



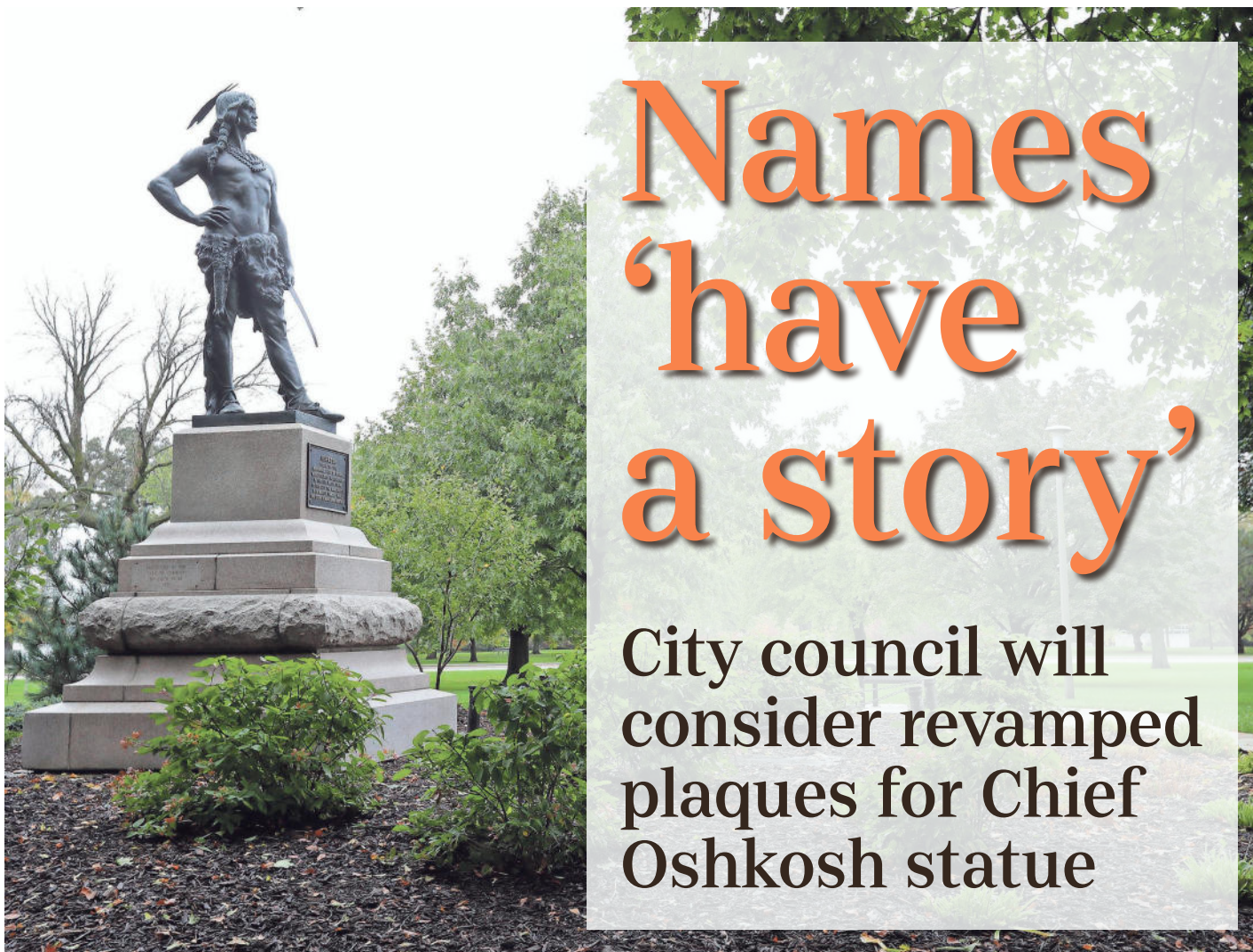
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Names 'have a story'

City council will consider revamped plaques for Chief Oshkosh statue

Menominee Tribal members have worked to rewrite language for five new plaques to adorn the Chief Oshkosh statue in Menominee Park, seen here Oct. 12. The plaques have been rewritten with input from the city's Landmarks Commission. DAN POWERS/USA TODAY NETWORK-WISCONSIN

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OSHKOSH - The city council is set to vote Tuesday on language for five plaques to be added to the Chief Oshkosh statue in Menominee Park, capping a years-long discussion between Menominee Tribal members and the city Landmarks Commission.

At the heart of the issue for many Menominee Nation citizens is to be able to tell their story to the world in their own way.

"I feel like there hasn't been a lot of opportunities given to Indigenous people to tell our version of our story in the way we understand it," said Guy Reiter (Anahkwet), a Menominee tribal citizen and executive director of the Menominee Indian community organization Menikanaehkem Inc. "We're not trying to rewrite history (with the monument)

but express our views."

One glaring misrepresentation that Reiter sees with the current monument is the statue of a fashion model, rather than the portly physique of the real Oshkosh.

"Why does this statue not look like Chief Oshkosh?" Reiter said. "It speaks to the Western version of what they think beauty is. They don't get to define that for us."

Reiter is among many who think adding new plaques to the monument will help people better understand the tribe's history as well as clear up misrepresentations.

"And the fact that one of the plaques said that Chief Oshkosh's greatest accomplishment was giving his name to Oshkosh," he said. "That's offensive. We hear it that way. He did way more

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Menominee Indian Chief Oshkosh is shown in this posthumous portrait that was painted in 1888 by Samuel Marsden Brookes. PROVIDED BY WISCONSIN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

COVID-19 vaccine mandate expanding

Nursing home workers have until Jan. 4 to get shot

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Nursing home workers will be required to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 by Jan. 4, under a federal rule that took effect Friday, though federal regulators say the rule doesn't apply to assisted living facilities.

The rule requires nursing home workers, as well as workers in other health care settings, such as hospitals and home health agencies, to be fully vaccinated with either two doses of the Pfizer or Moderna vaccine, or one dose of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine by Jan. 4.

Under the rule, nursing home workers will not have the option of undergoing regular testing in lieu of vaccination.

John Sauer, president and CEO of LeadingAge Wisconsin, a statewide association of nursing homes and other long-term care providers, said it would be a challenge to get everyone vaccinated by Jan. 4, calling the time frame "more than ambitious."

"I support the idea ... that everyone should be vaccinated, whether they work in long-term care or not, but our desire to have people vaccinated doesn't create a magic wand," he said. "We're still a long way from achieving 100% vaccination rate."

The rule was issued more than two months after President Joe Biden announced in August that his administration would require the vaccine for all nursing home workers. The Biden administration then decided in September to expand the mandate to hospitals and other facilities that take

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Fuhrman asks judge to move trial elsewhere

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OSHKOSH - A teen accused of stabbing a school resource officer at Oshkosh West High School has again asked a judge to move his upcoming trial out of Winnebago County.

Grant Fuhrman, 18, of Oshkosh, was charged with attempted first-degree intentional homicide after prosecutors ac-

cused him of injuring Michael Wissink, a school resource officer at Oshkosh West High School, with a two-pronged barbecue fork in December 2019. In response, Wissink shot the then-16-year-old student in the chest.

In court documents filed Friday, Fuhrman and his attorney, Corey Mehlos, ask Winnebago County Judge Daniel Bissett to reconsider a request to move Fuhrman's trial to a different

county or, alternatively, draw a jury from another county.

Bissett denied a similar request in May, but Fuhrman's new request argues "extensive pretrial publicity" since then will prevent him from getting a fair trial from a Winnebago County jury, the court documents say.

Fuhrman and his attorney describe the pretrial publicity as pervasive and "overwhelmingly negative," arguing it

has "characterized Grant as having violent character," the court documents say.

The coverage of Wissink, meanwhile, has been "overwhelmingly favorable," including an Oshkosh Northwestern article published in August 2020 after Wissink was given an award by the National Association of School Resource

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Officers.
 “There is far more than a ‘reasonable likelihood’ that he will not receive a fair trial in a small county in which more

than 700 shirts have already been sold labeling the complaining witness (Wis-sink) a ‘hero,’” the court documents say. Fuhman is scheduled to stand trial in December.
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payments from Medicare and Medicaid, effectively delaying the release of the rule.

In Wisconsin, nursing home vaccination rates have improved only slightly in the last few months and have remained stubbornly low in certain facilities. Meanwhile, more nursing homes have reported outbreaks of COVID-19 and new cases have ticked up, though case counts have stayed well below levels seen last November at the pandemic’s peak.

About 69 nursing home residents in Wisconsin have died with COVID-19 in the last three months reported to the federal government, according to data that the nursing homes are required to submit weekly.

Most nursing home residents - nearly 89% - have been fully vaccinated, but they remain vulnerable to breakthrough infections because so many are older and have underlying medical conditions.

Overall, about 70% of Wisconsin nursing home workers have been fully vaccinated, an improvement of about 8 percentage points from three months ago. However, that percentage obscures large disparities between facilities and between types of workers in nursing homes.

Federal data show that aides, who provide the most direct care to residents, are the least likely of nursing home workers to be fully vaccinated, according to health service researchers and other academics.

In the Wisconsin nursing homes that reported detailed staff vaccination data in the latest week for which the data was available, only about 55% of aides had been fully vaccinated, compared to nearly 70% of nurses and 75% of therapists.

Vaccination rates also vary widely from nursing home to nursing home. In some facilities, as few as a third of workers have been fully vaccinated, ul-

timately increasing the risk of an outbreak.

At Riverdale Health Care Center in Muscoda, where only about 35% of the workers were fully vaccinated, 14 residents tested positive for COVID-19 in the first few weeks of October. Five of those who had COVID-19 died in a two-week span, making it the deadliest outbreak in a Wisconsin nursing home in months, according to the federal data.

Ashley Kohls, chief director of operations for Bedrock Healthcare facilities in Wisconsin, including Riverdale, said Friday that the outbreak is over, and residents are no longer under quarantine.

She did not answer how the outbreak started. Federal data show a staff member tested positive for COVID-19 the week before residents started getting sick. She did not answer Friday whether the staff member had been vaccinated.

Kohls said nursing home officials would continue to educate staff about the COVID-19 vaccines, and expressed confidence that the facility would be able to comply with the federal requirement by Jan. 4.

Nursing homes that don’t comply with the rule could face fines, penalties or, in more serious cases, loss of Medicare and Medicaid funding. State inspectors will largely be responsible for inspecting the facilities and ensuring they comply with the vaccination requirement.

Facilities that don’t meet the vaccine mandate will be given multiple chances to improve vaccination compliance, officials have said.

The federal rule allows exemptions for medical reasons and sincerely held religious beliefs.

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Statue

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than just lend his name. He fought back against forced relocation and he helped us understand sustainable forestry in a spiritual context.”

The Menominee Nation manages one of the most native and primeval forests in the country and scientists from around the world come to the Menominee Forest to study Indigenous land management techniques that were passed down from Chief Oshkosh.

“MTE (Menominee Tribal Enterprises) has sustainably managed our forest through the wise words of Chief Oshkosh,” said Adrian Miller, former president of MTE.

“This vast ecosystem has sustained this tribe for thousands of years,” Miller wrote in describing the Menominee Forest. “This emerald giant is more than a forest, it is our spiritual home.”

Reiter said Chief Oshkosh learned about sustainable forestry from the wisdom of thousands of years of elders, but Oshkosh compiled that wisdom in an eloquent way and provided those instructions in a method that made sense for people.

He said people should really try to understand the story behind many of the places with Indigenous names in Wisconsin, such as Oshkosh.

“(These names) have a story,” Reiter said. “People need to understand our language describes this natural world in a way that can’t be described in English. Oshkosh invokes so much more than the chief’s name. There’s spiritual and cultural context. ... Our language is alive.”

He’s hopeful these new plaques would help bring that context to life.

The plaques were co-written by Menominee tribal historic preservation officer David Grignon, Menominee tribal member and former Wisconsin Humanities Council Chair Arnold Chevalier and UW-Oshkosh English professor Pascale Manning, who specializes in Indigenous literature.

Four of those plaques cover various aspects of history, including a brief biography of the tribal leader, his accomplishments as a statesman and steward of sustainable forestry and the tribe’s ancestral land.

A fifth plaque was added to explain why it was necessary to provide more context around the original plaque. It describes the misrepresentation of Chief Oshkosh’s physical features and the colonial tendencies of white, European settlers to “reduce and erase In-

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igenous strengths and achievements,” according to the proposed language.

The three co-authors have worked on the language since 2019 with input from the city’s Landmarks Commission, a process that has taken more than two years due to concerns from several commission members about what they call a negative tone of the fifth plaque. After several meetings, the commission met again Oct. 26 with the co-authors and representatives of the Menominee Nation to revise the fifth plaque.

The finalized language from that meeting made small changes to a previous version of the fifth plaque, such as “misrepresents Chief Oshkosh” to “reimagines Chief Oshkosh” and “Euro-American stereotypes” to “white stereotypes.”

It also added two sentences: “The five plaques now surrounding the monument celebrate the life and culture of an important chief of the Menominee Nation. They have been placed here in the hope of promoting the forms of education and dialogue that are necessary steps in the process of healing.”

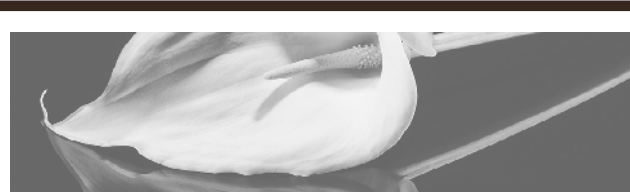
A resolution to approve language for all five plaques is on Tuesday’s city council agenda. If approved, the council will need to determine final costs for the project.

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Lucy Ann Anklam

OMRO - Lucy A. Anklam, 78, passed away late November 3, 2021, in Omro, Wisconsin. She was born on November 3, 1943, in Omro, to June (Koepeke) and Carl Smietanski.

She married Lawrence “Shorty” Anklam on November 3, 1962, and they shared 57 wonderful years together.

Since the afternoon of November 27, 2019, Mom never stopped looking for Dad. It was the one memory she would not allow Alzheimer’s to take from her. On the evening of November 3, 2021, the lord allowed him to take her by the hand once again, this time for eternity.

She was proud of being from Omro, where she was born and raised and will now be laid to rest in her hometown. She was very proud polish heritage. She and Dad grew up on the same road, Springbrook, and as a little girl, would wave to the tractors as they passed by on their way to ‘town’, not knowing at the time, one of those farm boys would be her lifelong sweetheart. She worked at Sherm’s Piggly Wiggly in Omro, MacGregors/ Sandknit/Ripon Athletic in Berlin and retired in 2014. Lucy was a third-generation member of Grace Lutheran Church in Omro, was an active member of the choir and the women’s groups.

Lucy enjoyed many years, and many sister’s weekends up at their ‘little cabin’ in the woods of Mountain, WI. She also loved working in the garden, sewing, woodworking, tinkering (a Smietanski trait), family was most important to her – she saved every picture, card, memento from her life with Shorty and the family they made together over their 57 years of marriage. She is survived by her children, Doreen (Michael) Fineran, Mike (Jenni-



fer) Anklam, Peggy (Jeff) Koerner; grandchildren, Molly Vaughan, Megan Vaughan-Zakarya, Katie Hatopp, Adam Vaughan, Christine Mendoza, Michelle Fineran, Kelly Steffan, Mitchell Anklam, Connor Kuppennus, Max Koerner and Garret Koerner; great-grandchildren, Bryant, Arianna, Kailenah, Sundus, Abdurrahman, Abdullah, Maddox, Lea and Macaria. She is further survived by her sisters, Ruth Young, Jeannie (Robert) Missall; brothers, Walt Smietanski and Edward (Teckla) Smietanski; sister-in-laws, Audrey (Larry) Hunt, Judy (Joe) Anklam, and Beverley Kumbier; brother-in-law, Glenn (Barb) Anklam and many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

She is preceded in death by her husband Lawrence “Shorty” Anklam; parents, Carl and June (Koepeke) Smietanski; sister, Rosie Gutche; brother, Peter Smietanski; her father-in-law and mother-in-law, Wesley and Ida (Bradley) Anklam, as well as many other in-laws, and extended family.

A visitation will be held at Grace Lutheran Church, 720 Jackson Ave., Omro Wisconsin, 54963 on Wednesday November 10, 2021, from 9am until 11am. Services will begin at 11am, with Pastor Mark Wenzel officiating and burial will take place following services at Omro Cemetery.

We would like to express boundless thanks for the loving care from the entire staff of Heartland Hospice and Country Villa.

The troubles and anxieties of life without memory are not a distant past as she walks clear-headed with Angels in heaven.

Psalm 91 v 11

For he shall give His angels charge over you, to keep you in all your ways
 Love you Mom,
 Mike, Peggy, and Doreen.

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