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City Council

City's Worst Sidewalks to be Fixed After Resident Injured

By Grace Kufahl

After a resident fell and was injured, the worst sidewalks in the city are going to be repaired. Rich Vogel, Public Works, explained that mostly because of the cost to property owners, sidewalks were put on the back burner in 2013. According to city ordinance and because of the incident, he presented a list of properties with sidewalks requiring repair. Vogel will work with the city attorney to draft letters to impacted property owners advising them of this requirement. Owners then need to let the city know whether they'll arrange for repair themselves or if they will leave it to the city to do, in which case they would be billed. The most dangerous sidewalks will be fixed this year and some will have to wait until next year. Alder Burkhalter questioned the fairness of property owners paying for repairs due to damage done by roots of trees on the city terraces. Vogel replied that has been policy and it has worked in the past.

Police Chief Brian Raup informed the council he would look into the city emergency sirens after the newer southside siren had an electrical issue, the northside siren has been difficult to hear and the failing downtown siren was retired. There were some questions as to whether the sirens will still be activated by dispatch for fire and EMS. At the time of the meeting, the chief had not been officially notified otherwise. At a meeting later in the week, it was decided the 911 Dispatch will no longer activate sirens for fire and EMS calls. Alder Simpson questioned whether the sirens needed replacing at a cost he estimated to be \$25,000 if no action is taken because of them. During the recent tornado siren, the committee meeting he was in continued while members of another committee meeting paused to take shelter. Simpson also stated he got a notification on his phone before the siren went off.

During his report, Mayor Jones raised ethics concerns regarding two recent incidents involving council members. He felt one member violated the agreement they signed to act with decorum by complaining on social media about the Green County Dispatch Services contract vote and said he preferred it not happen again. Jones also stated he got a call from a Green County Public Safety representative about contact from a Brodhead alderperson. This person reportedly told them they're wasting their time with that contract, the city is not going to pay it and will just eliminate all dispatch. Jones said he thought that disenfranchised the council's vote and was incorrect. Alder Simpson's request to respond then was declined, but he later stated he called a member of Green County Public Safety Committee to tell them how it went with the city explaining "we were asking for, requesting both council for the county and for the city as well as the sheriff to be present at a special meeting and it didn't happen". He further stated he went to their meeting and listened until asked for input. He told them he didn't feel the city was required to pay \$50,000 and stated it was their committee's vice chair that brought up them taking over all dispatch services. He still wants the joint meeting to happen and he doesn't feel what he did was wrong. The mayor stated he will further pursue the ethics violation

As a result of the Closed Session, Ty Hoard was promoted to Corporal of the Brodhead Police Department.

Brodhead candidates meet and greet A community meet and greet

A community meet and greet event in anticipation of the 2024 election will be held on Wednesday, February 28, starting at 5 p.m. Join the Brodhead Chamber of Commerce for an evening of camaraderie, discussion and the opportunity to meet the candidates at the Brodhead Memorial Library.

Candidates running for election are: Mayoral candidates—Edward "Casey" Jones and Tom Simpson; alderperson: Paul Naramore, J. Michael Lowery, Jill Baxter and Ben Gritzmaker; and running for judge is Richard Bennett.

If you are unable to attend this event please join Better Brodhead



Sam Searls drains this 3-point shot to help Brodhead win over Evansville. On Tuesday, the Cardinals, seeded #7, playoff run begins hosting Wisconsin Heights, #10. The winner will travel on Friday to face the #2 seed, Darlington. (Free Press photo by Teresa Earleywine)

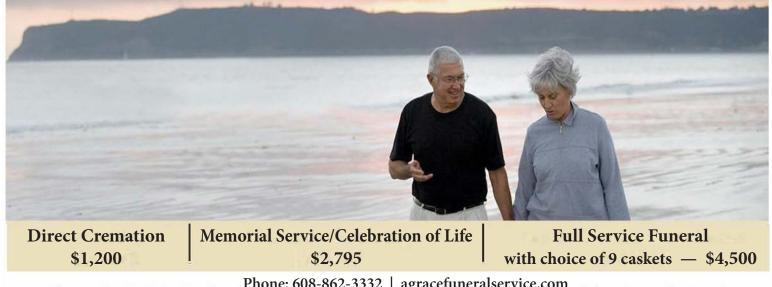


Senior Joe Lohmar—150#, competed at the WIAA State wrestling meet. In his opening round on Friday, he was credited with a technical fall 16-1 over Brody Berg of Beloit Turner. His next round he pinned Kage Weseman. Facing Danny Heiser of Evansville is no surprise for Lohmar as they have been paired previously. Lohmar lost by technical fall and Heiser would finish the weekend winning the championship. Lohmar would then be challenged by Jacob Durcher of Wrightstown and by a narrow 1-0 decision would lose. Fighting for a spot on the podium, Lohmar would pin Hudzon Sebesta-Opelt. Lohmar claimed sixth place and finished his high school career with 103 victories.



Marcus McIntyre made his third appearance at the WIAA D2 State Wrestling Meet winning over Joey Williams by a pin and then by fall against Mason Mau of Bellville/ Monticello/New Glarus. Cole Bozile, Oconto Falls, would overtake McIntyre by a major decision in round three and in round four, suffering a loss by decision to Bryston Scoles. In the final round McIntyre again faced Mau, McIntyre would come out on top and capture fifth place. McIntyre ends his high school career with 129 victories and will continue his wrestling efforts at UW-LaCrosse in the coming school year. Coach Chris Hoesly said, "Both wrestlers look at it as a positive finish, To place once in their high school career means more than to never stand up there at all."

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Albany Hilltop Community Church, 101 S. Jackson Street, Albany. Web site: hilltopalbany.com.

Albany United Methodist Church, 500 Park Street, Albany. 608-862-3206, Rev. Tom Moe, Pastor. Sunday worship at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Check our web page at albanyumchurch.com.

Bethany Lutheran Church, 1652 West Church Road, Brodhead. 608-897-4158. Pastor position currenlty open. Interested candidates may reach out via Facebook or call Bethany Lutheran Church directly. Sunday school 8:45 a.m.; Sunday worship service 10 a.m. Holy Communion first Sunday of each month.

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.

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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 lst 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.

Lent in Brodhead

This year, several Brodhead churches are inviting the public to join them for Midweek Lenten worship and fellowship. Sponsored by the Brodhead Ministers' Fellowship, this special series of gatherings will celebrate the unity of our Christian witness while sharing in prayer and proclamation, as well as introspection. Each gathering will take place Wednesdays at noon at the locations indicated. Participants are invited to bring their own lunches. Beverages and dessert will be provided.

Wednesday, March 6—Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 405 E. 9th Avenue. Preacher: Rev. Shawn Stapleton, Congregational United Church of Christ;

Wednesday, March 13—Brodhead United Methodist Church, 501 1st Center Avenue: Preacher: Rev. Callie Arendt, Bethlehem Lutheran Church;

Wednesday, March 20—Congregational United Church of Christ, E201 23rd Street. Preacher: Rev. Francois Mukosa, Brodhead United Methodist Church:

Wednesday, March 27—Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 405 E. 9th Avenue. Preacher: Rev. Shawn Stapleton, Congregational United Church of Christ.

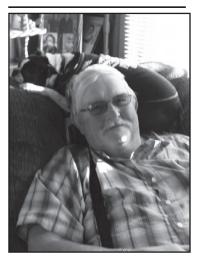
Kendra Whalen, RN receives DAISY Award

Kendra Whalen, RN, SSM Health Monroe Hospital Inpatient nurse, is the newest recipient of the DAISY Award. Kendra has been a nurse with SSM Health Monroe Hospital for 10 years.

Kendra was nominated by hospital pharmacist, Lindsey Beuschel. Lindsey's nomination highlighted a time when Kendra went above and beyond to accommodate her patient's last wishes.

The DAISY Award is an international program that celebrates the extraordinary clinical skill and compassionate care delivered by nurses every day. Kendra is one of three million nurses nationwide who represent the largest healthcare profession. SSM Health Monroe Hospital and SSM Health Monroe Clinic Medical Group employs over 300 nurses serving patients throughout southern Wisconsin and northern Illinois.

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Larry Jerome Booher

Larry Jerome Booher, age 77, Brodhead, passed away unexpectedly on February 20, 2024 while at the Monroe Hospital in Monroe, Wisconsin.

Larry was born on November 28, 1946 in Hillsboro, Wisconsin, the son of Jerome and Goldie (Jones) Booher.

He married his first wife Kathy Trappe, his second wife, Stacy Reichhoff and on February 7, 2017 his current wife, Alice Denz.

Larry worked for over 35 years before his retirement from GM. He enjoyed collecting John Deere collectibles, going to garage sales, watching cowboy movies and wrestling and going fishing. Larry served his country in the US Army during Vietnam and received a Purple Heart for his services.

Larry is survived by his wife, Alice; four children: Crystal Loesch (John Busby), Angela (Chris) Cannon, Amber (Shaun) Jorgensen and Kyle Booher (Lacey Dickman); one stepson, Mike (Tracey) Geddes; seven grandchildren and one great grandchildren.

Larry was preceded in death by his parents and two sisters: Delores Booher and Doris Wong.

A visitation was held at the DL Newcomer Funeral Home in Brodhead on Saturday, February 24, from 4 to 6 p.m. Cremation rites will be accorded after services and his cremated remains will be buried at a later date at the Viola Cemetery in Viola

Online condolences can be made at www.dlnewcomerfuneral-home.com.





Saturday Mornings at the Durand Library New Titles on the Shelf!

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

Visit the Durand Library and take a look—30 new titles have been added to the village collection! These books are all stacked together on a separate shelf waiting to be checked out.

They include the tragic and unsettling story Killers of the Flower Moon. The movie which is based on this story recently received multiple nominations. In Killers of the Flower Moon, David Grann revisits a shocking series of crimes against Native Americans in which dozens of people were murdered in cold blood. Based on years of research and startling new evidence, the book is a masterpiece of narrative nonfiction, as each step in the investigation reveals a series of sinister secrets and reversals. Killers of the Flower Moon is a tragic tale which is utterly compelling.

Lessons in Chemistry, which is loosely based on a true story, is also on the shelf. This novel by Bonnie Garmus is set in the 50s and sharply, and at other times with poignant humor, tells the story of an aspiring young female chemist and how she has to fight for her place in a men's world. The series is now streaming on Apple TV+.

The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store tells the story of a small town and its diverse residents who have lived together for decades. Events challenge relationships and the story braids many threads together. The author James McBride is an award winning writer.

A nonfiction work that will make us look at the animal world in a wholly different way is entitled How Animal Senses Reveal Hidden Realms Around Us The author, Edmund Soon-Weng Yong, is a British-American science journalist and author. In 2021, he received a Pulitzer Prize for Explanatory Reporting for a series on the COVID-19 pandemic.

For Stephen King fans the library now includes the three novels, which follow the character Holly as she develops her own personality and investigative abilities. Also from King is one of his newest books The Institute, a chilling story—what else would a King book be—of a bright young boy spirited away to be an unwilling participant in a government program.

Finding Dorothy is an eye opening story of how The Wizard of Oz became one of the most beloved movies of all time. The heroine is Maud, the wife of Oz author Frank Baum. She lunches with Judy Garland and spends time at the movie set and breathing the magic and spirit of her husband's work into the movie. Author Elizabeth Letts challenges the reader to learn what is real and what is fiction in this historical novel.

And there are several new titles by the popular novelists Kristin Hannah, Jodi Picoult and Taylor Jenkins Reid. Titles include The Four Winds by Hannah; The Storyteller by Picoult; and Daisy Jones and the Six and Carrie Soto is Back by Poid

The Durand Library is a collaboration between the school and the Friends of the Durand Library. The volunteer group maintains public hours on Saturday mornings from 9 a.m. until noon when residents of the school district can check out books and take advantage of the Interlibrary Loan System.

Please enter the school from the east, or playground, end and follow the signs along the wide walkway. For more information about the library please email villagelibrary@cusd.org and visit our Facebook page at Facebook. com/DurandVillageLibrary.

Winter Soup Fund-raiser

The Oakley-Union UMC will have their Winter Soup Fund-raiser on Saturday, March 2 from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Juda, Community Center, N2350 County S. This is an eat-in or carry-out meal. Soup choices are chili mac, chili with beans or loaded potato, plus a brick cheese sandwich. The three dessert choices are: Texas sheet cake, apple slab or cherry slab. Meal price is \$8.

24 Snows To Go!





"There is nothing in a caterpillar that tells you it's going to be a butterfly."
~Buckminster



ACTIVITIES AROUND TOWN

PARK AND REC SUMMER APPLICATIONS

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

14 years old and a freshman in high school: basket window attendant, concessions cashier, playground instructor and umpiring;

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.

JUNIOR CARDINAL BOYS YOUTH BASEBALL

The Junior Cardinal Boys Youth Baseball Program Sign Ups will begin Monday, February 12th and continue until Friday, March 11th. This is for eighth-12th grade (\$125). Please stop down to the Brodhead High School office or Brodhead Middle School office anytime between 8 a.m.—3 p.m. Monday-Friday to sign up. Forms can be returned to the high school office, c/o High School Baseball Coach or via email brodheadjrcardinalsbaseball@gmail.com

Registration forms and the ability to sign up through the JCB website are also available. Jr. Cardinals Baseball (jrcardinalsbaseball.com)

Games are generally played between June and July. Non-high school age may begin sooner in May.

Any questions please contact the Junior Cardinal Baseball Program or Coach Aaron Guilbault at 920-728-1792.

No additional fund-raising is required. Fees go directly towards uniforms, hats, umpires, and field maintenance for the Junior Cardinal Baseball Youth Program (JCB Inc.).

SUMMER YOUTH BALL SIGN-UP

The Youth Ball sign-up for kids currently in 5K and up, will take place Thursday, February 15th—Friday, March 15th. Please stop down to City Hall between 8 a.m.—4:30 p.m., Monday—Friday, to sign your child up. After 4:30 p.m., registration packet(s) and payment can be placed in the drop box outside of City Hall. Anyone signing up after Friday, March 15th, if spots are still available, will pay a \$20 late fee. Registration forms are also available on the City of Brodhead website at www.cityofbrodheadwi.us

There are several leagues to accommodate the different age groups: Girls: 8U—5K-first-second grades (\$35); 10U—third-fourth grade (\$50); 12U—fifth-sixth grade (\$50); and 14U—seventh-eighth grade (\$50).

Boys: 8U—5K-first-second grades (\$35); 10U—third-fourth grade (\$50); 12U—fifth-sixth grade (\$50); and Pony seventh grade (\$80).

Forms need to be completed and turned in with a fee by Wednesday, March 15th, in order for your child to participate in the program. Leagues will begin in late May or early June. Any questions, call Domanic at the Park and Rec Department 608-897-2159.

Fund-raising Agreement. As an adult registering a child to participate in the BYBP for the coming year, the player fee charged does not cover the full cost of your child's participation in the BYBP. The BYBP requires each child who participates in the BYBP to participate in an annual fund-raiser.

BRODHEAD PARK AND REC INDOOR YOUTH SOCCER

The Brodhead Parks and Recreation Department will be sponsoring a four-week youth indoor soccer program for boys and girls in K—first grade. The program will meet after school on Mondays for kindergarteners and Thursdays after school for first graders in the elementary school gym. The program begins on Monday, March 18th and ends on Monday, April 15th. This program is for children at all skill levels and it will teach basic skills and fundamentals.

Forms are available at the elementary school, the Brodhead Parks and Recreation Department or on the City of Brodhead Website. The cost is \$20. Forms need to be completed and turned in with the fee by Friday, March 15th to the school office or Rec Department. Children are encouraged to wear tennis shoes and shin guards. Checks make payable to the City of Brodhead. If you have any questions, contact Domanic at Park and Rec at 608-897-2159.

BRODHEAD PARK AND REC THIRD AND FOURTH GRADE DODGEBALL PROGRAM

The Brodhead Parks and Recreation Department will be sponsoring a four-week DODGEBALL program for boys and girls in third-fourth grades. The program will be on Tuesday afternoons from 3:15-4:30 p.m. at the Brodhead Elementary School meeting April 2, 9, 16 and 23. 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 Thursday, March 28th 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.

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

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!

Optimist Drawing and Painting Contest

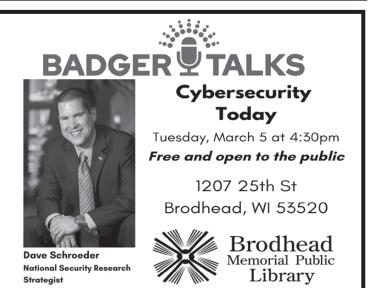
The Brodhead Optimists are inviting all Brodhead students ages 18 and younger to enter their 2024 Drawing and Painting Contest. This year's theme is "What Does Happiness Mean to You?" Create original artwork for a chance to win cash prizes for first, second and third place in your age category. Submit your artwork to the front office of your school no later than Monday, April 1. The Optimists will judge the artwork for originality, creativity and presentation of the artwork.

Please fill out an index card with the following information included name, age, address, parents name and phone number and I certify that I created this work of art and attach to your artwork.

Basketball contest

The highest scoring game was the men's Illinois vs. Iowa, 95-85. The winner of this week's basketball contest was Brian Malkow, Brodhead, with four correct games and 85 points. Doug Rezner, Brodhead, also had four correct and 84 points.

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Green County Genealogical Society to meet March 2

The Green County Genealogical Society will hold its monthly meeting Saturday, March 2 at 10 a.m. at the Union Presbyterian Church located at 2707 5th Street, Monroe. Please note the change in location.

Mark Peterson will present "A Trip to Israel." Mark traveled to Israel in January 2023. Visitors are welcome and there is no cost to attend.

The speaker will explain the geography and a brief history of Israel. He reviews the major sites in Jerusalem he visited including the Temple Mount, City of David, Tower of David, Garden Tomb, Church of the Holy Sepulcher and others. Sites from recent wars in 1967 and 1973 are also included. Time will be given to explain the current state-of-affairs between the Israelis and Palestinians.

Mark Peterson is a native of Northern Illinois and served in the U.S. Navy for six years. He achieved a master's degree in History at Southern Illinois University-Carbondale. He has many teaching experiences including Math at Northwestern Military and Naval Academy in Lake Geneva, HVAC and Building Automation for Barber-Colman for 17 years, VFDs for Danfoss Drives, a Danish company just north of the German border. He took a total of 10 trips to Europe. He taught "Historical Methods" for Concordia University Wisconsin in Beloit for 12 years. Peterson has taught at Lifelong Learning for Highland Community College in Freeport.

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 closed to the public for research. The center is undergoing renovations and will reopen in April.

Historic Quilts, Textiles and Sewing Machines Focus of Upcoming Rock County Historical Society Presentation

A presentation of 19th-century quilts from the Lincoln-Tallman Museum collection, a visiting display and demonstration of antique sewing machines, and a curated display of textiles is planned at the Rock County Historical Society's (RCHS) Tallman Carriage House, 440 N. Jackson Street, Janesville. The presentation will be held at three different times: 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. on Friday, March 15, and again at 10 a.m. on Saturday, March 16. Each program is scheduled for 90 minutes.

Highlights of the events include:

•A stunning collection of 19th-century quilts from the renowned Lincoln-Tallman collection;

 Live demonstrations showcasing the craftsmanship of antique sewing machines;

•A curated display of antique textiles.

Tickets for the presentations are \$15; to purchase a ticket or for more information, call the Rock County Historical Society at 608-756-4509 or visit https://rchs.us/events/. Admission supports the preservation and education operations of RCHS.

Green County Concservation Poster Conest

The Green County Land and Water Conservation Department held its annual conservation poster contest. There were 107 entries in four different age categories. Posters were evaluated on the following criteria: conservation message, visual effectiveness, originality, universal appeal, and individual artwork. The theme was, "May the Forest be with you, Always."

In the K-first grade category, Wesley Frei from Black Hawk was first.

In the second—third grade category, Mariajose Torres was first, Relena Lindert, second, and Cameron Junk, third. All three attend St. Victors School in Monroe.

In the fourth–sixth grade category, Aydin Sobacki was first, Samuel Grossmann, second, and Landen Shippy, third. All three attend Monroe Middle School

In the seventh—ninth grade category, Madeline Cleveland, Homeschool, was first, Jayde Hawkinson, Monroe Middle School, second, and Elise Rear, Brodhead Middle School, third.

The top poster in each category moved on to the 11 county Southern Area competition. Aydin Sobacki and Madeline Cleveland each got third place in their division.



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Jaelyn Hilliard scraps for possession as the Brodhead girls opened post season play with an easy 78-40 victory against Wisconsin Heights last Tuesday. (Free Press photo by Teresa Earleywine)



The Cardinal team and fans are on their feet in a thriller with Brodhead notching a 53-50 win to move into the regional final last Saturday. (Free Press photo by Teresa Earleywine)





The Cardinal team along with Coach Tommy Meier are pumped as Brodhead jumps out to an early lead in the game against Evansville. Brodhead had four

players, Cullen Walker, Gabe Bockhop, Gunner Boegli and Jaxon Dooley scoring double digits. The Cardinals would close out the regular season with a 64-59 victory. Earlier in the week, at Big Foot, Brodhead would win 70-56. (Free Press photo by Teresa Earleywine)



"Guys and Dolls," a collaborated group of high school students from Brodhead, Juda, and Parkview, are asking for sponsors. We need to raise \$5,000 for Wisconsin Singers to come to Brodhead in order for all ticket proceeds to go towards "Guys & Dolls". There is no set sponsor fee, whatever amount you feel comfortable donating is appreciated. They will be performing at Brodhead High School Gymnasium at 2:00pm on April 13th.

Donation deadline is March 21, 2024. Please make checks payable to Brodhead High School Show Choir. Mailed donations can be sent to: Brodhead High School, 2501 W. 5th Ave, Brodhead, WI 53520

Tickets can be purchased at the Brodhead High School office. \$15/adult, \$10/youth and 65+, 3 and under are Free.

Please email Niteal Pinnow (Show Choir Director) at npinnow@brodhead.k12.wi.us with any questions. Thanks for your support!

Coach Brian Kammerer signals to his team in the game against New Glarus. After the break, the Glarner Knights were rolling and Brodhead struggled to drop the ball through the hoop. New Glarus secured the regional championship with the **72-49** score and ending the season for Brodhead. (Free Press photo by Teresa Earleywine)



Mavrik Plummer, home schooled 10th grader from Brodhead, competed at the UW Milwaukee Indoor Track Meet on Sunday, February 18. He ran an impressive time of 2:02.62 in the 800m, winning his heat and putting him third overall at the meet. Currently he is in the top 10 in the state of Wisconsin for 800m Indoor Track times and has qualified for the Wisconsin Indoor Track state at UW Whitewater on Saturday, April 6.









Youth Art Month

As we near Youth Art Month, celebrated in March, there is a lot to celebrate in Brodhead. The Scholastic Art Awards is something that has taken place for over 100 years. It is a program that acknowledges the hard work and talents of young artists throughout the United States. Brielle Engen is a talented artist that is a freshman here at Brodhead High School. Last year, Brielle submitted a drawing while in eighth grade, titled: Memories of Maggie. It was a beautiful, photo realistic drawing of her uncle's dog. She was the recipient of the Silver Key award last year and was acknowledged at the Milwaukee Art Museum. It is a great honor to receive such an award in the state of Wisconsin.

This year, Brielle submitted a piece titled: A Brother's Love. It is a very detailed graphite piece that depicts her brother Josiah, holding her when she was a baby. Brielle

says, "We were looking through baby pictures and once I saw it I knew I had to draw it. I love the childlike love that Siah has in his expression." She also added that she has always wanted to experiment with portraits.

Brielle recently found out that she is the recipient of the very prestigious Scholastic Gold Key award for her drawing she submitted in December. She will be recognized on stage at the Milwaukee Art Museum on Saturday, March 2nd. Gold Key recipients will not only be recognized at the state level, but her piece will move on to the national level to compete. Brielle's art will be hung in a Carnegie Hall in New York City among other talented artists across the country this summer.

Mrs. Foulker, her middle school art teacher, told her last year, "I have no doubt that your artwork will be hung in New York City some day."



Mrs. Marchant's class



Ms. Pinnow's class



Mrs. Ubersox's class



Low and behold, a year later, it is a reality. "Brielle will do great things with her talent. What an honor to watch her continue to create, and be acknowledged for her talent and hard work," Foulker says. "I wouldn't want to miss it."

The 2024 Scholastic Art Awards: Wisconsin Exhibition features hundreds of artworks juried by regional arts professionals, including artists, university faculty. and gallerists. The jury selects award-winning pieces from 16 categories: Architecture and Industrial Design, Ceramics and Glass, Comic Art, Design, Digital Art, Drawing and Illustration, Editorial Cartoon, Expanded Projects, Fashion, Film and Animation, Jewelry, Mixed Media, Painting, Photography, Printmaking, and Sculpture.

Brielle will have her piece hung at the Milwaukee Art Museum from February 24th-April 7th. In ninth grade, there were 105 winners overall in the state of Wisconsin. 51 honorable mentions, 33 silver key, and 22 gold key award winners.



Mrs. Rear's class

The TOTAL team from Albrecht Elementary School held a pop tab contest the weeks January 8-18. Grade levels competed against each other to see who could bring in the most pop tabs. The school collected a total of \$119.70 worth of pop tabs. The pop tab proceeds will be donated to the Ronald McDonald House in Madison. The Ronald McDonald House provides lodging and meals to families of those with children admitted American **Family** to Children's Hospital. donation will be The delivered to the Ronald McDonald House by the TOTAL team in the spring. Congratulations to the fifth graders for winning the contest. Pictured are the winning fifth grade classrooms.

ACADEMICS

UW-LA CROSSE ANNOUNCES DECEMBER 2023 GRADUATES

The following area students completed degree requirements at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse in December.

Students earning degrees in December include: Ethan Anderson-Certificate, Educational Leadership Certificate, of Albany; Catherine Speckman—Bachelor of Science, Exercise and Sport Science Major: Exercise Science-Pre-professional Track, Highest Honors, Jack Speckman—Master of Science, Occupational Therapy, Kayla Updike—Bachelor of Science, General Studies Major and Tania Williams-Master of Science in Education, Reading, all of Brodhead; Silas Rieman—Bachelor of Science, Exercise and Sport Science Major: Exercise Science-Pre-professional Track, of Davis, Illinois; and Haley Lemke-Master of Science, Clinical Exercise Physiology, of Orfordville.

UW-PLATTEVILLE ANNOUNCES DEAN'S LIST

The University of Wisconsin-Platteville announces its Dean's List, honoring those full-time students who earned high honors in the fall 2023 semester.

College of Business, Industry, Life Science and Agriculture and the College of Liberal Arts and Education require grade-point averages of 3.75 and above for Dean's List honors, while the College of Engineering, Mathematics and Science requires students to reach at least a 3.50.

Students from this area on the Dean's List include: Caden Maire-Sustainability and Renewable BS, of Albany; Kassandra Clint-Environmental Horticulture BS, Cora Hafen-Industrial and Systems Eng BS, Paul Keintz-Mechanical Engineering BS, and Dawson Keller-Criminal Justice BS, all of Brodhead; and Will Knaack—Electrical Engineering BS, Angela Meiners—Civil Engineering BS, and Lila Sloan-Ag Business BS, all of Davis, Illinois.

Green County Sheriff's Department February 19-25, 2024

Town of Spring Grove-Structure. On Thursday, February 22 at 4:48 a.m. the Green County Sheriff's Office-Communication Center received a call reporting a structure fire in the N1900 block of County Hwy OK, approximately two miles south east of Juda. Juda Fire Department along with deputies responded to the scene. Upon arrival they located a single-family residence on fire. Juda Fire activated the Mutual Aide Box Alarm System (MABAS) requesting additional fire personnel. The following fire departments responded: Monroe Rural, Brodhead, Albany, Monticello, Davis (IL), Rock City (IL) and Orangeville (IL). Both occupants of the residence were able to exit safely. One occupant was transported from the scene by Green County EMS for non-life-threatening injuries. There

AREA STUDENTS NAMED TO **DEAN'S LIST AT** THE UNIVERSITY **OF WISCONSIN-MILWAUKEE**

The following individuals from your area have been named to the Dean's List at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee for the Fall 2023 semester. UWM is the second largest university in the State of Wisconsin, with more than 22,000 undergraduate and graduate students.

Among those named were Alejandra Villalva Aldama, Pathway Advising, of Brodhead; and Abby Cline, Letters and Science Undergrad and Sarah Thompson, Biomed Sci and HCA Undergraduate, both of Davis, Illinois.

UW-LA CROSSE ANNOUNCES FALL 2023 DEAN'S LIST

The following area students have been named to the Dean's List at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse for the fall semester of the 2023-24 academic year, ending December

Students on the Dean's List from this area include: McKenna Broughton-Management Major, Raj Flannery-Broadfield Social Studies Education Major, Kassi Heins-Exercise and Sport Science Major: Physical, Adapted, and School Health Education, and Ryan Winder—Statistics Major: Actuarial Science Concentration, all of Albany; Gage Boegli-Finance Major: Risk, Insurance and Financial Planning Concentration, Liam Simons—Art Major, Catherine Speckman—Exercise and Sport Science Major: Exercise Science-Pre-professional Track, and Amanda Visger-Theatre Arts Major: Performance Emphasis, all of Brodhead; and Seth Rieman, Exercise and Sport Science Major: Exercise Science-Pre-professional Track and Silas Rieman, Exercise and Sport Science Major: Exercise Science-Pre-professional Track, both of Davis, Illinois.

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were no other injuries sustained. The house is considered total loss and the cause of the fire remains under investigation.

At 8:27 p.m., Sunday, deputies conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle for speeding (96 MPH in a 55MPH zone) in the N6200 block of STH 59, in the Town of Albany. The investigation resulted in the driver, Dylan R. Wittenwyler, 27, of Albany, being arrested for operating while under the influence (first offense). Wittenwyler was further cited for operating with a prohibited alcohol concentration (greater than .15), possession of open intoxicants, and speeding. Wittenwyler was later released to a responsible party pending court.





By Laura Roth, Children's Librarian

Welcome to Spring! March Story Time at Albertson Memorial Library will leave you guessing . . . every week will have a different theme!

What can you do with a Rock? I guess we'll find out during the first week of March. We've got a long list of books about rocks to read (Bring me a Rock! Stick and Stone! Scribble Stones and Rickey the Rock that couldn't roll!)

Have you ever caught a frog? Or made a hopping frog from a paper cup? That's the plan for the second week in March. Our stories will include Frog and Beaver, Five Speckled Frogs and Down by the Cool at

The third week will be all about dragons. Did you know dragons love tacos and they are definitely NOT allowed in the library! Maybe there's a Dragon Downstairs . . .

The final week of March is devoted to April Fool's day. We'll be thinking up ways to fool our friends and family. Lots of April Foolishness and April Fool! Watch out at school!

Remember, we're all alone at the library every Tuesday at 10 a.m. We'd love to see you there.

Craft Sales



Orfordville

American Legion Unit 209 Auxiliary Craft and Vendor Fair. Sat., March 2, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Location: American Legion Post 209, 3913 S. State Road 213, Orfordville. Admission is freeopen to the public. Door prizes. Lunch available for purchase. Bring a friend, enjoy the day, eat your lunch and shop away!

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Notice



EXHIBIT A (Type A Notice)

NOTICE OF REFERENDUM ELECTION NOTICE TO ELECTORS OF SCHOOL DISTRICT OF JUDA **RELATING TO A REFERENDUM ELECTION**

TAKE NOTICE that a referendum election shall be held on April 2, 2024 in the School District of Juda for the purpose of approving or rejecting a Revenue Cap Resolution adopted by the School Board of said School District on January 10, 2024. The Revenue Cap Resolution reads as follows:

> RESOLUTION TO EXCEED REVENUE CAP COMMENCING WITH THE 2024-25 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of the School District of Juda, Green County, Wisconsin, that the final school district budget shall include an amount not to exceed \$500,000 in excess of the revenue limits imposed by Section 121.91 of the Wisconsin Statutes each year beginning with the 2024-25 school year on a recurring basis for the purpose of paying District operating costs including, but not limited to, maintaining current staff and offering insurance for support staff and costs of capital projects including boilers, parking lot improvements, building maintenance and repairs and upgrades to the Career and Technical Education services area.

Said resolution authorizes the School Board of the District to exceed the so-called "revenue cap" imposed on the District's school budget beginning with the 2024-25 school year under Section 121.91 of the Wisconsin Statutes by an amount of \$500,000 on a recurring basis for the purpose of paying District operating costs including, but not limited to, maintaining current staff and offering insurance for support staff and costs of capital projects including boilers, parking lot improvements, building maintenance and repairs and upgrades to the Career and Technical Education services area.

The question to be submitted to District electors will be "Shall the School Board of the School District of Juda be authorized to exceed the revenue limit under Section 121.91 of the Wisconsin Statutes by an amount of \$500,000 beginning with the 2024-25 school year on a recurring basis for the purpose of paying District operating costs including, but not limited to, maintaining current staff and offering insurance for support staff and costs of capital projects including boilers, parking lot improvements, building maintenance and repairs and upgrades to the Career and Technical Education services area as provided in the foregoing resolution?"

A copy of the resolution directing submission of the question set forth above to the electorate and information concerning district boundaries may be obtained at the District offices located at N2385 Spring Street, Juda, Wisconsin 53550.

Persons with questions regarding the referendum election should contact Traci Davis, Superintendent.

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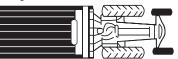
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2/19—High series: Tyson Foster 738, Denny Schultz 701, Jason Shrier 653. High games: D. Schultz 280, T. Foster 256, Alex Sutter 248. Fosters Gaming-high team game 1,017 and series 2,918. Standings: Deb's Bar won 15 lost 6, Center Tavern 15-6, Fosters Gaming 11-10, Beloit Chiropractic 9-12, Broughton's Bar 8-13, Albany Lanes 5-16.

Tuesday Shaningans

2/20—High series: Alexis Sies 485, Barb Brugger 384, Chris Rosheisen 369, John Thill 668, Ted Yaun 576, Dennis Atkinson 571. High games: A. Sies 170, B. Brugger 144, C. Rosheisen 132, J. Thill 228, D. Atkinson 213, T. Yaun 213. Barely Upright-high team game 784. Boomtastic 4-high team series 2,310. Standings: Albany Lanes won 91 lost 35, Barely Upright 71-55, Boomtastic 4 70-56, Misfits 52-74, Greightful Dead 51-75, Sweet Mini HaHa 43-83.

Badger

2/20—High series: Josh Brugger 686, Cole Krupke 660, Ethan Pfueti 619, LeRoy Blumer 589, Megan Anderson 437, Jen Parrish 289. High games: J. Brugger 269, C. Krupke 235, Keith Riese 225, Tony Brewer 225, M. Anderson 156, J. Parrish 110. Renks-high team game 794 and series 2,211. Standings: Pearl City Elevator won 15 lost 6, Counter Attack 14-7, Jim's Mechanic Shop 12-9, Renks 9-12, Decatur Dairy 9-12, Team 3 4-17.

Wednesday Night Ladies

2/21—High series:Zoe Krattiger 600, Darcy Stephenson 459, Fran Kubesh 459, Julie Williams 447, Barb Larson 441. High games: Z. Krattiger 235, J. Williams 195, Carrie Ommodt 191, D. Stephenson 190, F. Kubesh 180. Crystal's Teamhigh team game 685 and series 1,874. Standings: Crystal's Team won 49 lost 14, Larson Acres 37-26, Glenn-Ann Ladies 29-34, Broughton's Bar 29-34, Albertson's 23-40, New Glarus Brewery 22-41

Thursday Afternoon Ladies

2/22—High series: Becky Riese 422, Barb Chapman 411, Betty Helwig 410. High games: Lauire Thommen 159, B. Riese 155, Nancy Salzwedel 150. Mike's Flooring-high team game 566 and series 1,519. **Standings**: Nolte's Garage won 47 lost 23, Mike's Flooring 43-27, Knutes 43-27, Ball's Installation 41-29, Albany Lanes 30-40.

Thursday Night Mixed

2/22—High series: Ty Anderson 693, Michael Morton 628, DJ McGowen 620, Brian Behnke 618. High games: DJ McGowen 279, T. Anderson 278, M. Morton 259, John Pluss 236. Broughton's Corner Bar 1-high team game 987 and series 2,872. Standings: Broughton's Corner Bar 1 won 23 lost 5, Glenn Ann Holsteins 19-9, Attica Bar 17-11, Rosheisen Rapper 11-17, Broughton's Corner Bar 2 10-18, Golz Electric 4-24.

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Bipartisan Coalition of Local Legislators Celebrate Legislature Passing the Corporal Benjamin H. Neal Memorial Highway Bill

Tuesday, February 20, the Wisconsin State Assembly passed a bill authored by a bipartisan coalition of local legislators to designate Highway 11 between Orfordville and Footville as the Corporal Benjamin H. Neal Memorial Highway. After graduating from Parkview High School in 2009, Corporal Benjamin Neal joined the U.S. Army and was on his second deployment when he was killed in action in Afghanistan's Kandahar Province on April 25, 2012.

2023 Senate Bill 223 was previously passed by the State Senate in November 2023, and will now be sent to Governor Tony Evers for his signature.

Senator Mark Spreitzer (D-Beloit): "I am deeply grateful to the bipartisan coalition of legislators and advocates who worked together on this important bill. I would particularly like to thank Post Commander Kurt Stuvengen, the members of the Wells-Davis-Young-Neal American Legion Post 209 in Orfordville, Bill Fitters and the American Legion Riders, and the American Legion Department of Wisconsin for their longtime and dedicated advocacy. Corporal Neal was an extraordinary and beloved member of the Orfordville community, and I look forward to Governor Evers signing this bill

into law to ensure that Corporal Neal's story and sacrifice will never be forgotten."

Representative Ellen Schutt (R-Clinton): "Corporal Benjamin H. Neal was a true American hero, giving up his life to serve his country. I am grateful that Highway 11 between Footville and Orfordville will display his name to honor his service and sacrifice."

Representative Clinton Anderson (D-Beloit): "Renaming a section of Highway 11 after Corporal Benjamin Neal is long overdue. Corporal Neal paid the ultimate sacrifice defending our country. His military honors include the Purple Heart, NATO Medal, the Bronze Star, the Army Commendation Medal, the Army Good Conduct Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, the Afghanistan Campaign Medal with Campaign Stars, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, the Army Service Ribbon, and the Overseas Service Ribbon. I sincerely appreciate everyone who worked hard to get this bill through the legislature."

Representative Jenna Jacobson (D-Oregon): "I am grateful that we are honoring Corporal Neal's heroism with this memorial. Although we can never fully show our gratitude for those that dedicate their lives for our country, this tribute



U.S. Army photograph of Corporal Benjamin H. Neal.

is one step towards demonstrating our utmost appreciation for the Neal family and those in service from across the state."

Kurt Stuvengen, Post Commander of American Legion Post 209: "It has been a long emotional road to get this accomplished. I watched Ben grow from a young boy to the warrior and hero he became. He is highly deserving to be remembered in this way by his fellow Wisconsinites. Regardless of how you feel about the military or their missions around the globe, 'Remember the warrior if not the war.'"

Bill Fitters, Officer of the American Legion Riders of District 1: "The American Legion Riders of District 1 from Post 209 wanted to ensure that no one ever forgot Corporal Benjamin H. Neal's sacrifice for our country. For the Riders, seeing Ben's name as we are heading out or returning reminds us of the importance of our mission."



Legislators and local advocates before the State Assembly vote on 2023 SB 223. From left to right: Sen. Mark Spreitzer, Rep. Ellen Schutt, Bill Fitters, Kurt Stuvengen, Rep. Jenna Jacobson, Rep. Clinton Anderson



Sarah and Matt Daly with their daugher, Amelia

New Family To Move Into Brodhead Habitat Home

Soon a family will move into their new home in Brodhead. That's not spectacular news but it is for Sarah and Matt Daly and Habitat for Humanity Green County.

Sarah, Matt and their two children will be the latest family to move into a home created by Habitat for Humanity Green County. This is the 25th home Habitat has built

This place needed a lot of TLC in order to make it habitable, as it lay vacant for several years. It had its problems. When the home became available, Habitat decided it would search for the right people to take it on. After careful consideration, the Daly family was selected based on Habitat's qualifying factors of need, ability to pay the mortgage, willingness to partner and ties to the community.

They weren't daunted by all the work the home required. Jason Riley, a professional contractor, oversees the rehabilitation, but the Daly's agreed to do much of the painting, sanding, insulating, and other tasks. Matt Daly works in home construction so he had the expertise to do much of the work himself. Sarah is right in there with him.

The Daly's, who currently rent an apartment in Monroe, say they are eager to set up housekeeping in the new place. The family hopes to be moved in by early spring.

Sarah Daly said they'd always wanted to own their own home but weren't able to qualify for a conventional mortgage. They, along with several other families, applied to HHGC. When they heard they had been selected, Sarah reported they were "ecstatic." "It will be the largest place we've ever lived in," she said. Their children Amelia 10 and Atlas three, will have play areas inside and outdoors.

In order to qualify for a Habitat home, potential owners must put in a requisite number of "sweat equity" hours. The Daly family has already exceeded that requirement and were going "like gangbusters," according to Linda Wells who is liaison between the family and HHGC.

Partnering with HHGC, Family Promise will offer counseling to help keep the family finances on track. There is a possibility that another grant will further ease the financial burden. Current high-interest home loan rates do not apply because Habitat homes are offered with interest-free mortgages,

The house stood vacant for several years and now, with the hard work of the Daly family and the hand up offered by Habitat for Humanity Green County, there will be a fresh outlook for the house and its new family.

Surf's Up with School Breakfast

National School Breakfast Week Campaign Encourages Students to Try School Breakfast

To encourage more families to take advantage of the healthy choices available with school breakfast, Brodhead schools will celebrate National School Breakfast Week (NSBW) during March 4-8, 2024.

Busy weekday mornings make it a challenge for many families to find time for a healthy breakfast. Fortunately, Brodhead schools offer nutritious school breakfasts, complete with fruit and low-fat or fat-free milk, to ensure students are fueled for learning every school day. Some of the entrée's offered weekly include; Super Bakery banana bread, delicious breakfast pizza, piping hot breakfast sandwiches, and a crowd favorite, donut day, on Fridays.

The NSBW campaign theme, "Surfs Up with School Breakfast," reminds the entire school community that school breakfast provides a healthy and energizing start to the day for students. Studies show that students who eat school breakfast are more likely to:

- •Reach higher levels of achievement in reading and math
- $\bullet Score\ higher\ on\ standardized\ tests$
- •Have better concentration and memory
- •Be more alert
- •Maintain a healthy weight

School nutrition professionals and students will be encouraged to show their enthusiasm for school breakfast from March 4-8 as the district celebrates NSBW with special menus, activities, and more. There will be raffles, prizes and taste testing going on during NSBW this year!

"A healthy breakfast at the start of the day is a great way to ensure students are nourished and ready to learn," said Dana Wyttenbach, Director of Food Service at Brodhead School District. "National School Breakfast Week helps us educate parents and students about all the nutritious and delicious