spicer and freshman Maddie Toboyek both hold the team’s lone wins, and they are both 1-3 at this point in the season.

In doubles competition, junior Courtney Salisbury and Toboyek own the team’s lone win, but the duo is currently undefeated at 1-0.

While UWO was able to scrap with Northwestern to get three points, they haven’t been able to score since, losing 9-0 in three consecutive matches since that opener.

Coach LeBuhn identifies two blaring obstacles standing in between his 2020-21 team and their



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UWO went 8-4 in 2019-2020 competition with a 3-3 record in WIAC competition. They finished in fourth place in the conference by the end of last season.

first win of the season at the half-way point.

“[We have a] lack of depth and experience,” he said.

The lack of depth is very evident to anyone who takes a look at UWO’s roster sheet; they only have seven players on the team. This limits LeBuhn’s options when choosing players for singles competition and combinations for the ideal doubles duos against other schools.

Despite the rocky start to the season, LeBuhn, who is in his first year at UWO, is embracing the challenge and is enjoying the exposure to the sport. He also enjoys getting to know the team that he plans to help improve in the long run.

“Having just started last October, it has been fun getting to know our players and Division III sports,” LeBuhn said. “I believe we have potential and through

continued hard work we will achieve success over the next few years.”

The head coach is trying to keep it simple in his first year with the team; he wants them to look at this season one competition at a time. LeBuhn’s approach with this group of women is to build for long term success by getting them to believe in their own game as the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC)

tournament approaches.

“Our goal is simple. We are working on building confidence heading into the WIAC championships,” LeBuhn said. “In addition, we are preparing for the Fall 2021 season. Goals are fluid and ours will always be ongoing.”

UWO had a match against UW-Stout on Wednesday, and the results can be found on the UWO athletics page.

Track team shines

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The UW Oshkosh track and field team had a productive meet on April 10 at the UW-Platteville Invitational.

The scores were not kept, but the Titans fought hard the entire meet. The Titans had 13 top-eight performances across different events at the meet on Saturday.

The work that the Titans put in is showing, even when scores are not kept at some of the meets.

“This is something that we’ve worked on since last year when they canceled our season,” sophomore sprinter Amitai Wheat said. “[There’s] a lot of hungry people on our team that’s ready to compete.”

The Titans must stay hungry, especially with the opportunity to win their conference on the horizon. The Titans feel they are prepared to take that conference title when it comes time to compete.

Their experience as a team will be their biggest strength and drive their quest for championship gold.

“Experience helps build character so we’re getting better every week, learning from our past mistakes,” freshman thrower Tay’Jion Johnson said. “If we continue to develop, we will be on track to winning conference in the near future.”

Their quest for success won’t stop there; the Titans also want the

National title.

“The experience will help us not only at the conference championship, but at Nationals as well,” Wheat said. “Those are the meets that we as a team strive to win. Two goals that are excellent motivation for any group.”

The Titans’ next meet is a two-day meet at the UW-La Crosse Multi-Event Invitational, which is on Friday, April 16 and Saturday, April 17.

This is the Titans first two-day meet of the season and they are ready to compete for it, but it can be an adjustment for some going from competing one day to competing two days.

“You have to make sure you properly rest your body,” Johnson stated. “As much work as we put in during the week, our body also needs time to rest so we can be fresh for the next day.”

For others, the transition is not as difficult.

“It’s not hard for us at all,” Wheat said. “We just have to stick to the plan, rest when we can, ice and mentally prepare all this week. We’ve been waiting for this meet since the outdoor season started.”

It’s a mental game for the Titans and their mental toughness has been a large part in their success this season.



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The WIAC Outdoor Championship will start on Saturday, May 7.

Athletics returns to two-year campuses

The University of Wisconsin-Green Bay, UW Oshkosh and UW-Stevens Point are excited to announce the return of athletics at their two-year campuses. Two-year campuses include: UW-Green Bay - Marinette, Manitowoc and Sheboygan; UW Oshkosh - Fond du Lac and Fox Cities; and UW-Stevens Point - Marshfield and Wausau.

Together these schools make up the newly formed WCSL, the Wisconsin Competitive Sports League. League membership schools will compete against each other in a conference format and have flexibility to schedule contests against other comparable programs both in and out of state.

Initial sport offerings in fall 2021 include women’s volleyball, men’s basketball, and men’s and women’s tennis.

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Artist honors Hmong history

New exhibit in the Annex Art Gallery

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Cia Siab’s exhibit “The Battlefields of Memory” in the Annex Art Gallery explores hope through the artifacts, objects and stories of Hmong people’s lived experience of war and the dysphoria of living in America.

Mai See Thao, the director of the Hmong Studies department, partnered with Cia Siab Inc., the Hmong community and the Wisconsin Historical Society to bring the exhibit to UWO as part of Asian heritage month.

Thao said in a video on the UWO website that the exhibit is made to make attendees think about historical trauma and how the war affected small communities like the Hmong people and how it still affects them to this day.

Thao said that the exhibit came at a perfect time due to what has been going on with the racial violence towards Asian Americans.

“The exhibit shows that this kind of anti-Asian violence itself has actually been a part of a longer history in the US, which has been deeply shaped with how the US

engages in their military interventions,” she said.

“This exhibit hopes to kind of bring audience members to bear witness to the humanity of survivors but also to question the humanity of the perpetrators,” she said. “To question our obligation to one another in this space.”

In the entryway of the exhibit is a bed and side tables. According to the Cia Siab’s website, this is to show the private intimate spaces of memory.

Then the exhibit displays artifacts of Hmong people’s time in the refugee camps, a space of healing. The exhibit also shows the traditions of family, specifically focusing on women’s role, with the Hmong word “Niam” meaning “mom.”

According to their website, Cia Siab is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing resources and hope for both young and old Hmong people.

The gallery is located on the second floor of the Arts and Communications building, and it will be open until April 25.

For more information about Cia Siab, check out their website and Facebook page facebook.com/CiaSiabInc and ciasiabinc.org/.

For more information about what events UWO is doing for Asian Heritage month check out their website uwosh.edu/today/95892/battlefields-of-memory-exhibit-highlights-asian-heritage-month-at-uwo/.



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‘Guilty of Everything’ is a cohesive masterpiece

One of the most touching indie rock albums ever

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An alternative rock band referred to as “Nothing” possesses one of the most touching indie rock albums ever.

While the band’s name might imply that they do not create anything memorable or touching, this

is simply not the case.

On March 14, 2014, the album titled, “Guilty of Everything” was released.

The album blends alternative rock, shoegaze and dream pop into a cohesive masterpiece.

Shoegaze is an underground rock genre that was developed in the late 1980s and early 1990s.

The genre consists of dreamy, distorted guitars, and reverb-soaked vocals.

The instruments and vocals are meant to mesh and blend to become one, rather than the singing overpowering everything else.

Nothing’s lead singer and guitarist, Domenic Palermo, forged something truly gorgeous and impactful.

Stemming from post hardcore roots and having a mother that was a fan of Slowdive, Palermo brings a swirling background of vibrations and an expansive repertoire of noise.

This masterpiece begins with a soft strum pattern and a tranquilizing chord progression that is titled, “Hymn to the Pillory.”

This track comes together elegantly when the drums and bass kick in at one and a half minutes, and it develops into a thick, textured experience.

The track ends with guitar feedback and transitions into the second track, “Dig.”

This song is a faster paced track with a small guitar intro, and the drums and bass guitar enter much faster than the opening track.

Brandon Setta, guitarist and vocalist of the band states that, “I will not pretend I am happy, you are finally happy.”

These lyrics present nihilism and bitterness, most likely towards a past relationship.

Nothing presents brutal honesty and gut wrenching feelings in many of their lyrics.

The mumbled, whisper vocals

paired with heavy guitars creates a familiar sound that was perfected in the ‘90s.

However, Nothing is able to put their own spin on this sound and with this album they brought something refreshing to the genre.

My personal favorite song is the fifth track of the record titled, “Somersault.”

This four-minute song lingers with a slow guitar introduction that is drenched in reverb and delay.

These tones create an endless atmosphere of oblivion and it makes you feel like you’re floating in an abyss.

The drums and bass are introduced just before the one-minute mark, with whispering vocals to accompany them.

“Somersault” remains a timid ethereal track, with steady fingerpicking until the heaviness engulfs the track just before the three-minute mark.

Setta and Palermo sing, “I’m spinning faster than the earth, I’m shining brighter than the stars.”

This metaphor is used well, as the entire track sounds like something that would come out of the eerie depths of space.

Nothing incorporates some excellent drum fills during the crescendo of this track as well.

The song comes to a slow ending, with hissing guitars and a gradual fade of sound.

The sixth track of the album “Get Well” has hints of Nirvana in the main guitar progression.

Listeners will also be able to

pick up on hints of Smashing Pumpkins and My Bloody Valentine on tracks like, “Guilty of Everything.”

This four-minute tune develops with twinkling, sparkling guitars and numbing voices, as well as a thumping bass line that accommodates the song gloriously.

At this point in the album the band has completely given up.

“I’ll wait for you to go away again, And I will push you far away, I’ve given up. But you shoot anyway, I’m guilty of everything.”

It becomes blatantly coherent that Palermo and the rest of the band are completely exhausted by life, and it appears this song was strategically placed at the end of the album to represent that feeling.

This album is a whirlwind of emotions and it has a hypnotic quiet/loud scheme that was so popular in the 1990s.

“Guilty of Everything” has a way of drawing the listener in by producing ethereal soundscapes that are accompanied by sudden bursts of overdrive.

This contrast creates an emotional rollercoaster and keeps you waiting for the next wave of fuzz.

This record goes through many stages of somberness, heaviness, excitement and tranquility.

Interpretation is everything, each listener will probably analyze this record in a different way and that is the beauty of it and music in general.



Courtesy of Nothing

Planet Perk celebrates Earth Day

A cafe with a mission to be environmentally conscious

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It is that time of year where students are stressing about the amount of school work they have with finals just around the corner.

Planet Perk, a coffee shop and cafe, is the perfect study spot, and it has two locations at 100 City Court and 240 Algoma Blvd., Suite 101B, in Oshkosh.

Planet Perk was founded in 1996, previously located in what is now known as the French Quarter Bar on Wisconsin Avenue in Oshkosh.

In 2000, the cafe moved to its current location within the City Center, and in 2017, expanded to its second location on Algoma Boulevard.

Ken Osmond purchased the cafe in 2008, with one idea in mind: to prove that a business can be environmentally conscious, a particularly important concept as the campus, city, state and nation celebrate Earth Day on April 22.

The tagline for Planet Perk pretty much says it: “One Planet, Many Perks.”

The first part of the tagline, “One Planet,” refers to the fact that we only have one planet, so we have a responsibility to take good care of it.

The last part, “Many Perks,” refers to how many amazing things the planet has to offer us and our community that makes life so wonderful, Osmond said.

In simple terms, “Leave a place better than you found it.”

Planet Perk partners with Carbon Footprint Reductions to create energy saving programs that save enough energy to run 10 Oshkosh homes every year.

All of the paper products at Planet Perk are recycled, saving an estimated 85,000 pounds of paper per year, Osmond said. The cafe’s paper cups, coffee cup sleeves and other paper products are made from post consumer material.

The coffee shop uses cornstarch and other products that are 100% compostable and prevents 28,000 pounds of plastic entering our landfills every year, he said. Planet Perk also uses “to-go” forks, knives and spoons made from cornstarch.

Planet Perk filters most of its water to make sure you have a healthy experience and reduces water consumption to save about 420,000 gallons of water per year.

Osmond said the coffee shop also recycles everything and lives by the philosophy of simplicity and doing the right thing all the time to the best of their ability.

Planet Perk began to purchase local produce, fair and direct coffee and teas, eco-friendly packaging as well as establish many environmentally practices and procedures.

The coffee shop also has a wide variety to choose from on its menu that includes breakfast items, pastries/bakery foods, sandwiches, salads, wraps and many speciality drinks, both hot and cold.

Osmond said Planet Perk has been certified as a Smart Plate

restaurant by the Winnebago County Health Department. This means that the cafe serves natural, organic, healthy non-processed food that makes people feel good.

Another value Planet Perk lives by is being socially responsible, Osmond said. This means treating people and communities fairly by treating others the way we want to be treated.

It is also about giving back to the community and supporting other people and businesses. Planet Perk buys coffees and teas that are either Direct-Trade or Fair-Trade.

Osmond said these programs ensure that local growers in third-world countries receive the highest fair market value for their products, which helps lift many families and communities out of poverty.

Planet Perk is more than a cute place to study. The business does a lot for the environment, so go check it out sometime with some friends and grab a cup of coffee or something to eat.



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Planet Perk recycles all of its paper products, saving an estimated 85,000 pounds of paper per year.

Nearby cemetery cause of haunted Horizon?

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The haunting of Horizon Village speculation has spread like wildfire, with people sharing more and more stories every day on their own supernatural experiences.

Ginny Gross, a staff member at the Oshkosh Public Museum, shared some information on what may be causing spirits to lurk through the halls.

She said that while there was not a graveyard directly under Horizon, there was one close enough nearby to warrant a possible haunting.

“The cemetery on the corner of Wisconsin and Algoma was called Locust Grove Cemetery,” said Gross.

For reference, that intersection is located about a block away from Horizon, and therefore, the graveyard location was fairly close to the current residence hall.

“As the city grew, and then became incorporated in 1853, the cemetery location was good real estate for other uses,” said Gross.

The land where the cemetery stood was sold for real estate, and bodies were soon moved to a new cemetery, which is the present day

Riverside Cemetery, according to Gross.

While bodies were moved, it is unknown how they were moved or who moved them, said Gross.

Another interesting fact is that while almost all the bodies were moved, apparently a few were left behind to be discovered later in time.

“We know from newspaper accounts in the late 1800s that at least 2 bodies were not moved, as remains were found when the sewers were being dug on Elmwood Avenue,” said Gross.

It is very interesting to learn that while most bodies were moved, some remained, leading one to wonder if there may be more bodies lurking below the buildings.

With this information, though it does not directly prove that this is the reason Horizon may be haunted, it still gives insight into the spooky past of some of the buildings around here.

Even if it can’t be proven that Horizon is haunted, this information does sound like the plot of a horror movie, which leads one to believe that maybe ghosts are lurking throughout the halls of Horizon Village.

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