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School Board

Annual School Board Meeting 2024

By Grace Kufahl

Superintendent Novy opened the annual mandatory Budget Hearing and Annual Meeting where he outlined the budget and gave the public a chance to pose questions during the Budget Hearing. The An-

nual meeting required the public to approve the tax levy for the District's General Fund among other resolutions. A total of 13 district citizens attended including staff and board members.

It was reported the district will

receive \$8,391,546 in equalized state aid for 2024-25, a 7.67% increase from last year or \$597,616.

The district requested a levy of \$4,916,673 for the General Fund and \$875,000 for the Debt Service Fund 39, totaling \$5,791,673. This is an 11.95% increase from last year's levy. The District's three-year membership average decreased by 17 students, which is equivalent to \$162,058 in funding.

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The mill rate for this levy is \$7.25 per \$1,000 equalized property value, a \$.20 increase from last year's levy of \$7.05 per \$1,000. This is due to an 8.14% increase in equalized property values and the impact of the \$14,645,000 Bond referendum passed in April.

This year's headcount is 1,009, which converts to 963 FTE's. Including summer school enrollment, the total FTE's were 979. Eightyeight students open enrolled in and 105 enrolled out. This net loss of 17 students equates to roughly \$162,058 in lost revenue. Fourteen of those students were four-yearolds. Mr. Novy stated he believes the district will be better able to retain those students when the new space is completed allowing for all day 4k.

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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 6, at the Albrecht Elementary School from 7 to 11 a.m. 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.

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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. 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.

Brodhead Church of the Nazarene, 1004 13th Street. Pastor Ken Lawson. Adult worship 10-11 a.m.; children's church 10-11a.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.

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. Kelly Jahn, Pastor. Sunday school 9:15 a.m.; worship service 10:30 a.m.

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

Green County Sheriff's Department October 21-27, 2024

At 1:20 a.m., Monday, deputies responded to the W900 block of Pedee Road, in the Town of Spring Grove, for a reported domestic disturbance. The investigation resulted in Brent M. Alderman, 41, being placed under arrest for disorderly conduct, substantial battery, and battery to elderly (domestic abuse related). Alderman was later incarcerated at the Green County Jail pending court.

At 1:45 p.m., Friday, deputies responded to the intersection of STH 104 and St. John Rd., in the Town of Decatur, for a two-vehicle crash without injury. The investigation found that Ricky P. Phillips, 32, of South Wayne, was traveling northbound and attempted to turn westbound onto St. John Road. While turning, Phillips was struck by Cade R. Walker, 21, of Brodhead, who was traveling southbound on STH 104. Phillips and Walker advised they were both wearing their seat belts and were uninjured. Phillips' vehicle sustained functional damage, with no airbag deployment, and was towed from the scene. Walker's

vehicle sustained functional dam-



Omar Rex Baade

Omar Rex Baade, age 88, of Albany, passed away on Thursday, October 31, 2024 at the New Glarus Home. He was born on May 10, 1936 the son of Lester and Edna (Marsden) Baade in St. James, Minnesota. He was a graduate of St. James High School. On May 31, 1957 Omar married Jane Brown in Truman, Minnesota; they shared 66 years together.

Omar wore many hats in life. He was a dairy farmer, he worked on hog farms, drove milk-can truck and semi for 7-UP; he also worked in a machine shop, sold farm machinery, and was a handyman. Omar loved our Lord and was a dedicated Elder and Deacon in the church. He also loved singing in the choir.

He enjoyed woodworking, fishing, and spending time with people, especially his family. He showed no favoritism towards members of his family, he loved them all equally.

Omar is survived by his children: Gloria (Ron) Kretzer of Lakeland, Florida, Tim (Cindy) Baade of Roscoe, Illinois, and Scott (Jody) Baade of Albany; son-in-law, Gary Nyman of South Carolina; eight grandchildren: Elizabeth, Melissa, Eric, Meghan, Matthew, Diana, Stephanie, and Gavin; and four greatgrandchildren: Gabriella, Gael, Cohen, and Breken. He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Jane; daughter, Sandy Nyman; one brother; and two sisters.

A Memorial Service will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, November 16, at the Footville Church of Christ. Visitation will be held Saturday, November 16th from 10 a.m. until the time of service.

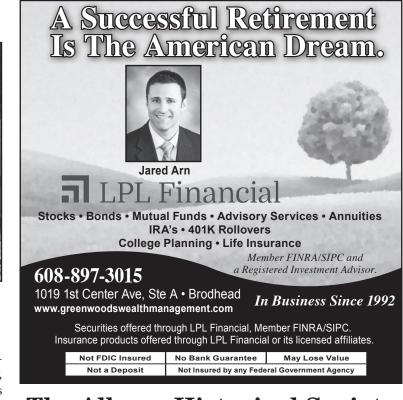
Shriner Hager Gohlke Funeral Home is assisting the family. Condolences may be sent to the family at shriner111.com

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age, with no airbag deployment, and was towed from the scene. Phillips was cited for failure to yield while making a left turn and released pending court.

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The Albany Historical Society **Presents**

On Tuesday, November 19, at 7 p.m., the Albany Historical Society presents Judge James Beer of Monroe. He will be the guest speaker and his topic will be "Native American Birdstones" ancient artifacts.

Birdstones are carvings in slate or hard stone that resemble a bird. They are considered the highest art form created by prehistoric Americans, and date from approximately 2000 BC to 800 AD.

There will be a brief business meeting prior to the presentation. The meeting begins at 7 p.m. in the museum at 119 N. Water Street, Albany.

The public is welcome to attend, not charge to attend. Text or call 608-214-8289 for more information.

GCDC to host business workshop

Green County has a tremendous amount of small to large companies that began with an idea and hard work. When an entrepreneur is ready to move on to the next thing there are many items to consider. As a strong supporter of entrepreneurs and business owners, Green County Development Corporation (GCDC) is here to help.

Tuesday, November 12th, GCDC is bringing Nikki Austin, Certified Exit Planning Advisor, to talk about the top items to consider when planning for the sale or hand-off of a business. A checklist will be reviewed, with time for questions and discussion. The event will be held at the 18th and 8th Event Center at 1802 8th Street in Monroe. Doors open at 8 a.m., with presentation beginning at 8:15 a.m.

"Exit, or succession planning for business owners is often an emotional and complex task. Our goal with adding this to Community Conversation this month is to layout ideas for planning and make connections that are often set aside. It is never too early to start planning for future changes and we want people to know GCDC is here to assist where we can," GCDC's Executive Director, Olivia Otte stated.

A continental breakfast and coffee service will be available for this free event. Registration is not required, but it is encouraged. Please email GCDC@greencountydevelopment.com with your first and last name and any questions you may have or call 608-328-9452.



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ACTIVITIES AROUND TOWN

VETERANS DAY PROGRAM ALBRECHT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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

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, Albrecht Elementary and Brodhead Middle School beginning Tuesday, October 22. The completed form needs to be dropped off where it was originally picked up by Tuesday, November 12.

The parent or legal guardian must pick up the gifts on Saturday, December 14, 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

ALBRECHT ELEMENTARY PENNY WAR!

The Albrecht Elementary will hold a Penny War from Monday, November 18 to Friday, November 22. Put your spare change toward a great cause. All proceeds from the penny war fund-raiser will go to support the district's Backpack Food Program.



By Cindy Clint, Outreach Librarian

Here's what's happening during the month of November at the Albertson Memorial Library:

It's 'Know-vember' during this month's Preschool Story Time. Enjoy stories and crafts with our Children's Programming Specialist, Ms. Laura, every Tuesday morning at 10 a.m.

Come in at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 6th for Craft Night with Diane. This month's featured craft is 'Mason Jar Lid Turkey'.

Come in on Friday, November 15th from 6-7:30 p.m. for Creative

Capers, an adult craft night. Bring the craft you are working on for a night of socialization, crafting, and treats.

Writers of all skill levels are invited to come to the library on Thursday, November 21st at 6:30 p.m. to share and be inspired while working on their writing projects with the Sugar River Writers.

Join us for our monthly book club, All Booked Up, on Monday, November 25th at 6:30 p.m. This month we will be discussing 'The Broken Road' by Richard Paul Evans.

The library will be closed Thursday, November 28th for Thanksgiving.

Please follow us on Facebook or check out our calendar of events on our website at https://www.albertsonlibrary.org for additional information



Football contest

The highest scoring football game of the week was Indiana over Michigan State, 47-10. First place was won by Tom Brewer, of Albany, with one incorrect. Second place was a four-way tie with three incorrect. The winners were Doug Rezner—45 points, Ann Schwartz—49 points, and Paul Clark—49 points, all of Brodhead, and Eric VonAllmen—49 points, of Albany. Dennis Schwartz—42 pooints and Brian Malkow—no points listed, both of Brodhead, also had three incorrect.



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School Board

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Current budget projections indicate a deficit of \$364,406 for this year, which includes the last year of the three-year operations referendum and the loss of federal funding.

In his president's report, Mike Krupke recognized the work done by Mr. Novy, Nexus, the administration, staff and the Facilities Planning Committee.

The following resolutions were adopted:

The requested levy of \$5,791,673 was approved for the 2024-25 school year. Resolutions to set Board salaries, remaining the same as last year, and to reimburse board members for travel also passed.

The School Board was again authorized to set the date and time of the 2025 Annual Meeting within the guidelines of Wisconsin Statutes.

REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

The Board held its regular meeting to certify the tax levy mentioned above for the General Fund and Debt Service Fund 39 for 2024-25.

The short-term borrowing resolution for cash flow purposes was approved as well as amendments to camp scholarships and hiring of two new staff members.

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 all for your generosity and for purchasing gifts for kids in our 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.

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By Laura Roth, Children's Librarian

Tigers this past week! The preschoolers at Albertson Memorial Library went on a tiger hunt and found 35 tigers hiding in our Community Room! We practiced putting events in order for the book Oh, No!, about a tiger who falls into a big hole. Then we roared our terrible roars and gnashed our terrible teeth as we retold the story Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak. This was the fifth time we've read this story, and the preschoolers

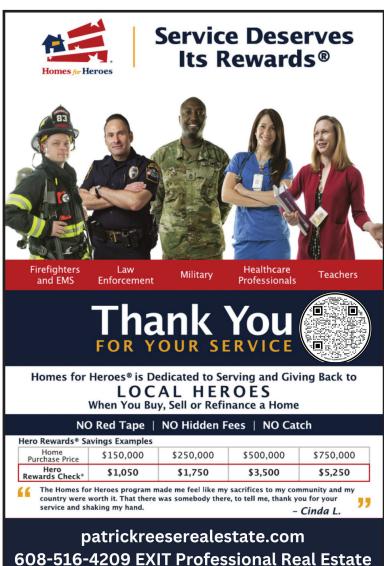
did a great job answering the question: What happened next?

Next week we're reading books from our non-fiction section about trucks, trains, and tractors. I wonder which would win in a race? And if the race was through a maze . . . using aluminum foil and a marble? This could be interesting! The next topics in "KNOWvember" are badgers, bison and beavers. We'll get to feel real beaver and badger fur and see the size of a real bison skull! Huge. Really huge!

You for SURE want to come for Albertson Memorial Library's Preschool Storytime during KNOWvember! Every Tuesday at 10 a.m. We're always looking to meet new friends! Won't you come visit us?







Cardinal Volleyball Completes Season at Sectional Semi Final

By Teresa Earleywine

Brodhead's volleyball team saw their season come to an end but not without gallant effort. Abundant Life Christian/Saint Ambrose, the #1 seed, came out swinging. The Cards were competitive, tying the game at least five times in the opening set before the Challengers closed it with a 25-20 score. The ACLS/SA took the early lead, until Chesney Walker came up with two key kills and then aces from Ava Risum and Makenna Schoof, the game was tied at 12 and then again 14 all before the Challengers 25–20, closed out the set.

Brodhead committed several errors on serve and struggled keeping the ball inbound on returns in the second set. ALC/SA was quick with Emma Noelke setting her teammates, Penny Schell and Bri Buss who helped get their team to a seven-point lead. With Cardinal player Allie Dahl earning some points and Addie Leifker getting an ace, they came within four. Once again, the fast pace of the Challengers gave them the upper hand, finishing 25-

The Cardinals came out quick opening the third set 8-4 to bring life to their fans when ALC/SA called for a timeout. Defensive ad-

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justments were made and several long volleys ensued in set three. Brynn Riesterer tallied eight kills and 30 assists in the game with Walker putting up three and 19 to be forces in the center position. The Challengers rallied to almost overcome Brodhead who held on, 25-23 for their first set win.

Coach Erin Kammerer's team were on fire in the fourth, 12-6. It looked like a return of the "Cardiac Cards." Gretchen Kammerer had three aces and 29 assists while Karli Krumwiede and Schoof had double aces. The Challengers went on a run that gave them a 17–16 lead. Dahl helped lead the rally with 16 kills, 46 assists and 14 digs. The Cards were down by two then one then back to two. Abundant Life sealed a 25–23 win for the game. They went into the sectional final game on Saturday, losing to Lake Country Lutheran.

BHS to perform **Footloose**

By Sara Carr

Join us for an exciting performance of Footloose at Brodhead high school the third weekend of November! This show follows the story of Ren McCormack, a teenager from Chicago who moves to the small town of Bomont. There, he discovers that dancing and rock music are banned due to a tragic accident in the past. Determined to bring joy and self-expression to the town, Ren rallies his classmates to challenge the oppressive rules. With the help of his friends and the rebellious Ariel, the daughter of the local pastor, Ren fights for the right to dance and live freely. The musical is filled with energetic songs, nine of them choreographed by Madi Brown for her senior project! We would love to see those seats filled!

Performance dates are: Friday, November 15th at 7 p.m., Saturday,



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Brodhead Cardinal Volleyball team closed out their season winning the regional title at home before their loss last week in the sectional semifinal. Row one: Assistant coach Leanne Richmond, Laney Weiss, Addie Leifker, Leah Rear, Jalynn Jones, Taya Anderson, managers Landen Kammerer and Kylie Schoof; row two: Assistant coach Mariah Douglas. Head Coach Erin Kammerer, Makenna Schoof, Karli Krumwiede, Allie Dahl, Gretchen Kammerer, Ava Risum, Brynn Riesterer, Chesney Walker, Lily Scheidegger, assistant coaches: Brian Kammerer and Daphne Johnson. (Free Press photo by Teresa Earleywine)

November 16th at 7 p.m., and Sunday, November 17th at 2 p.m. Ticket prices are \$12 for adults, \$7 for students, and ages nine and under can watch for free. Tickets can either be bought ahead in the high school office or at the door the day of the show. Doors will open 30 minutes prior to each performance.



The entire cast of "FootLoose" looks forward to seeing you at their upcoming performances at Brodhead High School. (Free Press photo by Teresa Earleywine)





The Brodhead Class of 1955 recently held their 69th class reunion at "The Bar" in Brodhead. Those present were: Jerry Montefelt, Frank Steiner, Virgil Deininger, Larry Pinnow, Clarence Hoesly, Carole (Peterson) Badertscher and Donna (Schwartzlow) Edgar.



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Dolphins

Standing: Quintin Soddy, Brynliegh Hanson, Coach David Klopfenstein, Michael Klopfenstein, Coach Dakota Davis, Liam Burchard, Coach Justy Roth, Leah Whitney, Coach Tyler Lincoln, Brenna Lincoln, Tenley Nevil; kneeling: Kyland Cupps, Braxton Boeke, Brogen Sullivan, Leim Nangle, Sam Wallace, David Fellows, Rhet Keehn; sitting: Wyatt Hagemann, Max Zimmerman, Quinten Smith, Hudson Smith.

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Left to right: Irene Fernandez, Lena Schoepf, Yordana Alegre Perez, Lenja Helmerich and Victoria Locatelli. (Free Press photo by Teresa Earleywine)

"Just Like the Movies"

By Teresa Earleywine

The School District of Brodhead and five different families in the community have welcomed five young ladies into their midst who are part of a yearlong exchange program. Victoria Locatelli, Italy, is staving with Jamie and Sarah Stephenson, Irene Fernandez Carrasco, Spain, is hosted by Andrew and Anna Jubie, Yordana Alegre Perex, Spain, is living with Hailey Byrd, while Cody and Megan Christianson have opened their home to Lena Schoepf, Germany, and Lenja Helmerich, Germany, is hanging with Seth and Thea Engen. They completed paperwork, interviews nearly a year in advance then waited to be chosen by a family. Each girl's wait time varied from several months to as little under a week.

The young ladies are excited to be in the USA. Several, through past travel experiences, or the influence of family members or friends encouraged them to embrace the opportunity to study abroad. They have jumped into high school life at Brodhead. Victoria, Irene and Yordana were part of the cheerleading team football, Lena was involved with JV volleyball and Lenja is expanding her love of music by being part of the upcoming musical. Mealtime here is more "rushed"

with activities many nights of the week. Foods here are quite different and cheese seems to be in or on most menus. Their hope is to explore more of the USA while here with pending plans for Hollywood, Chicago, Disney and the Tennessee areas. They are open to new adventures that are unique to Wisconsin winters

During their time here they want to share about their own countries, cities, families, and culture. They noted that sports are not a part of the educational scene in their countries but available through clubs. Schools at home require select curriculums. The year studying here will count towards their schooling if they choose specific core classes. Most of them live in large cities and have access to public transportation. When asked if coming to America is what they had expected, all of them stated their knowledge and ideals were shaped largely by watching "High School Musical" and that is how they would describe it, just without the singing and dancing.

It was fun for me as the interviewer to gather and chat with these bright and eager young women. I was able to share a little bit about my own year abroad as an exchange student to Thailand in the late 70s. Of course there was no

internet when I was in Southeast Asia. Communication was the writing of letters. It took 21 days for the postal service to get the letter to its destination which seemed quite incredulous to them and indicates how old I now am. Today, they have the ability to stay connected to their families at home via internet and social media.

The ladies are here either through International Student Exchange- ISE, https://iseusa.org/ or Academic Year in America —

AYA, https://www.academicy-ear.org/ or Council for Educational Travel, USA — CETUSA, https://www.cetusa.org/

Students in Brodhead and throughout the country have the opportunity to participate in an exchange program to another country anywhere from three months to a year commitment. It has been many years since someone local took advantage to expand their horizons and friendships. If a student wants to venture outside their comfort zone, these ladies are willing to share how they prepared for this lifetime opportunity.

There are students waiting to come to the USA and need a family to open their home and heart. Host families must provide for each student a separate bed, family meals, transportation to activities and events, and hopefully share their family traditions and American culture. Students come with medical coverage and a monthly allowance. Checking out the above links will give potential families the ability to review the bios of waiting students.

Brodhead Jaycees had over 700 people attend their Holiday Market. The Holiday Market features crafters, small businesses, and artisans from around the area. This is the biggest fund-raiser of the year with proceeds helping out many of the Jaycees community projects. (Free Press photo by Teresa Earleywine)



Left to right: Rhylie Gough, Linsey Mueller, Ashley Letcher, Hala Ryan—Albany FFA Advisor

Albany FFA American Degree recipients

Submitted by Bonnie Mueller

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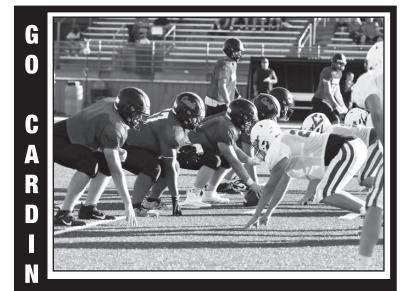
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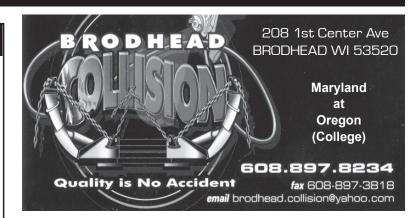
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At 12:59 p.m., Wednesday, deputies, along with Albany EMS, Albany First Response, Evansville EMS, Brooklyn EMS, and Albany Police Department, responded to the intersection of Brooklyn Albany Road and CTH E, in the Town of Albany, for a two-vehicle crash with injury. The investigation found that Bryna D. Caves, 39, of Albany, began traveling east from the stop sign at the intersection on Brooklyn Albany Road, failing to yield the right of way to a northbound vehicle on CTH E driven by Nicole M. Baebler. Baebler then struck Caves' vehicle on the passenger side. Baebler advised she was wearing her seat belt and was later transported to the hospital for further medical examination. Baebler's vehicle sustained disabling damage, with airbag deployment, and was towed from the scene. Caves advised she was wearing her seat belt and was not injured. Caves' vehicle sustained disabling damage, with airbag deployment, and was towed from the scene. Caves was later cited for failure to yield right of way from a stop sign causing injury and cited three times for violation of child safety restraint. Caves was released pending court.

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Saturday Mornings at the Durand Library

New Titles on the Shelves Submitted by Barbara Flores, President, Friends of the Durand Library

Two things make the volunteers at the library smile—the first and most important is to see books checked out and in the arms of patrons. The second is buying more books! Please check the list below. There are some oldies but goodies as well as recent new titles. The first book listed has been very popular for months now.

Braiding Sweet Grass: Indigenous Wisdom, Scientific Knowledge and the Teachings of Plants by Robin Mall Kimmerer. Written by a botanist, this book explores the relationship between humans and the land with a focus on the role of plants. Not a gardener? Try this book anyway and remember that without plants there would be no life on earth.

Ship of Fools by Katherine Anne Porter was first published in 1965 and follows the passengers on a ship headed from Mexico to Germany in the 1930s. The varied group of people on board struggle with their own personal lives while the specter of Nazi Germany hovers over the passengers and puts a sharp edge on events.

Destiny's Daughter: Highlighting the Life of Mary Edwards Walker, Maverick Suffragist, Doctor, and Medal of Honor Recipient, by Francis Altman. She was a suffragist and a Civil War doctor, a tough lady during one of the most difficult times our country has seen.

High Fidelity by Nick Hornby is as much about human relationships as it is about music. This wise and hilarious novel about love, heartbreak, and rock and roll was made into a movie.

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Never Let Me Go is a 2005 science fiction novel by Kazuo Ishiguro, a British author. In a dystopian world, cloning technology has led to the mass production of organs which are then harvested from the clones to replace failing organs in others. The story takes place in Great Britain in the 1990s—a little creepy!

Slow Man by J.M. Coetzee presents a photographer who has lost a leg in a bicycle accident and must come to terms with this change as he reevaluates his life. The author, who was born in South Africa, holds a PhD in literature, and is a Nobel Laureate.

All the Broken Places by John Boyne tells of a 91-year old protagonist who is living comfortably in London but haunted by her Nazi past even though she was a child of 12

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Tuesday Shaningans

10/29—High series: Chris Rosheisen 373, Karrie Laws 323, Lisa Josephsen 318, Dennis Atkinson 605, Rick Clark 583, Eric Woodruff 562. High games: K. Laws 137, C. Rosheisen 135, L. Josephsen 108, D. Atkinson 230, R. Clark 225, E. Woodruff 214. The Young & The Restless-high team game 853 and series 2,462. **Standings**: Albany Lanes won 17 lost 11, Misfits 16-12, The Young & The Restless 15-13, Sweet Mini HaHa 14-14, Greightful Dead 13-15, Clayt's Boomtastic 9-19.

Badger

10/29—High series: Ryan Brugger 673, Brian Purdy 646, Dave Brugger 610, John Elmer 572, Kim Qualley 470. High games: B. Purdy 269, R. Brugger 265, J. Elmer 231, D. Brugger 223, K. Qualley 182. Decatur Dairy-high team game 770. Jim's Mechanic Shop-high team series 2,249. **Standings**: Jim's Mechanic Shop won 44 lost 19, Decatur Dairy 43-20, Renks 32-31, Pearl City Elevator 32-31, Team 6 25-38, Counter Attack 13-50.

Wednesday Night Ladies

10/30—High series: Tara Blumer 542, Kari Johnson 495, Shianne Broughton 448, Lynne Moore 432, Marcie Brugger 431. High games: T. Blumer 185, K. Johnson 174, Amy Golz 173, S. Broughton 160, Tami Behnke 156. Larson Acres-high team game 540 and series 1,593. **Standings**: Glenn-Ann Ladies won 35 lost 21, Stables Bar & Grill 33-23, Albertson's 31-25, Larson Acres 24-32, Crystal's Team 23-33, General Store 22-34.

Thursday Afternoon Ladies

10/31—High series: Becky Riese 472, Sheryl Johnson 463, Debbie Williams 408. High games: S. Johnson 191, B. Riese 186, Cindy Sheldon 164. Mike's Flooring-high team game 567 and series 1,589. **Standings**: Albany Lanes won 43 lost 27, Nolte's Garage 42-28, Knutes 42-28, Mike's Flooring 40-30, Ball's Installation 34-36. **Thursday Night Mixed**

10/31—High series: Robert Murray 679, Brandon Bayrhoffer 662, Scott Wahler 656, DJ McGowen 631. High games: R. Murray 257, Ty Anderson 247, B. Bayrhoffer 246, Craig Krueger 245. Albany Lanes-high team game 1,084 and series 3,058. **Standings**: Broughton's Corner Bar 1 won 40 lost 23, Albany Lanes 34-29, Attica Bar 33-30, Glenn Ann Holsteins 31-32, Golz Electric 28-35, Broughton's Corner Bar 2 23-40.

Brodhead Juniors

11/2—High series—boys: Parker VanderPal 549, Ashton Hale 519, Alexander Ramirez-Vogel 374, Casey Johnson 334, Evan Johnson 309, Tristan Modaff 288. High games—boys: P. VanderPal 203, A. Hale 186, C. Johnson 138, A. Ramirez-Vogel 135, E. Johnson 120, T. Modaff 116. **High series—girls**: Kylee Wahler 482, Aubrie Bartelt 346, Harper Krattiger 313, Emma Welbig 266, Lilly Johnson 254, Kelsee Brugger 218. High games—girls: K. Wahler 180, A. Bartelt 139, H. Krattiger 130, L. Johnson 92, E. Welbig 91, K. Brugger 82.

Brodhead Youth

11/2—High series: Carter Fenwick 183, Jayse Bennett 158, Henry Johnson 105, Jack Norris 95, Jaxson Brewer 72, Ayla Brugger 146, Amelia Fenwick 118, Keira Shrader 99, Stella Brugger 53, Kinslee Brewer 47. High games: C. Fenwick 95, J. Bennett 93, H. Johnson 68, J. Norris 53, J. Brewer 41, A. Brugger 86, A. Fenwick 68, K. Shrader 52, K. Brewer 30, S. Brugger 29.

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