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About 38 years after getting her biology degree at UW Oshkosh in 1983, alumna Anita Carpenter still pushes for sustainability on campus while doing all that she can to keep it beautiful.

UWO alumna still giving back

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The contributions from a local volunteer are helping UW Oshkosh take steps to become a more environmentally friendly and sustainable campus everyday.

Anita Carpenter, designated the “prairie keeper” of the grounds, is a retired pharmacist and avid naturalist who fights for sustainability on the Oshkosh campus.

“She is our most fierce advocate for having a campus that isn’t just vast lawns,” said Misty McPhee, a UWO environmental studies professor who works on projects with Carpenter. Native gardens might look a bit “messy,” but they are full of biodiversity, and require no chemicals and no fossil fuels, McPhee said. “No one understands that better than Anita, and no one fights for it more than Anita.”

After receiving her degree in pharmacy from UW-Madison, Carpenter worked in the field for some time before having a change in passion.

“I started working in pharmacy, but within six months, I realized this wasn’t for me and my real love was for biology,” Carpenter said. “I guess deep down inside, I wanted a degree in biology. So I came to UWO and got a Masters of Science

in biology here. Just for the fun of it. I loved it.”

Carpenter received her biology degree from UWO in 1983, but she went back to pharmacy and used her free time to volunteer on campus. She led the biology department’s spring break field trips for 32 years, and she currently spends her free time helping maintain the grounds, designing native prairie gardens that contribute to a more environmentally friendly campus, and advocating for sustainability.

“She can often be spotted weeding perennial beds and bioswales on campus, monitoring bird nesting sites, or identifying insects — all of which she mastered long ago and her knowledge is really unparalleled,” said Campus Sustainability Director Bradley Spanbauer, a friend to Carpenter.

In 1980, Carpenter helped found the Winnebago Audubon Society, a nonprofit organization that promotes education and conservation of birds and the natural environment. She has served as president and vice-president and is currently on the board of directors.

Carpenter is author of the “Flight Feathers” bimonthly column in the Wisconsin Society for Ornithology’s “The Badger Birder” and the “Badger Tracks” column in the Winnebago Audubon Soci-

ety newsletter “The Lake Flyer,” as well as numerous articles in the Wisconsin Natural Resources Magazine.

When reflecting on the 40 years of friendship with Carpenter, Janet Wissink, the current president of the Winnebago Audubon Society, said Carpenter loves to share her interest and knowledge.

“To take a walk in the woods or through a prairie with her is an eye-opener when it comes to discovering the tiniest insects and finding the birds flitting about in the treetop,” Wissink said. “She readily shares her wealth of knowledge and curiosity about the natural world.”

For her contributions to sustainability, conservation and overall passion for the preservation of the natural environment, Carpenter received the Great Egret Award from the National Audubon Society in 2012 and the Bronze Passenger Pigeon Award from the Wisconsin Society for Ornithology in 2019.

Carpenter has a message for current UWO students.

“This campus is so beautiful,” she said. “Just unplug. Pick the plugs out of your ears. Stop looking at your phones, and look at what’s around. You never know what you’re gonna see when you do. Every day is different.”



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The Winnebago Audubon Society, founded by Carpenter, held a birdwatching event at the Miller’s Bay Restoration Site on Nov. 6.

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UWO back in ‘the green’

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For the last few years, UW Oshkosh spent more than it gained in revenue. But the university is back “in the green,” despite the challenging financial times created by the pandemic.

“UWO is in a positive financial position and is able to invest in university initiatives, such as student support, enrollment management, IT, inclusive excellence and grounds maintenance while reestablishing a financial reserve,” said James Fletcher, UWO vice chancellor for finance and administration.

UWO went “in the red” in fiscal year 2017, due primarily to declining enrollment and rising costs, Fletcher said. In response, he said the university initiated a plan for fiscal years 2018-20 that targeted budget reductions, aligned the tuition target with enrollment forecast, created a mandatory review process for all vacant positions and offered a Voluntary Retirement Incentive Option Program (VRIOP).

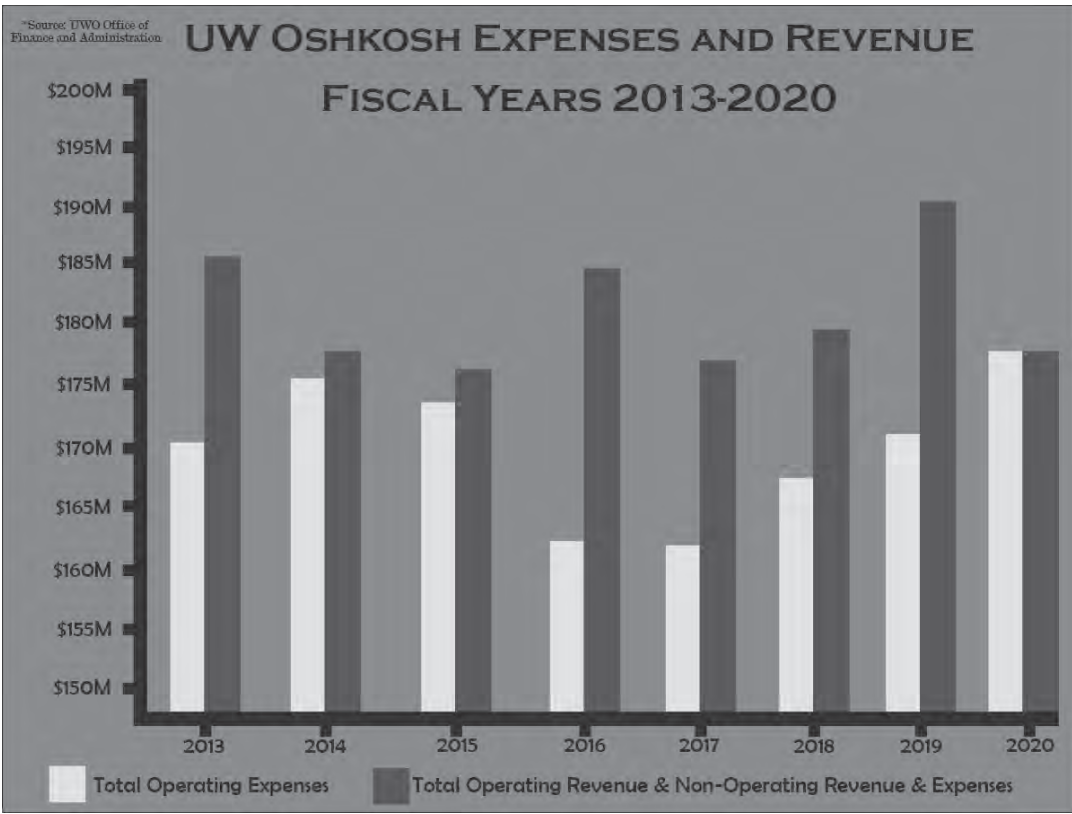
The new budget plan was initiated in fall of 2018 to reduce the deficit.

The VRIOP went into effect in 2019-20, and allowed UWO active employees who were at least 55 years old, were .75 FTE (full time equivalent) and had five years of Wisconsin Retirement System Programs to retire early. In the 2020 calendar year, 78 UWO employees retired utilizing VRIOP, Fletcher said.

Then, in April 2020, Chancellor Andrew Leavitt said he was furloughing employees due to the fallout from COVID-19. Furlough refers to a temporary leave of absence.

The financial changes decreased budgeted expenditures by \$8.2 million and re-aligned the tuition target by \$6 million, while also reducing staff costs by \$4 million due to VRIOP. Those changes moved UWO from a negative to a positive budget position, allowing the university to become financially stable through the pandemic, Fletcher said.

Fletcher said the university developed and implemented a new cash flow model at the beginning of the pandemic, allowing expenses



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es to equal the expected revenue from the enrollment forecast. The model also included a cash buffer to adjust forecast accuracy and used real-time data to guide decisions.

The changes increased UWO’s Composite Financial Index (CFI), a standard approach to assess the financial health of colleges and universities that was developed by the National Association of College and University Business Officers.

“Increasing UWO’s CFI score is an indicator of improved financial health and performance,” Fletcher said.

Post-pandemic plans include investments that increase the number of student transfers from access campuses to the Oshkosh campus, launching a marching band and expanding diversity, equity and inclusion through the Titan Advantage Program (TAP) and Project Success.

TAP is a program to help first-year students successfully transition into college life. Project Success is a remedial program for students with dyslexia and other language-based learning disabilities.

“UWO is consistently in the top half of UW System institutions for transfer applications, admissions and enrollments,” said Aggie Hanni, assistant vice chancellor for en-

rollment management.

Excluding CAPP students, the final headcount of the Oshkosh campus was 9,190 full-time students as of June 30, 2021, which was down 571 students, or 5.85%, from June 2020.

Full-time equivalent employment on the UWO campus is up 6.56% or nearly 84 people to 1,354 as of May 2021.

Total revenues for fiscal year 2021 are more than \$204 million with expenses coming in at nearly \$192 million, giving the university an adjusted total income of nearly \$10.5 million. About 75.6% of UWO program revenues come from tuition, according to a report on program revenue balances distributed during an October Board of Regents meeting at UWO.

Fletcher said COVID-19 relief did provide pandemic expense reimbursement and helped make up for lost revenue.

“The federal COVID-19 relief awards total \$16.5 million for students and \$21.8 million for the university,” he said.

UW System finances have been in the news for years, when in 2013 Republican state legislators attacked the system after a Legislative Fiscal Bureau memo showed there was \$648 million in cash reserves among all state universities. Most of the cash reserves came

from unspent tuition, leading to further tuition freezes.

A freeze on undergraduate tuition lasted for eight years until it was lifted in the current state budget.

According to Urban Milwaukee, “The UW System and its campuses also had to spend down their reserves in the years following 2013 to make up for the freeze, as well as a \$250 million cut to state funding for state universities in the 2015-17 state budget.”

Lawmakers concerned with the level of reserve funds prompted the UW System to set 12% of expenses as the maximum threshold for how much money each UW college should keep in reserve. Schools above 12%, like UWO, had to make a plan on how to reduce reserves, submit justifications, categorizations and multi-year plans for fund balances of tuition, auxiliary operations and general operations.

“Strategic management of university resources remains a top priority,” Fletcher said. “Maintaining our stable financial position will require routine, diligent review of financial data, adherence to our budgets and reliance on forecasting tools to keep UWO financially healthy.”

Tarmann honored for ’22 Special Olympics

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University Police Captain Chris Tarmann has been selected to represent Wisconsin in the Law Enforcement Torch Run (LETR) Final Leg for the 2022 Special Olympics USA Games.

Tarmann said that when you take part in the LETR, you’re actually supporting Special Olympics through raising funds and awareness, hosting events and coaching special olympians.

“There’s just so many things that you can do in Special Olympics when you’re in law enforcement,” Tarmann said. “When you give enough time ... people start to recognize the value that you add to the organization.”

The LETR is the largest public awareness medium and grass roots fundraiser for the Special Olym-

pics with chapters in all 50 states, according to the LETR website.

“I think it’s incredible that Chris Tarmann is getting this honor,” UP Chief Kurt Leibold said. “Police departments, especially in the state of Wisconsin, have been closely tied to the Special Olympics — that’s kind of been the project that police officers have always gravitated toward, especially Chris.”

Tarmann has been heavily involved with the Special Olympics for the past 10-11 years, from photographing events, working with the Polar Plunge, participating in many fundraising events and more. He also developed Run with the Cops on campus eight years ago, which has raised over \$300,000 in nearly seven years.

Leibold said Tarmann gives so much of his time to these events and to athletes. The fact they’re the ones who reached out and asked

him to do this proves they value his time.

“Running the last leg of the event is quite an honor considering all of the officers in America that work on this project,” Leibold said.

Tarmann said that being involved in the Special Olympics is rewarding not only because he gets to show support, but also because he genuinely enjoys attending the events and building relationships in the community.

Tarmann said he is proud of the youth competing in the Special Olympics.

“Watching them compete, if they get second, third, fifth, eighth place, it doesn’t matter; they’re all giving each other high fives,” Tarmann said. “It’s a great depiction of how we should act every day — we should act as a community, we should act as [if] we’re celebrating other people. Honestly, it’s just this

pure fuel tank that fills my ability to do the things I need to do at my job.”

Leibold said that being engaged in the community and attending events like these is incredibly inspiring.

“They make you feel good, and when all the athletes are there and all they care about is that everybody’s doing well and everybody’s having fun, it just brings it all back to what is real in the world and what everybody should be concentrating on,” Leibold said. “It brings everybody back to what we should be about — it grounds us.”

The 2022 Special Olympics USA Games will be held in Orlando, Florida from June 5-12.

“It’s a privilege for me to go and represent such a pure organization that gives me so much joy,” Tarmann said.



Scoreboard

Thursday, Nov. 11

Wrestling
UW Oshkosh 27
UW-Eau Claire 12

Friday, Nov. 12

Women’s Basketball
UW Oshkosh 61
Bethany Lutheran 65
Men’s Basketball
UW Oshkosh 89
Saint Johns 55
Women’s Soccer
UW Oshkosh 2
Wheaton 2

Saturday, Nov. 13

Football
UW Oshkosh 21
UW-River falls 28
Swim and Dive
Women’s 1/5, 589
Men’s 2/5, 473
Cross-Country
Women’s 5/32, 178
Men’s 3/29, 124
Women’s Basketball
UW Oshkosh 82
University of Minnesota, Morris 31
Men’s Basketball
UW Oshkosh 63
Illinois Wesleyan 65
Wrestling
40-6 V.S. Otterbein
27-16 V.S. Adrian
47-2 V.S. Alma

Upcoming

Wednesday, Nov. 17

Women’s Basketball
at Edgewood College 7 p.m.
Men’s Basketball
at Lawrence University 7 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 18

Wrestling
UW-Stevens Point 7 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 19

Women’s Basketball
Alma College 7 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 20

Women’s Basketball
St. Norbert College 3 p.m.
Men’s Basketball
Carthage College 6 p.m.
Cross Country
at Louisville, Tom Sawyer state Park
Men’s 11 a.m.
Women’s 12 p.m.
Swim and Dive
at St. Norbert College
Men’s 1 p.m.
Women’s 1 p.m.

Sports

UW Oshkosh loses shot at Culver’s bowl

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The UW Oshkosh football team fell to UW-River Falls 28-21 in the Titan’s regular season finale at J.J. Keller Field at Titan Stadium. The Nov. 13 loss snapped a 14-game season winning streak for UWO against the Falcons.

On their first possession, UWRF quarterback Kole Hinrichsen was intercepted by UWO’s Kyle Scharenbroch. Although the Titan drive would end in a punt, Oshkosh kicked off the scoring with six minutes to go in the first quarter, when quarterback Kobe Berghammer found Tony Steger wide open down the field for a 74-yard catch and run touchdown.

The Falcons would respond on the next possession with a one-yard rushing touchdown by running back Luke Fugate. The ensuing extra point was blocked by Scharenbroch, putting the score at 7-6 UWO.

Scharenbroch would make another great play when he recovered an Anthony Silva fumble at the UWO 31-yard line. Oshkosh would score early in the second quarter with another touchdown pass from Berghammer. Berghammer found streaking wide receiver Trae Tetzlaff in double coverage, who jukeed two defenders en route to a 69-yard touchdown. Once again, UWRF responded with a touchdown, when Hinrichsen found Jager Reissmann in the back of the endzone to put the score at 14-13 UWO.

On their first possession in the second half, the Titans fumbled the ball. Berghammer rushed for



Courtesy of UWO Athletics

Tory Jandrin and Carson Raddataz shared an exceptional defensive game, with 33 tackles between them.

6 yards on a designed quarterback run when the Falcon’s Carson Steen forced a fumble that was recovered by UWRF. But 11 plays later, the Titans would regain possession. Sharenbroch forced a Ben Beise fumble at the UWO 5-yard line, which was recovered by the Titans’ Jacob Edwards. The UWO drive would end in a punt, and with seven minutes to go in the third quarter, the Falcons took the lead 20-14 after a 21-yard passing touchdown from Hinrichsen to wide receiver Charlie Huschka.

The Titans would regain the lead after a Peter MacCudden 4-yard rushing touchdown to put UWO up 21-20. With 10 minutes to go in the game, UWRF took the lead when Hinrichsen found wide receiver Alex Traxler in the endzone for a 7-yard touchdown pass.

The Falcons would then attempt a two-point conversion, which was successful, after a 2-yard rush by Beise to put the score at 28-21 River Falls.

With their next possession, UWO drove down the field, but the drive would end after Michael Brown picked off Berghammer in the endzone. With three minutes to go in the game, the Titans had thought that they would be getting the ball back after another Beise fumble forced by Scharenbroch, but the officials thought otherwise. After a long meeting at mid-field, the officials ruled that there had been an inadvertent whistle somewhere during the play, resulting in a replay of the down. UWRF was able to run out the clock and win 28-21.

After the game, senior defensive lineman Alex Jagla said, “It

was a tough game; a few things didn’t go our way, but River Falls is a very good football team and they took advantage.”

After the loss, the Titans (6-3) dropped out of the d3football.com top 25 rankings, and UWRF (8-2) moved into the number 22 spot.

When asked about the season as a whole, junior long snapper Noah Phillips said, “It was really fun. We have a great group of guys, and I can’t wait until next year.”

The Falcons led the game in yards (556-333), first downs (34-10), rushing yards (258-82) and time of possession (40:65 to 19:04). With the victory, UWRF will play in the inaugural Isthmus Bowl against Washington University of St. Louis on Nov. 20 in Verona, near Madison.

It’s clear Oshkosh can beat Eau-Claire

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The UW Oshkosh wrestling team defeated UW-Eau Claire 27-12 in the first dual meet of the season at Kolf Sports Center on Nov. 11. The Titans traded victories in the first half of the competition before gaining momentum and recording four straight wins in the upper weights. this secured their first conference victory of the season and the Chancellor’s Cup, awarded annually to the winner of the dual between UWO and UWEC.

“It was a big win for us. Eau Claire is a really tough team and we knew it was going to be a close match. A lot of matches could’ve gone one way or the other, but we won those matches. I was impressed with everybody,” said UWO head coach Efrain Ayala.

The meet began with an overtime victory by Titan 125-pounder Luc Valdez. At 133 pounds, Denis Murphy lost by technical fall to Javon Taschuk. The teams then traded wins at 141 and 149 pounds, with AJ Schoenfuss winning by pin in 1:16 and Brandon Lenczner losing to UWO’s Jake Drexler by a decision of 8-1.

UWO sophomore Nate Stokhaug recorded a 5-3 win at 157 pounds, and 165-pounder



Courtesy of UWO Athletics

Luc Valdez dominates his opponent on top at the Chancellor’s Cup.

Muzi Sitshela fell to UWEC’s Chase Schmidt 19-7, tying the team score at 12 with four matches to go.

The Titans gained momentum with a come-from-behind win courtesy of sophomore Preston Morgan. Morgan fell behind early in the match before coming back in the third period to secure a pin in 6:15 against Jared Stricker.

“I could tell he was getting tired towards the end,” said Morgan. “He went for a last chance throw and I was able to stick him right there.”

“Preston had to overcome; he was down by six points and came back by pushing and putting pressure on Stricker and finally broke him. It was a good match to build his confidence,” said

Coach Ayala.

UWO kept the momentum going with a hard-fought win 3-2 by Patrick Curran at 184 pounds. 197 pounder Beau Yineman wrestled a dominant match against Sam Melton with a 7-2 decision, sealing the team victory by pushing the score to 24-12.

“We came in with good momentum after Preston’s win and got the job done. I just focused on doing what I had to do and pushed through,” said Yineman.

The meet concluded with another exciting match when UWO heavyweight Jordan Lemcke won in sudden victory 4-2 over Mason Hawkins. The Titans won the team dual 27-12 and were able to celebrate on the mat with Chancellor Andy Leavitt, who was in attendance to accept the

Chancellor’s Cup.

UWO wrestling also competed in Adrian, Michigan at the Adrian College Duals on Saturday. The team went 4-0 in duals on the day and improved their early-season record to 5-0 overall. Additionally, Valdez, Morgan, Yineman, and Lemcke maintained perfect 5-0 individual records through the first week of competition. Coach Ayala accredits a good team environment and the success on Thursday to the dominant performance over the weekend.

“We kept moving with the momentum and the boys wrestled really well. [There was] a lot of energy. I think that’s the thing with this team right now; they’re a really tight knit group, and they’re excited to cheer each other on, and that’s what gets them to win those tight matches.”

Teammates Yineman and Morgan were both proud of the success over the weekend as well.

“We looked really good. As the day went on, everyone got more into their routine and we did what we had to do,” said Morgan.

“It was a fun weekend. We got fired up and had a great time,” said Yineman.

UWO wrestling is returning to competition on Thursday, Nov. 18th in conference action against UW-Stevens Point at the Kolf Sports Center at 7 p.m.

Women’s b-ball has mixed results

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The nationally ranked UW Oshkosh women’s basketball went 1-1 over the weekend at the College of Saint Benedict’s Tip-off Tournament in St. Joseph, Minnesota.

The Titans started the weekend by dropping a nail-biter to the Bethany Lutheran College (BLC) Vikings by a score of 65-61. Senior point guard led UWO with a season-high 28 points, but it was BLC’s fourth quarter shooting performance that allowed them to pull away late in the game.

The Vikings shot 6-for-9 from the field while going 8-for-14 from the free throw line in the fourth quarter. Forward Hanna Geistfeld led BLC with 17 points on 6-for-17 shooting effort while also going 4-for-4 from the free throw line.

UWO had some shooting troubles in this one, as they shot 20-for-54 from the field.

Senior forward Nikki Arneson said that despite there being some areas of the team’s game that need attention, she is pleased with everyone’s performance thus far. She also said that the national ranking has really put this team on the radar.

“We obviously still have a lot to work on but I’m proud of ev-

eryone up and down the roster,” Arneson said. “Going into every game this year we will have a target on our back, so it is important that we come into each game looking to take care of business no matter who the opponent is.”

Sophomore guard Kennedy Osterman said the loss was due to the team’s inability to take care of the ball down the stretch, but she also stated that she sees this loss as a learning opportunity for the future games.

“In that fourth quarter we had some turnovers that turned into points for them, and then rebounding at the end hurt us,” Osterman said. “Losing is never fun, but how we respond to it is what really matters.”

The Titans’ response came in the form of an 82-31 blowout over the University of Minnesota, Morris.

UWO had a much better shooting performance in this game, as they went 31-for-65 from the field.

Arneson led the team in points with 15, sophomore Kayce Vaile had a double double with 12 points and 14 rebounds and head coach Brad Fischer was able to allow 15 different women to get some experience on the hardwood in a game that got out of hand quickly.

The Titans started the game on a 19-0 run before Minnesota scored

their first points of the game on a three pointer eight minutes and 11 seconds into the game.

Osterman specifically said she was impressed with Vaile’s play down low and freshman Mackenzie Tlachac’s eight-point performance where she shot a perfect 4-for-4 from the field.

“We played against some really strong posts, and Kayce Vaile really stepped up and played big minutes for us,” she said. “Mackenzie Tlachac played like a beast in the Minnesota, Morris game and finished with 8 points.”

As the team looks again, Arneson said that taking care of business in conference play, as the Titans have in the last three years as Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC) champs, is a priority.

“It’s our goal again to roll through conference and get back to that conference championship game, but ultimately our sights are set on being the best team we can be by the time the NCAA tournament/postseason comes around,” she said.

The National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) tournament was cancelled during the Sweet 16 round in 2020, and the Titans were one of the remaining teams.

Osterman said that the restriction to conference play last year made the team appreciate the value of being able to play each game even more.

“Everything that happened last year was a huge learning experience... not everything is guaranteed,” Osterman said. “We came back this season with eight seniors, and two years ago they were in the tournament and it got canceled. I know that they are all hungry for this season to finish everything they started.”

Arneson, who will be playing her last games for UWO basketball this year, said she is thankful for the opportunity to be able to play a full season once again.

“We are grateful to get the opportunity back,” Arneson said. “Obviously for us upperclassmen we know what it is like to get that taken away from us.”

UWO took on Edgewood College in Edgewood on Wednesday night, and the results can be found on the UWO Athletics page. The Titans will then welcome Alma College (Michigan) to the Kolf Sports Center on Friday before taking on St. Norbert College on Saturday. Friday’s will tip-off at 7 p.m., and Saturday’s game will tip-off at 3 p.m.



Courtesy of UWO Athletics
Osterman goes in for a shot.

Soccer team closes fall season strong in playoffs

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The UW Oshkosh women’s soccer team lost on penalty kicks to Wheaton College (Illinois) in snowy conditions last Friday in the first round of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division III tournament in Chicago.

The Titans opened the scoring in the ninth minute when Rylie Kaufmann, who was dribbling on the right wing, launched a shot from 19 yards out that found its way into the back of the net, giving UWO an early 1-0 lead. The game would remain 1-0 until the 72 minute, when the Titans would strike again. Mackenzie Stein found Alyssa Gunderson who buried the ball into the back of the net for her fourth goal of the season, putting the Titans up 2-0.

At the 76 minute mark, Wheaton started their comeback. The Thunder would pull to within one after Oshkosh failed to secure the ball in front of their own goal and it ended up in the back of the net for an own goal. Wheaton would tie the game in the 84 minute after Audrey Sexson found a wide-open Zoe Lipke who scored her first goal of the year to put the game at 2-2. The game would remain tied until the end of regulation time.

In two overtime periods, UWO outshot Wheaton 6-4, but the score remained tied going into penalty kicks. Wheaton started the penalty shootout with a successful penalty kick from Izzy McNally. Oshkosh leveled the shootout with a successful penalty kick from Rylie Kaufmann. This would be the last successful penalty kick in the

shootout for the Titans as Molly Jackson, Mackenzie Bennett, Hailley Dehnert and Quinlan Thompson all failed to convert from the spot. Tori Seeland would miss in the second Wheaton attempt, but Zoe Lipke would convert what would be the winning penalty kick for the Thunder, who won the penalty shootout 2-1.

“Our season was phenomenal,” forward Kaufmann said. “I can’t believe how much history this team made this season. The team’s chemistry was amazing this year on and off the field. I am extremely proud of everyone working their hardest to get where we wanted. Unfortunately, our game did not end the way we wanted it

to. We were all very sad and frustrated about the game because we knew we should have won. But as a team we are looking forward to the next season and continuing on what we started this year!”

The penalty shootout was the Titan’s third in the last six matches they have played in the NCAA Division III tournament. Wheaton has an 8-0-1 all time record against the Titans and met the University of Chicago in the second round of the NCAA Division III tournament on Nov. 13, where they lost 2-0.

Titan forward Piper Green said it was the “most fun season” she’s ever played in.

“We made history multiple

times and it was incredible,” Green said. “I think one of the best parts was the fans. We had so many fans at each game, more than we’ve ever had. We all

worked together so well, and our hard work paid off. It was not the result we wanted at the NCAA tournament, but there’s so much to be proud of.”



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Gunderson advances on the keeper, scoring two points against Wheaton.

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The whole cast pictured from left to right Drake Hansen, Joshua “Levi” Starr, Jordan Whitrock, Sydney Pomrening and Lily Slivinski taking their final bow for the night. Photos courtesy of Shelby Edwards

‘A Bear in Winter’ debuts on stage

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The UW Oshkosh theater debuted “A Bear in Winter” last Thursday, written and directed by UWO professor Richard Kalinoski.

“People should come see the show because it is making its world premiere here at UWO and was written by a UWO faculty member during the unprecedented global pandemic,” said Kyle Klein, the play’s production manager.

“A Bear in Winter” is about a college football coach Pete who loses his way after he is suddenly

fired. Pete’s mother and his rock, Katherine, has dementia and is not doing well. Pete is faced with living a life without her. He eventually meets a friend, learns to love and restores his identity.

Kalinoski said that the message of the play is about finding your path and your way of life when you are faced with obstacles.

“A Bear in Winter” is intended to be about an obtuse man, head football coach Pete Angeline, in crisis, a challenge to his identity and purpose,” he said.

Drake Hansen, who plays Pete, said that he loved playing the character because of the

emotional challenge that it gave him.

“The thing that sets him apart from other characters, which is also why I love playing him, is the grief that he carries throughout the show and also how he deals with that,” he said. “It’s a very interesting mindset to have to play with and it’s made me have to go down different avenues and bring out different techniques that I otherwise would not use.”

Hansen said that people should see the show because there are elements that will resonate with the audience.

“This show can pull you in,”



he said. “It seems like a typical story, but then it has a lot of reality warping elements that really makes a person think about life and how we as humans deal with life.”

The show will be performed at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 19 and 20 and 2 p.m. Nov. 21. Admission is \$5 for students.



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First Fox Valley Vintage Fest

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This past Sunday the Oshkosh Convention Center held the first-ever Fox Valley Vintage Fest, a thrifting lovers’ dream.

Fox Valley Vintage Fest was an event where over 50 vendors of vintage clothing, toys and furniture were able to come together and sell all their products to vintage lovers.

The event was huge, with booths filled to the brim with vintage products for consumers to come and sort through.

Vendors each had their own aesthetic.

Some had a ‘90s theme, with bright and colorful clothes that caught attention, while others went with a more old-fashioned theme of gingham and denim.

All in all, every vendor had their own amazing booth with clothes from every era to fit anyone’s vintage needs, no matter how far back in time they may be looking.

Some vendors have been through plenty of events like this before, and move booths from venue to venue.

For others, it was their first time at an event like this and they were happy to be involved in such a cool festival.

Katie Punzel, the owner of That 90’s Booth said that she has been reselling vintage toys for three years. The main thing she sells are toys from the ‘90s.

“I loved the feeling I got when I found a toy that I had when I was younger, and I thought someone else has to feel the same way I do,” she said.

She said that one of her favorite toys to sell are ‘90s McDonald’s happy meal toys.

Other vendors have been thrifting and selling vintage clothing for a long time now, and have been sharing their vintage finds at many different venues.

Taylor Orr, who runs a small vintage business Little Rivers, has been thrifting and selling since 2018.

Little Rivers is inspired by southern decor and fashion, with thrifted pieces that would be fit for any country home and apparel for any cowboy.

“I like Southwest decor like wicker pieces,” said Orr. “I go to a lot of thrift stores in the area to get vintage items.”

Vendors like Little Rivers are from around the area and can be locally found for those who missed out on Fox Valley Vintage Fest.

The first Fox Valley Vintage Fest was able to bring together lots of locals and non-locals alike to the area to sell vintage clothing to those who aimed to fulfill their vintage dreams.

“I sold one thing and it went from there”
-Taylor Orr,
Owner of Little Rivers



Courtesy of Fox Valley Vintage Fest
Fox Valley Vintage Fest was held for the first time last weekend.

White Christmas in November

By Cassidy Kennedy
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UW Oshkosh students are getting excited for the upcoming holiday season and winter break, so what better way to get ready for it than by checking out “White Christmas: The Exhibition” at the Oshkosh Public Museum?

The Oshkosh Public Museum, is located at 1331 Algoma Blvd., The debut of this exhibit makes Oshkosh the third U.S. city to host the 2,000-square-foot “White Christmas” exhibit that features memorabilia from the 1954 American musical that starred Bing Crosby, Danny Kaye, Rosemary Clooney and Vera-Ellen.

The exhibit is open through Jan. 23, 2022.

Visitors will get to experience the musical of Irving Berlin firsthand, as well as the making of this holiday film. “White Christmas” is about two World War II veterans who team up with a singing sister duo to save the failing Vermont Lodge owned by the veterans’ former commanding officer.

The costumes in the film were created by the legendary designer Edith Head, and will be featured in the museum, as well as film props, sheet music, cast members’ memorabilia, archival materials, replica backdrops and much more.

Museum Register Emily Rock said it took a lot of hard work and dedication to bring the “White Christmas” exhibit to Oshkosh.

“Oshkosh Public Museum’s Assistant Director Anna Cannizzo discovered the ‘White Christmas’ collection in 2020, and reached out to the Rosemary Clooney House to see if it was available,” said Rock.

Once she discovered it was, Cannizzo negotiated a contract with Stephen Henry and Heather French Henry and the Rosemary Clooney House to borrow the col-



Courtesy of Oshkosh Public Museum
Oshkosh Public Museum debuted the White Christmas exhibit.

lection and bring it to Oshkosh.

The museum staff is excited to have the “White Christmas” exhibit for the 2021 holiday season and will offer merchandise in the Museum Store featuring holiday ornaments, books and other items related to the exhibit.

There will also be an Elf Scavenger Hunt, a long-time family tradition to enjoy with family and friends during the holiday season.

As part of the “White Christmas” exhibit, the museum is launching “Operation Waverly,” collecting items for the Day By Day Warming Shelter in Oshkosh and homeless veterans. Needed items include hair brushes and combs, deodorant, facial tissues, insulated hats and gloves, long underwear, sleeping bags and more.

Rock said she thought the “White Christmas” exhibit would be a good fit for the Oshkosh Public Museum, believing the nostalgia and holiday spirit of the film would be a hit with the community.

“Last Christmas during the pandemic was difficult for lots of

folks, so we hope that this exhibit will provide another opportunity for people to do something special with their families for the holidays,” Rock said.

“White Christmas” is a classic and favorite film of many, notable for being the first to be released in VistaVision, a widescreen format that uses twice the surface area of standard 35mm film. Claire Armstrong, academic department associate for the Radio/TV/Film department, said the reason she loves this movie is because she watched it as a child every year on TV.

“My daughter fell in love with it too and now it’s a tradition for us,” Armstrong said. “We love the sweetness of the movie. It has beautiful costumes, and we, of course, love the music. Bing Crosby singing ‘White Christmas’ is Christmas.”

For more information check out <http://www.oshkoshmuseum.org/oshkoshpublicmuseum/>.

The museum is open 10 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 1-4 p.m. Sundays.



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The Oshkosh Holiday Parade is held downtown with fun displays.

Downtown holds Holiday Parade

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The Christmas spirit is in the air as Oshkosh prepares for its annual Holiday Parade tonight after having to cancel the festivities in 2020 due to the pandemic.

While the Holiday Parade had been organized by the Chamber of Commerce for more than 30 years, this will be the Downtown Oshkosh Business Improvement District’s fourth year of being in charge of the parade, said BID Manager Jessica Meidl.

Meidl said the theme of the 2021 parade is Holiday Classics. Over 50 local businesses, nonprofit organizations and other groups were asked to be creative with their floats and displays and show what the holiday means to them. Their floats can be anything from their favorite holiday movie, song or story to a holiday tradition.

There are a number of acts and performances to look forward to. Bands from Oshkosh North High School, Oshkosh West High

School and Lourdes Academy High School, as well as the Oshkosh Area Community Band, will perform favorite holiday classics. There will also be performances by Julie’s Touch of Silver Dance Studio, Richard’s School of the Dance and Crosby Dance Studio, as well as appearances by The Wisconsin Herd and its mascot Pointer and Mr. and Mrs. Claus.

A 6 p.m. the tree lighting ceremony will be counted down by Oshkosh Mayor Lori Palmeri in Opera House Square and the parade will begin at about 6:15 p.m. The parade route begins at the intersection of North Main Street and Ceape Avenue and then heads north until it reaches the intersection of North Main Street and Irving Avenue.

Palmeri said people are excited about the parade’s return.

“It was missed last year by some folks and children, while others found new traditions,” Palmeri said.

It’ll be a great opportunity to remind everyone that we are still a community.

Acts of kindness go a long way

By Cory Sparks
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Today’s society seems to put a spotlight on all of the reasons that separate people from one another.

Whether it be opinions on COVID-19 vaccines, mask regulations, political party affiliations, rivaling sports teams or a variety of other topics, too many people allow the topics that divide us to dominate their attention and conversations on a daily basis.

According to SingleCare.com, depression impacts 264 million people, with those numbers being up from pre-pandemic data.

Data from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) shows someone dies from suicide about every 12 minutes in the United States.

According to the World Economic Forum, 114 million people have lost their jobs, and many more saw their working hours reduced during the pandemic before falling into financial situations that were anything but ideal.

Now, more than ever, acts of kindness can go a long way in serving as a remedy for all of the divisive factors listed above.

Holding the door open for someone

This one literally takes two seconds, but it can be enough to make somebody else’s day. A gesture that makes it easier for someone else to get to their next class, or whatever their destination may be, can go a long way for many people.

The nice thing about this act of kindness is that you don’t have to



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Something as simple as holding open a door for another person can go a long way in making their day better.

hold the door open for someone that you know.

This can be done for whoever happens to be behind you when you open a door, and no matter what each of your values and beliefs are, it’s an act that can make both parties feel good about themselves.

Checking in on peers

These do not have to be extensive, but a simple, “Hey, how have you been doing lately?” could help somebody who may be having a hard time.

Mental health checks can be done in person or online, depending on your connection with the people around you.

It is almost impossible to hammer home how important checking in on one another is, especially in a time where coming down with COVID-19 can leave someone isolated in their room for up to 14 days.

According to SAMHSA, in the U.S. there were more than 1.4 million suicide attempts last year that resulted in about 47,000 deaths. Some people are waiting for validation or a sign that they mean something to somebody, and mental health checks can provide that reassurance.

Compliment somebody

This act should be used selectively, as reactions from people

you do not know may vary. Complimenting friends on anything from their outfit to the quality of a project they’re working on could still go a long way though.

Many people are self-conscious of themselves or something that they have made, but hearing positive affirmations from someone else can increase their confidence, or at least make them reconsider some negative thoughts they may be having.

Compliments can help many people, but they are extra beneficial to those who don’t think highly of themselves.

Donate food, clothes and toys

As the holiday season approach-

es once again, those who are in financial binds or are homeless have many reasons to not look forward to.

There are parents who would love to give gifts to their children in celebration of the holiday season, but due to varying circumstances are not able to do so this year.

There are also homeless people who have to find somewhere outdoors where they can effectively preserve their body heat in the sub-zero temperatures that inevitably occur every year.

The Oshkosh Fire Department is accepting gift and non-perishable food donations at any of their six stations from now until Dec. 12.

If you find that you have extra items or money after doing your holiday shopping, the Oshkosh Fire Department will be taking the donations to the Salvation Army for those in need. Another option is donating or volunteering directly to the Salvation Army, helping to provide meals, coats, toys and more.

While I only listed four acts of kindness, there are thousands out there that take little to no time at all but can have a rather sizable impact on whoever these things are done for. So leave a treat for your letter carrier, buy a gift card for the person behind you in line, make baked goods for your neighbors or smile at someone you don’t know.

As this holiday season approaches, let’s remember to do all that we can to bring others up instead of pushing them down.

‘Voyage’ marks triumphant return for ABBA

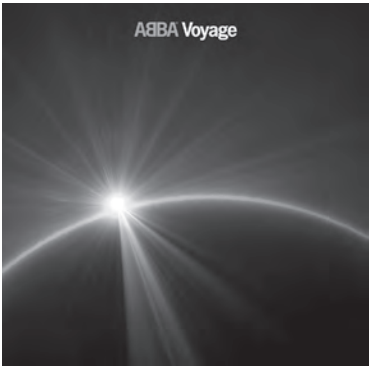
By Mattie Beck
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It’s been 38 years and finally the Swedish band ABBA released a new album, “Voyage,” and it was worth the wait.

“Voyage,” ABBA’s ninth studio released album, came out Nov. 5, and its release was highly anticipated, at least by me.

“Voyage” consists of a 10-song tracklist, with songs going from happy and upbeat to melancholic and nostalgic.

I grew up with ABBA, listening to their music from movies like “Mamma Mia” or from their



Courtesy of UMG

albums, and I’ve been waiting to experience an era from the band myself. Their music has always had a special place in my heart,

since I found that many of their songs relate to my own life and experiences.

After experiencing a global pandemic I think the world needed a pick-me-up, and songs from this album do exactly this.

Songs like “Don’t Shut Me Down” are perfect for when you need to feel empowered; whenever I listen to it, I feel as if I can take on anything the world throws at me.

“I Still Have Faith in You” has the same theme, but it has a little more of a melancholy sound. It keeps a theme that people can relate to, of needing reassurance in a

time when everything is so unsure.

That’s why I, and I’m sure others, are so drawn to ABBA’s music; they have songs for every feeling and situation.

Speaking of different situations to relate to, ABBA even released a song relating to Christmas, “Little Things,” which reminisces about all the small but sentimental things that happen throughout the winter season.

A personal favorite from the album is “I Can Be That Woman,” a song that goes into depths on insecurities that can happen throughout life. It expresses the feeling of not living up to expecta-

tions, whether your own or anyone else’s. One of the more somber songs, it expresses feelings many people have throughout the ups and downs of their life.

Though these are just a few songs on the album, the others are just as good if not better than the ones described.

It’s been a long time since ABBA released an album, but “Voyage” was worth the wait. It’s another great album that provides songs relating to life and the highs and lows that go with it.

Letter to the Editor

UWO must amend March decision

By David Blaska
UWO class of ’72

It is distressing that my alma mater (Class of 1972) would expunge the good name of award-winning actor Fredric March from its campus theater.

I was editor of The Advance-Titan when Mr. March visited campus to accept the honor. Now, much like that old blacklister Sen. Joe McCarthy, the chancellor has smeared the reputation of an outstanding man for an innocent mistake — quickly corrected

— made as a college sophomore. The NAACP has set the record straight, detailing Mr. March’s courageous advocacy of civil rights in the teeth of apartheid. Is Chancellor Leavitt more Woke than the NAACP?

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