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Carl will be officially sworn in at the School Board Meeting on Monday, April 27, 2026, and will serve a three-year term. They are excited to have him join the Board and look forward to the perspective, dedication, and service he will bring to our school community.

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## Brodhead Historical Society to meet

The Brodhead Historical Society invites you to their next monthly meeting, on Monday, April 27. Following a short business discussion, our guest speaker will be local quilt artist, Eileen Daniels, with a presentation entitled "Vintage Textiles With A Creative Twist". She will highlight quilted items made with

men's ties, 1950s tablecloths, hankies, lace doilies, embroidered linens, aprons, crocheted pieces and vintage dishtowels. You will hear the stories that go with all the old linens that now have a new life.

Eileen has been a quilter for over 50 years, and loves to share her creativity. She also taught middle school home economics for 30 years. She continues to teach classes both locally and at the Great Wisconsin Quilt Show in Madison—when time permits! Please join them for an interesting and fun program. The meeting begins at 7 p.m. in the Knight Addition of the Depot Museum, and is free and open to the public.



## CARL HEARING

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Sincerely, Carl Hearing

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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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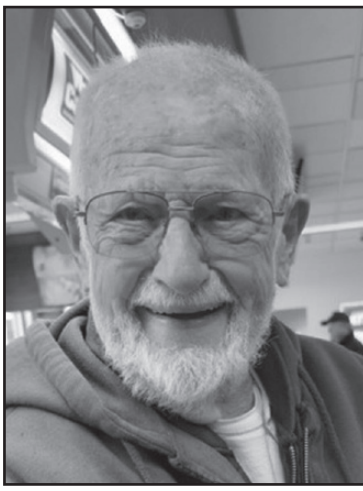
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## OBITUARIES



### Laurence L. "Larry" Leverton

Laurence L. "Larry" Leverton, age 94, of Monroe, died on Friday, April 3, 2026 at SSM Monroe Hospice Home. Larry was born on July 18, 1931 in rural Orangeville, Illinois, the son of John and Gertrude (Wagner) Leverton. He was a graduate of Orangeville High School and served in the U.S. Army. Larry was united in marriage to Belva Hauser on June 8, 1952 at St. John's United Church of Christ in Monroe. He was employed as a service manager at Gempler's Tire, Marty-Ripp Chevrolet, and Trucks Incorporated. He was a well-known bus driver for the Monroe School District for the past 68 years.

Larry was a member of the Monroe Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses, enjoyed camping with his family, dancing with Belva, and kept sharp by doing crossword and Sudoku puzzles. In his spare time he could be found cutting wood, riding his motorcycle, tinkering with small engines, and attending family events. He will be remembered for his outgoing personality and sense of humor.

Larry is survived by his five children: Deborah (Bob) Carpenter of Monroe, Cindy (John) Thompson of Monroe, Ann (David) Siegel, Cheryl (Ernie) Jones, and Kevin Leverton, all of Monroe; 15 grandchildren; 36 great-grandchildren; brothers: Virgil Leverton of Madison, and Duaine Leverton of Orangeville; sister, Joann (Gene) Dobbins of Monroe; and a spoiled brat, his dog Riely. He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Belva, on February 20, 2024; great-grandson, Blake Carpenter; brothers, Leland and Allen Leverton; and his dog, Jax.

A celebration of Larry's life will be held on Saturday, May 2, at 1 p.m., at Kingdom Hall, N3073 State Road 59, Monroe. A luncheon will be held following the service at the Monroe American Legion Post #84. Visitation will precede the service on Saturday, May 2, beginning at 11 a.m. The Newcomer Funeral Home, Monroe, is assisting the family. Condolences may be shared at www.newcomerfuneralhome.net

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### Eugene Daniel Stampfli Karen Mae Stampfli

Eugene Daniel Stampfli, 90, passed away Thursday, March 12, 2026 and his wife, Karen Mae (Briggs) Stampfli, 87, passed away on Easter Sunday, April 5, 2026 at Park View Health Center in Oshkosh. Gene was born June 6, 1935 to the late Herman and Edith (Kundert) Stampfli in Janesville, Wisconsin. Karen was born May 22, 1938 to the late Francis and Helen Briggs in Monroe, Wisconsin. They were married on August 4, 1956 in Monroe. They had two children: Deb Stampfli (Port Washington) and Bill (Ronni) Stampfli (Oshkosh).

Eugene and Karen lived in Brodhead for many years prior to moving

to Oshkosh to be closer to family. They were proud of their Swiss heritage and took many trips to Switzerland. They also enjoyed polka music, bus trips, and endless hours spent with their grandchildren.

Gene and Karen are survived by their children: Deb and Bill (Ronni) Stampfli; six granddaughters: Britany (Dustin) Lobner, Kelsey (Joe) Klohn, Ashley (Luke) Straveler, Ronessa Stampfli, Kayla (Ryan) Gault and Erika Stampfli; 14 great-grandchildren; Gene's brothers: Tony and Fred and sisters: Kathleen and Phyllis.

In addition to their parents, Gene was preceded in death by his brothers: Victor, Herman, and Daniel.

Per Gene and Karen's wishes, cremation has taken place and there will be no services held. Eugene and Karen will be buried together at the Greenwood Cemetery in Brodhead.

The family would like to thank all the staff at Parkview Health Center for their exceptional care, with a very heartfelt thank you to the staff on Lakeside One.

## Green County Genealogical Society

Friday Fun Day—April 24, 2026

"Find a Grave Website and App Using GPS Mapping" by Bill Holland. Learn how you can use the Find a Grave App to GPS a monument in the cemetery. A video, Cemetery vs Graveyard will also be viewed.

On Friday, May 15 the Friday Fun Day will be at a cemetery to use the app to GPS monuments.

The Green County Genealogical Society will hold its Friday Fun Day April 24 from 1-3 p.m. in the Research center located in the lower level of the Monroe Public Library.

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.

### You must be born again.

~John 3:7 NKJV

There are a series of imperatives in John chapters 3 and 4. It is imperative for sinners to be born again, while in verse 14 there is the imperative of the Saviour, "Even so must the Son of Man be lifted up." Next, John the Baptist says, "He must increase, but I must decrease" (John 3:30). Then Jesus says of the Father, "Those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth" (John 4:24). There is a wonderful progression applicable to us, the "must" of the sinner, followed by the "must" of the Saviour. Then the "must" of the Sovereign followed by the response of a servant. Finally, there is the "must" of saints regarding worship to Him. May God help us to make application of them to our lives.

—Gary McBride

Crowned with the victor's crown, Jesus on high we see;  
He won that place of high renown on Calvary's cruel tree. —J. Wheeler

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## Juda Volunteer Fire and First Response Department Open House

The Juda Volunteer Fire and First Response Department will be holding their annual open house on Sunday, April 26th, at the Juda Community Center and Fire Station from 11 a.m. till 3 p.m. Lunch will be served all day consisting of brats, hot dogs, chips, potato salad, dessert and refreshments. A free will donation will be accepted. There will be fire truck rides, free blood pressure screening and a fire extinguisher simulator all day along with a demonstration starting at 1 p.m. Come visit with department members and check out the equipment and spend time visiting with friends and neighbors! See you on the 26th!

## A LITTLE GOOD NEWS

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~ Eleanor Roosevelt



## ACTIVITIES AROUND TOWN

### ANNUAL MEETING BRODHEAD AREA EMS

The annual meeting of the Brodhead Area EMS, Inc. will be held Monday, May 4th, at 7 p.m. at the Brodhead Area EMS training center, 1125 W. 2nd Avenue, Brodhead. All members are encouraged to attend. This meeting will follow the regular monthly crew meeting, which will begin at 6 p.m. that evening.

Business and progress over the last year will be covered and three directors will be elected. The directors whose terms expire are: Brandon Riese, as crewmember and Marnie Leifker and Justin Campbell, as non-crew members. The BAEMS Inc. is required to have nine directors, holding three-year terms, of which four directors are non-crew members from the area.

### CALLING ALL AREA INSTRUMENTALISTS!!!

For the past 13 years, the Brodhead Community Band has provided the Brodhead area with a summer concert. They are always looking for instrumentalists to be a part of their group.

The Brodhead Community Band rehearses on Tuesday evenings (starting on June 16th) from 6-7:30 p.m. in the BHS Band Room. Their performance this year is on Sunday, August 9th at Veterans Park in Brodhead.

If interested or if you have any questions, please contact Jason Ries-terer: jriesterer@brodhead.k12.wi.us.

### BRODHEAD LIONS CLUB ROSE SALE

The Brodhead Lions are selling roses just in time for Mother's Day delivery. They will be selling a dozen roses for \$20. Contact any Lion or Casey Jones at 602-315-9191 or Jim Huffman at 608-558-1507 by Friday, May 1 to ensure you get your dozen. Proceeds will be used to support their many community projects.

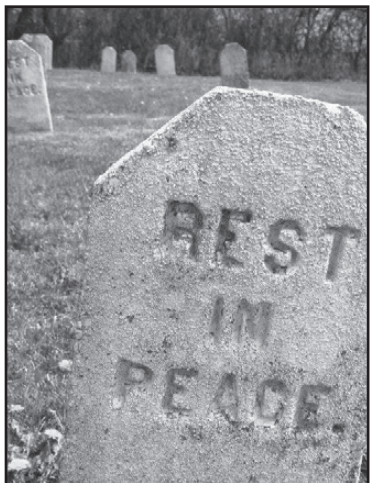
### DLMRA Annual Meeting

The Decatur Lake and Mill Race Association (DLMRA) would like to announce their upcoming annual meeting on Saturday, April 25, from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Kelch Aviation Museum. The public is invited to attend as well as all members. Directors will be updating members on recent activities, electing new board members and presenting a minor change to the bylaws to provide more flexibility in when the annual meeting dates will occur (members must be present to vote on these items). The guest speaker will be Tonya Gratz of Green County Land and Water Conservation District and Farmers of the Sugar River.

DLMRA is an active organization in the Brodhead area dedicated to preserving, protecting and enhancing the experience of interaction with the area's natural resources. DLMRA has installed docks on Decatur Lake and the Mill Race. DLMRA also works with the Pearl Island committee for improvements, stocked our local waters with thousands of fish and provided opportunities for youth to experience fishing among many other endeavors. New ideas and programs are in the works—join them!

To join DLMRA by mail: send a check for \$30 and your contact information to DLMRA, N4177 Golf Course Rd, Brodhead WI 53520 or email info@DLMRA.org for an application form. More information may be found at DLMRA.org or DLMRA on Facebook. Venmo is accepted via the website.

## Green County Genealogical Society to present Institutional Cemeteries



The Green County Genealogical Society will present—"Institutional Cemeteries" presented by Steve Seim. The presentation is Saturday, May 2 at 10 a.m. in the Monroe Public Library community room on the second floor. The program is open to the public!

Steve Seim has compiled and cataloged information on hundreds of cemeteries for poor farms, asylums, prisons and similar institutions across the country. He will share the history and reasons for the institutions. When the "inmates" died, their remains were often unclaimed, and the institution buried them. Most institutions had their own burial grounds on site. As institutions were phased out or modernized, their burial grounds were often neglected or forgotten, and burial records became difficult to obtain. Those buried in institutional cemeteries were often forgotten in their own lifetime and are in danger of being forgotten forever.

Mr. Seim serves as the Court Commissioner for Dodge County. He and his wife, Julie, have two grown children.

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.

## Give blood. Help Save Lives

The Brodhead Blood Drive will be held Monday, April 27, 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. Use sponsor code: BrodheadWI to schedule an appointment. Walk-ins welcome!

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## Brodhead Evening Garden Club Scholarship

The Brodhead Evening Garden Club (Est 1932) has been offering a scholarship to a graduating high school senior since 2006. The scholarship is open to current seniors of Brodhead, Juda, Albany, Orfordville and Evansville. This includes qualified home school applicants who are pursuing a degree in Agriculture, with a preference to Horticulture, Plant Science, Landscaping or Turf Science.

Students may attend a four-year, two-year or technical school. The amount of \$500 will be awarded upon completion of the first semester. Applicants are asked to submit an application plus a two page essay detailing their high school achievements, grade point averages, extra-curricular activities, future goals and career objectives. If your school has a scholarship application online, a copy of that application will also be considered.

Application must be submitted to Marion Taylor, 15426 W Skinner Rd, Brodhead, WI 53520 by Thursday, April 30, 2026.

## Footville Fire and EMS Pancake Breakfast

The Footville Fire and EMS will host a Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, April 25, from 6:30-11 a.m. at the fire station located at 252 N. Gilbert Street. They will be serving pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage links, milk, juice and coffee. The cost is adults \$10, children \$5 and two and under are free. Dine in, carry out and delivery available in Footville Fire District. Call 608-876-6118.

There will be 50/50 and basket raffle tickets for purchase. Winner will be drawn at the end of the event. You do not need to be present to win! There will be some silent auction items as well.

## Driven to Eat: Juda Edition

Maple Leaf Cheese Store and R&R Auto Sales are sponsoring a Driven to Eat: Juda Edition food truck night on Thursday, April 23, from 4 to 8 p.m. The event will be held at the Mobil Gas Station, W2616 WI 11/81, Juda.

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Friday, April 24th

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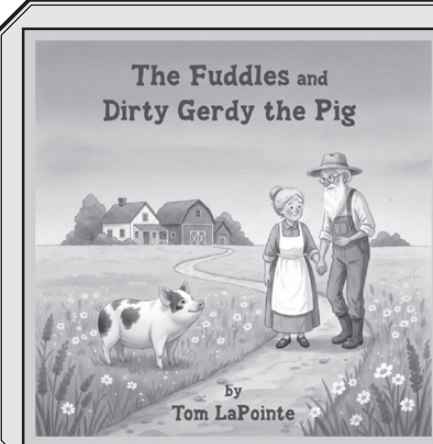
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## Juda Fire and First Response Open House

Sunday, April 26th, 2026

11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

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Demonstrations at 1:00 p.m. • Fire Truck Rides For The Kids  
Lunch served all day - Free Will Donation

## Mt. Hope Cemetery Association

The annual meeting of the Mt. Hope Cemetery Association will be held Monday, April 27, at 7 p.m. at the Spring Grove Town Hall, County Road GG, Brodhead.

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Front row (left to right): Morgan Meyers, Anthonnii Dorsey, Emily Vogt; second row: Ayda Klein, Serenity Pautsch, Chase Meyers, Rylan Aasen, Nora Ray, Peter Roth; third row: Avigale Pautsch, Coach Heather Clarke, Coach Alan Stark, Coach Steinmann, Coach Seth Pautsch, Coach Jasper Meeker, Tavin Bomkamp; back row: Caleb Frint, Balin Lacy, Jagger Wilke, Case Cudney, Elijah Gunn, Jimmy Merritt.

**Parkview/  
Albany  
Wrestling  
Awards**

By Joel Steinmann

On Wednesday, April 8th, the 2025-2026 Parkview-Albany wrestling season came to an end with the awards night that celebrated a successful season on and off the mat. The senior quote for the team was "THE MORE YOU SWEAT IN PRACTICE THE LESS YOU BLEED IN BATTLE". With the numbers being low on both sides that quote was spot on and we were very successful as a wrestling family. This was the first season the WIAA has separated the boys and girls from wrestling together. On the boy's side the team won a share of the Trailways south conference dual title and having Elijah Gunn #165 win a conference title and Tavin Bomkamp #150 and Peter Roth #175 place second. Bomkamp and Gunn both qualified for state with Bomkamp placing fourth. On the girl's side they placed third as a team at conference and had Serenity Pautsch #126 win a conference championship and also placed second at the Evansville regionals to qualify for sectionals.

With many family members and friends in attendance to celebrate not only the wrestling but also academic awards for national and all state awards that many of the wrestlers earned this season.

Awards given out were:

Alumni Pride: Nora Ray, Jimmy Merritt, Jagger Wilke

Academic awards:

All Team Honors (3.0 and above): Avigale Pautsch, Serenity Pautsch, Morgan Meyers, Emily Vogt, Elijah Gunn, Peter Roth, Jagger Wilke, Case Cudney and Rylan Aasen.

NWCA (National Wrestling Coach Association) High School All American (3.5 and above): Case Cudney, Peter Roth, Elijah Gunn, Serenity Pautsch, Avigale Pautsch

WWA (Wisconsin Wrestling Association) All State Honors (3.7 and above): Case Cudney, Peter Roth, Avigale Pautsch, Serenity Pautsch

(NWCA) High School Character & Leadership All American Award (must be a junior or senior): Peter Roth, Balin Lacy, Jagger Wilke, Serenity Pautsch, Ayda Klein

All Conference Awards: (All sportsmanship, conference champion and second place, wrestler of the year nominee both boy and girls)

Conference all sportsmanship: Ayda Klein and Balin Lacy

Conference Champions: Elijah Gunn #165, Serenity Pautsch #126

Conference second place: Tavin Bomkamp #150, Peter Roth #175

Wrestler of the year nominee: Serenity Pautsch, Tavin Bomkamp

Sectional and State Qualifiers: JV State Qualifier: Rylan Aasen #215

Sectional Qualifier: Serenity Pautsch #126

State Qualifiers: Elijah Gunn #165; Tavin Bomkamp #150 fourth place

End of the season Rankings Gunn (D3-13th) and Bomkamp (D3-fourth)

All Area Wrestling Team—Rylan Aasen #215, Peter Roth #175 HM, Elijah Gunn #165, Tavin Bomkamp, Serenity Pautsch first team.

Team voted awards boys and girls: Most Pins, Fastest pin, Captains, Underclassman, Hein's (most improved), McNair (most dedicated), Most Valuable Wrestler.

Most pins: Peter Roth 24, Serenity Pautsch 27

Fastest Pin: Ayda Klein :13 (2x), Elijah Gunn :21

McNair (Most Dedicated): Peter Roth, Serenity Pautsch

Hein's (Most improved) Avigale Pautsch, Rylan Aasen

Underclassman: Avigale Pautsch, Elijah Gunn

Captains: Ayda Klein, Serenity Pautsch

Captains: Elijah Gunn, Peter Roth

Most Valuable Wrestler: Tavin Bomkamp, Serenity Pautsch

Congratulations to all the award winners. The hard work does pay off not only on the mat but also in the classroom. Wishing our lone senior Jagger Wilke the very best in your future endeavors. We will be working hard to keep the Wrestling family growing both the girls and boys and make the push for the conference championship again and make a push to state. For next year the seniors picked the quote "YOUR NEXT MOVE MATTERS MORE THAN YOUR LAST MISTAKE". See on the mat!! Coach Steinmann

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While learning about Africa in Mrs. Tresemer's seventh-grade geography class, students were introduced to Beatrice from Uganda, whose family received a goat from Heifer International.

For over 20 years, BMS philanthropy has provided livestock and training to families worldwide. This year, students raised \$160 and chose to purchase a pig, chicks, and a "share" of a goat.

photo caption: Everyone who has donated at least a quarter since 2002 has signed their name on this tarp.

## Baseball Wins Back-to-Back

By Teresa Earleywine

Brodhead baseball packed a one-two punch in a double header against Big Foot last Thursday. The Cardinals got on the board at the top of the first inning after Sam Searls doubled down the right field line, and the Chiefs dropped a third strike, each scoring one run. In the top of the third inning, Brodhead added to their score after Chase Baumen singled down the left field line, and Dylan Ross grounded into a fielder's choice, scoring two more runs. Ross would later hit a single to center field that allowed Braylon Strehlow to score. In the seventh Bauman would advance and score on errors. The Cards win it 6-3. Logan Krupke started on the bump for Brodhead. The hurler allowed nine hits, three runs (one earned) over seven innings, striking out four and walking none.

In game two, Searls earned a 9-6 save from the mound. The reliever pitched three and one-third innings striking out six, walking one, and recorded no hits and no runs. Bauman and Krupke each went 3-for-4 at the plate; Searls was credited with three RBIs. As a team Brodhead racked up 11 hits. The Chiefs were held to five hits.

This week baseball was at Evansville on Tuesday and will host them on Thursday. Friday the team will be at Mount Horeb.

## Track and Golf Update

By Teresa Earleywine

Track and golf events were literally washed-out last week due to heavy storms almost daily. This week track will be at Edgerton on Tuesday for a quad meet. Golf on Wednesday will be at Krueger Haskell Course in Beloit and Friday they will compete at Evansville.

## Brodhead Softball Splits

By Teresa Earleywine

Cardinal softball rolled on past McFarland with an 11-5 win last Monday. Mady Henning was solid with the bat connecting 3-for-3, while Leah Rear and Karli Krumwiede were 2-for-4 at the plate and Elise Rear hit 2-of-3 and led in RBIs with three.

Elise Rear started the momentum for Brodhead when she hit a solo homerun in the second-inning. Keegan Steinke opened the bottom of the fourth with a double. Henning followed with an over the fence homerun to assert the Cardinals strength with a 7-2 lead. In the sixth, the Cardinals scored three additional runs to secure the victory.

Brodhead tallied 17 hits with 10 RBIs in the game. Henning pitched the entire game, striking out six, two walks, nine hits and five runs.

With Mother Nature ruling the after-school events, Brodhead softball got in a second game against Clinton on Thursday. The Cougars came out on top with a 2-1 victory as they put together eight hits in the game. Brodhead had four hits with Natalie Pierce hitting a sacrifice fly allowing Leah Rear to tag up and score to give the Cards their lone score.

Andi Bell pitcher for Clinton had five strikeouts, four hits, no walks and no errors. Mady Henning on the mound for Brodhead went six innings, allowing two runs on eight hits, striking out four and walking none.

This week the Cardinals will see Whitewater come to town on Tuesday, Friday they will be at Beloit Turner.



## Rotary Botanical Gardens' Annual Spring Plant Sale Returns May 7-9

Rotary Botanical Gardens invites the community to bring the beauty of the Gardens home at the Annual Spring Plant Sale, happening May 7-9, 2026. This highly anticipated sale offers a wide selection of high-quality plants, including herbs, perennials, woody plants, bagged mushroom compost, and more. New this year, a food vendor will be on-site throughout the sale for added convenience while you shop.

Event Details:

- Thursday, May 7, 4-7 p.m. (Members Only!)

- Friday, May 8, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

- Saturday, May 9, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

- Location: Rotary Botanical Gardens, 1455 Palmer Drive, Janesville, WI

Exclusive Member Benefits

Rotary Botanical Gardens members receive early access to the sale on Thursday, May 7, plus 10% off all purchases throughout all three days of the event. Not a member yet? Sign up today to enjoy these exclusive perks and support the Gardens year-round.

This event is a perfect opportunity for gardeners of all levels to stock up on beautiful, high-quality plants while supporting Rotary Botanical Gardens' mission of horticultural excellence and community engagement.

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Senior Karlie Krumwiede, as catcher, was 2-for-4 at the plate against McFarland. (Free Press photo by Teresa Earleywine)



Senior Sam Searls was credited with the save in game two against Big Foot. He also had 3-RBIs. (file photo)

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**Lunch and Learn: Behind the Lens**  
**Thursday, April 30, 12-1 p.m., at Three Waters Reserve**  
 Who is behind the lens? That would be SWLC Executive Director, Aryn Swann, and LSRWA President, Craig Ellefson! Featured across the Three Waters Reserve Collective, there is an array of beautiful wildlife and nature photography capturing the wonder of our region. This is your chance to meet the photographers behind many of the photos you see on their websites, emails, print materials, and social media channels!  
 During this Lunch and Learn session, they will explore the methods and stories behind some of the most popular photos they have shared, as well as other special photography moments. While they cannot give away all of their secret tips and tricks, they are happy to share methods with you to help you improve your photography skills!  
 Following this Lunch and Learn, there will be an optional Trail Walk! Bring your own camera, weather-appropriate gear, and they will take a stroll around the property to work on our photography skills. Don't have a camera but still want to attend the Trail Walk? No problem, everyone is welcome to take a stroll with them. Please note this Trail Walk is weather-dependent. They will also be doing follow-up Trail Walks on Nature and Wildlife Photography later in the season.  
 Tickets: \$21.95  
 Three Waters Reserve: N3941 Golf Course Rd, Brodhead, WI 53520  
 Register by: Sunday, April 26th, 2026  
 Buy tickets online: [www.threewatersreserve.com/pages/calendar-1](http://www.threewatersreserve.com/pages/calendar-1)

**The Durand Library to Host a Presentation This Land is Your Land:**  
**The Folk Songs of Woody Guthrie**  
 Bucky Halker presents a free program "This Land is Your Land: The Folk Songs of Woody Guthrie" Tuesday, April 28. This program is hosted by the Friends of the Durand Library and will be held in the Durand School cafeteria area.  
 This Land Is Your Land is a program, which combines music performance (guitar and vocal) and spoken commentary. The program features songs by legendary folk-singer and songwriter Woodrow Wilson "Woody" Guthrie (1912-1967), as well as commentary on the time period and each song. This commentary frames the program in a larger historical context and offers specific details on Guthrie's songs and his biography. The program also includes two singalong songs.  
 "We are delighted to host this event," said Friends President Barbara Flores. "The presentation aligns with the Illinois America 250 Commission's theme "We the People" which invites us to explore ideas of who has been included and who has been left out of the nation's promise."  
 This program is co-presented by the Illinois Humanities Road Scholars Speakers Bureau. Road Scholar Speakers travel throughout Illinois sharing free, dynamic presentations about literature, philosophy, theater, local history, film, music, politics, and more, at no cost to host organizations. The program enables local nonprofit organizations to present free-admission cultural programs to their communities.  
 Bucky Halker, holds a Ph.D. in American History and has lectured and published extensively on music in America. He has toured Europe regularly since 1990. Bucky is the author of For Democracy, Workers, and God: Labor Song-Poems and Labor Protest, 1865-1895 (University of Illinois Press) and the scholar-producer for the five-volume Folksongs of Illinois CD series.  
 The program is slated for Tuesday, April 28 at 7 p.m. in the cafeteria area of the Durand School located at 200 W. South Street, Durand, Illinois. Audience members are asked to enter through the west activity entrance. For more information, email [villagelibrary@cusd322.org](mailto:villagelibrary@cusd322.org) or call 815-289-8602.



**Advertising Deadline: Friday, 5 p.m.**

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**Albertson Memorial Public Library**  
 By Laura Roth, Children's Librarian

Puppies reading books! That was the theme for Albertson Memorial Library's Preschool Story Time last week. The Best Place to Read (by Bertram) goes through the house and finally decided the best place is right on Mom's lap. Then, Dog Loves Books (by Yates) talks about a dog who opens a bookstore. Finally, How Rocket Learned to Read (by Hills) is a story about a little yellow bird (Woodstock?) who teaches a dog friend how to read. The preschoolers are getting better and better singing B! I! N! G! O! A business-sized envelope created a great puppy puppet using scrap paper spots, ears and tongue. Even the youngest ones had a good time using their puppet.  
 Next week, Story Time returns to the Family Theme, this time highlighting moms. What Moms Can't Do (by Wood), My Mommy and I (by Hallinan) And Mommy Hugs (by Katz) are the featured stories. The preschoolers will again use handprints and tempera paint to make a special picture just for mom.  
 Preschool Story Time at Albertson Memorial Library meets Tuesdays at 10 a.m. until the end of the school year. There's just a month left for you to come try out our fun. We'd love to have some new friends. Won't you join us?



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## Garage Sales



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## Notice



**AGENDA**  
**BRODHEAD SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**  
Wednesday, April 27, 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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    3. RESIGNATION(S)
    4. EMPLOYMENT RECOMMENDATION(S)
  - VII. REPORT ON ELECTION RESULTS
  - VIII. BOARD REORGANIZATION
    - A. Election of School Board Officials
    - B. Board Meeting Dates and Times for 2026-27
    - C. Official Depository
    - D. Approval of Authorized Signatures

- IX. APPROVAL OF TEACHER CONTRACTS
  - X. ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STAFFING FOR 2026-27
  - XI. APPROVAL OF CESA 2 SERVICE CONTRACTS
  - XII. 2nd READING OF MISSION AND VISION STATEMENT
  - XIII. POLICY UPDATES
  - XIV. FUTURE AGENDA
  - XV. ROLL CALL VOTE TO CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO WI. STS. 19.85 (1)(c)
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## Luther Valley Historical Society Museum

By Lauraine Smith

SATURDAY APRIL 25—FREE ADMISSION at The Luther Valley Historical Society Museum, 215 Janesville Street, Footville, Old Footville United Methodist Church building open 10 a.m.-2 p.m. during Footville's Annual village-wide Rummage Sale. Stop at the Museum to see our depository providing a collection of information from the Luther Valley area including Footville, Hanover, Orfordville and the townships of Center, Plymouth, Magnolia, Spring Valley, Newark, and Avon. Have family that lived or lives in the area and wondering about their history? Then please make contact with Luther Valley Historical Society to start your adventure to seek their story through our Archives. Appointments may be scheduled for this service through our Archivists.

Annual membership provides individuals with opportunities to contribute to preservation efforts through financial support and donation of time and efforts on projects like our current establishment of the complete inventory of Museum's items on display on the main level and also the lower level which houses the lending library, kitchen, and meeting room that may be scheduled for your club meetings or party celebrations at a very reasonable cost.

Stop in Saturday to take a free tour and information so that you may learn how the Luther Valley Historical Society can enhance your knowledge of the area, your family, and services we provide.

Questions-contact us at: [luthervalleyhistorical@gmail.com](mailto:luthervalleyhistorical@gmail.com) or go to the website: [luthervalleyhistorical.society.org](http://luthervalleyhistorical.society.org)



## POLICE

### Green County Sheriff's Department April 13-19, 2025

At 4:23 p.m., Thursday, deputies responded to the W3200 block of STH 11, in the Town of Sylvester, for a reported two vehicle crash. The investigation found that Joseph F. Steuri, 66, of Brodhead, was traveling westbound, when he began slowing down for a vehicle ahead of him preparing to turn southbound onto High School Road. Another westbound vehicle behind Steuri, driven by Eduardo Hernandez Mora, 49, of Monroe, failed to slow down and collided with the rear of Steuri's vehicle. Steuri and Hernan-

dez Mora reported they were both wearing their seat belts and were uninjured. Both vehicles sustained minor damage, with no airbag deployment, and were later removed from the scene. The investigation resulted in Hernandez Mora being cited for operating after revocation (due to an alcohol offense) and operating a motor vehicle without insurance. Hernandez Mora was later released pending court.

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## Juda School District

### Board Meeting Wednesday, April 8th, 2026

- Had a presentation by Carrie Soddy and Ariel (Foesch) Foley on the 4K and Advanced Learners Program.
- Courtney Martins and Amber Scheidegger received the most votes in the spring election held on Tuesday, April 7th and will attend the May meeting.
- Jessica Matzke and Pat Daniels were presented with a certificate and appreciation gifts for their years of service on the board. Both did not run in the recent election. Jessica has served on the board for six years and Pat has served for 18 years.
- Traci Davis updated the board on the many events that will be taking place through the end of the school year.
- The Rec Department reported the installation of the new playground equipment is moving forward. The old swing set from the park has been moved to the playground at the school. Quotes have been received for the 36' by 72' shed for storage at the park. The total cost of \$90,000 includes electrical and was previously approved by the board and funds come from Fund 80.
- The Buildings and Grounds Committee will regroup once the new board members are onboard. Board members requested that a recap of how the referendum funds have been spent over the last year be presented.
- Mrs. Larson presented the board with information on new Science Curriculum. This is a six-year curriculum for grades fifth through eighth grades. The Board approved the purchase at a cost not to exceed \$30,000 from Elevate Science and split into two equal payments for the 2026/2027 and 2027/2028 school years.
- Mrs. Larson reported that English Teacher, Ms. Shelton has a parent/guardian "Literature and Film Permission Slip" that will be given to students at the beginning of the school year to be signed by parents/guardians to approve or not approve the list of books for the school year.
- Traci Davis informed the Board that the quotes for insurance for the coming year show an increase of 8.9% for health insurance and 4% for dental insurance. Traci and Pam Green have met with the insurance representative and other options for the district will be formulated and presented to the board.
- Approved an out of country trip for the Spanish Club for a trip to Costa Rica and Panama in June of 2027.
- Took no action coming out of Executive Session.
- Board members will meet with the staff on Wednesday, May 13th after school to review the past school year.
- Next Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 13, 2026, at 7 p.m.

## Stateline Music Foundation scholarship

The Stateline Music Foundation of Freeport, Illinois, is offering scholarship aid for high school or home school seniors graduating in 2026 who will enroll in a music major curriculum in a junior college or a four-year college or university and reside or attend high school or home school in one of the following counties: Jo Davies, Carroll, Stephenson, Winnebago, Boone, Ogle, DeKalb, Whiteside and Lee in Illinois or Lafayette, Green and Rock Counties in Wisconsin.

Application forms and repertoire requirements are available by writing Kenneth Drake at [keosdrake@gmail.com](mailto:keosdrake@gmail.com)

## Friends of the Badger and Sugar River State Trails Spring into Action!

The Friends of the Badger and Sugar River State Trails invite you to help maintain our beautiful trails by joining them for their Earth Day Trail Clean-up on Saturday, April 25 starting at 9 a.m. Winter has come and gone... and revealed a lot of trash and debris in its wake!

They can use your help to pick up trash, move branches and clear brush from the trails. Join one of the board members for a morning clean-up walk on Saturday, April 25 or choose a portion of the trail near you or one that you've never walked before! They will supply garbage bags and send a Friends' decal as a thank you to any volunteer who spends at least an hour doing trail maintenance as part of the Earth Day Trail Cleanup event.

Meeting sites for Earth Day Trail Cleanup include:

New Glarus—Train Depot — Sugar River Trailhead

Monticello—Badger Trail Parking Lot

Albany—Trail Parking Lot

They appreciate any help, so if Saturday, April 25 does not work, but you would still like to help, let them know what day you are planning work, so they can get trash bags to you.

Contact [membership@friendsofbadgerstatetrail.org](mailto:membership@friendsofbadgerstatetrail.org) with any questions.

## Easterseals Wisconsin Hosts Camp Open House Day

Easterseals Wisconsin will host Camp Open House Day to showcase updates and offer camp tours at Camp Wawbeek and Respite Camp in Wisconsin Dells on Sunday, April 26, presented by Hall of Fame Farms. Prospective camper families, future staff members, returning campers, long-time camp families, or community supporters—anyone is welcome! Family fun activities include from 1-3 p.m.: facepainting, bubble station, balloon artist, tie-dyeing, music and more.

WHEN: Sunday, April 26, from noon–4 p.m. (lunch served at 1 p.m., while supplies last)

WHERE: 1450 Highway 13, Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin

COST: Event is FREE, but RSVP appreciated at: <https://givebutter.com/CAMP2026ESW>

Sponsors: Hall of Fame Farms, Holiday Wholesale, Organic Valley, Woodman's Market, Modern Woodmen, The Shoe Box, Frito Lay, Culver's, Dancing Acres, and Tiny Bites. Lunch available while supplies last, serving starts at 1 p.m.



Two pairs of sisters were among the contestants at the 2024 Cheese Days Prince and Princess Contest: front Caesyn McNett and Evynn McNett; back Colette Morris and Cora Morris.

## Calling all future royalty: Cheese Days seeks 2026 Prince and Princess

If you have a child who loves Cheese Days and dreams of being royal, we have just the opportunity.

Green County Cheese Days is seeking a prince and princess to complete the royal family for the 2026 festival. The pair will assist

with public relations, record radio commercials, and appear in parades. In a long-standing tradition, the prince and princess will be featured on promotional billboards in southern Wisconsin and northern Illinois.

The Cheese Days Prince and Princess Contest is open to Green County residents who are at least six years old by the start of the festival weekend, and not older than twelve when the festivities conclude. This year's festival will be held September 18-20, 2026. Contestants must wear Swiss attire for judging.

Children selected as prince and princess must be accompanied by a parent or guardian, who will provide transportation to and from all appearances and events.

Judging appointments for the contest will be set on the morning of Saturday, June 6, at the Historic Green County Courthouse in downtown Monroe. Contestants will be evaluated on personality, appearance, and speaking ability. All candidates will be invited to attend the award ceremony held at noon that same day. Children should be prepared to speak into a microphone in front of the audience at the ceremony.

For more information visit [cheesedays.com](http://cheesedays.com). A link on the home page leads to the application form, which can be submitted by mail or completed online.

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