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POSTAL PATRON

Former Brodhead Mayor picked up by Green County Sheriff

Casey Jones, local businessman and former Brodhead Mayor, was picked up by the Green County Sheriff at the Green County Courthouse Tuesday night, October 13, prior to the Green County Board of Supervisors meeting. Jones, who represents the 20th District of Green County, was entering the east entrance of the Courthouse when he tripped and face-planted on the floor causing bloodshed from his arms and head. The Green County Sheriff sprang to action by picking up Jones off the floor and rendering first aid. The courageous Jones did not let his injuries keep him from completing his assigned duties for the people of his district and he attended the full four-hour meeting.



Saturday Mornings at the Durand Library

Happy Halloween everyone!

The Durand Library will be closed Saturday, October 31. The Friends of the Durand Library wishes everyone lots of fun and lots of candy with scary, clever and fun costumes to boot! Have a great time everyone!

Brodhead Historical Society to meet

The Brodhead Historical Society will hold their final meeting of 2026 on Monday, October 19. The program for the evening will be our annual "Show and Tell". Members and guests are invited to bring in family treasures and historical artifacts to show and share information about the item. If you don't have an item to show, feel free to tell a family story or share a family picture. You may also bring an unknown item and see if others can help with identification.

The society's annual business meeting will also be held, with board member elections. The public is welcome to attend. The meeting begins at 7 p.m. in the Knight Addition of the Depot Museum.



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Albany United Methodist Church, 500 Park Street, Albany. 608-862-3206, Elizabeth Staniforth-Seamster, Pastor. Sunday worship 9 a.m. Adult Sunday school 8 a.m.; Sunday school ages three-12th grade is held on the second and fourth Sunday of each month at 9 a.m. Open Communion each 1st Sunday. Check our web page at albanyumchurch.com.

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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. "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.

And he (Zacchaeus) made haste, and came down, and received him joyfully.
~Luke 19:6

When someone responds to the invitation of the Lord it is indeed a happy occasion. Zacchaeus was obedient to the Lord and received Him joyfully. His life would never be the same again. Today the Lord invites you to trust Him and accept Him as your Saviour. If you do, it will be a happy day and the best decision you ever make.
—John M. Clegg

O happy day that fixed my choice
On Thee, my Saviour and my God!
Well may this glowing heart rejoice,
And tell its raptures all abroad.
—Philip Doddridge

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DEATH NOTICES

Donna Jaggi

Donna Jaggi, age 87, of Brodhead, passed away Thursday, October 15, 2026 in Hospice at St. Mary's Hospital in Madison. Arrangements are pending at DL Newcomer Funeral Home, Brodhead.

Advertising Deadline: Friday, 5 p.m.

OBITUARY



Richard "Rick" Schneider

Richard "Rick" Schneider, age 79, of Brodhead passed away on Monday, October 12, 2026 surrounded by his family at home. He was born on January 8, 1947 the son of Rudolph and Harriet (Sieg) Schneider in Monroe. Rick graduated from New Glarus High School in 1965. After high school Rick proudly served in the United States Army. On January 6, 1968 Rick married Diane Disch; she preceded him in death on February 24, 1989. He later married Janice Rufer on April 9, 1990.

Rick worked for General Motors for 32 years, retiring in 2000. He was an active member of the Brodhead VFW, Brodhead American Legion, AMVETS of Wisconsin, and Vietnam Veterans Chapter III. He was also a member of both the Congregational United Church of Christ and the Methodist Church in Brodhead. From October 2002 until 2011, Rick served as a trustee and custodian for the Brodhead Methodist Church. In his free time, Rick enjoyed hunting, fishing, and spending time outdoors.

Rick is survived by his wife, Janice of Brodhead; children: Michelle (Jeff) Blackman of Green Bay, Angela Schneider of Pennsylvania, Mike (Dawn) Rufer of Clinton, Debra (Tim) Conway of Brodhead, and Jean (Craig) Randles of Janesville; grandchildren: Alex, Zoey, Oliver, Ben, Stephanie, Jacque, Aislinn, Ty, Grace, Ryan, Rachel, Madalyn, and Maya; great-grandchildren: Evan, Hadley, Luna, and Olivia.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Diane; grandson, Ashtian Rufer; sisters: Sharon Wolter and Gail Crupp; and twin brothers in infancy, Keith and Kevin.

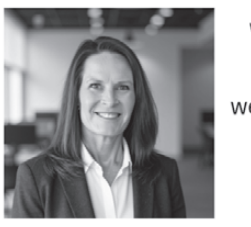
Memorial Services will be held on Saturday, October 24, at 11 a.m. at the Congregational United Church of Christ with Pastor Shawn Stapleton officiating. A private family burial will be held at Milton Lawns Memorial Park in Janesville.

Visitation will be held on Saturday from 9 a.m. until the time of service at the church. Everson Funeral Home is assisting the family.

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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.

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, nonjudgmental 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. on Wednesday, October 7, and 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.

You're Invited!

Join Juda Zion Community Church for a special 10:30 a.m. morning worship service on Sunday, October 25, featuring music by Higher Vision! Come enjoy an uplifting morning of worship and music. Everyone is welcome!

The church is located at N2350 Church Street, Juda.

Since 2013, Higher Vision has been entertaining audiences, bringing smiles to faces, and tugging at heartstrings with their music. While the majority of their performances are in area churches, Higher Vision has also provided music for gospel fests, summer concert series in local communities, and the Barron County Fairtime Chapel. In addition to their signature gospel, when performing in a secular venue the group adds doo-wop, Beach Boys tunes, Bob Dylan ballads, and crowd pleasers such as "Crazy Little Thing Called Love" and "The Lion Sleeps Tonight" to their repertoire.

All of the members of Higher Vision are from Barron and Polk Counties and all have been part of musical endeavors in their churches and communities for many years. The quartet is composed of Mike Jenkinson singing lead, tenor Albin Peterson, baritone Dick Sampson, and bass John Westin. The group's accompanist is Elaine Molls.

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ACTIVITIES AROUND TOWN

BRODHEAD POLICE ASSOC. BI-ANNUAL BRODHEAD IN THE MOONLIGHT

The Brodhead Police Association is hosting its bi-annual Brodhead in the Moonlight...a haunting experience! This historical downtown walking tour includes stories of ghostly happenings in the city. Your tour guide will enlighten you with how our city began and share her first-hand knowledge of our ghostly history as well! To get your tickets, follow the Brodhead Police Association on both Facebook and Instagram. Tours will be every Saturday night in October from 7-10 p.m. and will start at the gazebo on the downtown square at W. 2nd Avenue and W. Exchange Street. For more information or if you have questions, please email us at brodheadpa@gmail.com.

DOUBLE FEATURE DRIVE-IN MOVIE
Saturday, October 24 at Legion Park

Join them for a fun night under the stars at the Brodhead Pool and Rec Department's Double Feature Drive-In Movie at Legion Park! The first movie will be Casper, which will start at 6 p.m. After a short intermission, they will begin their second movie, Edward Scissorhands.

Concessions will be available, and a port-a-potty will be on site for your convenience.

Come dressed in a costume and receive a goody bag!

Load up the family, grab some blankets, and come enjoy a great night of movies at Legion Park!

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.

Meeting regarding Green County's proposed Highway Department Project

You are invited to come out, discuss, and ask questions of Casey Jones (Green County Board Supervisor District 20), Paul Hardenstine (Green County Board Supervisor District 18), and Franz Mussared Varga (Green County Board Supervisor District 19) regarding Green County's proposed Highway Department project options at the Brodhead Library (Small Meeting Room) on Wednesday, October 28 from 3-6 p.m.

The Green County Board of Supervisors has been discussing a new project for the Green County Highway Department's facilities, currently housed on 6th Street in Monroe.

Whichever option the Board selects will end up impacting taxpayers in their property taxes. This will come in addition to the remaining two tranches of bond issuances for the current jail project, coming in 2027 and 2028. The final Project Options presentation covers the annual impact to a $300,000 assessed property.

As elected officials subject to Open Records Law, they cannot respond to comments or messages directed through social media. If you'd like to reach out, please contact Franz at fvarga@greencountywi.org, Paul Hardenstine at phardenstine@greencountywi.org, or Casey Jones at cjones@greencountywi.org.

National Friends of Libraries Week

National Friends of Libraries Week will take place from October 18–24, 2026. This annual event celebrates the volunteer and fund-raising efforts of Friends of Library groups across the United States. The Friends of the Brodhead Memorial Public Library will recognize the week by holding a book sale on Friday, October 23rd and Saturday October 24th. The sale will run from noon to 7 p.m. on Friday and from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday in the library's large program room. Stop in and browse the large selection of adult, children's and large print books.

Stock up on reading materials to get you through the inevitable snow days ahead! The coffee cart will be set up so you can enjoy a cup while you shop. The book sales are the primary source of funding for the Friends of the Library. Funds raised go towards supporting adult and children's library programs. This summer, the Friends of the Library provided funding for the bounce house that launched the summer reading program.

Can't make it to the sale? Check out the book cart at the library. The cart is available any time the library is open and the friendly and helpful library staff can answer any questions you might have. Stay tuned for their spring book sale coming May 21-22, 2027.

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.

One hundred percent of donations will support Brodhead Food Pantries.

Annual 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.

Make A Difference Day

You were born to make a difference. Happy National Make a Difference Day will be held on Saturday, October 24, from 9 to 11 a.m., meet at the Brodhead Fire Department. Transportation will be provided to "work sites" from the "headquarters" downtown.

Everyone in our community is invited to lend a helping hand.

•Rake and clean up neighborhood yards for elderly residents

•"Trick or Treat" around town to collect items for our local Brodhead Food Pantry

•Tie fleece blankets for Family Promise of Green County

•Craft bookmarks for the Brodhead Memorial Library

•Pick up sticks and trash around area parks in Brodhead

•Collect trash along their mile of Adopt-a-Highway

•Write/craft notes for Veterans Day delivery

•Braid fabric scraps into tug toys to donate to the Green County Humane Society

•Assist with fall clean-up on school grounds, arboretum and Pearl Island

•Sort and organize donations at the Brodhead Community Closet

•Additional projects will be added as they come to be

Please consider:

•Spreadng the word—let Stephanie Tresemer know of someone in town that needs help with yard work

•Helping crews rake leaves in neighborhood yards and move the brush to the curb

•Donate one and one-half yards of fleece for the tie blankets to be donated to Family Promise

•Transporting volunteers as they collect non-perishable items around the community

•Providing morning treats for the volunteers: sweets, chips, granola bars, fruit, water, etc.

If you would like to get involved in any way or know of someone that could use help with a project please contact Stephanie Tresemer at stresemer@brodhead.k12.wi.us or call 608-897-2184 ext. 210.

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The Brodhead Blood Drive will be held Monday, November 23, from noon to 5 p.m. at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 405 E. 9th Avenue, Brodhead.

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

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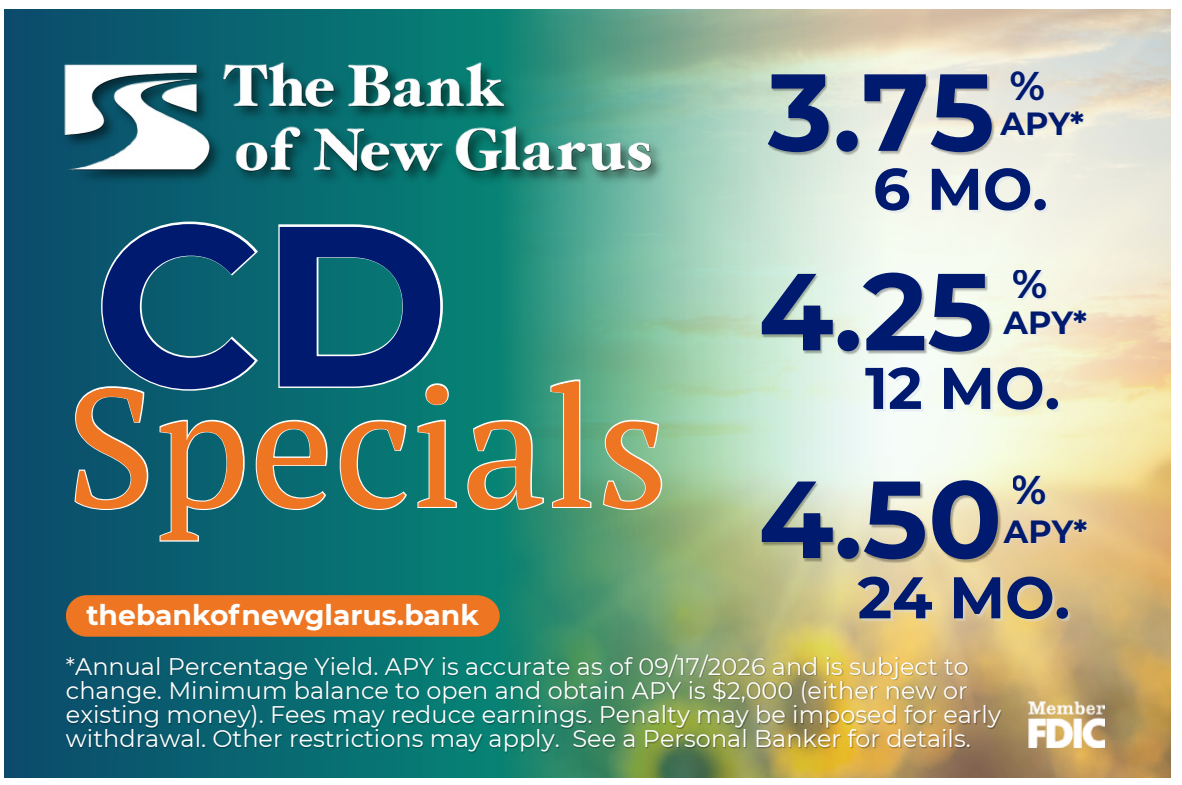
Where: OFFICIAL LOCATION- three car garage located between Albrecht Elementary School and Brodhead Middle School on the corner of 21st Street and W. 7th Avenue.

What is a Textile Drive? It is a fund-raiser where we get paid by the pound for recycling old/used fabric items. First, anything usable is distributed to communities in need. Second, donated items not suitable for wear are recycled into wiping rags. Lastly, items not suitable for wiping purposes are processed back into fibers that are remanufactured into paper, yarn, insulation, carpet padding, etc.

Help us by bagging up your dry, clean, odor free old clothing, undergarments, bed sheets, curtains, and paired shoes. All items must be put in plastic bags that can be tied shut. Small garbage or plastic shopping bags work best. Fabric scraps, pillows, comforters, and rugs are NOT accepted. Please refer to the Kid Connection/Albrecht Elementary PTO Facebook page for a complete list of acceptable and unacceptable items. For questions call or text Lori Riese at 608-931-6901.

All money raised will be used to help enhance the educational experience at Albrecht Elementary School. Thanks in advance for helping to make a difference in more ways than one!

Interesting fact, did you know that in the U.S. 81 lbs of clothing per person are thrown away annually? Textiles currently make up 6.3% of the waste stream. Donate to improve our environment and elementary school.

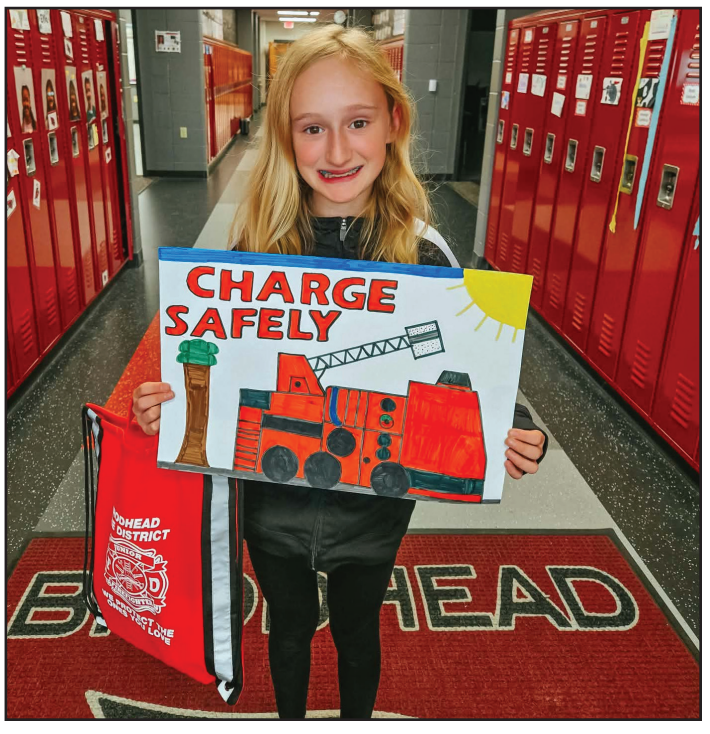




Paige Bauman sets the ball in a tight set against Beloit Turner. Brodhead volleyball closed out the regular season last week with a 0-3 loss against the Trojans. The Cardinals finished third in the Rock Valley Conference with their 7-3 record. Edgerton took first and Jefferson second. Brodhead, ranked #2 in D3, will host regional playoff action on Thursday with their opponent TBD by the winner of the Clinton vs Salem match in a semifinal. Regional finals will be held on Saturday, October 24th with location and opponents TBD based on Thursday's results. (Free Press photo by Teresa Earleywine)



The Brodhead Juda Cardinals capped off their season in style, securing a 58-42 victory over River Valley, under Head Coach Tim Cerjak. Grayson Arn was smokin' as he racked up 423 yards and six touchdowns, while Kraig Walter and Steve Carlson each added their own scores. The Cardinal offense controlled the tempo with 25 first downs while limiting River Valley to just 10. It was a memorable finish for the 10 seniors on the team. (Free Press photo by Teresa Earleywine)



Congratulations on this year's fifth grade Fireman's Poster Contest winner! Charlie Krueger!

This year's theme was "CHARGE INTO FIRE SAFETY" SAFE CHARGING IS A SUPERPOWER! Her details and craftsmanship are pretty amazing! Charlie's piece will move onto state for judging at the Wisconsin Chiefs Conference!! Enjoy your bag of goodies!

Nice job to all the fifth graders for their hard work. They will be put on display in the fifth grade wing for all to see!



Congrats to the Brodhead High School Cross Country teams at the RVC Championships. Boys were eighth overall and fifth in the Rock Division while the girls were third overall and second in the Rock. Making Second Team All-Conference was Ashton Henze (13th/5th), Olivia Brooks (10th/3rd) and Rachel Hatter (13th/5th). The teams will compete Friday, October 23 in Monroe for the sectional meet.

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3. **One entry** per contestant. Entry forms must be returned to the Brodhead Free Press, 1035 1st Center Avenue, Ste. 107, Brodhead, WI 53520 by **5 p.m. Friday.**

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Albertson Memorial Public Library

By Laura Roth, Children's Librarian

The preschoolers at Albertson Memorial Library's Preschool Story Time heard about baby birds learning to fly this week: Fly (by Teague), a wordless book, tells about a baby bird's relationship with his mother as she feeds him and takes care of him and teaches him to fly. The penguin in Flight School (by Judge) takes lessons in flying and eventually brings his friend the ostrich to take flying lessons as well! Unflappable (by Ward) encourages resiliency and persistence in undertaking difficult tasks. The preschoolers then traced circles and cut them out making flightless birds that rocked. They used the pages from a discarded book for wings, practicing their accordion folding skills. They did such a great job!

Next week, the preschoolers will hear the well-known Dr Seuss story Are You My Mother (by Eastman), Ollie (by Dunrea) and Shelly (by Palatini). These will be the last stories about birds and focuses on eggs that won't hatch. The preschoolers will use soft Crayons to make a baby bird that almost glows in the dark.

Preschool Story Time meets on Tuesdays at 10 a.m. and is a TON of fun. The group keeps growing but there's plenty of room for new friends. We'd love to have you join us! See you next week?





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BUDGET HEARING/ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA
BRODHEAD SCHOOL DISTRICT
Monday, October 26, 2026
HIGH SCHOOL AUDITERIA
2501 West 5th Avenue, Brodhead, WI
6:00 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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BUDGET HEARING

I. Presentation of Proposed 2026-2027 Budget – District Administrator David Novy
Discussion and Questions Concerning the Budget

ANNUAL MEETING

I. Call to order—Board President Michael Oellerich
II. Election of Chairperson
III. Treasurer's Report
IV. President's Report
V. Resolution A—Adoption of Tax Levy
VI. Resolution B—Salaries of Board Members
VII. Resolution C—Reimbursement of Board Member Travel Expense
VIII. Resolution D—Authorize School Board to Establish Date for 2027 Annual Meeting
IX. Other New Business as Authorized Under State Statues
X. Adjourn

Persons needing special accommodations should call (608) 897-2141 at least twenty-four [24] hours prior to the meeting.
10/21/2026

Football contest

The highest scoring football game of the week was Brodhead/juda vs. River Valley, 58-42. Teresa Earleywine, Brodhead, won first place with one incorrect game and 45 points. Second place was a tie with two incorrect and 49 points. The winners were Brian Malkow, Brodhead, and Tom Brewer, Albany.

Also having all the correct games were Dennis Schwartz—48 points, of Brodhead and Lynsette VonAllmen—45 points, of Albany.

ACADEMICS

UW-LA CROSSE ANNOUNCES SUMMER 2026 GRADUATES

Owen Leifker, Brodhead, completed his degree requirements at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse in August. He received a Bachelor of Science in Exercise and Sport Science Major: Sport Management.

Helping make Brodhead a place to call home.

BRODHEAD LEAF PICK-UP

City leaf pickup service is planned to start around mid-October.

However, you can haul your leaves to the compost site
Monday thru Sunday 8 a.m. to dark.
Please do not leave plastic bags or other garbage at the compost site.

If you want City leaf pickup service, you must follow these guidelines:

• Leaves only. NO garbage, animal waste, grass, brush, rocks or other foreign items mixed in. Items other than leaves can plug and damage the equipment which you could be liable for.

• Leaves must be racked to edge of curb or street in windrows away from trees, posts and other objects. If the machine can't reach your leaves, they will not be picked up.

• **DO NOT put leaves in gutter or in the street.** Leaves release phosphorus when they break down and decompose, representing one of the largest sources of urban phosphorus pollution. When left in the street gutters, a phosphorus-rich tea is produced that easily washes down storm drains and directly into our rivers and lakes. You can help by raking leaves from the street curb in front of your home, and then composting them or placing them on the street terrace for pick up.

Please have all leaves out to the street as soon as possible. Once crews complete their final quadrant sweep—or if winter weather hits—leaf pickup operations will conclude for the season.

Thank you for your cooperation ~ Brodhead Public Works

Lunch and Learn: Oaks of the World

November 5, 2026
noon-1 p.m.
Three Waters Reserve

Oaks have been a part of our landscapes for centuries, but there is much more to these familiar trees than meets the eye. With more than 500 species found around the world, oaks support an extraordinary number of other plants and animals and provide important benefits to ecosystems. On November 5, Southern Wisconsin Land Conservancy (SWLC) invites the community to Three Waters Reserve for a closer look at these remarkable trees and the important role they play around the world.

Oaks are keystone species, supporting thousands of other species while providing essential ecosystem services across the globe. Attendees will take a closer look at what makes oaks so unique and the many ways they shape the environments around them.

Aryn Swann, Executive Director of Southern Wisconsin Land Conservancy, will take attendees around the world to explore the stories of some extraordinary oaks, including the Jurupa Oak, Seven Sisters Oak, and a special champion oak right here in Wisconsin. Come discover why oaks are so much more than just another tree, and why their future matters to us all.

When: Thursday, November 5, noon–1 p.m.

Where: Three Waters Reserve, N3941 Golf Course Road, Brodhead

Speaker: Aryn Swann, Executive Director, Southern Wisconsin Land Conservancy

Lunch: Tiki Masala

Register by: Sunday, November 1

Community members interested in learning more about oaks, their ecological importance, and the role they play in supporting healthy ecosystems are encouraged to attend. Registration is required by Sunday, November 1.

Get Tickets! www.threewatersreserve.com/products/lunch-learn-oaks-of-the-world

View more upcoming events at www.threewatersreserve.com/pages/calendar-1

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47th Annual Indian Artifact Show

What began 47 years ago with just five tables has grown into one of the region's most anticipated showcases of Native American history. On Sunday, October 25, 8 a.m.-3 p.m. the Native American Indian Artifact Show returns to the Monticello School Gymnasium, 334 South Main Street, Monticello.

Collectors and the simply curious will find rows of displays featuring stone tools, projectile points, pottery fragments, and other cultural materials representing thousands of years of human history in the Upper Midwest. Some pieces on view dates back as far as 15,000 years, the Ice Age era, when early people hunted woolly mammoth across the landscape.

This year's show is expected to fill more than 85 tables. A testament to both the depth of local collections and the event's staying power. Veteran exhibitors will be on hand to discuss how artifacts were made and used, the differences between materials like chert and quartzite, and the importance of proper documentation and ethical collecting.

Visitors are invited to bring their own artifacts for on-site identification. Experienced exhibitors will offer insights into types, dates, and uses. Knowledgeable exhibitors will help with basic typology, likely time periods, and regional context, and educational service that has made the show especially popular with families, students, and landowners who've found items in fields or along stream beds.

Organizers note that the show's mission is educational: to spark curiosity, encourage respect for Native American cultures past and present, and promote responsible stewardship of artifacts and the stories they carry. While buying and trading among exhibitors may occur, the atmosphere is decidedly museum—like, with many displays focused on teaching rather than transactions.

Whether you spend ten minutes or two hours, the experience offers a rare opportunity to see and hold history that predates written records by millennia.

The Boy Scout Troop # 106 will have a lunch stand.

The fourth grade students have been working very hard at making Indian villages from all natural materials.





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Join 4-H: Come Grow with Us

Submitted by Samantha Hougan, Extension Green County

In 4-H, we believe in the power of young people. We see that every child has valuable strengths and real influence to improve the world around us. We are America's largest youth development organization-empowering young people across our community to lead for a lifetime.

4-H is open to all youth in five-year-old kindergarten (5K) through high school, whether youth live in the city, village or country. We bring belonging, opportunity and experience to all kids from all backgrounds. 4-H celebrates access and equity for all kids!

Green County 4-H has 15 community 4-H clubs across the county to choose from. Families are invited to talk to club leaders and visit club meetings, before selecting a club that best fits their family's schedule, location and interests. Get started by contacting the Organizational Leader(s) of clubs that you are interested in learning more about and potentially visiting. 4-H clubs in the Albany, Brodhead and Juda area include Clarence Bridge Pioneers, Decatur, Jolly Mixers, Juda Jolly Juniors, and Spring Grove Honest Workers.

Club name—meeting place—day of the month and time:

Clarence Bridge Pioneers, Spring Grove Town Hall, Brodhead, second Sunday at 6 p.m.

Decatur, Albrecht Elementary School, Brodhead, second Sunday at 6 p.m.

Jolly Mixers, Albany Lions Club building, third Sunday at 6 p.m.

Juda Jolly Juniors, Juda Community Center or Juda School, second Sunday at 4 p.m.

Spring Grove Honest Workers, Juda School, second Sunday at 1 p.m.

Youth are welcome to join 4-H anytime of the year, but we especially encourage enrollments during our primary 4-H enrollment window of September 1st - November 1st. In 2026-27, enrollment dues for youth members are $15 per member, but the enrollment dues are waived for first year families. So, families new to 4-H can join for FREE!

For more information about joining any of our Green County 4-H Clubs or for club leader contact information, check out our Green County 4-H website at www.greencounty4h.info or contact the Extension Green County office at 608-328-9440. You can also find "Green County 4-H UW-Extension" on Facebook.



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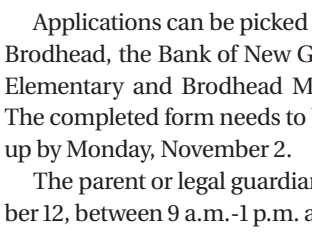
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It's Optimist Mitten Tree Time!

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.

Green County Land and Water Conservation Tree Sale is Open

Alright it's fall! The time to bust out a "new" wardrobe, drink up the pumpkin spice lattes and enjoy every bit of nice weather. And. . .order trees for next spring! The Green County Land and Water Conservation Department is offering nine varieties of trees and two shrubs for landowners interested in planting trees next spring. The tree varieties are: Bur Oak, Red Oak, Swamp White Oak, White Oak, Black Walnut, Domestic Apple, Norway Poplar, White Pine and Norway Spruce. The shrubs available are American Plum and Redosier Dogwood. The trees and shrubs are bareroot, and range in height between 18 inches and four feet depending on species. The cost is $3 per tree and must be ordered in increments of 10. Most of the trees and shrubs are native to the area and the species offered cover a broad range of soil types and moistures.

Mycorrhizal root dip and nutrient packs are also available to order. Tree spuds can be rented with a deposit. The LWCD has tree planters available, allowing you to plant a lot of trees with ease. Contact the office to get on the planter schedule.

Trees can be ordered by contacting the LWCD directly by phone or by ordering through the Green County LWCD website https://greencountylwcd.com/tree-sales/ There are also order forms in the office if you want to stop by and pick one up. If you are unsure about what trees will work in your particular soil, have any questions about the trees or how to order stop in or give the Green County LWCD a call at 608-325-4195 ext 2682. Orders will be taken until Thursday, December 31, 2026. Limited amounts of each specie are available, so it is advised if you are looking for something specific—order early. Trees are scheduled for pick up mid to late April.