

# Legislators' listening session April 27

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Two Democratic state legislators, Rep. Don Vruwink (Milton) and Sen. Janis Ringhand (Evansville) will hold a listening session from 3:30-4:15 p.m. Friday, April 27, at Firefly Coffeehouse and Artisan Cheese, 114 N. Main St.

The legislators will listen to comments and concerns from constituents, according to a news release. And if they don't know the answer to a question, "we will take notes and get back to the

constituent at a later date," Ringhand wrote in the release.

Vruwink recently announced he plans to run for re-election this fall, and this is one of the five listening sessions he has planned in his district in the coming weeks.

"I always look forward to sitting down with my constituents in person for a good dialogue," Vruwink said.

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## If You Go

**What:** Rep. Vruwink, Sen. Ringhand listening session

**Where:** Firefly Coffeehouse and Artisan Cheese, 114 N. Main St.

**When:** 3:30-4:15 p.m. Friday, April 27

**Info:** 266-3790

# One for the vets

**Maggie May, tribute video set for April 28 benefit concert**

**SCOTT DE LARUELLE**  
Unified Newspaper Group

For the third year in a row, country performers Maggie May and the Heartland Country Band are performing in Oregon to help raise money for veterans.

This year's show, presented by Brooklyn-Oregon American Legion Post 160, is set for 1 p.m. Saturday, April 28 at the Oregon High School Performing Arts Center.

The event will feature raffles, food, a silent auction and a video tribute to area veterans that includes photos sent in from friends and family members.

Tickets are \$25 for the upper tier, \$20 for the lower tier and \$30 at the door.

For reserve seating, call 516-5401 or send a request to: Lyle Wanless, Maggie Mae Concert,

## If You Go

**What:** Maggie May and the Heartland Country Band veterans benefit concert

**When:** 1 p.m. Saturday, April 28

**Where:** Oregon High School Performing Arts Center

**Info:** 516-5401

## On the Web

For more about the Brooklyn Area Veterans Memorial, visit:

[brooklynveteransmemorial.org](http://brooklynveteransmemorial.org)

P.O. Box 242, Brooklyn, WI 53521. Donations to the Brooklyn Area Veterans Memorial and orders for pavers for the memorial can be made by calling Dannie at 455-5049.

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Photos by Kimberly Wethal

Oregon High School freshman Sarah Jicha receives a face painting from Reese Riley, 10, of Janesville, at the Friends of the Oregon School District pancake breakfast April 14.

# Five OHS students featured in Verona theater's 'Hairspray' April 26-28

**KIMBERLY WETHAL**  
Unified Newspaper Group

Five Oregon High School students will perform in the Verona Area Community Theater's production of "Hairspray," running from April 26-28.

Megan Fahey, Chloe Gahagan, Trinity Gardner, Elisa Kaether and Katie Kisely are all involved with the production.

The show, VACT's ninth all-teen production, features 99 students from 17 different schools around the area.

The musical, set in 1960s Baltimore, tells the story of teenager Tracy Turnblad and her dream to dance on the all-white "Corny Collins Show." Despite being considered "plus-sized," Turnblad is still chosen to dance on the show and further helps to integrate African-American dancers into the show.

VACT's production is being directed by Alyssa Dvorak.

The show will run each of the three nights at 7:30 p.m. at the Verona Area High School Performing Arts Center, 300 Richard St, with a Sunday

## If You Go

**What:** VACT musical "Hairspray"

**When:** 7:30 p.m. April 26-28, 2 p.m. April 28

**Where:** Verona Area High School Performing Arts Center, 300 Richard St.

**Info:** Visit [vact.org](http://vact.org)

afternoon performance at 2 p.m. April 28.

Tickets are \$17 for general admission or \$12 for students and seniors older than 65.

For more information, visit [vact.org](http://vact.org).

Email Unified Newspaper Group reporter Kimberly Wethal at [kimberly.wethal@wcinet.com](mailto:kimberly.wethal@wcinet.com).

## Getting into character

The Friends of the Oregon School District held a pancake breakfast fundraiser on Saturday, April 14. Children and volunteers dressed up as princesses, superheroes, fairies and Ninja Turtles for the event, which featured games and crafts in addition to traditional breakfast foods. Around 150 people attended the fundraiser.



Brevin Greiber, 4, of Fitchburg, crawls through Spiderman's web at the Friends of the Oregon School District pancake breakfast Saturday, April 14.



Above, Myla Motiff, 7, a Netherwood Knoll student, creates a superhero mask at the Friends of the Oregon School District pancake breakfast.

Left, Penelope Lynch, 3, treats her chocolate-chip pancakes like finger food at the Friends of the Oregon School District pancake breakfast.

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