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POSTAL PATRON

## City Council Council Approves 2026 Capital Improvement Projects

By Grace Kufahl

MSA attended the meeting to provide an update on ongoing projects that involve them.

City Hall has numerous structural and water infiltration issues, including a lack of insulation, cracking, rusty lintels, and water damage. MSA recommends adding insulation, addressing water infiltration, anchoring a sliding stone block, tuck pointing a neighboring building's wall and adding a roof access hatch.

According to a DNR inspection conducted in 2023, the Decatur dam requires monitoring and repair of multiple issues, the most pressing of which is to address a sinkhole at the headwall. The city must respond to the DNR by late February.

MSA reported the existing Wastewater treatment plant, built in 2000, has mechanical issues with valves, pumps, and impellers, impacting its efficiency and requiring immedi-

ate attention. Greg Richter, operator in charge, recommends proceeding with the WWTF plan, addressing the identified mechanical issues, and ensuring the plant's efficient operation. MacKenzie will perform a rate analysis after recommendations are issued.

The council allocated \$350,000 for City Hall repairs with \$100,000 previously budgeted and \$250,000 reallocated from other projects. Other Capital Improvement Projects approved for 2026 were \$50,000 for park play structures, \$70,000 for the Wastewater Treatment Facility Plan, \$200,000 for solar panels for the Wastewater Treatment Plant and \$100,000 for street maintenance.

Chief Raupp needs to extend a new conditional offer of employment to the previously approved police officer candidate. Due to medical issues preventing her from taking the Physical Readiness Test,

## BHS WALL OF FAME NOMINATION FORM

Brodhead High School is pleased to accept nominations for alumni who have brought honor to our community as one of Brodhead's "Shining Stars". Nominations will be considered for any person who graduated from Brodhead High School. Nominations will be accepted until Friday, January 30, 2026. They are looking for people who have gone on to achieve outstanding academic accomplishments, have served our community or country in truly outstanding ways, have received national or state recognition for excellence in some area, or have gone on to demonstrate excellence within their vocation.

Candidates selected for the "Wall of Fame" will be awarded a plaque at a ceremony on Monday, March 2 at 6 p.m. A second plaque with their photo and a profile of their accomplishments will be placed forever on Brodhead High School's Wall of Fame for the students and public to view.

Please send nominations to Wall of Fame Committee, Attn: Mr. James Matthys, Brodhead High School, 2501 W. 5th Ave, Brodhead, WI, 53520.

Name of person nominated

Year of graduation from Brodhead High School

Please list accomplishments of person being nominated or reason for nomination

Name of person submitting this nomination

Phone and address

she will now need to enter the academy in August. In the meantime, she will be brought in for code violations and cross-trained in dispatch.

### In Other Business:

There are four mayoral candidates therefore there will need to be a primary in February.

Council approved a draft agreement for the Safe Drinking Water Loan Program with Brodhead Water and Light.

Next month's Council meeting will be Monday, February 23, at 6 p.m.



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Bethany Lutheran Church, 1652 West Church Road, Brodhead. 608-897-4158. Pastor position currently open. Interested candidates may reach out via Facebook or call Bethany Lutheran Church directly. Sunday school 8:45 a.m.; Sunday worship service 10 a.m. Holy Communion first Sunday of each month.

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 405 E. 9th Ave, Brodhead. Phone: 608-897-2341. Pastor Callie Arendt. Email: office@bethlembrodhead.org. Website: www.bethlembrodhead.org. Sunday in-person worship with Communion at 9 a.m. Online worship option via Facebook—Bethlehem Lutheran Church. Bingo the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at 6:30 p.m., doors open at 5:30 p.m.

Congregational United Church of Christ, E201 23rd Street, Brodhead. 608-897-2917. Pastor Shawn Stapleton. Sundays: 10 a.m. worship September through May. Sunday school every other Sunday September thru May at 8:45 a.m. Nursery is available for those who desire. Communion first Sunday of each month. Quilting and crafts workshop every Wednesday at 9 a.m. AA meetings Tuesday and Thursday at 7 p.m.

Grace Independent Baptist Church, Hwy. 81, three-quarter of a mile east of junction with 11, Brodhead. Donald Adams, Pastor. 608-897-8484. 9:30 a.m. Sunday school, 10:30 a.m. morning worship, 6 p.m. evening service. Wednesday 6 p.m. service.

Juda-Zion Community Church, N2350 Church Street, 608-934-5398. Mark Woodward, Pastor. Sunday school 9:15 a.m.; worship service 10:30 a.m.

Living Word Church, 3825 S. County Road T, Brodhead. 608-897-8246. Pastor Russ Doebler. Web site: livingwordwi.org. E-mail: ptl@livingwordwi.org. Adult

As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up.

John 3:14

Nearly two billion Chinese will be celebrating the Lunar New Year of the Snake today. The Serpent introduced sin into the world (Gen. 3:1-14), and we all became sinners because of Adam's disobedience (Rom. 5:12). But God loved us and sent His Son to pay the penalty for our sin. "As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up" (John 3:14). Even if you are born in the year of the snake, come out from his snare, trust the Saviour, and be saved from your sin.

—K.C. Ung

High on the cross, the Saviour hung. High in the heav'n's He reigns:  
Here sinners by th' old serpent stung. Look, and forget their pains.

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## VOLLEYBALL

### Sunday Night Winter Volleyball

1/18 standings: I'd Smack That won 30 lost 3, The Goon Squad 27-9, Victorious Secret 24-12, That's What She Set 23-10, Getting Diggity With It 22-14, Killer Serves 20-16, Super Soy 20-16, All Sets Are Off 17-19, One Hit Wonders 17-19, Net Ninjas 15-21, Fambam Slammers 13-23, Hit Happens 8-28, Cactus Squad 8-28, It's A Set Up 5-31.

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## OBITUARIES



### Phil Wolden

Phil Wolden, age 79, of Monroe went to his heavenly reward Monday, January 19, 2025 after a lengthy illness. Phil was born on May 6, 1946 to parents Clara and Sever Wolden at St. Clare Hospital in Monroe. Phil graduated from Brodhead High School in 1964. He later served in the U.S. Air Force, Vandenburg AFB. Phil met the love of his life, Luann Swenson, marrying in 1967.

For those of you lucky enough to have known Phil, it was well known he chose his words wisely, with a big heart and strong faith. From an early age, Phil had a musical ear, a loyal fan of Elvis, classic country, and writing music now cherished by family.

Phil is preceded in death by his parents; daughter, Kari Stitt; brothers, Donald and Paul; and sister, Helen (Earl) Fossen.

He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Luann; daughter, Angela (Mark) Dombrowski of Manitowoc; sister, Mary (Dean) Althaus of Waddell, Arizona; brother, Ken (Jean) Wolden of Elgin, Illinois; grandchildren: Jenah (Irby) Walden of Beloit, Presley Stitt of Janesville, Claire Dombrowski of Milwaukee, and Benjamin (Julia) Dombrowski of Sun Prairie; and great-grandchildren: Jaiden, Shelby, and Jaxson (Jenah).

The family thanks the VA Clinics, Fresenius Kidney Care and Agrace Hospice for the compassionate care and assistance. Per Phil's wishes no services will be held. A family graveside services to be held at a later date.

Everson Funeral Home is assisting the family.

### Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

The Brodhead United Methodist Church United Women in Faith are having a Pancake Supper on Tuesday, February 17, at the Brodhead United Methodist Church from 5 to 7 p.m. It will be all you can eat. A free will offering will be taken which will go toward missions. The menu will be pancakes, sausage, ham, applesauce, cheese tray and coffee/milk/water.

### Sweets for your Sweetie

The Brodhead United Methodist Church United Women in Faith are having a bake sale at the Bank of Brodhead lobby at 8:30 a.m. until all is sold on Friday, February 13. They will have a variety of cookies and candies for sale. The proceeds from this bake sale will go towards a scholarship for a high school senior. Valentine's Day is the next day so please come and buy something for your Sweetie!



### Carol Lynn Meythaler

Carol Lynn Meythaler, age 82, Brodhead, passed away on January 23, 2026, at her home surrounded by her family. She was born on October 8, 1943, in Monroe, to Edward and Amy Burkhalter.

Carol graduated from Brodhead High School in 1961. She married Robert Meythaler on October 17, 1961, at West Luther Valley Church, Beloit, Wisconsin. Carol worked for Albany Locker as a meat cutter; she also worked as a file clerk for the Monroe Clinic. She enjoyed gambling, playing cards with her friends and family, going out to eat, gardening, and watching the Brewers and the Bucks. Most of all she loved to spend time with her family, especially her grandchildren. Carol also loved to travel with her friends and family.

Carol is survived by her husband of 64 years, Robert Meythaler; son, Mark (Casey) Meythaler; five grandchildren: Billy (Selyna) Sangermano, Justin (Kiersten) Sangermano, Claire, Riley, and Becker Meythaler; one great grandson, Blake Sangermano, and another on the way; sisters-in-law: Janice (Dean) Markee and Elaine (Sam) D'Amore; longtime friend, Vickie Caple; many other nieces, nephews, relatives, and friends.

Carol is preceded in death by her parents; daughter, Amy Sangermano; brother, Rodney (Ann) Burkhalter; sisters: Iva (Rollie) Scoville and Dona (Melvin) Mauerman; and brother-in-law, Daryl (Tiny) Meythaler.

Private family graveside services will be held.

A special thank you to Agrace Hospice nurses Ken and Julie.

D.L. Newcomer Funeral Home is assisting the family.

## DEATH NOTICE

### Donald L. Newcomer

Donald L. Newcomer, 90, of Brodhead died on Sunday, January 25, 2026, at home.

Arrangements are pending with Grace-Bifulk Funeral Home, Albany, Wisconsin.

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### Mary L. Hafen

Mary L. Hafen, age 88 of Brodhead, died Friday, January 23, 2026 at her and her daughter's home in South Wayne. She was born on November 9, 1937, the daughter of Marvin and Pauliene (Hyatt) Stabler. She graduated from Brodhead High School in 1955. Mary was united in marriage to Harold E. Hafen on January 4, 1961 in Iowa and they blended their families as one.

Mary worked for many years as a waitress at the Harris House in Brodhead as well as many years at Swiss Colony. She enjoyed bowling, and was on several leagues in Brodhead and Lake Summerset. She liked tending to her flowerbeds, and loved hosting Sunday meals at her home with family. Mary cherished the time she spent with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and enjoyed going to all their sporting activities. She was also an avid Green Bay Packer, Wisconsin Badger, and Milwaukee Brewer fan.

She is survived by her children: Janelle (Brad) McDermott of Fayetteville, Arkansas, Ted Keyes of Madison, Everett (Judy) Fowler of Brodhead, Tammy (Mike) Clark of Brodhead, Edwin Hafen of Brodhead, Joan (Randy) Jenson of South Wayne, and Jean (Mike Scott) Day of Brodhead; 14 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; daughter-in-law, Clara Hafen of Fayetteville, Arkansas; sister-in-law, Donna Stabler of Brodhead; many nieces and nephews; lifelong friends, Jim and Sheila Price families of Ohio and Isabelle O'Brien-Foslin of Belleville. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, son, Phillip Hafen; grandson, Brad Kaderly; granddaughter, Tabitha in infancy; son-in-law, Jeffrey Day; brother, Jerry Stabler and sister, Betty Everson.

Funeral services will be held at noon on Saturday, January 31, at Brodhead Congregational United Church of Christ, with Rev. Tiff Bates officiating. Burial will be in Greenwood Cemetery, Brodhead. A visitation will be held Saturday from 10 a.m. until the time of service, at the church. In lieu of flowers, a memorial fund is being established. Everson Funeral Home is assisting the family.

The family would like to extend their thanks to the Monroe Hospice Nurses and her in-home caregivers, Mindy McGinnis and Fawne Rodriguez, and her special little helper, Ava, whom she had a special bond with.

Condolences may be sent to the family at: shgfuneralhome.net.

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## ACTIVITIES AROUND TOWN

### LUNCH AND LEARN: MEASURE TO MANAGE

Join Three Waters Reserve for their Lunch and Learn: Measure to Manage, which will explore ecosystem resilience at Sylvan Road with presenter Tom Hunt, UW-Platteville Professor Emeritus, on Thursday, February 19th, from 12-1 p.m. at Three Waters Reserve!

Enjoy a delicious American-style buffet catered by Culinary Nirvana while learning about the 99-acre Sylvan Road Conservation Area, home to reference-quality wetlands, oak woodlands, trout streams, and more than 365 native plant species. Tom will share insights on how soils, hydrology, vegetation, and disturbance influence ecosystem health and long-term resilience. Perfect for nature lovers, conservation supporters, and foodies alike!

Buy tickets online: [www.threewatersreserve.com/pages/calendar-1](http://www.threewatersreserve.com/pages/calendar-1)  
Three Waters Reserve: N3941 Golf Course Road, Brodhead  
Price: \$21.95  
Featured Buffet: American Cuisine  
Register by: Sunday, February 15.

## Parkview FFA Alumni Fund-raiser Dinner

On Saturday, February 28 from 5-9 p.m., head to the Orfordville American Legion Post 209 for a hearty Tri-Tip dinner complete with a baked potato, salad, rolls, and beans—all for just \$25. Enjoy an evening packed with fun and chances to win, including a gift card wall, silent auction items, and raffles throughout the night. Every ticket and bid helps make a difference—funds raised support scholarships for Parkview FFA members, assist students at the Rock County Fair, and help cover registration fees for leadership workshops. Come hungry, bring your friends, and help support the next generation of agricultural leaders.

Contact FFA Advisor Tjark Sattler at [tsattler@email.parkview.k12.wi.us](mailto:tsattler@email.parkview.k12.wi.us) to order tickets!



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My wife and I are owners of several businesses and spend most of our time and money in Brodhead. I love my hometown and look forward to resuming my duties as Mayor.

**Please vote on Tuesday, February 17, to help Brodhead become an even better place to live than it already is!**

Paid for by Edward "Casey" Jones for Mayor

## ACADEMICS

### NIU FALL 2025 GRADUATION LIST

More than 1,200 students received their bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees from Northern Illinois University in December. Included among the graduates are the following students from your area:

Caroline Martin, Master of Science in Education, Instructional Technology; Kevyn-Ann Sutter, Master of Public Admin, Public Administration-Local Government Management; and Jessica Tomita, Bachelor of Science, Nursing, all of Davis, Illinois.

### TRISTAN HENDLER NAMED TO FALL 2025 DEAN'S LIST

Northern Illinois University announces its fall 2025 Dean's List students. To earn this distinction, students must meet a minimum semester grade point average of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale in the College of Engineering and Engineering Technology or a minimum of 3.75 on a 4.0 scale in the colleges of Business, Education, Health and Human Sciences, Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Visual and Performing Arts.

Tristan Hendl, of Durand, IL, who is majoring in Mechanical Engineering-B.S. was among those named. Hendl is a graduate of Durand High School.

### IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY ANNOUNCES FALL 2025 DEAN'S LIST

More than 11,800 Iowa State University students have been recognized for outstanding academic achievement by being named to the 2025 fall semester Dean's List. Students named to the Dean's List must earn a grade point average of at least 3.50 on a 4.00 scale while carrying a minimum of 12 credit hours of graded course work.

Among those named was Savannah Nicole Peterson, Animal Science, B.S., of Davis, Illinois.

### UNIVERSITY OF DUBUQUE FALL SEMESTER 2025 ACADEMIC DEAN'S LIST

The University of Dubuque congratulates the following students on being appointed to the Fall Semester 2025 Academic Dean's List.

Full-time students in good academic standing (registered for and having earned 12 or more letter grade credits for the term) who earn a term grade point average of 3.5 or above and who do not have any grades of Incomplete for the term are named to the Dean's List. Once grades have been submitted for any Incompletes, the Office of Academic Affairs will review eligibility again for possible placement on the Dean's List for the given term.

Dean's List is awarded for the fall and spring semesters only and may be awarded retroactively.

Among those named was Alexander Flores, Durand, Illinois.

### 2025 Tax Assistance Appointments

Appointments are now available for free income tax preparation services for low to moderate income, elderly and disabled persons through the AARP Foundation/Tax-Aide program. Assistance provided includes the preparation of federal and state (including homestead) income taxes. Appointments are available in Monroe on Mondays and Wednesdays beginning February 4th through April 8th. Appointments start at 8:30 a.m. and run until 11:30 a.m. at the Green County Government Services Building, N3152 State Road 81, Monroe. Please call the ADRC at 608-328-9499 to schedule an appointment.

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**I would be honored to earn your vote for Mayor.**

Paid for by Jill Baxter for Mayor

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The Brodhead wrestlers place winners from River Valley Boys/Girls Invite on Saturday, January 17, were left to right, Thomas Lohmar—second at 120, TJ Hall—third at 144, Ashlyn Cayetano Pueblita—third at 132 and Olivia Brooks—third at 138.

## Brodhead-Juda Wrestling

The athletes of the mat for Brodhead-Juda had a tri meet in Juda last week. Other Brodhead-Juda wrestlers notching victories were Logan Berzinski and Todd Hall, Jr. against Blackhawk/Shullsburg. Hall and Thomas Lohmar won their matches against their Big Foot opponents. The girls made their

presence known: Ashlyn Cayetano Pueblita over Brigitte Stauffacher BSW and Grace Pearce BF, Hayden Lewis hung on for a win over Emily Curran BSW. Lily Scheidegger was paired with and pinned Melanie Hoyt of BF.

At the River Valley Invite, with 16 schools competing, Olivia Brooks



Olivia Brooks scored over Emma Hocking BSW and Cassidy Vilona BF at the event. (Free Press photo by Teresa Earleywine)

and Ashlyn Cayetano Pueblita both finished third. Hayden Lewis was on the podium in fourth place, Lily Scheidegger placed fifth, while Jai'lynn Amundson earned points for her sixth-place finish. Of the 13 women teams, the Cardinals fin-



Rush West B-J, went the distance, 5:18, in his match against Eli Glee of BSW to achieve a win. (Free Press photo by Teresa Earleywine)

ished in eighth place.

The boys at the invite earning points included Thomas Lohmar—second place, Todd Hall, Jr.—third place and Logan Berzinski had seventh place.

At the Monroe Invite last Saturday, Thomas Lohmar brought home third place while Todd Hall, Jr. finished in fourth place. Rush West and Logan Berzinski earned team points with their eighth place finishes respectively.

The team faced Edgerton on Tuesday, will be at Clinton on Thursday, Friday the Girls and JV will be at Lodi and Saturday the Cardinals head to the Deerfield Invite.

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- Pick** the winning team listed in each advertisement. Write name of the team opposite the advertiser's name on the entry blank.
- Write** the highest number of points scored by any one team in the space provided on the entry form. This will be used to break a tie. If a tie remains, one winner will be chosen by random drawing from all correct entries.
- One entry** per contestant. Entry forms must be returned to the Brodhead Free Press, 925 W. Exchange Street, Brodhead, WI 53520 by **5 p.m. Friday**.





**By Cindy Clint,  
Outreach Coordinator**

Here's a look at what's taking place this February at the Albertson Memorial Library:

Every Tuesday at 10 a.m., gather with us for Preschool Storytime led by our Children's Programming Specialist, Miss Laura. Each week, we'll explore captivating tales that highlight:

- Princesses and family
- Canines and felines
- Animals and nature
- Things that go

Additionally, on months with a fifth Tuesday, we'll introduce a special bonus theme! Come and enjoy a delightful mix of stories and crafts.

The Albany Joint Library Board meeting is scheduled to take place, at the library, on Tuesday, February 3rd, at 6:30 p.m. This meeting

is open to the public. The agenda will be available on our website and posted at the library the Friday prior to the meeting. Join us to discover the library's future plans!

Fly over to our gathering on Wednesday, February 4th, at 6:30 p.m. and master the art of creating a dazzling "Acrylic Stained Glass Cardinal" at Diane's Craft Night. This craft will NOT be offered as a take-home kit, so be sure to sign up at the library and come join the fun!

Embark on an extraordinary journey in our Dungeons and Dragons campaign, "Shadows of the Infinite Staircase," taking place on Saturdays, February 14th and 28th at 4 p.m.! Immerse yourself in a thrilling adventure as you assist the Guildmaster in lifting a shadowy curse from the mystical staircase. Jump in anytime—no need for a magical portal! If you missed the character creation party, give us a shout to arrive early and get your hero ready. This campaign is ideal for adventurers aged 15 and older. On the fence? Curious about the

chaos and camaraderie? Check out our Facebook and Instagram pages for thrilling recaps of past sessions!

Dive into the crafty chaos with the Creative Capers for a snack-tastic, chitchat-filled evening on Friday, February 20th at 6 p.m.!

Discuss The Mothers by Brit Bennett with All Booked Up on Monday, February 23rd at 6:30 p.m. This is an emotionally perceptive story about community, love, and ambition that begins with a secret.

Come unleash your inner wordsmith with the Sugar River Writers on Thursday, February 26th at 6:30 p.m. Whether you're a scribbling newbie or a pen-wielding pro, everyone's welcome!

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**Logan Krupke, file photo, drained a couple from long range in the game against Jefferson last Tuesday. At the half, Brodhead was down by one-point. The Eagles would hang on for a 53-41 win. The Cardinals lost against the Cheesemakers on Saturday. (No stats were available at press time.) This week, Brodhead hosted Wisconsin Heights on Monday and travel to Whitewater on Thursday, and host Albany in a non-conference match at 3 p.m. on Saturday. (Free Press photo by Teresa Earleywine)**



**Karlie Krumwiede fights for ball control on the rebound in the Cards game against Whitewater last Thursday. Brodhead overpowered the Whippets with a 74-34 final score. Non-conference game against Blackhawk last Monday had Brodhead's Allie Dahl lead both teams with her 23 points. The Cardinals easily handled the Warriors with a 53-23 final. Next week the team traveled to Marshall on Tuesday and host Delavan Darien on Friday. Mark your calendars for an exciting showdown when the team will host Albany-Monticello, ranked #2 in D5, Monday, February 2 at 7 p.m. (Free Press photo by Teresa Earleywine)**

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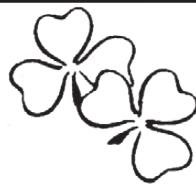
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#### Monday Night Mixed League

1/19—High series: Josh Strehlow 712, Jason Shrier 661, Tim Huffman 656. High games: J. Shrier 248, J. Strehlow 248, Rick Reed 246. Fosters Gaming-high team game 1,045 and series 3,030. **Standings:** Fosters Gaming won 161 lost 109, Beloit Chiropractic 144.5-125.5, Broughton's Bar 144-126, Center Tavern 141-129, Albany Lanes 112.5-157.5, Bartelt 107-163.

#### Badger

1/20—High series: Brian Behnke 630, Brian Purdy 621, Keith Riese 617, Ryan Brugger 600. High games: B. Purdy 246, Tony Brewer 244, B. Behnke 237, Josh Brugger 235. Renks-high team game 829 and series 2,356. **Standings:** Renks won 48 lost 22, Counter Attack 48-22, Jim's Mechanic Shop 44-26, Decatur Dairy 41-29, TUGS 15-55, Team 6 14-56.

#### Thursday Afternoon Ladies

1/15—High series: Becky Riese 460, Nancy Salzwedel 456, Jessica Fenwick 430. High games: B. Riese 169, J. Fenwick 169, N. Salzwedel 168. Knutes-high team game 513 and series 1,499. **Standings:** Briggs Heating and AC won 12 lost 2, Mike's Flooring 9-5, Knutes 9-5, Nolte's Garage 7-7, Albany Lanes 5-9.

#### Thursday Night Mixed

1/22—High series: Brandon Bayrhoffer 699, Robert Murray 681, LeRoy Blumer 656, Tony Brewer 646. High games: L. Blumer 267, B. Bayrhoffer 251, Tim Golz 247, T. Brewer 245. Albany Lanes-high team game 1,042 and series 2,922. 1/15—High series: Rob Kubesh 698, Jim Krattiger 668, Ryan Flood 663, Robert Murray 662. High games: Austin Heath 278, James Laughlin 276, Erich Brandenburg 268, Josh Stadt 268. Albany Lanes-high team game 1,090 and series 3,104. **Standings:** Glenn Ann Holsteins won 38 lost 25, Albany Lanes 36-27, Golz Electric 35-28, Attica Bar 32-31, Broughton's Corner Bar 1 30-33, Broughton's Corner Bar 2 18-45.

#### Brodhead Juniors

1/17—High series—boys: Alexander Ramirez-Vogel 438, Casey Johnson 423, Jayse Bennett 312, Henry Johnson 312, Carter Fenwick 278, Liam Elmer 196. High games—boys: A. Ramirez-Vogel 172, C. Johnson 156, J. Bennett 118, C. Fenwick 112, H. Johnson 109, L. Elmer 73. **High series—girls:** Kelsee Brugger 365, Lilly Johnson 290, Emma Welbig 246. High games—girls: K. Brugger 133, L. Johnson 106, E. Welbig 92.

#### Brodhead Youth

1/17—High series: Braxton Normington 132, Thorin Perrin 125, Ayla Brugger 177, Amelia Fenwick 122, Abigail Fenwick 99, Keira Shrader 95. High games: B. Normington 72, T. Perrin 66, A. Brugger 91, Abigail Fenwick 75, Amelia Fenwick 64, K. Shrader 53.

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By Laura Roth,  
Children's Librarian

The Animals and Nature theme at Albertson Memorial Library's Preschool Story Time focused on buffaloes last week. Stories included There's a Bison Bouncing on the Bed (by Bright) about a bed that breaks due to all the animals jumping up and down on it. Toys Meet Snow (by Jenkins) the buffalo gets to play in the snow, making snow angels, etc. The last book, Buffalo Fluffalo (by Kalb) tells the story of a grumpy buffalo who learns that just being himself is enough. The Preschoolers tried to put a buffalo puzzle together and then colored and glued and painted a buffalo of their own.

Next week, the Story Time will continue the Families theme with books about grandpas: How to Babysit a Grandpa (by Reagan) and Grandpa's are for Finding Worms (by Ziefert). The preschoolers will talk about What Grandpas Do Best (by Numeroff) and make a handprint craft with a heart around grandpa. (It IS February/Valentine's, right?)

Albertson Memorial Library's Preschool Story Time meets every Tuesday at 10 a.m. There's plenty of room for more visitors. We'd love to make some new friends. See you Tuesday!



## Saturday Mornings at the Durand Library

### Antiques: Q&A, Tuesday, February 10

Everyone is invited to bring in an old article, which you would like to learn more about. Perhaps you have a family keepsake or something you picked up at a garage sale or at a thrift shop. No matter it's history, we'd love to see it and Jay Friberg, a retired antique dealer with more than 20 years of experience, will tell you about the piece. He'll be sharing his expertise with us Tuesday, February 10 at 7 p.m.

This is a great chance to learn exactly what the item is and how it was used. Don't worry whether your piece is an "antique" or a "collectible"—all these old pieces remind us of how our ancestors lived before the great changes in lifestyle brought about by the availability of electricity, running water and central heating.

The term "antique" is directly from the French language and means simply "old." Decades ago the federal government declared that an item which is more than 100 years old would be considered an antique and therefore someone could bring it into the country without paying customs duty on it.

Collectibles are items, which are, as the name implies, things people might want to collect because they are appealing in some way. With the rapid change in how we live today, articles from decades ago seem more quaint and collectible. Some older folks might remember them as simple everyday items.

The monetary value of each item can vary with time. For those who watch older Antiques Road Show programs, the monetary value, i.e. the amount someone might be willing to pay for an item, can drop over time. Although Jay is not an appraiser, he will offer a rough assessment of a piece's worth.

Please join us whether you bring an item or not more. Seating will be limited and an email to the Durand Library, [villagelibrary@cusd322.org](mailto:villagelibrary@cusd322.org) to let us know you are coming will be appreciated.

This program is hosted by the Friends of the Durand Library a nonprofit 501c3 group, which collaborates with the school to make library services available to the community. The library has access to the Interlibrary Loan system, which enables a search of 138 libraries in Northern Illinois to find requested books for patrons. And please know that we are happy to deliver books to anyone who is unable to get to the library.

Residents of the school district can check out books for three weeks from the school library as well as the Durand Library and renewals can be made by phone or email. Regardless of residence, everyone is invited to all library programs and events.

Also, there is a drop off box at the library entrance. Library services are free, easy to use and the Friends encourage the community to support this local library effort.

Please email [villagelibrary@cusd322.org](mailto:villagelibrary@cusd322.org) or call 815-289-8602 with any questions. Library hours are Saturdays 9 a.m.-noon and Tuesday evenings 6-8 p.m. Entry to the library is at the east end of the school, follow the signs along the wide paved walkway.

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## Craft Sales



American Legion Unit 209 Auxiliary Craft and Vendor Fair. Saturday, March 7, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Location: American Legion Post 209, 3913 S. State Road 213, Orfordville. Open to the public. Call Linda Wells at 608-931-1570 for more information or if you are interested in reserving a vendor booth. (01/28)

## Help Wanted



### Brodhead School District Notice of Vacancy Varsity Head Cheer Coach



Brodhead High School has an opening for a Varsity Head Cheer Coach. Position starts August 1, 2026. Please contact Athletic Director Brian Kammerer for questions or inquiries at 608-897-2141 or bkammerer@brodhead.k12.wi.us.

Job description available upon request and application forms may be picked up in the District Office located at Brodhead High School or are available on the District website at [www.brodhead.k12.wi.us](http://www.brodhead.k12.wi.us).

Application deadline is January 30, 2026.

*Brodhead School District is an equal opportunity employer.*

## Farmers are Invited to Sign up For Nutrient Management Classes

A Nutrient Management Plan (NMP) is a document that outlines the planned use and management of land taking into account nutrient sources available such as manure, legumes, organic waste and commercial fertilizers to supply the essential plant nutrients to crops and pastures. They are used to evaluate the impact of the planned land use and management on potential soil erosion and surface water quality. Farmers are encouraged to learn to write and follow a NMP for their farm because it often increases a farms profitability through improved nutrient management and cropping systems.

A 2012 study of over 250 farms in Wisconsin with NMPs found that 69% of the farms saved money, with the average of about \$18/acre. Over half of the farms reduced their nitrogen and phosphorus applications. These reduced applications brought no change in corn yields in 74% of the farms. 18% of farms reported an increased corn yield.

Fall crop prices are projected to be lower than the cost of inputs this spring and summer. This means that farmers are probably planning to lose money putting in a crop in 2026. Creating a NMP is a good way to make sure the crops needs are met with the least amount of inputs possible. The NMP is created in SnapPlus Version 3, which is web based and free to use.

The Extension Green County and Green County Land and Water Conservation Department have teamed up to offer classes to farmers wanting to learn how to write their own plan or know what is in a plan. The classes are free and will be held Fridays, February 13th and 20th from 1 until 3 p.m. at the conference room at the Extension Office in Monroe. Farmers should register with Jordyn Sattler at [jordyn.sattler@wisc.edu](mailto:jordyn.sattler@wisc.edu) or 608-328-9440, or Tonya Gratz at [Tonya.Gratz@wi.nacdnet.net](mailto:Tonya.Gratz@wi.nacdnet.net) or 608-325-4195 EXT:2684. These classes are required to be certified to write your farm's NMP. Class size is limited to 10 farmers.

## Moving Sale



Moving sale—porcelain doll collection, stereo equipment, curio cabinets, all kinds of dishes. Call for information 608-897-9036. (02/11)

# POLICE

## Green County Sheriff's Department

January 16-25, 2025

At 8:55 a.m., Friday, deputies responded to the W3800 block of Gilberston Road, in the Town of Mt. Pleasant, for a one vehicle crash without injury. The investigation found that the driver, Tyler P. Liskow, 28, of Brodhead, was traveling westbound when his vehicle lost traction due to snow-covered roads. Liskow then entered the north ditch, where he collided with a barbed wire fence. Liskow advised he was uninjured and wearing his seat belt. The vehicle sustained functional damage, without airbag deployment, and was driven from the scene.

At 9:48 p.m., Friday, deputies responded to the W2600 block of CTH C, in the Town of Mt. Pleasant, for a reported disturbance. The investigation resulted in Kenneth M. Johnson, 35, of Albany, being placed under arrest for disorderly conduct, falling under Wisconsin's domestic abuse laws. Johnson was later incarcerated at the Green County Jail pending court.

## Notice



### REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING BRODHEAD SCHOOL DISTRICT District Office Board Room Wednesday, December 10, 2025 Minutes

#### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Board President Mike Krupke at 7:00 p.m. The meeting agenda was published in the Wednesday, December 3, 2025 edition of the Brodhead Free Press.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### ROLL CALL

Present: Mike Krupke, Michael Oellerich, Elizabeth Kempel, Al Schneider, Jenny Flory, Paul Donovan, and Don Buchanan [virtually]

Absent: None

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Al Schneider, second by Elizabeth Kempel, to approve the agenda.

Motion carried, 7-0.

#### INFORMATION REPORTS

The Administrative Team presented information reports on their respective buildings and departments.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

No one was present to give public comments.

#### AGENDA ITEMS

#### CONSENT AGENDA

#### 1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

- a. Regular Meeting: November 12, 2025
- b. Building & Grounds Meeting: November 20, 2025

#### 2. APPROVAL OF BILLS

#### 3. ACCEPT DONATION(S)

- a. Monetary donation from the American Legion-Swan-Gehr Post 197 to the Band Program
- b. \$400 monetary donation from the American Legion to the Backpack program
- c. A donation of [2] \$250 Gift Certificates from Green County Beef Producers in memory of Dave Koning to be given to two food insecure families

- d. \$5,630 monetary donation from Mike & Jenny Flory in memory of Nancy Acker towards the purchase of new Timpani for the Middle School Band program

- e. \$100 monetary donation from the Riester family to the Backpack program

#### 4. RESIGNATION(S)

- a. None at this time.

#### 5. EMPLOYMENT RECOMMENDATION(S)

- a. Tina Keyser, SpEd Paraprofessional; moving from HS to ES
- b. Joyce May, SpEd Paraprofessional; moving from MS to HS

Motion by Michael Oellerich, second by Jenny Flory, to approve the consent agenda items as presented.

Motion carried, 7-0.

#### PRESERVATION: DISTRICT VISION AND MISSION STATEMENT

#### PLANNING PROCESS

Motion by Michael Oellerich, second by Al Schneider, to approve the District vision and mission statement planning process as presented.

Motion carried, 7-0.

#### PRESERVATION: SUPPORTING SCHOOL

#### DAY FIREFIGHTER CLASS

Presentation by Chris Searles and Derek Pinnow regarding potential for Firefighter classes to be made available for High School students through Blackhawk Technical College. No action was taken.

#### STATE REPORT CARD

#### PRESERVATION

Presentation by District Administrator Novy and the building principals regarding the 2024-2025 State Report Card.

#### APPROVAL OF HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM OF STUDIES FOR 2026-27

Motion by Michael Oellerich, second by Jenny Flory, to approve the 2026-27 High School Program of Studies as presented.

Motion carried, 7-0.

#### APPROVAL OF THE 2026-27 MASTER CALENDAR

This item was not yet ready for approval and will be presented at a future meeting.

#### APPROVAL OF BIDS FOR WINDOW TREATMENTS AND ROOM SIGNAGE

This item was not yet ready for approval and will be presented at a future meeting.

#### REVENUE UNDER-LEVY LIMIT

#### DISCUSSION AND ACTION

Discussion was had regarding the District's ability to under-levy the revenue limit. Previously, and at the Annual meeting, District Administrator Novy presented information about how under-levying impacts future year's budgets, specifically that an under-levy would reduce the revenue limit for future years. District Administrator Novy clarified that an under-levy in any year does not impact the revenue limit for future years. District Administrator Novy will be placing a letter/article in the paper with this clarification.

No action was taken.

#### REFERENDUM UPDATE

District Administrator Novy presented information regarding the ongoing building Referendum.

#### FUTURE AGENDA [January 14, 2026]

- Approval of Minutes

- Approval of Bills

- Accept Donation(s)

- Resignation(s)

- Employment Recommendation(s)

- High School Presentation

- Safety Drill Reports

- Audit Report

- Review WASB Resolutions

- Referendum Update

- 2026-2027 Master Calendar

- Window Treatment and Room Signage Bids

#### ROLL CALL VOTE TO CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION

#### PURSUANT TO WI. STS. 19.85 (1)(e)

Motion by Michael Oellerich, second by Al Schneider, to go into closed session, under WI. STS. 19.85 (1)(e) at 8:56 p.m., for the discussion of:

- a. Bus Contract

Roll Call vote: All ayes (7-0).

#### RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Motion by Michael Oellerich, second by Paul Donovan, to return to open session at 9:01 p.m.

Motion carried, 6-0. (D. Buchanan did not attend)

#### ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Michael Oellerich, second by Al Schneider, to adjourn the meeting at 9:02 p.m.

Motion carried, 6-0. (D. Buchanan did not attend)

Date: 12-10-25 \$100 Bill List

Vendor Name	Check Amount
BURNS, ROBERT	225.00
CDW GOVERNMENT INC	1,564.37
CESA #2	3,760.67
CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	409.99
FOLLETT CONTENT SOLUTIONS LLC	2,488.96
MAHLKUCH, COLE	225.00
MIDAMERICA	24,964.97
NEOLA, INC.	1,970.00
RENNING, LEWIS & LACY, S.C.	1,415.00
RHYME BUSINESS PRODUCTS	3,650.23
VOIGT MUSIC CENTER	636.73
1901 INC	954.18
BRODHEAD WATER & LIGHT COMM	13,303.54
BSN SPORTS, LLC	223.60
CITY OF BRODHEAD SEWER DEPT	2,036.17
DEMCO INC	182.76
GASSER TRUE VALUE HARDWARE	223.24
HELLER, THERESA J	75.00
THE SHERWIN WILLIAMS CO	161.25
LEARNING A-Z	135.00
NASCO	930.98
OFFICE PRO	375.81
SEILS, ANDY	100.00
SYMMETRY ENERGY SOLUTIONS, LLC	4,065.26
VOIGT MUSIC CENTER	902.50
ADAMS PLUMBING	350.00
BANDT COMMUNICATIONS INC	230.60
BIG FOOT HIGH SCHOOL	250.00
BRODHEAD FREE PRESS	273.58
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