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## Brodhead Fire and Ice Festival: A Holiday Tradition Returns!

Get ready to kick off the holiday season with a bang at the annual Brodhead Fire and Ice Festival! Presented by Bridges Bar and Grill, this beloved event will take over downtown Brodhead on the first weekend of December, promising fun for the whole family. From stunning ice sculptures to a festive holiday parade, there's something for everyone to enjoy at this magical celebration.

Dates: Friday, December 6th–Saturday, December 7th

Location: Downtown Brodhead

Experience the enchantment of expertly crafted ice sculptures and the fiery glow of mesmerizing fire twirlers. They'll light up the crisp

winter night and create a magical atmosphere all around you. Stop by the Business Center for a photo with Santa, where Mitchell Covert Exit Professional Realty will be handing out a sweet treat for everyone who participates!

Sponsored by Bullwinkle's Coffee and More and Mitchell Covert Exit Realty, horse-drawn carriage rides will take you on a festive journey through downtown, where you can enjoy the twinkling lights and the holiday magic.

The highlight of the weekend is the Senz and Redieske Lighted Parade, a spectacular event that will light up the streets with dazzling floats, festive music, and plenty of

holiday cheer.

You'll also find unique gifts from local artisans and vendors as you shop in downtown Brodhead. Cozy up by the fire pits and roast marshmallows or hot dogs while taking in the winter evening atmosphere. For those seeking a little adventure, there's the Frozen T-Shirt Contest, where you can test your skills and patience for a chance to win some cool prizes!

Saturday morning, head to Breakfast with Santa, hosted by the Brodhead Jaycees, from 9 to 11 a.m. at Three Water Reserve. It's the perfect opportunity to enjoy a delicious meal and snap a photo with Old Saint Nick.

This year's event will also feature live music, delicious food and drinks, and tons of activities for all ages. Don't miss out on the fun—visit [BrodheadFireAndIce.com](http://BrodheadFireAndIce.com) for more details and to register for contests, the memory tree, and the lighted parade.

Prepare to be amazed as Brodhead's Fire and Ice Festival transforms downtown into a holiday wonderland!

## School Board Board Approved High School Referendum Construction Bids

By Grace Kufahl

Kyle from Nexus Solutions presented several bids for the construction work to be done at the high school resulting from the referendum last April. He reported there was a lot of excitement and good bid coverage. However, due to the relatively small scope of the high school project and market fluctuations, even after eliminating or postponing some proposed changes, the total is still over budget by 16%. He further stated the middle school bids received so far are coming in under budget and, with the larger scope of the other two projects, the district could realize savings later to make up for the current overages at the high school. After substituting a late but lower bid for roofing, the board approved the high school construction.

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## Bank of Brodhead and Brodhead Bancshares, Inc. Announce New External Director, Eric P. Stockman

Brodhead Bancshares, Inc. and Bank of Brodhead announced that its Boards of Directors have elected Eric P. Stockman of Milton, Wisconsin as a new external director to both boards, effective immediately. The new boards consist of 10 members, two from the company's executive officer group, and eight external directors.

Eric Stockman is a Business Unit Manager for Automation Solutions of America, Inc., a subsidiary of The Morse Group. He manages all phases of automation and software systems design, engineering, installation, and support. Additionally, Eric invests his time and energy developing commercial and residential properties through his business,

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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@bethlehembrodhead.org. Website: www.bethlehembrodhead.org. Sunday in-person worship with Communion at 9 a.m. On-line 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. Sunday school every other Sunday beginning October 6, from 8:45-9:45 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. Cookie Walk/Frosty's Workshop Event on Saturday, December 14, from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., Fellowship Hall. Ecumenical Live Nativity Drive-thru Event, on Saturday, December 14, from 5:30-7 p.m. parking lot.

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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Living Word Church, 3825 S. County Road T, Brodhead. 608-897-8246. Pastor Russ Doeblar. 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; Sunday evening Impact Youth 4-5:30 p.m.

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.

Oakley-Union United Methodist Church, W2388 Gerber Road, Juda, 608-293-4232. Pastor Jady N Manjrekar. Worship 9 a.m. Children's Sunday school September-May 9 a.m.

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.

St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church, 1005 W. 2nd Avenue, Brodhead, part of Pastorate 11, Madison Diocese. 608-325-9506. Father David, Paochial Administrator. Mass at 8:15 a.m. Wednesday and on the first Sunday of the month at noon.

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. Handicapped accessible. In-person worship at 9 a.m. Sundays. Services live streamed on Facebook.

It's Brodhead Optimists Essay Contest Time!

Calling all high school and middle school students! Grab your pen, pencil or keyboard to express yourself and have an opportunity to earn a cash award. Applications for the essay contest will be available at the Brodhead Public Library, and both the middle school and high school offices, or through the Brodhead Optimist Club. The Optimist Club of Brodhead is encouraging all Brodhead and surrounding area youth, including home-schooled scholars, to write an essay 700 to 800 words long on the topic "How Optimism Has Paved My Road to Success"

The Brodhead Optimist Club will judge the local students' essays, based on the theme of "How Optimism Has Paved My Road to Success" along with organization, creativity, clarity, structure and adherence to contest rules to determine the top winners. The winning essay at the club level will be sent to the district level where the student will compete for a chance at a \$2500 scholarship.

The Brodhead Optimist Essay Chair Wendy Backes said, "It is our goal to encourage young people to take part in this activity and do what we can to bring out the best in each of them. This experience gives them a wonderful opportunity to tap into their creativity and pursue possible scholarships at the same time."

The Optimist Club of Brodhead has been participating in the Optimist Essay Contest for many years and has been active in the community since 2002. Other programs and service projects that the Club is involved in include Christmas gifts for families in need The Mitten Tree Project, Tri-Star Basketball competition, a fishing derby, pumpkin decorating, and an art contest, just to name a few. The Club also makes donations to numerous school departments, the public library, childhood cancer patients and pediatric cancer research.

Students wishing to participate in the essay contest can find out more about the contest by contacting the club chair Wendy Backes at wendybackes1966@gmail.com or getting an application from their school counselor at either the middle school or high school, or at the Brodhead Public Library.

Finally, completed applications and essays can be dropped off at the Middle or High School offices, Brodhead Public Library or email them to wendybackes1966@gmail.com before Monday, February 10th, 2025.

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Deadline:  
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The Brodhead United Methodist Men (UMM) sponsored their second annual Car Show on Saturday, October 19th. Car and motorcycle enthusiasts, both classic and unique, filled the parking lot and attendees were invited to vote for 'Best of Show.' The award went to Bruce Sutherland and his 1942 Lincoln Zephyr.

**VOLLEYBALL**

Sunday Night  
Winter Volleyball

11/17—Standings: Victorious Secret won 17 lost 1, I'd Smack That 17-1, The Goon Squad 15-3, The Youngins 10-8, One Hit Wonders 8-10, Killer Serves 7-11, Valued Volleyers 7-11, That's What She Set 7-11, All Sets Are Off 7-11, Chewblocka 7-11, Net Ninjas 5-13, Super Soy 4-14.

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# ACTIVITIES AROUND TOWN

## BRODHEAD COMMUNITY CLOSET

It's wintertime again and the Community Closet is in need of winter items: coats, hats, gloves, boots, etc for all ages. They are also in need of boys jeans sizes. All donations can be made at the Community Closet any Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thank you for your help for our community members in need.

### SANTA NEEDS YOUR HELP!

Santa uses the Brodhead Optimist Mitten Tree Project to help make Christmas special for all children in our community. This year is no exception. Anyone wishing to help Santa gather gifts for those children in need is asked to pick a set of mittens from the tree in the Bank of Brodhead lobby, or the Bank of New Glarus—Brodhead Branch lobby. As a reminder, the bank lobbies are closed on Saturdays.

Beginning Thursday, November 21, please pick up and fill out the mitten asking for your contact information and leave it in the mailbox nearby. Then take the other mitten containing the child's age, size and wish list with you. After shopping, just wrap your gift and attach the mitten with the child's info on the package and drop it off where you picked up the mitten. The gifts must be returned by Tuesday, December 10.

Happy shopping to all of Santa's helpers and thank you for participating in this great Optimist project. If you have any questions, please call 414-405-6203.

### BMS HOLIDAY SENIOR CITIZEN LUNCHEON

The Brodhead Middle School TOOL team is proud to collaborate with BMS staff and students to host our annual holiday luncheon on Friday, December 13. The Team of Outstanding Leaders will organize a program of musical performances, trivia, readings, crafts, and door prizes. The program will begin at 11:30 a.m., with lunch service at noon, and wrap up around 1 p.m. This luncheon is an opportunity for senior citizens in our community to gather for good cheer and festivities before the holidays. Contact the Brodhead Middle School office at 608-897-2184 by Wednesday, December 11, if you plan to attend.

\*Free-will donations are accepted at the luncheon to maintain this holiday tradition.

### BRODHEAD LIONS COLLECTING DEER HIDES

The Brodhead Lions will once again be collecting deer hides this hunting season. Hides will be sold to make gloves, with the money donated to Wisconsin Lions Camp for the blind and visually impaired. Last year, with everyone's help, they donated \$1,000 to them! Hides can be dropped off anytime until January. Look for signs and a covered shelter on the west side of Gassers Hardware parking lot.

# Albany Women's League Empty Stocking project

By Teresa Blumer

The Albany Women's League/Empty Stocking project is gearing up to purchase clothing and winter apparel for kids in our community. Please help us to aid families in need as they prepare for the season and a busy school year. All monetary donations go to the Albany Women's League/Empty Stocking The Greenwoods Bank Albany location is providing this service for monetary drop off.

Coming soon The Giving Tree is an extension of the Empty Stocking with the purpose of making sure Christmas comes to children whose wishes may not be met this season. A Christmas tree will be placed in the lobby of the Greenwood's Bank/Albany with mittens specifying boy or girl and their wishes.

Thank you to all for your generosity and for purchasing gifts for kids in out community. Thank you to the Albany Public School for your dedication to your students and families.

Thank you to the Greenwoods Bank staff for providing us the help we need to continue this annual program for our community of Albany.

Any questions please call 608-558-8685.

## SSM Health at Home Hosting Celebration of Life

All are invited to join SSM Health at Home for Celebration of Life, a remembrance service to celebrate and honor the light and love of significant people who have shared our lives.

Celebration of Life is on Tuesday, December 3 at Monroe United Methodist Church, 2227 4th Street, Monroe. The service begins at 6 p.m. and is expected to last about 45 minutes with a reception to follow in Monroe United Methodist Church's Fellowship Hall. Registration is not required.

Ornaments will once again be sold by Monroe Engraving. Please contact them at 608-329-4111 to place your order. Monroe Engraving will be donating a portion of the proceeds to the Monroe Clinic and Hospital Foundation's hospice fund.

For more information, please contact 608-324-1143. For those unable to attend in person, the service can be joined virtually by searching Monroe United Methodist Church (WI) on YouTube.



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# School Board

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tion bids as presented.

### In Other Business:

Pupil Services completed their Procedural Self Compliance Audit of Special Education and found very few issues, which they are now addressing.

Middle School Principal Adam Ferger reported a huge turnout for Make a Difference Day thanks to Stephanie Tresemer and TOOL.

High School Principal Jim Mathys is looking to boost attendance at spring parent teacher conferences after experiencing low attendance in the fall.

High School Teacher Jillian Malkow is in the running for the Kohl's Teacher of the Year Fellowship.

Building and Grounds Director Chad Dix expressed thanks to the middle school students who helped clean up the downed tree at the elementary school.

Director of Technology Kevin Buxton advised the board of upcoming projects to change out the phone system and reroute fiber to the middle school prior to Thanksgiving.


Principal Ferger and Director Buxton both expressed thanks to Dan Rueckert for a successful 29th eighth grade trip to Washington, DC.

Superintendent Novy reviewed his presentation for the upcoming public information meeting on a proposed operational referendum for next April.

## Stockman

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Stockman Property Development. As a property owner, Eric has been restoring historic buildings and finding homes for small businesses



and people in Milton and surrounding communities since 2002. Eric also gives back to the community through his service on the City of Milton Common Council.

"We are pleased to have Eric join our boards. He is a versatile, forward-thinking and results-oriented individual that has an unyielding desire to achieve a high standard of work, with an above-average record of efficient results in delivering exemplary business solutions to diverse problems. Eric is the perfect fit for our boards and the future growth of our business," said Michael Olson, President of Bank of Brodhead and Brodhead Bancshares, Inc. "Eric's investment of time, talent, and treasure in the Milton and surrounding communities make him an outstanding addition to the boards as Bank of Brodhead continues to bring its tradition of Strength, Stability and Service to the good folks of Milton."

Mr. Stockman said, "I am honored to join the Bank of Brodhead

# BINGO!!

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### due to Thanksgiving

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# FIRE & ICE MEMORY TREE

The Brodhead Fire & Ice Festival will be displaying its 9th Annual Memory Tree starting Friday, December 6, 2024 at 8 a.m. at the Brodhead City Hall.

The loved one ornament will be displayed on the City Hall Christmas tree. The person's name will be displayed on the Photograph Memorial Ornament Card, in honor or in memory of that person. Just fill out the form, include \$5.00 (cash or check made out to Brodhead Chamber of Commerce) and take it directly into the Brodhead Free Press. Or you can send it by mail to the address below. Please include a return address envelope so we can return your ornament and original photo after January 2nd or pick it up at the Brodhead Free Press.

## MEMORY TREE FORM

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**BHS Volleyball Awards**  
Front row, left to right: Alecia Dahl—All-Conference First Team, team MVP; Ava Risum—captain, team MIP; Laney Weis—Team Scout Player; Gretchen Kammerer—All-Conference Second Team, captain; second row: Brynn Riesterer—All-Conference Second Team, Newcomer Spiker Award; Addie Leifker—All-Conference Honorable Mention; Makenna Schooff—captain, All-Conference Honorable Mention.



**Brodhead Middle School is honoring “Savvy” Sixth-Graders for the first quarter!**  
These students were chosen for their positive leadership while at school. Thank you for being kind and working hard at BMS!  
Pictured, from left to right: Cristi Baldazzi, Tenley Pinnow, Delilah Hopwood, Easton Rear, Leo Hasselmann, Luke Waelti, and Silas Workman!



**Senior Cross Country members**  
Left to right: Henry Droessler, Hunter Jorgenson, Josh Blum, Madi Brown and Hannah Grove. Missing is Harper Krattiger.



**Cross Country Awards**  
Left to right: Ciarrah Condon—Tough As Nails; Olivia Brooks—MIP/All Conference; Jorge Villalva—MVP/Captain; Madi Brown—MVP/Captain; Serena Santiago—captain; Henry Droessler—Spirit Sucker/captain; Josh Blum—MIP; Hunter Jorgenson—captain; Gauge Jorgenson—Tough As Nails; and Isabelle Yoshida—Spirit Sucker.



**BMS—Seventh-Grade Cardinal Club**  
Congratulations to Malachi Mahlkuch, Cullen Risum, Molly Arn, Ayva Perez, Chesney Malcook, and Moira Logan for being recognized as Seventh-Grade Cardinal Club members. These students were chosen based on their upbeat attitude, admirable effort, and notable leadership in the classroom and throughout the school day. They are proud of these students for being good humans at BMS.  
They look forward to recognizing more outstanding seventh graders in the upcoming months.



Brodhead Leo Club member, Penelope Logan, was among those who helped at the Lions Club breakfast held Saturday, November 9.

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Footloose performed at BHS last weekend



Cast and crew of Footloose (Free Press photo by Diana Dougherty)



(Free Press photos by Teresa Earleywine)





## Orienteering at Magnolia Bluff

On Friday, October 11, seventh-grade students at Brodhead Middle School participated in a unique experience at Magnolia Bluff County Park. This curriculum-based field trip started in the traditional classroom with instruction on topographic maps and the sport of orienteering. Then, with compasses and maps in hand, 62 students and six



staff members made the trek to Magnolia Bluff for a day of outdoor physical fitness, fun, and instruction. At 9 a.m., seventh-grade students were given specific instructions from Madison native Kevin Teschendorf, a nationally-ranked orienteer competitor, when we arrived at the bluff. Then, the challenge was to navigate a course through the brush, woods, hillsides, and woods to 17 control checkpoints. Students

worked in small groups with the aid of their compass and a detailed topographic map. Students completed two “loops” of checkpoints before enjoying a cookout lunch and a third “loop” afterward. They also took time at Magnolia Bluff to decorate pumpkins delivered to the Brodhead Senior Center later in the afternoon. It was a beautiful day to be outside, redefining the walls of our classrooms.



## Third annual Comet Classic 3 on 3 Tournament

The third annual Comet Classic 3 on 3 Tournament held Sunday, November 10th in Albany, and raised \$5,323.

The young lady in the photo is Albany High School Senior Abby Hollis. She hosted this tournament as a fund-raiser for local youth programs and initiatives. Hollis is a high honor roll student and starter on the Albany-Monticello basketball team and will play basketball for Clarke University next year. She was a member of the 2024 state champion girls basketball team, is a two time All State and Academic All State selection, and has earned All-Conference honors in basketball, track, and volleyball.

In the three years of the event, over \$11,000 has been raised for community programs.

The 2024 Comet Classic consisted of 29 teams and 116 athletes. This is impressive given the enrollment for the Albany School District is 300 students who attend school in a K-12 building. The girls’ tournament was held in the morning followed by free throw and three point contests. The boys’ tournament was held in the afternoon. Players came from Albany, Argyle, Brodhead, Cambridge, Cuba City, McFarland, Mineral Point, Monroe, Monticello, New Glarus, Parkview, Pecatonica, Rio, Sauk Prairie, and Waunakee.

## National FFA Convention

By Jillian Malkow, agriculture teacher/FFA advisor

On October 23rd-October 26th, six Brodhead FFA members traveled to Indianapolis, Indiana, for the 97th National FFA Convention. The members attended the opening session, explored the Career and College Expo and met people from all over the country! They also attended a few tours: Albanese Candy Factory, Louisville Slugger, Churchill Downs (Kentucky Derby) and Linville Antique Farm Collection.

The highlight of this year was seeing CJ Streuly (graduate of BHS Class of 2022) receive his American FFA Degree!!

The last Brodhead FFA Member to receive their American FFA Degree was in 2010! (Which was when Mrs. Malkow received her degree) This will be the last time CJ will put his FFA Jacket as a member of the Brodhead FFA! We are very proud of all his accomplishments!

The American Degree Information: “As the highest degree achievable in the National FFA Organization, the American FFA Degree shows an FFA member’s dedication to his or her chapter and state FFA association. It demonstrates the effort FFA members apply toward their supervised agricultural experience and the outstanding leadership abilities and community involvement they exhibited through their FFA career.American FFA Degree recipients show promise for the future and have gone above and beyond to achieve excellence.”

What does it take to get this degree: Approximately 3,500 American FFA Degrees are handed out each year at the National FFA Convention. That number represents less than half of one percent of all FFA members, making it one of the organization’s highest honors. In addition to their degree, each recipient receives a gold American FFA Degree key.



Left to right: Mrs. Malkow, Alexis Miller, Annelise Bethke, Ayvah King, CJ Streuly, Leilah King, Keegan Steinke and Bethany Wenger.

## Albrecht Elementary Veterans Day program

Albrecht Elementary held their annual Veterans Day program on Monday, November 11. Mrs. Knox presented the introduction and welcome and Madi Brown performed Taps.



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**Saturday Mornings at the  
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Tuesday Evening Hours Are Here!

**Submitted by Barbara Flores, President, Friends of the  
Durand Library**

We are happy to announce that the Durand Library will now be open Tuesday evenings from 6 to 8 p.m. in addition to the regular Saturday morning hours of 9 a.m. until noon. We have been eager for some time now to expand library hours, understanding that three hours a week was not enough and that Saturday morning was not convenient for many patrons.

So, if you value library services, please support these expanded hours. Visit the library, check out a book or two and get in the reading habit. The library has a great collection, from Shakespeare to Nicholas Sparks, the Bronte sisters to Kurt Vonnegut, Kristin Hannah to Danielle Steele. And if we don't have the title you want, just ask and we will get it.

Center for Learning in Retirement Presentation November 16

What is the Center for Learning in Retirement? CLR, as it is known, is part of the continuing education program at Rock Vally College. During the presentation November 16 Brad Keyes, a volunteer booster for CLR as well as an excellent speaker on several topics, told those attending about the program. There is a modest membership fee as well as fees for individual classes. Over the course of one year 130 classes are offered on a great variety of topics. In addition, members can participate in day and multiday field trips, social events, an exercise at home program as well as lessons in many crafts. You can try your hand at pickleball too. The building where classes are held is a former school building with no steps and parking almost at the door.


For more information visit [RockValleyCollege.edu/CLR](http://RockValleyCollege.edu/CLR). A listing of classes is available at the library.


**About the Library**

The Durand Library is a collaboration between Durand School and the Friends of the Durand Library, a 501 (c)(3) organization. Residents of the Durand school district enjoy checkout privileges, and everyone is invited to all library programs.

Library hours are Saturdays 9 a.m. to noon and Tuesdays 6-8 p.m. Entry is at the east or playground end of the school building. Just follow the paved walkway, signs are posted. For more information please email [village-library@cusd322.org](mailto:village-library@cusd322.org), call or text 815-289-8602 or visit [FB.com/durandvil-lagelibrary](https://www.facebook.com/durandvil-lagelibrary).

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**Green County Sheriff's Department  
November 11-17, 2024**

At 8:10 a.m., Tuesday, deputies responded to the Probation and Parole Office, 2841 6th Street, for a probation violation. Duane M. Lindemann, 25, Albany, was arrested and jailed at the Green County Jail.

At 3:48 p.m., Friday, deputies responded to a disturbance in the W4300 block of Carter Road, Town of Jefferson. The investigation resulted in Cristian W. Estrada, 20, and Brianna M. Bombard, 23, both of Juda, being cited for disorderly conduct. Joshua W. Hurley, 38, Juda, was cited for disorderly conduct and criminal damage to property. All parties were released with a court date.



**Brodhead Municipal Court**

**Finding Date: 11/06/2024 through 11/06/2024**

Alexandria Rose Breyman, Janesville, zone and posted limits, violation date 09/03/2024, \$98.80.

Joseph Matthew Brown, Beloit, operating after suspension, violation date 09/23/2024, \$124.

Timothy James Burchfield, Orfordville, operate without carrying license, violation date 08/29/2024, \$124.

Brenton Robert Chumbler, Sun Prairie, WI, zone and posted limits, violation date 09/02/2024, \$98.80.

Douglas Glen Demrow, Footville, possess open intoxicants in motor vehicle, violation date 09/15/2024, \$124.

Donna Lynn Klessinger, Juda, zone and posted limits, violation date 09/06/2024, \$98.80.

Marta I. Lara, Freeport, IL, zone and posted limits, violation date 08/27/2024, \$98.80.

Gina A. Lundervold-Foley, Brodhead, junked vehicles storage restriction, violation date 09/13/2024, \$124.

Braden Thomas McIntosh, Juda, zone and posted limits, violation date 09/06/2024, \$136.60.

Yaqui Sipac Nelson Eduardo, Janesville, operate without valid license, violation date 09/14/2024, \$124.

Adam J. Nichols, Wind Lake, WI, zone and posted limits, violation date 08/27/2024, \$174.40.

Christine Marie Ostermeier, Brodhead, zone and posted limits, violation date 08/27/2024, \$98.80.

Kalia R. Otto, Davis, IL, zone and posted limits, violation date 09/25/2024, \$98.80.

Jeremy Scott Pergande, Janesville, disorderly conduct, violation date 08/10/2024, \$124.

Sadie Kathryn Pollock, Juda, zone and posted limits, violation date 08/31/2024, \$124.

Sharon Ann Pryce, Brodhead, operate motor vehicle without proof of insurance, violation date 09/23/2024, \$10.

Wyatt Adam Raymond, Belleville, WI, operate motor vehicle without proof of insurance, violation date 09/25/2024, \$10.

Timothy John Rucker, Monroe, zone and posted limits, violation date 09/06/2024, \$98.80.

Christopher George Schlieger, Janesville, zone and posted limits, violation date 09/07/2024, \$98.80.

Bernard Godfrey Spiegel, Oregon, WI, zone and posted limits, violation date 09/07/2024, \$98.80.

Marsha Ann Tietz, Saint Francis, WI, zone and posted limits, violation date 09/20/2024, \$98.80.

Mauiel Esneyder Torrez Reyes, Monroe, operate without valid license, violation date 09/06/2024, \$124.

Artasia Monique Wallace, Madison, operating after suspension, violation date 09/20/2024, \$124; zone and posted limits, violation date 09/20/2024, \$124.

Kent William Wallace, Amherst, WI, zone and posted limits, violation date 08/29/2024, \$149.20.



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Green County Development Corporation receives \$2M state grant for Trades Center

Green County will see increased workforce development in skilled trades with a \$2M grant awarded to Green County Development Corporation (GCDC), and a partnership with Monroe High School. GCDC will work with the School District of Monroe to expand the current plans for the new Monroe High School trades area to help address workforce skills challenges in Green County. The center will create an environment that fosters hands-on learning, cultivating essential skills and knowledge necessary for success in high-demand industries. "This trade center is an innovative solution to pressing community challenges throughout the county, specifically in relation to skilled metal, construction, and automotive workers. While this facility will be housed in Monroe High School, we are working to ensure that it is accessible to all Green County stu-

**Monday Night Mixed League**  
11/11—High series: Josh Strehlow 700, Robert Murray 649, Tyson Foster 644. High games: Ty Powell 247, J. Strehlow 247, T. Foster 237. Fosters Gaming-high team game 1,112 and series 3,118. **Standings:** Beloit Chiropractic won 43 lost 27, Fosters Gaming 41-29, Broughton's Bar 36-34, Center Tavern 33.5-36.5, Bartelt 30-40, Albany Lanes 26.5-43.5.

**Tuesday Shanigans**  
11/12—High series: Alexis Sies 527, Lisa Josephsen 357, Chris Rosheisen 311, Eric Woodruff 689, John Thill 578, Rick Josephsen 544. High games: A. Sies 203, L. Josephsen 148, C. Rosheisen 112, E. Woodruff 243, J. Thill 239, Ted Yaun 202. Albany Lanes-high team game 866. The Young & The Restless-high team series 2,442 **Standings:** Albany Lanes won 31 lost 11, Sweet Mini HaHa 21-21, Misfits 21-21, The Young & The Restless 19-23, Clayt's Boomtastic 19-23, Greightful Dead 15-27.

**Badger**  
11/5—High series: Josh Brugger 629, Brian Purdy 621, Ryan Brugger 616, Brian Behnke 608, Megan Anderson 498, Kim Qualley 468. High games: R. Brugger 268, J. Brugger 246, B. Purdy 238, Don Nieman 221, M. Anderson 189, K. Qualley 161. Decatur Dairy-high team game 817. Renks-high team series 2,359. **Standings:** Decatur Dairy won 50 lost 20, Jim's Mechanic Shop 44-26, Renks 37-33, TUGS 34-36, Team 6 27-43, Counter Attack 18-52.

**Wednesday Night Ladies**  
11/13—High series: Zoe Krattiger 480, Kari Johnson 469, Marcie Brugger 456, Tami Behnke 429, Julie Williams 426, Rikki Thomas-Martin 426. High games: K. Johnson 193, Fran Kubesh 188, M. Brugger 177, Z. Krattiger 173, Lynne Moore 162. Glenn-Ann Ladies-high team game 598. Crystal's Team-high team series 1,675. **Standings:** Glenn-Ann Ladies won 47 lost 23, Albertson's 45-25, Stables Bar & Grill 40-30, Crystal's Team 30-40, General Store 27-43, Larson Acres 21-49.

**Thursday Afternoon Ladies**  
11/14—High series: Becky Riese 496, Betty Blum 426, Tana Klitzman 423. High games: T. Klitzman 181, B. Riese 178, B. Blum 164. Mike's Flooring-high team game 575 and series 1,638. **Standings:** Albany Lanes won 57 lost 27, Mike's Flooring 49-35, Nolte's Garage 49-35, Knutes 44-40, Ball's Installation 44-40.

**Thursday Night Mixed**  
11/14—High series: Brandon Bayrholder 708, Robert Murray 703, Boomer Detra 653, Tim Golz 636. High games: R. Murray 279, B. Bayrholder 273, Austin Heath 266, T. Golz 245. Broughton's Corner Bar 1-high team game 1,072 and series 2,962. **Standings:** Albany Lanes won 7 lost 0, Attica Bar 5-2, Broughton's Corner Bar 1 5-2, Glenn Ann Holsteins 2-5, Golz Electric 2-5, Broughton's Corner Bar 2 0-7.

**Brodhead Juniors**  
11/16—High series—boys: Parker VanderPal 611, Ashton Hale 589, Evan Johnson 466, Casey Johnson 379, Alexander Ramirez-Vogel 374, Tristan Modaff 345. High games—boys: P. VanderPal 257, A. Hale 202, E. Johnson 165, A. Ramirez-Vogel 155, C. Johnson 143, T. Modaff 124. **High series—girls:** Kylee Wahler 468, Kelsee Brugger 333, Aubrie Bartelt 254, Ryan Stevens 202. High games—girls: K. Wahler 183, K. Brugger 126, A. Bartelt 99, R. Stevens 76.

**Brodhead Early Rollers**  
11/16—High games: Abigail Fenwick 77.

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dents and our industry partners. Through this collaboration, we envision a comprehensive strategy that combines educational excellence with economic development to create a thriving and sustainable future for Green County," stated GCDC's Executive Director Olivia Otte. Monroe High School Principal, Jeriamy Jackson had this to say about the funds, "We are very excited to hear the news of this grant approval! We have been working hard to design and build spaces within the new Monroe High School that house our metals manufacturing, welding, automotive and construction trades programs and this grant will help to improve these spaces and give our students even better opportunities. This increased space allows us to develop even more hands-on, real-world experiences to spark student interest and increase student skill levels to meet industry standards."

GCDC was one of 50 Non-State Grant Program projects awarded and will receive \$2M to support a trades center to be housed in the new Monroe High School. These grants are targeted at bolstering critical infrastructure and services, including economic and workforce development. "I was glad to launch the Non-State Grant Program last year because an investment in local capital projects like these is an investment in local jobs and economies and improving public services and the quality of life for Wisconsinites statewide. I'm incredibly excited about these projects and the investments we're making in communities in every corner of Wisconsin—this is great news for our state," said Gov. Evers. GCDC is a non-profit public/private partnership organization fostering economic growth that maintains the quality of life that makes Green County Wisconsin a great

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By Laura Roth, Children's Librarian

A full house, for trains, tractors, and trucks last week at the Albertson Memorial Preschool Story Time! We compared two books about trucks, one fiction and one non-fiction and decided that if we want to learn, we find a non-fiction book but if we wanted an imaginative story, we look in the fiction section of the library. The kiddos also traced the path

of the trains, trucks, and tractors to find out where they could be found: the station, farm, or road. Then, most fun of all, we colored our own truck, attached paper tires, and had races. Next week is Pirates, Pioneers and Packers Day! We'll practice our tracing skills and make a pioneer toy from a button and some string. And everyone goes home with a big green G on their cheek! As a reminder, we meet every Tuesday at 10 a.m., before the library opens. (Sometimes it gets rowdy and it's best to meet before regular patrons come in.) We had the largest group ever last week and look forward to meeting even more new friends! C'mon and join us!




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And Santa himself will take the lead,  
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But hurry, don't wait too long,  
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December 14th, so strong!  
Santa's busy, as you can see,  
But he'll find time to reply—  
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### Treats for Teachers

Every staff member at Brodhead Middle School was treated to some snacks before Parent-Teacher Conferences. Over 40 eighth-grade members of the TOOL team personalized lunch bags and tossed together a healthy snack mix for staff members to enjoy during the late-night conferences. Throughout the night, many grown-ups chatted with teachers about their students. Thank you for supporting BMS.

TOOL members Jenna Grosshuesch, Lennon Krattiger, Laetin Pinnow



### Special Delivery

Sixth-grade members of the Brodhead Middle School TOOL team made a special delivery on Friday, November 1. Flexibility in the BMS Early Release schedule made the walking field trip possible, as the destination was just a few blocks away from BMS. As part of a community service outreach, TOOL members crafted scarecrows on paper bags filled with special treats for the residents at the Brodhead Senior Village. More projects and visits are planned for the months ahead.



### Recognizing these senior cheerleaders with their families: Irene Fernandez (exchange student), Raela Dosio, Adeline Rosheisen, Yordana Alegre Pérez (exchange student), and Victoria Locatelli (exchange student).



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