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School Board

Annual Public Scool Board Meeting 2026

By Grace Kufahl

Superintendent Novy began the annual mandatory Budget Hearing and Annual Meeting by outlining the budget and giving the public a chance to pose questions. The Annual meeting requires district residents to approve the tax levy for the District's General Fund, among other resolutions. A total of 12 district citizens attended including staff and board members.

This year's headcount is 956, which converts to 931 FTE's. Including summer school, the total FTE's were 946, a decrease of 33 from last year. Eighty students open enrolled in and 125 enrolled out. The net loss of 45 students equates to roughly $574,086 in lost revenue. This net loss was higher than anticipated and Novy stated they will investigate why this occurred.

It was reported the district will receive $8,171,167 in equalized state aid for 2026-27, a $170,719 or 2.13% increase from last year. Total Revenues for the General Fund, from all sources, will be $16,008,501, a decrease of -.11%. Total expenditures from the General Fund are expected to be $17,379,611, an increase of $1,076,352 from 2025-26.

Current budget projections indicate a deficit of $1,334,627 for this year, including funds from the second year of the three-year operations referendum and $147,000 in budget cuts.

The district requested a levy of $5,274,640 for the General Fund and $1,323,950 for the Debt Service Fund, including an additional $104,000 to offset future expenses, totaling $6,598,590. This is a 1% increase from last year's levy. The district's three-year membership average decreased by 23, decreasing the revenue limit by $11,975 per student for a total of $275,425. The district was given a declining enrollment exemption because of it.

The mill rate for the requested levy is $7.01 per $1,000 equalized property value, a $.44 decrease from last year's levy of $7.45 per $1,000. This is due to a 7.27% increase in equalized property values, the impact of the two recent referendums and an overall decrease in state funding in recent years.

Before the vote, board clerk Paul Donovan commended the district for their fiscal responsibility while reminding everyone that, despite the decreased mill rate, increased property values mean homeowners will still see an effective overall increase in the school district portion of their taxes.

The district's requested $7.01 levy was ultimately approved for the 2026-27 school year in a 12 to 0 vote. Resolutions to set Board salaries, reimburse board members for travel and to authorize the board to set the date and time of next year's meeting also passed.

The annual meeting was immediately followed by a brief regular meeting during which the board certified the tax levy and authorized short-term borrowing as needed.

Veterans Appreciation Lunch

Saturday, November 7, at noon

The Albany and Monroe Lion's Clubs and the Green County Veterans Service Office are sponsoring the annual Veterans Appreciation Lunch on Saturday, November 7th, at the Albany Lion's Club Building, 402 N. Cincinnati Street, on the northeast side of Albany.

Active Duty Personnel, Veterans, their spouses and widows or widowers of deceased Veterans are invited to this no cost lunch.

There will only be one seating this year, at noon. There will be no reservations taken. Seating is on a first come, first served basis.

Veterans Day Program at Albrecht Elementary School

Albrecht Elementary School will be having their Annual Veterans Day Program on Wednesday, November 11th at 9:15 a.m. They cordially invite all veterans to join them for donuts and coffee prior to the program at 8:15 a.m. If you are a veteran or know someone who has served our country please spread the word. They would be honored if you could join them. This event is open to the public. All are welcome to attend. If you have any questions, please call Kelly Knox, Albrecht Elementary School Principal, at 608-897-2146 for further details.





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Durand School Veterans Day Program

A Veterans Day Program will be held on Wednesday, November 11, at 11 a.m. in the Durand School's large gym. The school is located at 200 W. South Street, Durand, Illinois. As a token of their appreciation, the Durand FFA invites all veterans and a guest to join them for coffee and donuts from 10:30-11 a.m. in the school's commons before the assembly.

Brodhead Lions and Leos Pancake Breakfast

The Brodhead Lions and Leos are having their fall pancake breakfast to raise money for Brodhead School District field trips. The breakfast will be held on Saturday, November 14, from 7 to 11 a.m. at Albrecht Elementary School. All you can eat pancakes, eggs, sausage, applesauce, coffee, milk and orange juice. There is no charge for the meal. They are asking only for your free will donation.

Battle of the Businesses Food Drive

A Battle of the Businesses Food Drive will be held on Saturday, November 7, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Fill the cart of your favorite business at Campbell's Piggly Wiggly parking lot. The business with the most food wins!

What is needed? Cereal, pancake mix, syrup, spaghetti sauce, pasta, and canned goods: soup, tuna, chicken, vegetables, fruit, jelly and peanut butter. No glass jars please.

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Bethany Lutheran Church, 1652 West Church Road, Brodhead. 608-897-4158. Pastor position currenlty 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.

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Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 405 E. 9th Ave, Brodhead. Phone: 608-897-2341 Email: office@bethlehembrodhead.org. Website: www.bethlehembrodhead.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.

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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 through May at 8:45 a.m. Nursery care 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. Join them "Cups of Comfort" grief cafe support group monthly session will be held Wed., Nov. 4 at 6 p.m. and continues, monthly on the first Wednesday at 6 p.m. thru March 3, 2027.

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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.

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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. Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend: worship service 9 a.m.; No Sunday school.

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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 Sunday school 9 a.m.; Sunday service at 10 a.m. worship at church and also via live stream at livingwordwi.org/media; Wednesday evening Impact Youth 6 p.m.

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Magnolia Christian Church, located on County A just off Hwy. 213. Services are Saturday night at 6:30 p.m. and can be viewed on their Facebook page. Call 608-449-6510 for more information.

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Oakley-Union United Methodist Church, W2388 Gerber Road, Juda, 608-293-4232. Rev. Dr. Ray Diaz. Worship 9 a.m. Children's Sunday school September-May 9 a.m.

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St. Patrick Catholic Church, 410 E. State Street, Albany, part of Christ the King Pastorate. Fr. Chahm Gahng, Pastor. Mass every Tuesdays at 8 a.m. www.ctk-p.org, 608-325-9506 or secretary@ctk-p.org.

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St. Peter Lutheran Church (WELS), corner of West 5th Avenue and 17th Street. www.stpeterlutheranbrodhead.org. Pastor Tyler Swiderski. Cell 612-270-2591, church 608-618-6090. Schedule—Sundays: worship 9 a.m.; Bible class and Sunday school 10:15 a.m.

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St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church, 1005 W. 2nd Avenue, Brodhead, part of Christ the King Pastorate. Fr. Chahm Gahng, Pastor. Mass on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays at 11 a.m. www.ctk-p.org, 608-325-9506 or secretary@ctk-p.org.

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St. Victor Catholic Church, 1760 14th Street, Monroe, part of Christ the King Pastorate. Fr. Chahm Gahng, Pastor. Mass on Monday 6:15 p.m., Tuesday through Friday 8:15 a.m., Saturday 4 p.m., Sunday 8 and 10 a.m. www.ctk-p.org, 608-325-9506. Fully accessible for people with disabilities.

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United Methodist Church of Brodhead, 501 1st Center Avenue, Brodhead. 608-897-2515. Pastor Francois Mukosa. Church office hours: Monday through Friday, 9 a.m.-noon. In-person worship at 10 a.m. Sundays. Fully accessible for people with disabilities. Nursery available. Services live streamed on Facebook.

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~Deuteronomy 4:2 NKJV
These (Bereans) were more noble. . .in that they. . .searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so. ~Acts 17:11

It is a great blessing for us that we have so many rich Bible commentaries. Yet as valued and instructive as these may be, they should never replace God's Word. Even the most reliable and trusted resources should be verified by the Scriptures for their accuracy. Men's "opinions" do not always convey God's truth. Jesus promised that when the Spirit came, He would guide us into all truth, (John 16:13). Let us trust Him to do that and diligently practice being modern day Bereans! —E.V.

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Football contest

The highest scoring football game of the week was Penn State vs. Purdue, 31-17. Doug Rezner, Brodhead, won first place with one incorrect game and 41 points. Second place was won by Curt Elmer, Albany, with one incorrect and 42 points.

Also having one incorrect were Bob Burns, Brodhead—44 points and Tom Brewer, Albany—49 points.

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Nicaraguan Medical Mission Talk

On Tuesday, November 10, at 6 p.m., Dr. Nicholas Maxwell and Christa Maxwell will share highlights from their recent medical mission trip to western Nicaragua. As members of a volunteer surgical team hosted by Amigos for Christ, they worked alongside fellow medical professionals to provide much-needed procedures for patients suffering from kidney disease.

Dr. Maxwell, a retired Monroe surgeon, and Christa, a surgical nurse, will discuss their experiences serving patients, working with local healthcare providers, and witnessing the impact of medical missions in underserved communities.

The presentation will be held in the lower level of the United Methodist Church, 501 1st Center Avenue, Brodhead. The event is free and open to the public, and all community members are welcome to attend.

For additional information, please call 608-728-2980.

Cups of Comfort: A Grief Café

Grief can be a lonely journey, but it doesn't have to be walked alone. Beginning this fall, the Congregational UCC, E201 23rd Street, Brodhead, will host Cups of Comfort: A Grief Café, a free monthly gathering for anyone who is grieving the death of a loved one. Whether your loss is recent or many years ago, you are invited to join them for coffee (or tea, or cocoa, or cider), conversation, and compassionate support in a welcoming, non-judgmental setting.

Each gathering will provide an opportunity to share stories, listen to others, and find encouragement among people who understand the challenges of grief. There is no pressure to speak, no expectation to "move on," and no timetable for healing—just a safe place to be yourself.

The café will meet the first Wednesday of every month for approximately 60–90 minutes beginning at 6 p.m. ending on March 3, 2027. Whether you've attended grief support groups before or this is your first experience, you are warmly welcome.

For more information, please contact the church office at 608-897-2917, or Pastor Shawn directly at pastor@brodheadcucc.com.

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Green County Genealogical Society

The Green County Genealogical Society will present "Genealogical Sources for Soldiers in the Black Hawk War" by Dr. Patrick Jung.

The presentation is Saturday, November 7 at 10 a.m. in the Monroe Public Library community room on the second floor. The program is open to the public.

The Black Hawk War was fought in the spring and summer of 1832 in Illinois, Wisconsin, and Iowa.

Many People in Green County likely have ancestors who fought in the Black Hawk War. Most volunteers fought in state or territorial militiamen, and the government kept rosters of these during and after the war. This talk will examine the main sources genealogists can easily access to research ancestors who served in the conflict

Dr. Patrick J. Jung is a professor of history and anthropology at the Milwaukee School of Engineering. He received his doctoral degree in United States history from Marquette University in 1997 and has written extensively and conducted research on Indian-White relations in the North American Great Lakes region. He has also researched and published extensively on German art history, particularly German industrial art from 1875 to the present and German art during the Nazi era from 1933 to 1945.

For any questions about the meeting or presentation, call Donna at 608-921-1537. The GCGS Research Center, located in the lower level of the Monroe Public Library, is open to the public for research Tuesdays 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Other times available by appointment. The phone number is 608-328-7436 and the website is www.greencogenealogywi.org

45th Thanksgiving dinner at St. Peter Lutheran Church

The congregation of St. Peters is inviting the community to join them for Thanksgiving dinner on Monday, November 9th, serving from 5 to 7 p.m. This has been a tradition of theirs for 45 years and it was started by Pastor Paul Ziemer and their dear friend, Joyce Nipple, who passed away last December. And so, this year's dinner will be presented in her memory.

Menu includes turkey, ham, potatoes, corn, squash, rolls, salad and dessert. Carryouts are available.

For questions and carry out orders, call or text them at 612-270-2591 or 608-618-6090 or order online at stpeterlutheranbrodhead.com.

A free will offering will be collected with all proceeds being donated to the Brodhead EMS and Wels Christian Aid and Relief.

You can find the church at 1708 W. 6th Avenue, Brodhead.

Juda Zion Community Church annual fall food drive

The Juda High School National Honor Society will be partnering with the Juda Zion Community Church for their annual fall food drive. Donations collected will be given to the Green County Food Pantry in Monroe and the Little Blue Food Pantry located on the south side of the church. The event will take place on Saturday, November 7th, from 8 a.m. till noon in the parking lot next to the Jefferson Township Recycling Center located on Walnut Street in Juda. Or donations can be brought to the church located on Church Street in Juda between 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, November 8th. There currently is a great need of the following items: cereal, Mac and cheese, Ramon noodles, any pasta, pancake mix, syrup, pork n' beans, instant potatoes, canned fruit, soup, cake mixes, cookies, saltine crackers, canned meals, Spam, microwave meals, granola bars, seasoned rice, seasoned pasta, and tuna.

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ACTIVITIES AROUND TOWN

WINTER WALKING AT ALBRECHT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Starting Monday, November 2, Albrecht Elementary School will be open for anyone wanting to walk inside rather than outside in the cold weather. The building will be open from 6:30 to 7:30 a.m. and 5:30-7:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. The building will be closed over the District's scheduled breaks or any other time school is not in session. Children must be supervised by an adult at all times.



Holst and Ruthe exchange vows

Ms. Hailey Holst and Mr. Branden Ruthe are joyfully announcing that they were wed on Sunday, October 25th, 2026 at 2:30 p.m. The marriage was officiated by Dianne Owens at the enchanting Wisteria Castle in Watertown, Wisconsin. The couple engaged in a personal vow exchange, as well as a handfasting ceremony. The ceremony and reception were hosted by the mother of the bride.

The bride is the daughter of Ms. Heather Holst of Albany, and Mr. Jason Clark of Brodhead. She is the granddaughter of Ms. Tammy Mcelmurry of Brodhead, the late Mr. Wayne Moore of Meridian, Mississippi, and the late Mr. Delbert and Mrs. Edith Coulthard, of Albany.

The groom is the son of Mr. Nicholas Ruthe of Galena, Illinois, and Ms. Stacy Stauffer of Albany. He is the grandson of Ms. Connie Janicke of Freeport, Illinois and Ms. Pamela Meier of Orangeville, Illinois.

The bride wore a tulle layered ballgown, fitted with a white lace bodice. She carried a purple bouquet of calla-lilies and baby's breath. The groom wore a traditional black suit with a purple calla-lily boutonniere.

Ms. Summer Gurdak, of Warren, Illinois, served as Maid of Honor. Mr. Camden Pryce of Brodhead, served as Best Man. The ring bearer was Bryan Brush of Albany, brother to the bride. The event was photographed by Orjela Islami Photography, and Ryan Carter of Monroe, captured the day on video. The dinner was catered by Noodles and Company.

Mrs. Ruthe works as a library specialist at the Monroe Public Library, and Mr. Ruthe works as a hydraulic press operator at Sub-Zero Wolf Co. Mr. and Mrs. Ruthe will return to their longtime residence in Albany to continue life as status quo.

Albany Women's League/ Empty Stocking

The Albany Women's League/Empty Stocking is fast approaching. Holidays are just around the corner and they will soon be helping some families with clothing boots and coats for our area. They've had an outpouring of support for well over 30 years in the Albany community. Also the Albany Public Schools and Bank CMG are very instrumental in making this endeavor a possibility.

Donations to this heartfelt cause can be made at the Albany Bank CMG. Checks can be made to Albany Women's League/Empty Stocking. Be on the lookout for the Giving Tree in the Bank CMG/Albany, with the children's wishes adorning the tree.

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Any questions please contact Terrie Blumer blumer@tds.net or 608-558-8685.

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Sunday Night Winter Volleyball

11/1 Standings: Victorious Secret 10-2, I'd Smack That 10-2, Nett's Sports Bar 9-3, Killer Serves 8-4, Fambam Slammers 7-5, Spike It Like It's Hot 6-6, Stan's Stumps 5-7, All Sets Are Off 4-8, Net Ninjas 1-11, Super Soy 0-12.

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For an appointment call 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org. Walk-ins welcome!

Go for a spin. Help Save a Life. Give blood. Come to give blood November 23 to December 6 for an exclusive American Red Cross x Wheel of Fortune mug, while supplies last.

It's Optimist Mitten Tree Time!

Helping the children of our community and throughout the world is the sole purpose of the Brodhead Optimist Club, a proud member of Optimist International. What better way to do that than by providing Christmas gifts to children in need. But we need the whole community to help us make this project successful. The Susan Welch Mitten Tree Project is designed to help families of children who have eighth graders or younger who live in the Brodhead School District and are having difficulty providing Christmas gifts for their children.

Applications can be picked up by the parents or guardians at the Bank of Brodhead, the Bank of New Glarus–Brodhead Branch, Brodhead Albrecht Elementary and Brodhead Middle School beginning Friday, October 23. The completed form needs to be dropped off where it was originally picked up by Monday, November 2.

The parent or legal guardian must pick up the gifts on Saturday, December 12, between 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Congregational UCC Church, E201 23rd Street, Brodhead. If the parent is unavailable at this time, they may have someone else pick up the gifts with a signed note from the parent.

Let's work together to make Christmas delightful for all our Brodhead children this year. Thank you for supporting the Brodhead Optimist Club.

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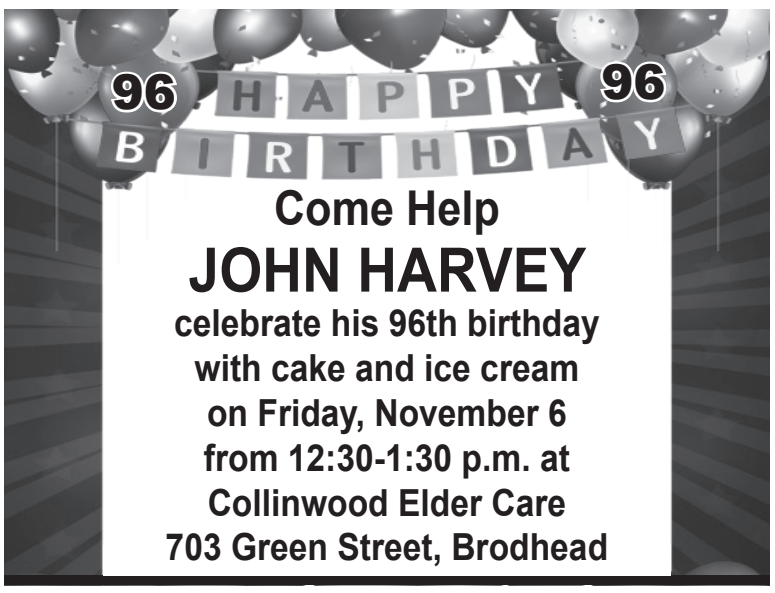
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Some of the eighth grade band members joined the high school band during pregame.



The senior band members were recognized at halftime of the football game.



Mr. Riesterer conducts the high school band members as they perform their halftime show "Wedding Crashers".



Mrs. Riesterer conducts "Eye of the Tiger" and "Star Spangled Banner" during pregame. The eighth graders performed alongside the high school band members.

BHS Marching Band

The Brodhead High School Marching Band had their final performance of the season on Friday, October 9th. Since the beginning of August, students have worked incredibly hard preparing this year's show, "Wedding Crashers."

Friday night was also a special opportunity for some of the eighth grade band members to join the high school band in performing "Eye of the Tiger" and the "Star-Spangled Banner" during pregame. It was wonderful to see our younger musicians performing alongside the high school students; continuing to build connections within the band program.

At halftime, they recognized their senior band members and celebrated their contributions to the program. They are incredibly proud of all the band members and the work ethic, dedication, and perseverance they have demonstrated throughout the season.

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Head Coach Erin Kam-merer along with her team reacts as Brodhead rallies and takes a five-point lead against Cambridge in the third set of sectional semifinals Thursday. The Cards put together a solid season but saw it come to an end with scores of 25-15, 25-13, and 25-22 as the Bluejays moved onto the sectional final. (Free Press photo by Teresa Earleywine)

Retired teachers enjoy a river cruise

On Wednesday, October 14, 10 members of the Green County Retired Teachers Association (and one spouse) traveled to Dubuque, Iowa, to take a river cruise on the Mighty Mississippi. A generous buffet lunch was provided, and the scenery was interesting and could only have been seen from the water. A few trees had started displaying their autumn colors as well. The weather was great, and as the saying goes, "much fun was had by all."



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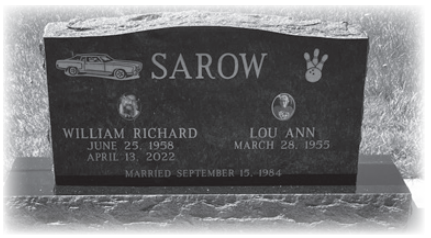
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By Laura Roth, Children's Librarian

The last week of the bird themed books at Albertson Memorial's Preschool Story Time was super fun! Ollie (by Dunrea) is the story of a gosling who refuses to hatch on anyone's timeline but his own. Shelly (by Palatini) is another story of a duckling who won't be rushed by any of his sisters. The final story, Are You My Mother? (by Eastman) is a well-known tale of a newly hatched chick looking for his mother. Nope, Snort is NOT his mother! The preschoolers finished the day by making a chalk drawing of a chick, complete with a beak that sticks out and a broken shell glued to the bottom of the page. The kiddos practiced their cutting and gluing and had so much fun making their chalk-chick!

Next week, the stories will be all about squirrels. The Busy Little Squirrel (by Tafuri), Ten Little Squirrels (by Martin), Nuts To You (by Ehlert) and A Good Day (by Henkes) all describe a day in the life of a squirrel. A bad day becomes a good day! The preschoolers will use a hand-held paper punch to create a squirrel lacing card, complete with a yarn string with an aglet. (You'll have to come to story Time to find out what THAT is!)

Preschool Story Time meets Tuesdays at 10 a.m. at Albertson Memorial Library, before the library opens officially. These youngsters have a TON of fun playing and doing their crafts and they don't disturb other patrons in the process. We'd love to meet some new friends. Won't you come be squirrely with us?







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POLICE

Green County Sheriff's Department
October 19-November 1, 2026

At 4:09 p.m., Monday, deputies responded to the W2900 block of Purintun Road, in the Town of Mt. Pleasant, for a reported disturbance. An investigation resulted in Keisha R. Henderson, 50, of Albany, being placed under arrest for disorderly conduct (while armed) and false imprisonment, falling under Wisconsin's domestic abuse laws. Henderson was later incarcerated at the Green County Jail pending court.

At 7:45 p.m., Tuesday, deputies responded to the intersection of CTH E and Yarwood Road, in the Town of Brooklyn, for a two-vehicle crash. The investigation found that a vehicle, driven by James K. Schneider, 67, of Brooklyn, was stopped at the intersection and proceeded eastbound. Schneider then collided with a semi truck and trailer, driven by Luke W. Phalin, 47, of Orfordville, traveling southbound on CTH E. Both parties reported that they were uninjured and wearing their seat belts. Both vehicles involved sustained functional damage, with no airbag deployment, and were driven from the scene. The investigation resulted in Schneider being cited for failure to yield right of way from a stop sign. He was later released pending court.

At 4:30 p.m., Thursday, deputies responded to the 400 block of S. Mechanic Street, in the Village of Albany. Deputies made contact with Tanner J. Stephan, 26, of Albany and placed him into custody for violation of a harassment injunction. Tanner was transported to the Green County Jail where he was given a future court date and bond amount.

Notice

NOTICE OF A MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF THE JUDA SCHOOL DISTRICT
(a joint meeting with other school boards)
Meeting Date:
Wednesday, November 4, 2026
Meeting Time: 7:00 p.m.
Meeting Location: N2385 Spring St., Juda WI — LMC

On November 4, 2026, the School Boards of each of the following public school districts will hold a joint meeting for the primary purpose of conducting School Board member training and development:

- The Albany School District
- The School District of Black Hawk
- The Brodhead School District
- The Juda School District
- The Monticello School District

The following topics will be addressed during the joint meeting:

- Introductions and an overview of the prior history and benefits of collaboration among the School Boards participating in the joint meeting
- Current issues facing schools and School Boards, including AI and ACT 89

The above-noticed joint School Board meeting and School Board training and development session will begin at 7:00 p.m. and will be conducted in open session.

From 6:30 p.m. until 7:00 p.m., the School Board members and other school district officials who attend may engage in a pre-meeting social gathering at which no substantive business of the School Board will be discussed or otherwise conducted.

Even though it is expected that more than half of the members of the School Board of the Brodhead School District will attend the above-noticed joint meeting and training and development presentation, the members of the School Board who are present will not be making any decisions or otherwise taking any official action (e.g., by motion and vote) in their collective capacity as a School Board.

11/04/2026

AGENDA
BRODHEAD SCHOOL DISTRICT
Finance Committee Meeting
Wednesday, November 11, 2026
HIGH SCHOOL LMC
2501 W. 5th Avenue, Brodhead, WI
6:30 p.m.

AGENDA

I. REVIEW BILLS
II. REVIEW BUDGET UPDATE
III. ADJOURN

11/04/2026

AGENDA
BRODHEAD SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, November 11, 2026
DISTRICT OFFICE BOARD ROOM
2501 W. 5th Avenue, Brodhead, WI
7:00 p.m.

This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in the agenda.

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I. CALL TO ORDER
II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
III. ROLL CALL
IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
V. INFORMATION REPORTS
VI. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

AGENDA

VII. CONSENT AGENDA
1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
2. APPROVAL OF BILLS
3. ACCEPT DONATION(S)
4. RESIGNATION(S)
5. EMPLOYMENT RECOMMENDATION(S)

VIII. APPROVAL OF BRODHEAD DAIRY JUDGING GROUP TRIP TO SCOTLAND
IX. ASSOCIATION FOR EQUITY IN FUNDING (AEF) PRESENTATION
X. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE SOUTHERN WISCONSIN SCHOOLS COLLABORATIVE POSITION PAPER
XI. APPROVAL OF THE SPRING 2027 MIDDLE SCHOOL WASHINGTON, DC TRIP
XII. CONSIDERATION TO PURCHASE A NEW MAINTENANCE TRUCK AND PLOW
XIII. FUTURE AGENDA
XIV. ROLL CALL VOTE TO CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO WI. STS. 19.85 (1)(e)
a. Bus Contract
XV. ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS
XVI. ADJOURNMENT

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Juda School District
Board Meeting
Wednesday, October 14, 2026

Recognized the Juda High School Class of 1967, represented by Jeff Wideman, as a nominee for the Community Partner of the year and Dennis Pfingsten nominee for board member of the year through the Wisconsin Rural School Alliance.

Recognized Juda Fore Fathers and S&J Services of Juda as WASB Business Honor Roll recipients for the district.

Recognized Brooks Family Farms and Our Community Garden of Green County for their contributions to the school's food service program.

Approved early graduation request for a High School Junior. He will complete his course requirements in May of 2027 and then will be enlisting in the Marines.

Traci Davis informed the board that Dennis Pfingsten has achieved Level 5 recognition status through the Wisconsin Association of School Board, this is the highest level of achievement a board member can achieve.

Approved the hiring of Diane Schlafli as High School Special Education Teacher.

Traci Davis informed the board that the Monticello Works Partnership has reached out to the district and will now include our district in its program. The partnership focuses on education and community initiatives such as scholarships, student financial aid and awards.

Kurtis Mansfield noted that one of our students is participating in the Monroe Launch Program and helping construct a house in Monro.

Traci Davis updated the board on items that need to be looked at in the school and the use of referendum funds to take care of these needs. The Buildings and Grounds Committee will meet to discuss priorities and future needs.

Approved an out of state trip for the National Soils Judging Competition in Oklahoma in May of 2027 and a Band and Choir Trip to New Orleans in April of 2028.

Approved changes and adaptations to policy 35.2.

No Executive Session was needed.

Future meeting includes Annual Meeting on Wednesday, October 21st, Joint School Board Meeting with Albany, Brodhead, South Wayne and Monticello on Wednesday, November 4th and regular Board Meeting on Wednesday, November 11th.

Juda School District Annual Meeting Summary

Voters at the annual meeting of the Juda School District approved a mill rate of $9.57, which is a reduction from the prior year rate of $9.81. The total tax levy for the year will be $2,065,075, which is up from the prior year of $2,015,945. The breakdown for the tax levy is $1,431,447 for the General Fund, $553,628 for Referendum Debt Service and $80,000 for the Community Service Fund. It is anticipated the district will be adding to the general fund balance in the current fiscal year. Current fund balance is $819,669.

In other action the voters:

—Approved the board pay as follows: regular meetings of $35 per member, special meetings of $25 per member and $30 per member for the annual meeting.

—Approved the 2026/2027 school fees and breakfast/lunch fees.

—Designated the Bank of New Glarus-Juda as the official place of depository.

—Authorized the board to furnish textbooks at the fees the board designates.

—Authorized the board to furnish school lunches at the fees the board designates.

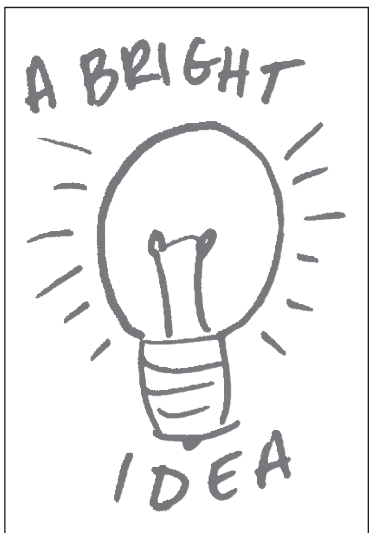
—Authorized the board to engage Boardman and Clark as legal counsel as needed.

—Approved the district to provide transportation services to students.

—Approved to authorize reimbursement for board member expenses.

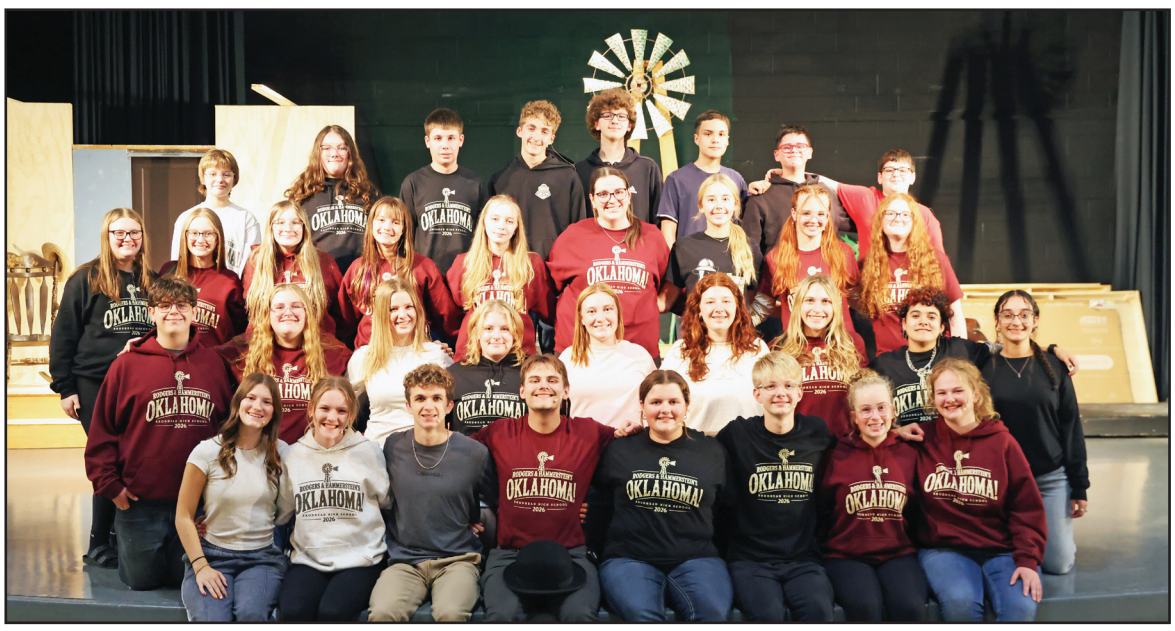
—Set the date for the 2027 annual meeting to be held on October 20, 2027 at 7 p.m. in the Technology Lab.

Following the annual meeting, the board held a special meeting to approve a mill rate of $9.57, which is down from the prior year mill rate of $9.81.



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