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School Board

Referendum Update

By Grace Kufahl

Kevin from Nexus Solutions was there to provide an update on the Facilities Referendum progress, which kicked off on Monday, January 22nd. They are meeting with the school district weekly to discuss a phased approach and communication strategies. The website brodhead.referendumfacts.org will be up soon and will provide referendum information to the community. As part of the communication strategy, there will be public forums including tours of the buildings likely starting in February. There will also be informational videos, postings on social media, display boards in all the schools and presentations to civic groups among other means of communicating about the referendum.

Building and grounds person-

nel remove the snow from the district sidewalks and playgrounds. In order to clear snow from the sidewalks without damaging landscaping, staff have been using a personal four-wheeler to do the job. Per the recommendation from the Building and Grounds Committee, the board approved the purchase of a 2023 four-wheeler at a cost of \$12,282, after rebate, for this purpose.

The board approved District Administration's recommendation to close open enrollment applications for students with IEP's in grades 4K through 12 for the 2024-25 school year since the special education program is at maximum capacity.

In other business:

Tim Colden and Annette Smith will both be retiring from the Middle School this year with over 30

Brodhead City Council Approves Proposal

In a special session, January 23, 2024, the council was addressed by Sheriff Skatrud in open session. He clarified a few questions that the Council had concerning the proposed taking over of the dispatch for the City of Brodhead. Mayor Jones thanked him for his explanation and for all the help the Sheriff's office gave during the past year which included both patrol and dis-



patch support.

years of experience each.

The District's Library Plan for 2024-29 was approved. A Resolution was adopted approving the new Brodhead School District Policy Manual.

City Council

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A motion was made to go in to closed session to discuss a course of action. Mayor Jones was forced to break a tie vote (three for closed session and three not for closed session). After closed session, a motion was made to propose to Green County Sheriff's Department the sum of \$50,000 as a one-time pay-

ment with the understanding that Green County Dispatch would take over completely by January 1, 2025. The vote was three Ayes and three Nays, Mayor Jones broke the tie and the motion passed.

Other action taken was to appoint Carla Garrett on the Personnel Committee.

The Mayor will be writing an article for next week's paper giving a synopsis explaining his decision for his vote.

Tickets on sale for Dueling Pianos Jaycee Splash Pad Fund-raiser

The Brodhead Jaycees are excited to present a dueling pianos show and silent auction on Saturday, February 10th from 7-10 p.m. at Ludlow Mansion in Monroe. Come enjoy an amazing three-hour performance from Piano Fondue of Madison, hors d'oeuvres buffet by Knutes Catering of Orfordville, drinks and desserts. Guests will also have the opportunity to bid on silent auction items, with all proceeds benefiting the Jaycees' campaign to build a splash pad at Jaycee Park. Tickets are available online through Eventbrite.com (search Brodhead Jaycees or email brodheadjaycees@gmail.com for questions or a direct link to the event page). Individual and group rate tick-

ets are available on the website. You do not want to miss this event!

February 1st is Optimist Day!

Brodhead Optimists are always doing projects to "Bring Out the Best in Kids."

Some of the projects: dictionaries for third graders, Fish Derby for youth 12 and under, school donations for all children and projects, Christmas gift projects, free cookie decorating, Back Pack program donations, providing contests with scholarships, donations to Cancer Research and support for families with children with cancer and medical needs.

These are just some of the projects of the Brodhead Optimist. If you would like to join them, they meet twice a month at the Country Gardens Restaurant for a breakfast meeting on the second and fourth Tuesday. All are welcome and if you need to have more information, call Nancy at 608-931-5551.

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Bethany Lutheran Church, 1652 West Church Road, Brodhead. 608-897-4158. Pastor Rick Gleason. Sunday school 8:45 a.m.; Sunday worship service 10 a.m. Holy Communion first Sunday of each month.

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 405 E. 9th Ave, Brodhead. Phone: 608-897-2341 Pastor Callie Arendt. Email: office@bethlehembrodhead.org. Website: www.bethlehembrodhead.org. Sunday in-person worship with Communion at 9 a.m. 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 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.

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 Doebl. Web site: livingwordwi.org. E-mail: ptl@livingwordwi.org. Adult Sunday school 9 a.m.; Sunday service at 10 a.m. worship at church and also via live stream at livingwordwi.org/media; Sunday evening Impact Youth 4-5:30 p.m.

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

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

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

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

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

OBITUARIES



Raymond John Miller

Raymond John Miller peacefully passed away on Saturday, January 20th, 2024, at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Middleton, Wisconsin. He was born on April 8, 1928, in Cary, Illinois to Albert and Anne Kern Miller. He attended Saints Peter and Paul Elementary School, in Cary and graduated from Crystal Lake High School, Crystal Lake, Illinois. Ray lived on Three Oaks Road, and farmed with his father Albert, near Cary until he started working for Cary Dairy delivering milk. He also served in the Illinois National Guard. He married Josephine Pavlak on November 6, 1948. Ray served as a Sergeant in the US Army during the Korean War. He and Josephine lived on army bases in Santa Barbara, California, and Seattle, Washington. After the war, he returned to working at Cary Dairy delivering milk until 1964, when he and Josephine, with their four children moved to a farm on Miller Road, near Janesville, Wisconsin. Ray raised beef cattle, hogs, and grain including corn, soybeans and hay with his

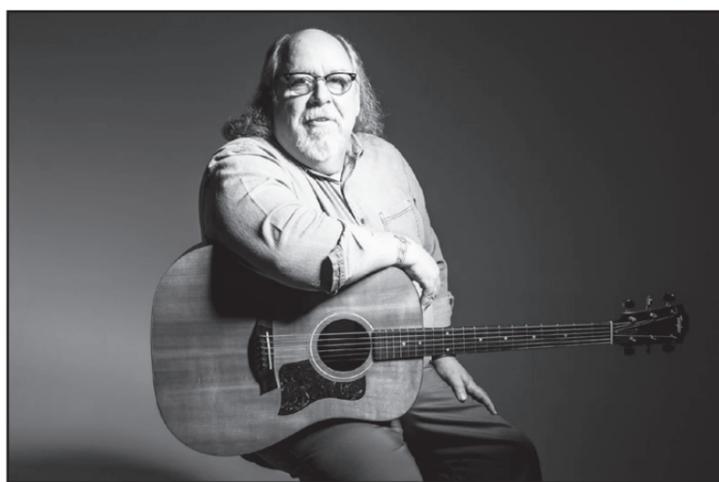
son, Daniel. He loved flying, kept a light plane at his farm and for many years, he enjoyed flying it. Ray was also very active at the Brodhead Airport, and the EAA Chapter 431 where he assisted with many activities held there, especially the fly-ins, cooking and serving his infamous pork chops. The special relationship he had with his 'airport family' was something Ray treasured. Avid square dancers, Ray and Josephine danced for many years with the Milton Village Squares. Ray loved horses. It was how he and Josephine met as they rode horses on their neighboring childhood farms where they lived. Later, Ray assisted his daughter, Mary, who trained and showed horses. He also loved being involved with his grandchildren, especially Deborah's children who were his first and he, with Grandma Jo, became a part of their daily life as they grew up on the family farm. He spent many hours through the years helping all his grandchildren on their 4-H projects, whether it was an animal or model project or even the Magnolia 4-H float. Active in the Rock County Pork Producers, he had served as president and enjoyed working at the Rock County Porkfest. The Evansville FFA Alumni Club was another interest of Ray's, and he served as an officer. Ray enjoyed living and working on the farm, playing with his model trains, building model airplanes, listening to Molly B polka music and playing with his beloved dog, Freddie.

Another highlight in Ray's life was the Rock Energy Cooperative. His connection began 60 years ago when he and Jo bought the farm in Center Township and received electrical service. When Jo was elected as a director on the board, Ray enjoyed traveling with her to the many meetings over the 26 years she had served. He talked frequently of all

the "good people" that were all associated with the cooperative and looked forward to receiving in his mailbox the monthly magazine to see what "Mr. Shane" had to say.

In his later years he sought medical attention at the Veterans Administration Clinic and Hospital. He was always appreciative of the excellent care and concern each staff member had for him. His daughter, Barbara, who assisted him to appointments, saw the special relationship he had with his primary caregiver, Mr. Michael Dodd RN, MSN, APNP and his nurse Kathy. It was a social event to catch up with them as well as addressing his medical concerns. Thank you, to all the staff at the Veterans Hospital for the excellent care, especially the CLC Hospice Unit. Ray also received care to live in his home for many years with his dog, because of a special caregiver, Kristi Powers. The family is so appreciative to her in helping make Josephine's last year so very comfortable and continued to assist Raymond for another five years.

Raymond is survived by his four children: Mary (Dennis) Haakenson, Deborah Thornton, Barbara Miller (Leon) Maerz, and Danie (Lori) Miller. Grandchildren are: Dennis Erik (Katie) and Mark Haakenson; Aaron (Julie) Thornton, Jennifer (Richard) Sullivan, and Michael (Ann) Thornton; Joseph Miller-Maerz, Abigail, Mallory, and Matthew Miller; two great grandchildren, nieces and nephews. Raymond is pre-deceased by his wife, Josephine; parents, Albert and Anne Miller; a son, Raymond Miller, Jr.; and a sister, Patricia Muska (husband Stanley). Ward-Hurtley Funeral Home, Evansville, is assisting the family with arrangements for a Private Celebration of Life. For online condolences please visit www.wardhurtley.com.



Christian singer/songwriter Dan Holmes to appear at Juda Zion Community Church

Christian singer/songwriter Dan Holmes will be appearing Sunday, February 4th at 10:30 a.m. at Juda Zion Community Church located at N2350 Church Street in Juda.

Dan is an "old school singer/songwriter" creating music about the presence of God in our world. His musical influences include Paul Simon, Dan Fogelberg, James Taylor and others. He has performed at over 150 churches in Illinois, Indiana, Wisconsin, Iowa, Florida, Ohio and California. He has also performed at the Illinois State Fair and the Susan G. Komen Three-Day Walk for Breast Cancer Cure. Dan has written music for the Appalachia Service Project and has toured England in 2014, 2016, and 2023. "Through the sharing of music, we can celebrate what God is doing in us, for us and through us! I am an old school singer/songwriter bringing a gentle Christian message of hope!" His music will touch you, inspire you and move you!

Please join them on Sunday, February 4th! For more information about Dan, visit his website at www.danholmesmusic.com.



Leslie Rene Chamblee

Leslie Rene Chamblee of Opelika, Alabama, went home to Jesus on December 29, 2023, at the young age of 50 after a two-and-a-half-year battle with cancer.

Leslie was born to William and Connie Peterson on July 18, 1973 in Monroe, Wisconsin, second among four children born into an Air Force family. Leslie mainly grew up in Louisiana and spent holidays with

family in Brodhead, Wisconsin. She was the protector of the family and very much a tomboy. She loved playing softball and watching her dad play in the adult leagues. The three girls were known for putting on a concert in the kitchen every day while doing dishes. Leslie graduated from Gwinn High School in upper Michigan.

Leslie met her husband, Steve, at K.I. Sawyer Air Force Base while in Michigan in 1993. They married in 1996 and went on to have three children together: Kyra, Cameron, and Dakota. Most of her life after marrying was lived in Opelika, Alabama, where she raised her kids full-time before rejoining the workforce later in life as the children got older.

In addition to being a dedicated and loving mother, Leslie was a caregiver in many work roles in both Wisconsin and Alabama. She loved her special friend Ty at the Dunganvin Supported Living Center in Janesville, and she visited him each time she traveled back home. Leslie was a certified nurse assistant and enjoyed taking care of others

around her. She held multiple positions in different hospitals over the years.

Leslie is preceded in death by paternal grandparents: Robert and Mary Peterson, and is survived by many: husband, Steven Chamblee; children: Kyra (Jordan) Price, Cameron Chamblee, and Dakota Chamblee; step-children: Tara Chamblee, Chris Chamblee, and Elizabeth Chamblee; five grandchildren and step-grandchildren; siblings: Karla (Bobby) Jurado, Audra (Philip) Anderson, and Billy Peterson; parents, William and Connie Peterson; and grandparents, Calvin and Jean Wickline.

Bethlehem Lutheran Church Soup-er Bowl Dinner

Come and warm up at Bethlehem Lutheran Church on Tuesday, February 13th for a "soup-er" bowl supper. When you arrive, you will choose a soup bowl and then you can fill it up with your favorite soup. They will be serving all you can eat homemade soups, breads, and desserts from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Coffee and lemonade are also included.

The cost for dinner is \$8 for adults and \$5 for kids. As a bonus, you get to take your bowl home with you!

VOLLEYBALL

Sunday Night Volleyball

Season standings: I'd Smack That won 37 lost 2, The Goon Squad 30-9, That's What She Set 29-10, One Hit Wonders 29-10, Victorious Se-

cret 28-11, Net Ninjas 22-17, All Sets are Off 14-25, Nirvana 14-25, Killer Serves 10-29, Chewblocka 8-31, Super Soy 8-31, Valued Volleyers 5-34.

OBITUARY



Marie Bernadette Messel

Marie Bernadette Messel passed away on Tuesday, January 16, 2024. She was born on May 3, 1948 in Waukegan, Illinois, the daughter of Richard and Esther (May) Schneider. She married Walter F. Messel on August 30, 1969. She had four children: Walter (Andrea), Matthew, Gregory, and Nicolette; 14 grandchildren, five great-granddaughters and one great-grandson; and four sisters: Therese, Celine, Pauline and Leonie.

A Catholic Mass will be held at 11 a.m., Saturday, February 3, at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church, Brodhead, with Father Joseph Belamkonda presiding. There will be a visitation and rosary at 10 a.m. prior to the funeral. There will be a gathering after Mass in the basement of the Church.

Bernadette was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Walter Francis; her son, Matthew; and daughter, Nicollette; and sisters, Therese and Leonie.

Bernadette epitomized unconditional love; a basic goodness through powerful affection without conditions. Besides providing and raising extended family members, she farmed in Illinois and Wisconsin and then later worked exclusively in the horticulture field.

Her fondest memories were living on the Fox River in Johnsbury, Illinois, and her family's Boulder Junction Northwoods property. Her final dream became reality when she regained rightful ownership of her family's estate.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be directed to the St. Anne's Catholic Church of Boulder Junction in her memory. Visit www.bolgerfuneral.com for condolences.

It's Brodhead Optimists Essay Contest Time!

Calling all high school and middle school students! Grab your pen, pencil or keyboard to express yourself and have the opportunity to pick up some scholarship money. Applications will be available at the Public Library, and both the middle school and high school offices. The Optimist Club of Brodhead is encouraging all Brodhead and surrounding area youth, including the home-schooled scholars, to write an essay 700 to 800 words long on the topic "Optimism: How it Connects Us".

The Optimist Club will judge the local students' essays based on content and writing skills to determine the top winners. The contest is open to students under the age of 19 as of October 1, 2024. The local winners will win CASH AWARDS and the winning essay will be sent to the district to compete for a \$2,500 scholarship.

"As they prepare for their future, many of our local students need experience expressing their thoughts and opinions," Club Co-Chair Christine Dieckhoff said, "The Essay Contest challenges them to do just that and also offers an opportunity for scholarships."

The deadline to hand in essays with their applications is Friday, February 16. Just drop them off at the Middle or High School offices, the Brodhead Memorial Public Library or directly to Christine Dieckhoff, W2202 Pinnow Rd, Brodhead WI 53520, or christidee@litewire.net. Essays will be judged and sent off to district by Thursday, February 22nd to make the Wednesday, February 28th deadline.

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

Basketball contest

The highest scoring game was the boys' Milwaukee Reagan vs. Whitewater, 75-58. The winner of this week's basketball contest was Brian Malkow, Brodhead, with all the correct games and 74 points. The following also had all the correct games: Eric VonAllmen—80 points and Tom Brewer—82 points, both of Albany.

Brodhead Community Blood Drive

The Brodhead Community Blood Drive will be held Monday, February 5, from noon to 5 p.m. at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 405 E. 9th Avenue, Brodhead. More donors are needed for blood this winter. February can be a challenging time to collect enough blood to meet patient needs due to weather and illness. Will you help out? Sign up to give with the Red Cross!

For an appointment call 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit redcrossblood.org. Use sponsor code: BrodheadWI. Walk-ins welcome! You can save up to 15-minutes when you donate blood by using RapidPass. Visit redcrossblood.org/RapidPass for more information.

Donating blood only takes about an hour. Can you spare one?

Fabulous Fashion, Friends and Heroes

In recognition of World Cancer Day a Fabulous Fashion, Friends and Heroes Style Show and Dinner will be held on Saturday, February 10, at Koning Maple Lane Event Center, N3051 State Road 81, Monroe. The spaghetti dinner will start at 6 p.m. followed by the program and style show. The style show will feature Hero models—law enforcement: Sheriff Jeff Skatrud, Larry Kamholz and Donna Hamilton; medical professionals—Brooke and Nicole Kamholz and Madison and Paityn Kail; inspiring students: Zachary-trades and Brandon White-high school; and special guest—Krista Hatcher Uelmen, Magic 98, Madison.

The event is hosted by Justice for a Cure along with JoAnn's Dress Shop and Max's Threads of Monroe.

Tickets are \$25 and available at JoAnn's Dress Shop, Max's Threads, Bartels Co. and Tap and Justice for a Cure. In the event of inclement weather the snow date is Sunday, February 11.

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Brodhead Police Department has found/abandoned property

The Brodhead Police Department currently has approximately 25 bicycles in their possession that have turned over to them as found or abandoned property. If anyone has misplaced or had a bicycle go missing within the past several years, please stop in to the Dispatch Center to see if they have it in their inventory.

They also have hundreds of other miscellaneous items that have been turned over and not claimed. Any unclaimed property will be donated or disposed of according to the procedures in Chapter 124-2 of Brodhead City Ordinances.

Albrecht Elementary accepting four- and five-year old kindergarten applications

Albrecht Elementary School is now accepting new four- and five-year-old kindergarten applications for the 2024-2025 school year. If you have a child who will be turning four by Sunday, September 1st of this year, he/she will be eligible to attend school in the fall.

You and your child are invited to participate in a special night set aside for incoming 4K children and their families. This year 4K Enrollment and Information Night will be held on Thursday, March 21st between 4 and 7 p.m. They are asking that you and your child sign up to attend one 1-hour session that evening.

The 4K Team will keep your child company while engaging them in a play-based environment in the 4K classrooms. The parent information portion will be for parents to hear about the program and answer any questions you may have.

If you are interested in enrolling your child, or wish to learn more about the program, please call Albrecht Elementary School at 608-897-2146 or you can email Ashley Smith at ashleysmith@brodhead.k12.wi.us They are looking forward to hearing from you!

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Kids for Wish Kids at Brodhead High School

Kids for Wish Kids is a fund-raising program that provides schools and youth organizations the opportunity to engage in philanthropy and service activities in partnership with Make-A-Wish. The Make-A-Wish Foundation's goal is to grant the wish of every child diagnosed with a critical illness.

BHS StuCo raised over \$5,000 in February 2020 for Darcy, a seven-year-old girl from Monroe, who has Rett's Syndrome and had a wish to visit Disney World in Orlando, Florida. In 2022, they sponsored Aidyn, a 14-year-old from Madison living with a circulatory system disease, whose wish was to travel to Hawaii. In 2023, they raised over \$5,000 for Kaelie, who has a neuroblastoma and had a wish to travel to Hawaii.

This year, they are fund-raising in honor of Robert. Robert is a nine-year-old from Janesville who's living with cystic fibrosis. He enjoys jumping on the trampoline, swimming, reading, playing Roblox and Battleship, playing Minecraft on his Xbox, going for walks and playing at the park. He wishes to go to Hawaii.

Here's how you can help:

Send donations to Brodhead High School Student Council, 2501 W. 5th Ave., Brodhead, WI 53520

Donate during their Miracle Minute at the BHS Band Concert on Monday, February 5.

Donate or buy bake sale items during the basketball games on Tuesday, February 6 and Thursday, February 8.

Participate in the 50/50 raffle or half court shot contest during the basketball games!



Allie Dahl on a break away run heads to the basket in the game against the Trojans. The girls will travel to challenge Beloit Turner on Thursday this week. (Free Press photo by Teresa Earleywine)



Sam Searls made this fade-away jump shot when Brodhead played Potosi last week. Potosi, who leads the Six Rivers West Conference, took charge of their match against the Cardinals, handing Brodhead a 55-70 defeat. Playing St Ambrose Academy on Friday, Brodhead had three players in double digit scoring, Jaxson Dooley, Cullen Walker, and Sam Searls led the Cards to a 69-49 victory. This week the team will be home against Jefferson on Friday. (Free Press photo by Teresa Earleywine)



Onni Williams was one of four Cardinal players combining for 57 points, Dahl—21, Yates—14, Williams—12 and Schooff—10, to lead their team past East Troy 60-51 last week. (Free Press photo by Teresa Earleywine)



Emmitt Allen—285, file photo, finished in fourth place last week. Of the 18 schools participating at the scramble, Brodhead placed 12th with 316 points. The RVC meet will be held in Delavan Darien on Saturday. (Free Press photo by Teresa Earleywine)



190—Sam Vogt



113—Slater Valley



126—Danny Finley



215—Wes Egan



Competing at the Deerfield Scramble Invitational last week Joziah Crisler—126, pictured here/file photo, placed third. Placing first: Marcus McIntyre—138, second: Joe Lohmar—150, and fourth Emmitt Allen. (Free Press photo by Teresa Earleywine)

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Parkview/ Albany end the 2023-24 Dual Season 3-0

By Joel Steinmann

On Thursday, January 25th, Parkview/Albany (PARAL) hosted Johnson Creek (JOCR), Montello (MONT), and St. John's Northwest Military Academy co-op (SJCUL) for the final season duals and also inducted six individuals into the Parkview Wrestling Wall of Fame. Parkview/Albany matched up against Johnson Creek first. With a win in the dual, Parkview/Albany would hold the Trailways South Conference Championship outright.

In the first dual, Parkview/Albany won over Johnson Creek with a final score of 54-12. Wins earned were from Trevor Haugen (113), Slater Valley (120), Danny Finley (126), Casey Hume (132), Balin Lacy (138), Jayden Anderson (157), Sam Schwengels (190), Wes Egan (215), and Sydney Coyne (285).

The results for the second dual versus St John's Co-op: Parkview/Albany won 41-35. Wins were earned by Trevor Haugen (113), Slater Valley (120), Danny Finley (126), Balin Lacy (138), Peter Roth (144), Sam Schwengels (215), and Wes Egan (285).

The third dual was against Montello. Parkview/Albany won 60-0 with wins from Trevor Haugen (113), Slater Valley (120), Danny Fin-

ley(126), Casey Hume (132), Balin Lacy (138), Peter Roth (144), Jayden Anderson (157), Sam Schwengels (190), Jagger Wilke (215), and Wes Egan (285).

After the final dual, we held the annual Wall of Fame Inductions with many family members and friends on hand. This was a great honor to be alongside Wall of Fame committee members; Al Stark, Brett Zimmerman, and Pat Abrahamson to hand them their plaque and read their bio's. Congratulations to Dennis Kane, Pete Olsen, Rex Markee, Jeff Crandall, Gary Lewis, and Kerry Knutson. With the outstanding dedication to the sport of wrestling, this has helped to build the foundation that we have built our success from.

Five Place first for Parkview/Albany Wrestling

On Saturday, January 27th, Parkview/Albany wrestling had split up and went in two directions for the boys' invite which had four wrestlers. Slater Valley at 113, Danny Finley at 126, Sam Schwengels at 190, and Wes Egan at 215 all placed first at the Bruce Tourbier Memorial Scramble in Laconia High School. Parkview/Albany took 10 wrestlers to Laconia for a final tournament before the conference invite next week and then the start of the WIAA State Tournament Series on Saturday, February 10th. With eight scoring wrestlers, Parkview/Albany finished fourth as a team. Sydney Coyne, at 235, was the only Parkview/Albany wrestler to go to the Lady Huskies invite at the Ronald Reagan High school in Milwau-

kee and place first and as a team placed ninth.

Bruce Tourbier Memorial Scramble Results for Parkview/Albany

Team Scores—1-Chilton/Hilbert 217.0, 2-Portage 203.5, 3-Mishicot 156.5, 4-Parkview/Albany 152.0, 5-Lakeside Lutheran 128.5, 6-Laconia 122.0, 7-Ripon 116.0, 8-St. John's NW Ac./Chest./Un. Lake 98.0, 9-Sheboygan South 50.0

113—Slater Valley (34-4) placed first. 120—Trevor Haugen (13-10) placed fifth. 126—Danny Finley (38-2) placed first. 132—Balin Lacy (9-18) placed sixth. 138—Peter Roth (17-14) placed fifth. 157—Jayden Anderson (19-22) placed sixth. 190—Sam Schwengels (39-1) placed first. 190—Jagger Wilke (3-6) placed eighth—Non Score. 190—Sam Vogt (4-7) placed ninth—Non Score. 215—Wesley Egan (38-1) placed first.

2024 Lady Huskies Wrestling Invite Results for Parkview/Albany

1-Badger 171.0, 2-Milw. Ronald Reagan/Salam 138.0, 3-Jefferson 67.0, 4-Madison La Follette 63.0, 5-Milw. King 54.0, 6-Burlington 51.0, 7-East Troy 40.0, 8-Racine Park/Horlick 28.0, 9-Parkview/Albany 26.0, 10-Racine Case 15.0

235—Sydney Coyne (15-5) placed first.

On Saturday, February 3rd the Parkview/Albany wrestlers will be traveling to Deerfield for the Trailways conference tournament and starting this year there will be a girl only division along with the boys. Wrestling to start at 10 a.m.

ACTIVITIES AROUND TOWN

SAY YES TO A FREE PROM DRESS

Say Yes to a Free Prom Dress! Living Word Church in partnership with Better Brodhead is hosting a free Prom Dress shop on Saturday, February 24th from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. and Sunday, February 25th from 1 to 3 p.m. at Living Word Church, County Road T, Brodhead. High schoolers can shop from their large selection of dresses, shoes, purses, jewelry and accessories. There is no cost!

Donations of gently-used dresses and accessories are welcome at the church. Please call 608-897-8246 if you have questions or need your items picked up! Huge thank you to all who have already donated!

SWEETS FOR YOUR SWEETIE

Looking for a sweet treat for your valentine? The Brodhead United Methodist Church (UMC) United Women in Faith is holding a cookie and candy sale on Friday, February 9 from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Bank of Brodhead. Proceeds from the cookie and candy sale will fund a scholarship presented to a graduating senior from the Brodhead High School to help further their education.

The United Women in Faith meet monthly at the Church, leading educational programs and Bible Studies for the church and community. Their fund-raising efforts support local, national, and global missionaries. The Brodhead UMC, 501 1st Center Avenue, is open for worship on Sundays at 9 a.m. All are welcome!

BRODHEAD PARK AND REC SECOND GRADE YOUTH BASKETBALL

The Brodhead Parks and Recreation Department will be sponsoring a Wednesday afternoon youth basketball program for boys and girls in second grade. The group will meet from 3-4 p.m. in the elementary school gym, beginning Wednesday, February 21st and ending Wednesday, March 27th. This program will teach basic skills and fundamentals.

Dates: February 21, 28 and March 6, 20, 27

Forms are available at the elementary school and at the Brodhead Parks and Recreation Department or on the City of Brodhead Website (<http://www.cityofbrodheadwi.us>). The cost is \$30, which includes a T-shirt. Forms need to be completed and turned in with fee by 8 a.m. on Monday, February 19th. Gym shoes are required. Checks made payable to the City of Brodhead. If you have any questions, please call the Parks and Recreation Department at 608-897-2159.

BANK OF BRODHEAD BUS TRIPS

The Bank of Brodhead is sponsoring two upcoming trips. The first trip is to Virginia Beach, Colonial Williamsburg and Norfolk. The trip dates are April 6-14, 2024. It includes Virginia Beach Boardwalk, visit to Colonial Williamsburg, narrated Norfolk Naval Base Harbor Cruise, admission to the Nauticus and Battleship Wisconsin, visit to Mariners' Museum and Park and Virginia Beach Aquarium and Marine Science Center. The price for the trip is \$1,219 per person double occupancy.

The second trip is to Mount Rushmore, Badlands and Black Hills. The dates for this trip are September 8-14, 2024. Features include Mount Rushmore National Museum, Tour of Wildlife Loop Road at Custer State Park, admission to the Unique Journey Museum, tour of Deadwood, visit to the Crazy Horse Memorial and a visit to the Badlands National Park. The price for this trip is \$939 per person double occupancy.

To sign up or for more information call Sue Schmelzer at 608-897-2676 or 608-558-8797 or email sschmelzer@charter.net.

PARK AND REC SUMMER APPLICATIONS

Applications will be available at the Brodhead Parks and Recreation Department beginning Wednesday, January 3rd, for summer 2024 employment.

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15 years old: lifeguarding;

16 years old: park maintenance

Applicants must qualify for a work permit (14 years of age and in high school) to be considered. Applications are available at the Brodhead Parks and Recreation Department or on the City of Brodhead Website (<http://www.cityofbrodheadwi.us>) and are due to the Parks and Recreation Director by Thursday, February 29th. If you have any questions, please call the Brodhead Parks and Recreation Department at 608-897-2159.

BRODHEAD PARK AND REC FIFTH AND SIXTH GRADE DODGEBALL PROGRAM

The Brodhead Parks and Recreation Department will be sponsoring a four-week DODGEBALL program for boys and girls in fifth and sixth grades. The program will be on Tuesday afternoons from 3:15-4:30 p.m. at the Brodhead Middle School meeting February 27, March 5, March 19 and March 26. They will NOT meet Tuesday, March 12th due to Spring Break. They'll form new teams each week and learn how to play the original version as well as some variations of this awesome game.

Registration forms are available at the schools and at the Brodhead Park and Rec Department or on the City of Brodhead Website (<http://www.cityofbrodheadwi.us>). The cost is \$20. Forms need to be completed and turned in with fee by Friday, February 23rd to the office or Rec Department. Checks made payable to the City of Brodhead. If you have any questions, please call Domanic at 608-897-2159.



Parkview Wall of Fame



Left to right: Emmett Bliss, Aiden Simons, Devin Haney, Moira Logan, Stella Oellerich, Stella Kempel



235—Sydney Coyne

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If this sounds like fun, join us on Tuesdays at 10 a.m. AML isn't open officially at that time, so we'll have the library to ourselves! We'd love to have you!



ACADEMICS

UNIVERSITY OF DUBUQUE FALL SEMESTER 2023 ACADEMIC DEAN'S LIST

The University of Dubuque congratulates the following students on being appointed to the Fall Semester 2023 Academic Dean's List.

Full-time students in good academic standing (registered for and having earned 12 or more letter grade credits for the term) who earn a term grade point average of 3.5 or above and who do not have any grades of Incomplete for the term are named to the Dean's List. Dean's List is awarded for the fall and spring semesters only and may be awarded retroactively.

Among those named were Alexis Kammerer and Hannah Shickles, both of Brodhead; and Aleda Lee, of Davis, Illinois.



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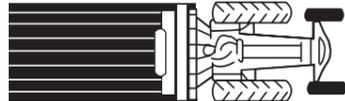
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POLICE

Green County Sheriff's Department January 22-28, 2024

At 7:06 a.m., Tuesday, deputies along with the Brodhead Fire Department and Brodhead EMS responded to the N2400 block of Brodhead Airport Road, in the Town of Spring Grove for a single vehicle crash. Investigation revealed that a vehicle operated by Daytona L. Schliem, 31, of Brodhead, was traveling northbound when the vehicle lost control due to icy road conditions. The vehicle entered the ditch and collided with a utility pole. Schliem and her passenger reported no injuries, were wearing their seat belts, and the airbags did not deploy. The vehicle sustained functional damage and was towed from the scene.

At 9:23 a.m., Tuesday, deputies responded to the W300 block of Pientenpol Place, in the Town of Spring Grove, for a single vehicle crash. Investigation revealed that a vehicle operated by Chad M. Hardy, 42, of Brodhead, was traveling

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1/22—High series: Tyson Foster 669, Robert Murray 649, Denny Schultz 635. High games: T. Foster 276, R. Murray 245, Zack Hefty 236. Deb's Bar-high team game 1,032 and series 2,793. **Standings:** Deb's Bar won 49 lost 14, Center Tavern 38-25, Broughton's Bar 28-35, Beloit Chiropractic 26-37, Fosters Gaming 25-38, Albany Lanes 23-40.

Tuesday Shanigans

1/23—High series: Phyllis Shrier 451, Alexis Sies 446, Barb Brugger 446, Rick Clark 553, Mike Hanneman 543, Larry Ommodt 607. High games: A. Sies 211, Betty Helwig 162, B. Brugger 160, R. Clark 201, M. Hanneman 189, L. Ommodt 187. Barely Upright-high team game 791 and series 2,284. **Standings:** Albany Lanes won 65 lost 33, Boomtastic 4 53-45, Barely Upright 52-46, Greightful Dead 44-54, Misfits 43-55, Sweet Mini HaHa 37-61.

Badger

1/23—High series: Cole Krupke 669, Ryan Brugger 664, Keith Riese 621, LeRoy Blumer 595, Jen Parrish 301, Kim Qualley 282. High games: R. Brugger 252, C. Krupke 235, L. Blumer 232, K. Riese 227, J. Parrish 131, K. Qualley 94. Jim's Mechanic Shop-high team game 785 and series 2,298. **Standings:** Renks won 51.5 lost 11.5, Jim's Mechanic Shop 43-20, Counter Attack 35.5-27.5, Pearl City Elevator 27-36, Decatur Dairy 20-43, Team 3 12-51.

Wednesday Night Ladies

1/24—High series: Zoe Krattiger 559, Julie Williams 481, Marcie Brugger 473, Anna Laughlin 439, Lindsey Kotte 415. High games: Z. Krattiger 225, M. Brugger 202, J. Williams 185, Sue Armitage 165, Brenda Jacobson 164, A. Laughlin 164. Glenn-Ann Ladies-high team game 600 and series 1,639. **Standings:** Crystal's Team won 23 lost 12, Larson Acres 22-13, Glenn-Ann Ladies 19-16, New Glarus Brewery 16-19, Broughton's Bar 13-22, Albertson's 12-23.

Thursday Afternoon Ladies

1/25—High series: Nancy Salzwedel 458, Tana Klitzman 434, Laurie Thommen 398. High games: T. Klitzman 172, N. Salzwedel 163, Cindy Sheldon 162. Mike's Flooing-high team game 509. Knutes-high team series 1,475. **Standings:** Ball's Installation won 27 lost 15, Albany Lanes 21-21, Mike's Flooring 24-18, Knutes 24-18, Nolte's Garage 26-16.

Thursday Night Mixed

1/25—High series: Brandon Bayrhofer 692, Tim Golz 652, Kevin Kline 641, Ty Anderson 629. High games: B. Bayrhofer 257, LeRoy Blumer 256, Tony Brewer 243, Ty Powell 243. Rosheisen Rapper-high team game 1,055 and game 3,021. **Standings:** Attica Bar won 42 lost 28, Broughton's Corner Bar 2 40-30, Rosheisen Rapper 40-30, Broughton's Corner Bar 1 35-35, Glenn Ann Holsteins 28-42, Golz Electric 25-45.

Brodhead Early Rollers

1/27—High games: Stella Brugger 80, Abigail Fenwick 61, Kinslee Brewer 56.

Brodhead Youth

1/27—High series: Carter Fenwick 120, Jayse Bennett 110, Jack Norris 109, Jaxson Brewer 87, Kelsee Brugger 200, Ryan Stevens 94, Ayla Brugger 89, Brynlee Brugger 87, Keira Shrader 70. High games: C. Fenwick 76, J. Norris 64, J. Bennett 62, J. Brewer 55, K. Brugger 100, A. Brugger 56, B. Brugger 54, R. Stevens 52, K. Shrader 36.

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ACADEMICS

AREA STUDENTS NAMED TO DEAN'S LIST AT UW-RIVER FALLS

The fall semester Dean's List at the University of Wisconsin-River Falls has been released by Registrar Kelly Browning. It honors 1,656 students.

To be named to the Dean's List, a full-time undergraduate must earn a grade point average of at least 3.5 on a scale of 4.0, or midway between an "A" and "B" average.

Among those named was Rachel Hammes, Animal Science, of Orfordville.



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Brodhead High School honor roll for first semester

Brodhead High School is pleased to announce the students who achieved honor roll for the first semester of the 2023-2024 school year. Students who achieved a 3.00-3.49 grade point average are placed on the "B" honor roll. Students who achieved a 3.50-4.00 grade point average are placed the "A" honor roll.

The following students are "A" honor roll students—seniors: Kayla Baxter, E.R. Bennett, Brandon Bernet, Gunner Boegli, Joseph Brown, Nathan Engen, Macy Fernandes, Kylee Gosnell, Ellyanna Harding, Jaelyn Hilliard, Zoey Hinkle, Zoe Hoke, Brenley Jones, Paityn Kail, Brody Kiser, Tessa Kloeppling, Tyra Lehman, Caleb Leighty, Sophia Leitzen, Joseph Lohmar, Caden Malott, Blake Matthys, Marcus McIntyre, Nicole Miller, Emma Nelson, Nolan Oliver, Gavin Pinnow, Kiara Quimby, Molly Regenold, Kalena Riemer, Lexus Sandlin, Isaac Saunders, Montanna Schumacher, Jerica Schwartz, Hailey Thelen, Addison Yates.

Juniors: Stella Arn, Joshua Blum, Michael Boston, Madilyn Brown, Tatum Ceslok, Jade Condon, Henry Droessler, Jay Eldred, Clayton Elliott, Achilles Fowler, Jordan Gilson, Hannah Grover, Olivia Hartwig, Brooks Malkow, David Masloske, Kyla Miller, Lila Montiel, Miley Mordhorst, Angel Nieto-Vigna, Eli Olson, Joselynn Picard, Max Pinnow, Emily Reyes Ramirez, Ava Risum, Princessa Santiago-Aguilar, Makenna Schooff, Emily Schwartzlow, Lindsay Simons, Nikoli Stephenson, Bryce Turner, Parker Vanderpal, Kylee Whaler, Cullen Walker.

Sophomores: Taya Anderson, Annelise Bethke, Jayde Blizard, Jayden Clark, Alecia Dahl, Danica Demrow, Jenna Dougherty, Taiya Hawkins, Dane Huffman, Gretchen Kammerer, Karli Krumwiede, Addie Leifker, Kara Lohmar, Bryce McIntosh, Riley Meythaler, Isabel

Murphy, Bryson Oliver, Kayla Perry, Kaiden Richards, Sophia Riemer, Brynn Riesterer, Serena Santiago, Keegan Steinke, Jorge Villalva, Lane Visger, Savannah Walder, Laney Weis, Aubrie Yoshida.

Freshman: Emberly Ast, Logan Berzinski, Dakota Carlson, Kylee Cole, Ciarrh Condon, Khloe Coplien, Lelin Doyle, Evelyne Droessler, Brielle Engen, Laney Fraley-Markley, Mackenzie Harding, Bradyn Lundgren, Madison Melvin, Kaylee Miller, Brooke Mueller, Elly Olson, Leah Rear, Lily Scheidegger, Chyenne Schumacher, Elliana Shank, Lillian Sievers, Kane Smital, Abbigale Tway, Abigail Vickers, Camryn Viti, Chesney Walker, Isabelle Ware, Rayna Wincell.

The following students are "B" honor roll students—seniors: Emmitt Allen, Josue Barahona Rodriguez, Isaiah Bishop, Camaryn Blackwood, Hunter Condon, Grayson Erb, Isabel Huebner, Madeline McGuire, Claire Meythaler, Emma Page.

Juniors: Gabe Bockhop, Dakota Day, Hunter Jorgenson, Harper Krattiger, Alexis Miller, Nolan Perry, Brody Riese, Bethany Wenger.

Sophomores: David Bennett, Jordan Dix, Spencer Dunlavy, Leila Elsner, Gracie Fields, Seaira Foster, Jonathan Hoff, Gauge Jorgensen, Lily Kuebli, Hannah Masloske, Mara Meichtry, Jordan Menehan, Hannah Menzel, Tegan Pinnow, Franco Ramirez, Aidan Rossetti, Taylor Sauer, Ethan Tracy.

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2023 Tax Assistance Appointments

Appointments are now available for free income tax preparation services for low to moderate income, elderly and disabled persons through the AARP Foundation/Tax-Aide program. Assistance provided includes the preparation of federal and state (including homestead) income taxes. Appointments are available in Monroe on Mondays and Wednesdays beginning February 5th through April 10th. Appointments start at 8:30 a.m. with the last appointment at 11:30 a.m. at the Green County Government Services Building, N3152 State Rd 81, Monroe. Please call the ADRC at 608-328-9499 to schedule an appointment. Enter at the ADRC entrance at the lower level parking lot.

This year taxes will be prepared in person and only one appointment is required. However, taxpayers will be required to obtain a packet of information from the ADRC prior to the appointment and must complete the forms in the packet before your appointment. The packet also includes a list of items to bring with you to your appointment. The ADRC can also email you the contents of the packet for you to print out and prepare at home if that's more convenient.

They will not be preparing returns in Brodhead this year due to a shortage in staffing.



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"Prehistoric" Brodhead—Prior to 1856

By Eva Kuzmanich, Brodhead Historical Society

Southern Wisconsin including the Brodhead area was inhabited prior to European arrival by Native Americans of various tribes at various times.

Paleolithic Period: 11,000-9,000BC—Small bands of hunters arrived in the Lower Sugar River Valley and hunted megafauna such as the mammoth and mastodon using stone tools. Archaic Period: 9,000-1,000BC and Woodland Period: 1,000BC–1,000AD—marked by increased population and settling into more localized areas, use of bow and arrow, ground axes, mound building, plant cultivation and first ceramics Mississippian Period and Oneota Period: 1000-1400 AD—Some evidence of Native American activity in Southern Wisconsin but not much after mid- 1400s. To this day arrowheads, other tools of various ages, and perhaps some remaining mounds are still found in the fields surrounding Brodhead.

After arrival of Europeans there noted to be several Ho-Chunk (previously named Winnebago) communities in southern Wisconsin, especially in the lead rich mining areas. Lead mining rights initially and then settlers were points of ongoing friction. Although co-existence did exist in areas. In 1831 for example Jules Louis de Munn began a trading post across the Sugar River, known as Sweet Water in Ho-Chunk, from White Breast's village near present day Brodhead. One source stated the village, named Sturgeon's Spawn, contained 9 lodges and 167 people. Unfortunately, the post was abandoned in 1832 due to the Black Hawk War. Black Hawk was thought to have traveled along the Sugar River and passed near present day Brodhead as did US troops. The diary of Henry Gratiot stated Col. Dodge's unit at some point was joined by White Breast and 31 Winnebago (named

Ho-Chunk now) to act as scouts. In the same area as the village existed a Native American council house, which lasted until destroyed by fire in 1847. The areas around present-day Brodhead, old Decatur and old Clarence were also a hunting and trapping area for the Native Americans. Pine Bluff and what is now called Decatur Parks/Decatur dam were favored camping grounds.

Gradually Native Americans in Wisconsin including near the Brodhead area were relocated as more settlers moved in. Documented oral history indicates small bands of Native Americans passed through the Brodhead area as late as 1861 when they camped by the Sugar River where it ran through the Charles Warner property. This property is also the location of the Half Way Tree, the Native American half way point between the Mississippi River and Lake Michigan. It is still there.

There is so much more to be told but space is limited. Hope this very brief outline sparked your interest to continue further reading/exploring about Native American Indians.

Consider visiting the Depot Museum in Brodhead to see the mammoth tooth, arrowhead collection, Native American maul (hammer), map of local Indian trails and other documents on exhibit there.



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