

Chamber News



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Get to know other people at the Oshkosh Chamber with our newest networking opportunity, <u>Oshkosh</u> <u>Chamber Network</u> <u>Builder</u>, presented by Elsewhere Market & Coffee House + Rise &

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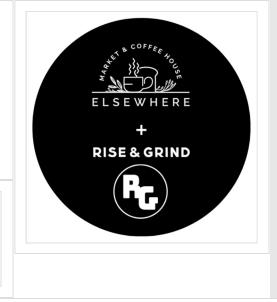
Save The Date

Oshkosh Chamber's 117th Annual Meeting is set to take place on

January 16, 2025 starting at 5pm at the Oshkosh Convention Center.

Registration is now open, for sponsorship opportunities, please

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Economic Development

- The City of Oshkosh Plan Commission approved a new 32-unit housing development at the corner of Murdock Avenue and Bowen Street in one of the outlots to the Piggly Wiggly supermarket. The 2.3-acres site will include two 8-unit buildings, one 16-unit building and two separate structures of detached garages. The project is being developed by Wesenberg Homes of Oshkosh.
- Oshkosh Area School District Board of Education approved a tax levy of \$65.9 million for the current 2024-25 fiscal year, a decrease of more than \$3.5 million in taxpayer support from the previous school year, or just more than 5 percent decrease of the overall tax levy. The school district's portion of upcoming 2024 property tax bills results in \$6.13 for every \$1,000 of equalized property value, down 17 percent from the 2023 adjusted tax rate of \$7.39. Overall stateshared revenue to the district increased from about \$6.1 million a year ago to roughly \$7,657,000 for this current year.
- The Outlet Shoppes at Oshkosh was sold to Janesville-based Woshkosh LLC for \$12 million in September. The real estate holding company is fully owned by Woodman's Markets. A representative for Woodman's indicated the new owners fully intend to retain current tenants of the outlet mall and seek new tenants for vacant spaces. The 37-acre property is assessed at just more than \$9 million.
- Promotional products distributor 4imprint completed a 170,000-sq. ft. expansion of its Oshkosh distribution center in the city's Southwest Industrial Park in October. The total 475,000-sq. ft. distribution center is home to more than half of 4imprint's total 1,600 employees. The expansion included adding 1,488 new solar panels to the existing array installed in 2022, bringing the total to more than 4,000 solar panels. The addition also features a comprehensive health clinic with exam rooms, physical therapy and a lab.
- Construction began on a new \$500,000 single-story building for Domino's Pizza at 502 W. Murdock Street. The new building will serve only pick-up and delivery orders. Upon completion, the building will replace the existing Domino's location at 2301 Jackson Street.

 Construction is underway for a 26-unit, two-story apartment development on the former Boatworks Marina site on the south shore of the Fox River adjacent to Boatworks Park. The project from Wesenberg Homes includes a second phase of 30 units to be developed on the west side of Michigan Street at a later date. The developers received \$4.2 million in tax incremental financing toward the overall project.

CITY OF OSHKOSH EMPLOYMENT DATA

The city's unemployment rate for September 2024 checked in at 2.6 percent, down from 2.8 percent in August and a decrease from the September 2023 mark of 3.3 percent. Oshkosh recorded total employment of 34,472 in September, up more than 700 positions the same time a year ago. Total labor force numbers in September were 35,396 workers, an increase of more than 300 available workers from the same period a year earlier.

OSHKOSH SEPTEMBER 2024 UNEMPLOYMENT RATE DROPS

Unemployment rates dropped modestly across Oshkosh and Winnebago County in September 2024, reflecting a general trend throughout the New North region and across the state, as reported by Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development (DWD).

WISCONSIN and US EMPLOYMENT DATA

Wisconsin's September 2024 unemployment rate held even from a month earlier at 2.9 percent and is down from the year-ago unemployment rate of 3.2 percent. In September, there were 3,059,700 state residents working compared

WINNEBAGO COUNTY EMPLOYMENT DATA

Winnebago County's unemployment rate for September 2024 was 2.3 percent, a steady drop from the rate of 3.0 percent recorded in September 2023 and down from 2.5 percent just a month earlier. There were 92,145 Winnebago County with 3,042,900 during the same month last year, gaining a total of 16,800 workers. The national unemployment rate for September 2024 was 4.1 percent, down slightly from the August jobless rate of 4.2 percent but up from the 3.6 percent rate notched in September 2023. residents working this year compared with 91,364 last year, resulting in a net gain of more than 780 positions. Winnebago County's labor force also increased over the course of the past year from 93,557 in September 2023 up to 94,340 workers this past September, posting a gain of nearly 800 people in the county workforce over the year.

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If you'd like more information or have questions about this data, please contact Sean Fitzgerald, Economic Development Director for the Oshkosh Chamber, at <u>sean@oshkoshchamber.com</u> or call 920.303.2265, ext. 20.

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Election Day is TOMRROW November 5th!

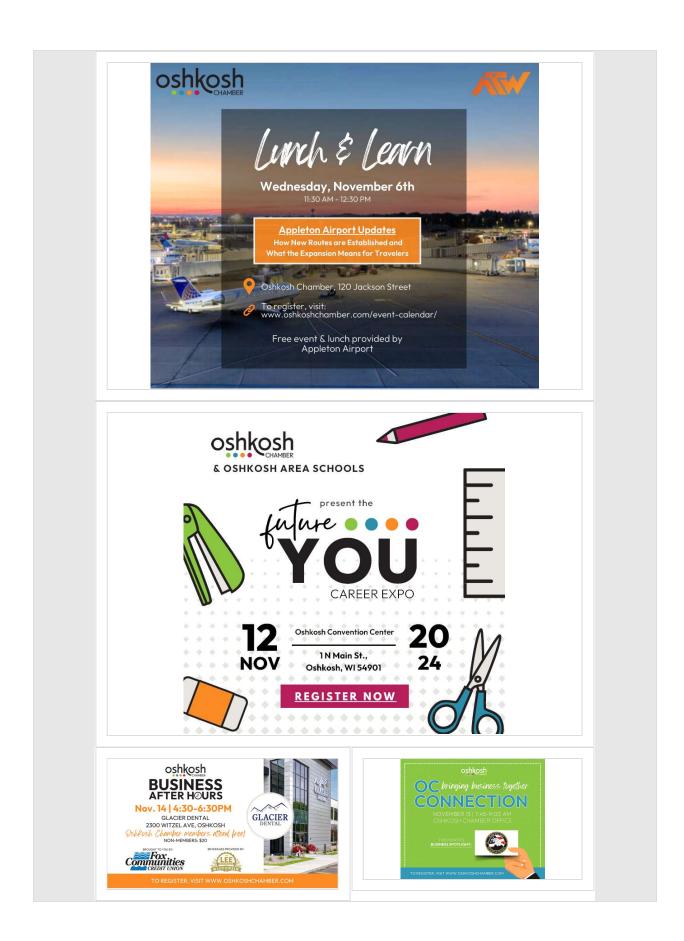
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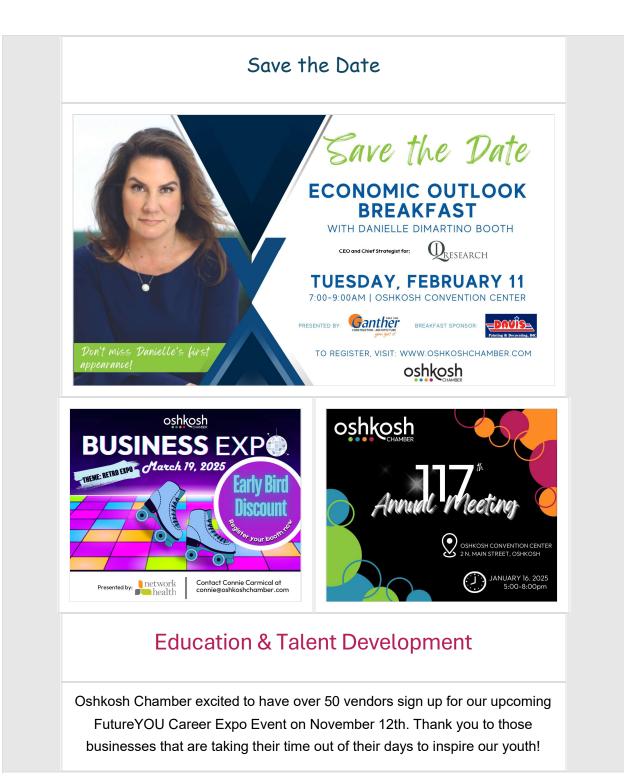
Candidate Forum Recap

On Thursday October 24th, the Oshkosh Chamber, along with The Venture Project and WHBY, hosted a forum complete with questions from several Chamber members. The candidates Kyle Kehoe (D) and Nate Gustafson (R) respectfully gave their responses to those questions.

The full forum has been recorded and is available for viewing on our website: <u>https://www.oshkoshchamber.com/advocacy/advocacy-resources/</u>







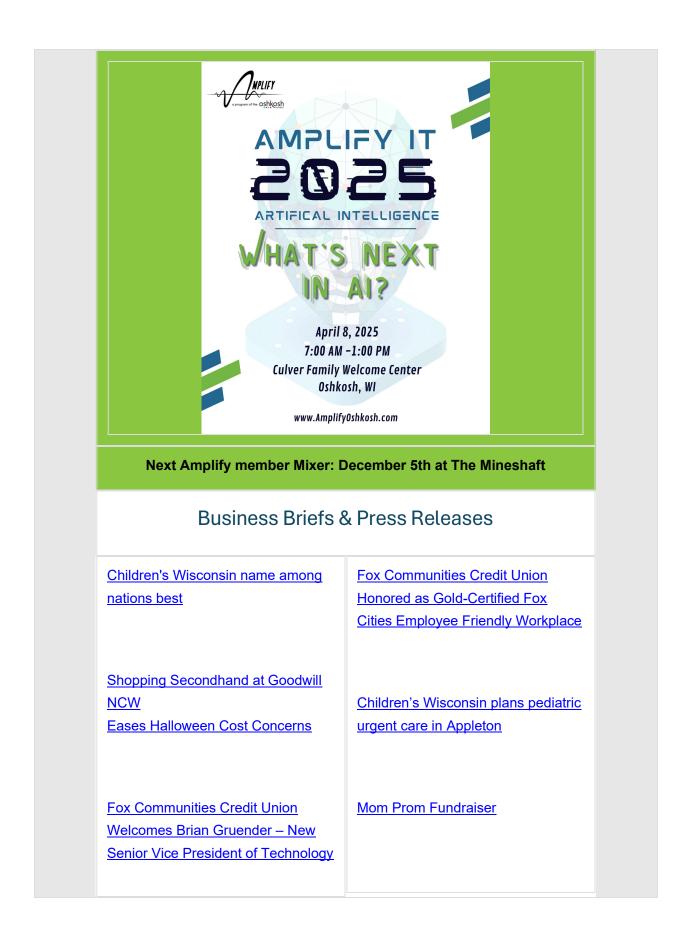


Leadership Oshkosh Class of 2025

The LO Class of 2025 recently enjoyed learning about the history of Oshkosh through The Oshkosh Public Museum, and respectfully walking through the cemetery to learn about influential figures in Oshkosh's history including the Sawyers, the Paines, the Rahrs and so many more.

Alumni night was also held that day where over 70 Leadership Oshkosh Alumni and the current class got together for an amazing night of networking and growth!





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