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#### **School District to Present Referendum**

On December 8, the Brodhead School Board passed a resolution to present a Referendum at the spring election on April 5. The Referendum seeks permission for the District to exceed State revenue caps for the purpose of maintaining facilities and programs at their current levels. This action follows months of review of long-term budget projections and consideration of input received during a public meeting held on November 17.

Our School District continues to face financial challenges because of State revenue caps, State budget restrictions, and declining enrollment. Over time, State budget cuts have had a significant impact on the District's budget. Since deficit spending is not sustainable over the long term, the Board is faced with the unenviable task of either continuing to cut expenses or increase revenues. Neither of these is an attractive choice. Reducing expenses further will mean a reduction or elimination of programs, which we believe will be detrimental to our students and community. The only way to increase revenues is by seeking community approval through the Referendum process.

The Board has considered options that will be necessary to remain within the budget without additional revenues. After looking at the potential impact, they feel it would be irresponsible to make these decisions without first giving the community, through a Referendum, the chance to determine if it wishes to provide the extra funding needed to keep the current programs, staffing levels, and facilities. This idea of presenting the community with a choice, through a Referendum, was one of the messages heard during the public meetings.

The Board is also sensitive to the economic state of the community and has scheduled the Referendum with an eye toward limiting the tax impact. Community members recommended trying to keep the tax impact consistent. They also felt it was important to keep a school system that would continue to be competitive with areas schools.

Over the next three weeks in this space, we will address three important questions. First, why is a Referendum needed? Second, what cost saving measures have already been made to address shortfalls? Finally, what is the tax impact of the proposed Referendum (ie-what will it cost me)?

In addition to these news articles, the School Board has scheduled a Public Meeting/Open House to provide information on the Referendum election, at 6 p.m. on Monday, March 28 and Wednesday, March 30, in the High School Auditeria. District Board members are also available to make presentations to any community groups wishing to learn more about the Referendum. If your organization would like to host a presentation, please call the School District Office at (608) 897-2141.

Please mark your calendars to get out and vote on April 5.



#### Steve Stettler wins first place for Muenster Cheese Curds

The largest technical cheese, butter and yogurt competition in the world started Tuesday in Wisconsin, with 2,978 entries from 29 nations.

The 53 judges taste, sniff and inspect the 141 classes of dairy products during the biennial World Championship Cheese Contest, this year held at Madison's Monona Terrace.

Steve Stettler, a Master Cheesemaker from Decatur Dairy in Brodhead, won best in class in the unflavored cheese curd category for his Muenster Cheese Curds.

"To get first place in fantastic,"

said Stettler. "Being the first master in cheese curds and then this being the first time it was a cheese category in the world cheese contest, I can't ask for anymore."

Decatur Dairy also won first place for their Muenster Cheese and second for their Colby Swiss cheese

George Stettler, the woman behind the scenes in the industry and at Decatur, won The Eggebrecht Award today for all of her hard work for 25 years of helping at the Cheese Contests from the Wisconsin Cheese Makers Association!



#### City of **Brodhead Local Offices** for Election **UPDATED:** FRIDAY, MARCH 4

The offices of Mayor and three Alderperson at Large will be up for election in the Tuesday, April 5, Spring Election. All Terms are for two years. Casey Jones and registered write-in Tom Simpson are running for Mayor. Paul Naramore, Benjamin Gritzmaker, and Jill Baxter are registered write in candidates for Alderperson at Large. If you are interested in running for any of these offices, please stop into City Hall for more information or call 608-897-4018 ext. 150. City Hall is open Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Deadline to turn in registered write in paperwork is Friday, April 1, 2022, at noon.

#### City of Brodhead referendum for creation of position of City Administrator

The Brodhead City Council is asking for its resident's interest on the creation of a city administration position at the Tuesday, April 5, 2022, Spring Election. The question being brought forth in this referen-

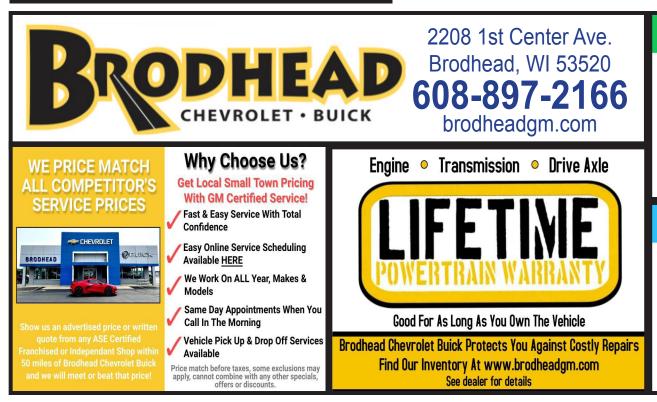
Do you favor creation of the position of City Administrator for the City of Brodhead and an increase in the levy limit to fund the position?

This is a yes or no, advisory only referendum question. This is not a binding referendum. The purpose of this question is to help the city council determine whether to move forward with creating a city administrator position. The city council has passed and approved a job description for the position. The issue with creating the position is a lack of room in the city's budget to add the

position. In order to fund the position, the city would need to propose another tax levy increase referendum at a future election to approve funding the creation of the position.

For a copy of the city administrator job description or questions regarding the referendum, please contact city hall at cityclerk@cityofbrodheadwi.us or 608-897-4018 ext.





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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 10 a.m. Holy Communion first and third Sundays of each

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 405 E. 9th Avenue, Brodhead. 608-897-2341. www.bethlehembrodhead.org. Web site and Live Stream information at www. bethlehembrodhead.org. In-person worship with Communion at 9 a.m. every Sunday. Masks and social distancing are required at this time. Contact church leadership at office@bethlehembrodhead.com.

Congregational United Church of Christ, E201 23rd Street, Brodhead, Pastor Shawn Stapleton. Sundays: 10 a.m. worship. 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.

Juda-Zion United Methodist Church, N2350 Church Street, 608-934-5398. Kelly Jahn, Pastor. Sunday school 9:30 a.m. for all ages, worship service 10:45 a.m. Oakley-Union United Methodist Church, W2388 Gerber Road, Juda, 608-934-5398. Kelly Jahn, Pastor. Sunday worship and children's Sunday school 9 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.

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. Monthly church Council and Ladies Aid meetings are held the second Sunday of the month at 10 a.m. Lenten services 7 p.m., Wednesdays—Mar. 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30 and April 6, 13 and 15. Sun., Apr. 17 9 and 11 a.m.

United Methodist Church of Brodhead, 501 1st Center Avenue, Brodhead. Pastor Kook Ho Kim. 608-897-2515. Services air on Channel 988 at 11 a.m. Communion is the first Sunday of each month. Sunday in person worship, live streamed on Facebook.

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#### **OBITUARY**



#### Thomas R. Marsh

Thomas R. Marsh, age 76, Fitchburg, passed away in his sleep due to complications from Parkinson's disease on February 26, 2022, at his home. He was born on April 16, 1945, in Monroe, Wisconsin, to Roland and Vera (Swinehart) Marsh. Tom served his country through the Military Intelligence branch of the United States Army. He worked as a custodian at the Albright Elementary School in Brodhead for

Lori Lee

Seichter

head, passed away while at home

Janesville, Wisconsin, the daugh-

ter of Clifford and Debbra (Wolter)

Lori married her high school

sweetheart Timothy Seichter on

March 15, 1995 and started a family

where she was an amazing mother

to three wonderful children: Chris,

Daytona and Cole. Although she

grew up in the city, she found her

home in the country life that their

care as a CNA, then Phlebotomist

and found her home as a Lab Tech

Assistant (which she loved) for Mon-

roe Clinic, where she was fortunate

enough to work alongside her daugh-

Cole raise animals on their fam-

ily farm. She loved watching hum-

ming birds and the quiet country

nights by the fire. Lori loved spend-

ing time with grand kids and doing

She loved watching her son

ter Daytona for almost 14 years.

Lori started her Career in health

family created in Brodhead.

on March 3, 2022.

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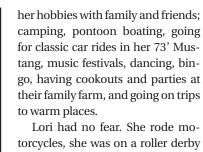
Lori Lee Seichter, age 48, Brod-

Lori was born on May 15, 1973 in

30 years, where he made countless friends and encouraged children to eat their vegetables on a daily basis. Tom loved history and found peace through being in nature.

He is survived by his loving wife, Melody Marsh; his children: Montgomery (Erin) Marsh and Amanda (Paul) Pienkos; grandchildren: Morgan, Abigail, Luke, Regan, and Lincoln; a brother, Terrence (Carole) Marsh; nieces and nephews: Caitlin, Austin, Carly, Joseph, and Timothy; brothers/sisters in Law: Raymond Leverenz, Steven (Cindy) Leverenz, Jeffrey (Julie) Leverenz, and Rachal (Brian) Johnson as well as many cousins and relatives.

A memorial service will be held at Cress Funeral and Cremation Service, 3610 Speedway Road, Madison, on Saturday, March 12, at 11 a.m. A visitation will be held at the funeral home on Saturday, from 9:30 a.m. until the time of service. The memorial service will also be live-streamed; please go to www.cressfuneralservice.com get the link and to share a memory. Burial will take place on Saturday at Greenwood Cemetery in Brodhead, at 1:30 p.m., followed by a reception at the Kelch Aviation Museum.



torcycles, she was on a roller derby team for Beloit Bombshells, she was a gymnast, played volleyball, and pulled pranks on her family. Lori found her 15 minutes of

fame when she had her first child Chris. She was approached by Life Magazine and Sun Times (London) for having seven living generations and was entered into the Genius Book of world records.

Lori and her husband Tim were very proud of their marriage and children.

She will be missed by her family and many, many friends and never forgotten.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be directed to the family in her memory and made out to the UW Carbone Cancer Center, 600 Highland Avenue, Madison WI 53705.

Lori is survived by her husband, Tim; three children: Chris (Amanda) Seichter, Daytona (Nathan) Schliem and Cole Seichter; her parents, Clifford and Debbra Bollig: a sister, Sherri Bollig; four grandchildren: Carson, Adalynn, Gabriyel, Devan, one more on the way and extended family and friends.

Lori was preceded in death by numerous grandparents and her beloved dog Cooper.

A memorial visitation will be held at the DL Newcomer Funeral Home in Brodhead on Thursday, March 10, from 5 to 7 p.m. Private memorial services will be held at a later time. Online condolences can be made at ww.dlnewcomerfuneralhome.com.

Dear Friends in Christ,

Our Lenten journey begins anew each year with Christ's parable of the Publican and the Pharisee, setting before our inward gaze a reminder of the supreme value of the Publican's prayer for *mercy* whereby he was justified by the Lord.

In his lecture series on the Beatitudes, Fr. Josiah (Trenham) provides an edifying description of how mercy is at the very heart of our life in Christ:

Lord have mercy! This is the one most important thing that you say in every service. This is the heart's cry of our corporate life. If someone coming to the church from the outside were to ask us, "What are your services all about," we could very authentically say that our services are about seeking mercy from God. We stand in His presence and we ask for mercy. And they would understand—as soon as they walk into the church—that you had spoken truthfully, because what they are going to see, over and over again, is your supplicating God for mercy.

This petition for mercy is also the heart's cry of our private prayers, because our most precious private prayer is the Jesus Prayer: Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner. Mercy is the very heart of our orientation—corporately and privately. It is the sum of our prayers, to stand before the Holy Trinity and to seek His mercy. Mercy is our daily obsession and our supreme liturgical

And when we open our mouth in the presence of Almighty God, mostly He hears from us mercy. . . mercy. . . Why is this so fundamental? Why do we do this? We do this because mercy is so fundamental with God Himself.

In our Lenten journey, our labors of prayer, fasting and almsgiving are the means by which we knock on the door of God's mercy. Guided by our conscience, we seek to do those things which will incline His mercy toward us. We fast as He would have us fast. We pray as He would have us pray. We are merciful to others, as He is merciful to us. And we do those things in secret, as He says (Matt. 6:4, 6, 18); meaning that we do them to please Him alone.

Mercy is the rudder that steers our course safely through the sea of the Fast, because the goal of our Lenten journey is none other than to prepare ourselves for the holy days of our Lord's saving Passion—that I too be vouchsafed to stand in the presence of the All-merciful Christ, crucified for me, with my heart pierced by His unfathomable mercy. I knock in expectation that He will hear me, and that He will be merciful to me and resurrect my soul.

PRAYERS BY THE LAKE, PRAYER 41

With fasting I gladden my hope in You, my Lord, Who are to come again. Fasting hastens my preparation for Your coming, the sole expectation of my days and nights. Fasting makes my body thinner, so that what remains can more easily shine with the spirit.

While waiting for You, I wish neither to nourish myself with blood nor to take life-so that the animals may sense the joy of my expectation. But truly, abstaining from food will not save me. Even if I were to eat only the sand from the lake, You would not come to me, unless the fasting penetrated deeper into my soul.

I have come to know through my prayer, that bodily fasting is more a symbol of true fasting, very beneficial for someone who has only just begun to hope in You, and nevertheless very difficult for someone who merely practices it.

Therefore I have brought fasting into my soul to purge her of many impudent fiances and to prepare her for You like a virgin.

And I have brought fasting into my mind, to expel from it all daydreams about worldly matters and to demolish all the air castles, fabricated from those daydreams. I have brought fasting into my mind, so that it might jettison the world and prepare to receive Your Wisdom.

And I have brought fasting into my heart, so that by means of it my heart might quell all passions and worldly selfishness. I have brought fasting into my heart, so that heavenly peace might ineffably reign over my heart, when Your stormy Spirit encounters it.

I prescribe fasting for my tongue, to break itself of the habit of idle chatter and to speak reservedly only those words that clear the way for You to come.

And I have imposed fasting on my worries so that it may blow them all away before itself like the wind that blows away the mist, lest they stand like dense fog between me and You, and lest they turn my gaze back to the world.

And fasting has brought into my soul tranquility in the face of uncreated and created realms, and humility towards men and creatures. And it has instilled in me courage, the likes of which I never knew when I was armed with every sort of worldly weapon.

What was my hope before I began to fast except merely another story told by others, which passed from mouth to mouth? The story told by others about salvation through prayer and became my own.

False fasting accompanies false hope, just as no fasting accompanies hopelessness. But just as a wheel follows behind a wheel, a true fasting follows true

Help me to fast joyfully and to hope joyously; for You, my Most Joyful Feast, are drawing near me with Your radiant smile.

-St. Nikolai (Velimirovich)

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#### Green County Republicans to meet

The Republican Party of Green County will be holding a special breakfast meeting at the American Legion, 1627 12th Avenue, Monroe, at 9 a.m. on Saturday, March 12th. This special meeting is for members only of the Republican Party. Contact Bruce Kloepping at 608-897-8395 if you have any questions or need more information.

#### Oakley-**Union UMC** Chili Fundraiser

The Oakley-Union United Methodist Church will have a Drive-Thru Meal for their Winter Chili Fundraiser on Saturday, March 19th at the Juda Community Center from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Chili choices: chili with macaroni OR chili with beans; plus Brick cheese sandwich and corn muffin and choice of dessert: cherry slab pie, angel food cake or chocolate brownie. All for \$8.

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#### **OUR SERVICE LEADERS:**

March 9 - Shawn Stapleton March 16 - Mary Friederich

March 23 - Tiff Bates

March 30 - Rick Gleason

April 6 - Darren Wiebe

April 13 - Shawn Stapleton

Each 40 minute session will include prayer, reflection led by our Pastors, and a time to eat your lunch! **Drinks and dessert available.** 

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# ACTIVITIES AROUND TOWN

#### YOU CAN'T DODGE OUR CAUSE

The Brodhead Police Association is hosting their seventh annual "You Can't Dodge Our Cause" Dodgeball tournament on Saturday, March 19th at the Brodhead Middle School. Teams can register online at https://zippyreg.com/online\_reg/?e=1624 or by emailing brodheadpa@gmail.com by the registration deadline of Saturday, March 5th. During the duration of the tournament, there will be a silent auction with all proceeds to benefit the Brodhead K9 fund. For more information, check them out on Facebook at the Brodhead Police Association or by emailing brodheadpa@gmail.com.

#### ATTENTION ADULT SOFTBALL TEAMS

If you are interested in getting a team in the Sunday Night Church Coed League, Tuesday Night Men's Master's League or would like to play on a team, call Wade at the Park and Rec Office at 608-897-2159 ext. 9. Leagues will begin in May.

#### Brodhead Evening Garden Club Scholarship

The Brodhead Evening Garden Club has been offering a scholar-ship to a graduating high school senior since 2006. This scholarship is open to current seniors of Brodhead, Juda, Albany or Orfordville, including qualified home school applicants, who are pursuing a degree in agriculture, with a preference in horticulture, plant science, landscaping or turf science.

Students may attend a four year, two year or technical school. The amount of \$400 will be awarded upon completion of first semester. Applicants are asked to submit an application plus a two-page essay detailing their high school achievements, grade point average, extra curricular activities, future goals and career objectives.

Applications must be submitted to Ronald Massen, E314 23rd Street, Brodhead, WI 53520.

#### Wednesday Lenten Luncheons return

After two years of pandemic chaos, isolation, and division, the Congregational United Church of Christ is partnering with area churches and pastors and resurrecting a once-popular Brodhead tradition—the Lenten Luncheon series. This series has been a popular way for attendees of different churches (and those who don't attend a church) to come together in unity and fellowship for an enjoyable break in the middle of the day. Each 40-minute weekly gathering (12:10-12:50 p.m.) is free and open to everyone, and will include prayer and a time of reflection led by pastors of varying backgrounds and denominational connections. The gatherings will be held in the Fellowship Hall of the Congregational United Church of Christ, E201 23rd Street, Brodhead. The schedule of speakers is as follows:

March 9—Shawn Stapleton

March 16—Mary Frederick

March 23—Tiff Bates

March 30—Rick Gleason

April 6—Darren Wiebe April 13—Shawn Stapleton

Attendees are asked to bring their own lunches this year. Coffee, lemonade, and dessert items will be provided. Masks and sanitizer will be available for use at the attendee's discretion. Those with questions can contact the Rev. Dr. Shawn Stapleton at 608-897-2917.



Call 608-897-4797

# WRITE-IN CANDIDATE FOR **Brodhead City Mayor**

#### **Greetings Brodhead Voters,**

My name is Thomas Simpson and I'm running for your city of Brodhead mayor; as a write in Candidate, on the Tuesday, April 5th election. I grew up and lived in Brodhead my entire adult life. I practiced veterinary medicine in Brodhead since 1990 and owned and operated my own practice for over 20 years. I have served many of you over the years as your veterinarian. I will bring the same work ethic and devotion to the City of Brodhead as I did to my personal business and the families that put their trust in me. I believe I have the leadership skills and the knowledge to lead and keep Brodhead headed in the right direction. I want to work for you so that we all can continue to be proud to call Brodhead our hometown.

As your mayor, I will seize the opportunity to address the challenges that face Brodhead. I don't have all the answers but I'm willing to listen to all sides, ask the hard questions and help the council make the best decisions possible. I've heard people say, "my opinion doesn't matter, they will do what they want anyway". I want to assure the voters and residents of Brodhead their opinions do matter and I will be a mayor who will listen to your concerns. This is your city, where you work, live and play; you should feel heard. I want to be a full-time mayor; available to all Brodhead citizens. You will be encouraged to call, email or visit me at city hall. I want the residents of Brodhead, young and old, to know they can approach me anytime, with their concerns.

I believe the problems we are experiencing here in Brodhead are no different than the issues occurring across this great country of ours. In order to fix these issues, we need to start locally. It takes people willing to get involved in all areas of our community. We need people willing to step up and volunteer. Our EMS and Fire District are hurting badly for volunteers. If they don't get the volunteers, they will be faced with hiring full-time EMS and Fire Fighters. This will require the city of Brodhead to pay a large portion of that cost. As an alderman we just voted to partially fund the Brodhead EMS for the first time ever, so they could fund a mentoring program. If they can't find volunteers to mentor, they may need to hire staff. The Brodhead Fire District is already doing the same thing. As mayor I want to work to find an effective solution to this problem.

I want to encourage private sector growth and work to bring more small manufacturing companies to Brodhead and help retain the ones we already have. I believe this is what will truly strengthen our local economy.

As mayor I will strive to make our city government more accountable and transparent to everyone. I will do everything in my ability to maintain and improve the services and the infrastructure, we have come to need and depend on

## I would appreciate your write in vote on Tuesday, April 5th, 2022!

If you would like to contact me, I can be reached at 608-897-5994 or docsimpson@sugarrivervet.com.



#### Thank you - Thomas Simpson

Write in Candidate for Brodhead City Mayor

Paid for by Thomas Simpson

#### ACTIVITIES AROUND TOWN

# FREEZIN FOR A REASON (HOMELESS VET AWARENESS)

Orfordville American Legion Post 209 will be putting on a three-day event to raise awareness of homeless vets, Friday, March 18 through Sunday, March 20. There will be music, games, raffles and more, as well as breakfast served Saturday and Sunday. For more information on all the events, too many to list here, call the Legion Post 209 head-quarters at 608-879-2013. Let's support our vets, by supporting this event.

#### MEAT RAFFLE AND SILENT AUCTION FUND-RAISER

Support the Brodhead Athletic Department at its annual Meat Raffle and Silent Auction. This fun evening will include a meat raffle, 50/50 raffles and silent auction. All proceeds will support the Brodhead Cardinal Athletic Department. The event runs from 4:30-8 p.m. at Bridges Bar and Grill on Saturday, March 12. Bridges will be generously donating a portion of their sales during the event to the Athletic Department. Donations to the meat raffle and silent auction are greatly appreciated. Please reach out to Annie at 608-220-4459 to coordinate. Donors will be recognized in event promotions and at the event.

#### SUMMER YOUTH BALL SIGN-UP

The Youth Ball sign-up for kids currently in 5k and up; will take place Tuesday, February 15th—Friday, March 18th. 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 18th, 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-six grade (\$50), Pony's seventh grade (\$80)

Forms need to be completed and turned in with a fee by Friday, March 18th, in order for your child to participate in the program. Leagues will begin in late May or early June. Any questions, call Wade at the Park and Rec Department at 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.

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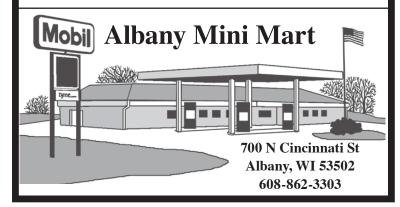
Thurs., Mar. 10: Fish sticks, mac & cheese, fruit, milk Fri., Mar. 11: Deli subs, sun chips, pickles, apple wedges, milk Mon., March 14-Friday, March 18: NO SCHOOL - Spring Break

#### <u>UPCOMING EVENTS:</u>

Sun., Mar. 13: Zumba in cafeteria 6 p.m.

Wed., Mar. 16: Zumba in cafeteria 6 p.m., adult open gym 7 p.m., adult volleyball (ES gym) 7 p.m.

The Extended Day program will be hosting a family paint night on Tuesday, March 15th at 6 p.m. Cost is \$25/board and families are encouraged to work on a board together. Boards are 22"x 8" and participants can choose from one of four designs. Background colors offered are: white, black stained, light grey stained, or dark brown stained. To register or for more information, contact Ms. Becky by Tuesday, March 8th. Registration and payment are due prior to March 8th. Registration is limited to 25 participants.



# Panther Hill 🍳

#### **LUNCH MENU**—

Thurs., Mar. 10: Chicken Alfredo, garlic bread, broccoli, fruit Fri., Mar. 11: Fish sticks, fries, fruit Mon., Mar. 14-Fri., Mar. 18: NO SCHOOL - Spring break

#### SCHOOL CALENDAR—

Thur., Mar. 10: MS boys basketball @ Argyle Mon., Mar. 14: NO SCHOOL, 1st day of softball practice, MS boys basketball @ Black Hawk Tue., Mar. 15: NO SCHOOL



#### **Albany High** Alumni **Basketball** Tournament

The Albany Alumni Basketball Tournament will be held on Friday, March 25th and Saturday, March 26th. It will start at approximately 6:30 p.m. on Friday, March 25th.

This is their only fund-raiser of the year and all proceeds go to scholarships for deserving seniors. Please come out and support this worthwhile cause.

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#### **Monday Night Mixed League**

2/28—High series: Denny Schultz 715, Ryan Flood 701, LeRoy Blumer 673. High games: D. Schultz 268, R. Flood 248, L. Blumer 248. Center Tavernhigh team game 1,097. Broughton's Bar-high team series 3,074 Standings: Broughton's Bar won 31 lost 4, Deb's Bar 19-16, Fosters Gaming 16-19, Beloit Chiropractic 16-19, Center Tavern 14-21, Albany Lanes 9-26.

#### **Tuesday Shaningans**

3/1—High series: Alexis Sies 546, Barb Brugger 469, Betty Helwig 435, Dan Eaton 557, Larry Ommodt 515, Rick Josephsen 513. High games: A. Sies 190, B. Brugger 190, B. Helwig 174, B. Brugger 172, L. Ommodt 228, D. Eaton 203, R. Josephsen 189. Barely Upright-high team game 734 and series 1,982. Standings: Barely Upright won 79 lost 54, Albany Lanes 75-58, Sweet Mini HaHa 72-61, Greightful Dead 70-63, Clayt's Boomtastic 62-71, Misfits 23-110.

#### Badger

3/1—High series: Megan Anderson 473, Ryan Brugger 645, Josh Brugger 633, Keit Riese 625, Rob Kubesh 624. M. Anderson 456. High games: M. Anderson 173, R. Kubesh 236, Dave Brugger 233, R. Brugger 232, Ethan Pfueti 231. Jim's Mechanic Shop- high team game 838 and series 2,390. Standings: Renks won 29 lost 6, Jim's Mechanic Shop 25-10, Counter Attack 21-14, Brugger Farms Trucking 11-24, Pearl City Elevator 10-25, Decatur

#### Wednesday Night Ladies

3/2—High series: Darcy Stephenson 470, Laurie Thill 461, Joan Flood 437, Tami Behnke 436, Holly Everson 428. High games: H. Everson 193, D. Stephenson 165, J. Flood 162, L. Thill 158, Chris Rosheisen 157. Albertson'shigh team game 603 and high team series 1,677. Standings: Larson Acres won 42 lost 22, New Glarus Brewery 40-23, Broughton's Bar 37-26, Glenn-Ann Ladies 27-36, Albertson's 23-40, Center Tavern 21-42

#### **Thursday Afternoon Ladies**

3/8—High series: Barb Chapman 454, Becky Riese 453, Debbie Williams 432, Betty Blum 421, Virginia Schliem 412. High games: B. Chapman 187, B. Blum 170, Cora Ball 166, D. Williams 159, B. Riese 158. Splits: Shirley Sutherland 3-10, Joyce Nipple 3-10, Carol Whitledge 5-6, Karen Brugger 5-6, Phyllis Flannery 2-7. Huntington Plumbing-high team game 556. Mike's Flooring-high team series 1,575. Standings: Knutes won 32 lost 12, Huntington Plumbing 31-13, Mike's Flooring 25-19, Ball's Installations 23-21, Albany Lanes 17-27.

#### Thursday Night Mixed

3/3—High series: Anna Laughlin 372, John Pluss 689, Dave Brugger 655, Tim (TJ) Golz 643, Mark Helwig 634. High games: A. Laughlin 129, Eric Woodruff 254, M. Helwig 252, J. Pluss 249, Leroy Blumer 236. Glenn Ann Holsteins-high team game 1,092 and Brought Corn 1 high team series 3,076. Standings: Glenn Ann Holsteins won 22 lost 13, Golz Electric 22-13, Broughton's Corner Bar 1 19-16, Irv's Masonry 18-17, Attica Bar 13-22, Broughton's Corner Bar 2 11-24.

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# AROUND TOW

#### Around the town in the 1960s

#### Jefferson Man New Director of Brodhead Band

BRODHEAD- Brodhead School Board has hired Clifford D. Keuler, Jefferson, to direct the band and chorus, replacing Ronald Rockow, who was called to duty with the 32nd Division. Keuler is a graduate of Jefferson High School and Whitewater State College.

#### **Brodhead Briefs**

Mrs. J. Lina Barkow is leaving for an extended visit with her granddaughter, Mrs. Donald Gohde, Brookfield.

Mrs. Henry Sveom, local Girl Scout leader, attended the Great Lakes regional conference at Chicago this week.

T. T. Cortelyou, Madiera Beach, Fla., and R. W. Cortelyou, Alamosa, Colorado, were recent guests at the M. J. Condon home. They attended the funeral of Mrs. Grace Cortelyou.

Holy Name societies of St. Rose and St. Patrick churches will hold a breakfast and meeting in St. Rose church hall following the 7 a.m. Mass Sunday.

Avon Willing Workers will hold a noon potluck dinner in the home of Mrs. Helen Sanders, Durand, Nov. 15.

Mrs. Nellie Appleman will be hostess to Rachelle Circle of the Methodist Church at 8:30 p.m., Tuesday.

Mrs. Kathryn Chambers Maegli and son, Milwaukee, are guests at the William Chambers home, Juda.

Bright School Mothers Club will hold a Christmas dinner for members and pupils Dec. 15. Mrs. Estelle North, Country nurse, was guest speaker when the group met recently.

#### 15 Report Deer at Brodhead

The following hunters had registered deer at Brodhead police station by noon Sunday:

Richard and Carolyn Keesey, Spring Valley Township: Edward A. Ruef Sr. and Edward Jr., Rte. 2, Brodhead: Darrell Zimmerman, Roy Peterson, Herman Krattiger, Willis Wolter and Edwin Smith, all of Brodhead: Don Pinnow, Monroe: Jerry jones, Richard Jones, Lester Keesey and Merle Thompson, Beloit: Jack Covert, Evansville.

Most of the deer were killed south of Brodhead.

#### Little Learners Daycare, Brodhead



"There is no such thing as bad weather, just bad clothing."

That's the motto at Little Learners Daycare, a family childcare in Brodhead that founder Chelsea Andrews said puts a high priority on outdoor playtime.

"My program is unique with all the time that we spend outdoors," Andrews said, adding her program is nature and play based. "Rain, shine, cold, hot. It doesn't matter. We love all types of weather."

Andrews started her business four years ago as a way to stay home with her children. "I also understood the need for childcare and I wanted to help," she said.

She enjoys learning along with the children in her care. "I love watching how much they teach me. It is so fun guiding them along and simply showing them they are already so smart, strong and capable. We often underestimate all that children can do and how much they already know," Andrews said. "I like to call myself a 'play facilitator.' They learn through their play and I am simply here to join in on the fun and help them when needed."

Long hours can be a challenge for any childcare educator. Like others, Andrews needs to be available before and after typical working hours, which can add up to a 52-hour working week. Family childcare is notoriously difficult and many providers understandably find it unsustainable, Andrews said. "It is challenging to learn to take time for yourself."

Family childcares need support, she said. They often don't get paid vacations, sick time, insurance or other benefits that other employers may offer. Those factors, combined with low wages, can push even the most dedicated childcare educator out of the field.

"I wish people would know all the work that we put into what we do," Andrews said. "I always tell people this is the most difficult job I have ever done but it is, by far, the most rewarding."

It's also a vitally important job, she said. Without childcare, parents can't go to work. "The pandemic showed that when there is no childcare, the world stops. Businesses cannot run and families do not feel secure when there is a lack of quality childcare," Andrews said.

Unfortunately, childcare educators are often not recognized enough, nor are they seen as educators. Having recognition and respect from community members would be a good start to showing better support for childcare, she said.

Despite the challenges, it's a labor of love for Andrews. She particularly enjoys watching children gain confidence and discovering what they can accomplish.

"This is my passion. I love what I do, and am continually growing and learning. I will be graduating with my bachelor's of science degree in Early Childcare and Education at the end of 2022, but that doesn't mean I will be done learning. My goal is still, and will always be, to instill a lifelong love of learning and a lifelong love of nature in the kids," she said.

#### Spies Among Us

The Monroe City Band will begin its 73rd season on Saturday, March 12 at 7 p.m. at Turner Hall, 1217 17th Avenue, Monroe. The performance will occur in the Grand Hall. This year's theme is "Spies Among Us." The band will perform music reminiscent of espionage thrillers such as Mission Impossible and James Bond. Mrs. Ingerid Kvam is this year's featured vocal soloist. Ingerid is presently the choral director at Monroe Middle School. There is an \$8 admission fee for the concert with doors opening at 6:15 p.m.

Are you a musician? Have you thought about all the fun you had playing music when you were younger? If you've been thinking about dusting that old instrument off, now is the time! The Monroe City Band is always open to new members. Rehearsals for the 2022 summer season will begin on Monday, April 4, at 7 p.m. Rehearsals will begin at Monroe Middle School, in the band room.

Questions should be directed to Monroe City Band Director Brian Bruggeman at citybandmonroe@gmail.com or 608-328-7447. Be sure to "like" the Monroe City Band on facebook to follow all the happenings throughout the year!



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#### TO ALL MY ORFORDVILLE NEIGHBORS:

**MY NAME IS CHUCK BOYCE** and I am running for village trustee. I'd like to introduce myself to you and explain why I am a great candidate for one of the 3 openings being voted on in April, along with my friend Don Cox.

I served on the board in 2019 and 2020, and I'm pretty proud of most of what we accomplished in that time. I have the experience in the role as trustee and I consider myself to be a good steward of the village's money and I always think of what's best for the village and its residents first. There have been some things going on in the village and I'm afraid that the village might be headed down a dark road if things don't change. I have the experience as a past board member, and with that, I am not afraid to voice dissent if I feel the people of Orfordville won't benefit.

I hope to bring a little more common sense to the table and start thinking about keeping property values high, which benefits everybody. I would also like to clean up the up the village as a whole, and make our hometown a place we can be proud of.

If you would like to talk to me personally, my phone number is 608-447-1841, and my email is wrencher@ameritech.net. I'd love to talk to you about my ideas and how we can all move forward in this great little village we call home.

Respectfully Submitted, Chuck Boyce



#### **ELEMENTARY LUNCH MENU:**

Thurs., Mar. 10: Pepperoni pizza, green beans, Caesar side salad Fri., Mar. 11: French toast sticks, tri tater, wango mango fruit & vegetable juice

Mon., Mar. 14: Cheesy baked ziti, WG garlic toast, roasted cauliflower, carrot snax

Tue., Mar. 15: Chicken & Waffles, cinnamon smashed sweet potatoes, wango mango fruit & vegetable juice.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Mon., Mar. 14: Technology Committee Meeting, PAVE Governance Council Meeting

Tues., Mar. 15: Parkview Building & Grounds Committee Meeting Wed., Mar. 16: School Board Negotiations Committee Meeting



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# Healthful Hints

# March 2022 Healthful Hints "How do you keep your head above water? Prepare for floods now."

Do you know if your household is at risk of flooding? While you may not think your home is at risk, floods can happen anywhere it rains or snows. Even in a low-risk area, being well prepared for a flood can prevent property damage and keep you and your loved ones safe.

How can I prepare for flooding in my home?

•Make a Plan: Make a plan for your household so that you and your family know what to do during a flood. Go over evacuation routes and shelter plans to ensure everyone in your home knows what they need to do to protect themselves

•Know Your Flood Risk: Visit FloodFactor.com to learn if you live, work, or travel in areas that are prone to flooding. It's important to remember that areas at low or moderate flood risk still experience flooding. More than 25% of flood insurance claims come from properties that are in low or moderate flood risk areas.

•Sign-Up for Weather and Emergency Alerts: Sign up for emergency weather alerts through the National Weather Service. Learn more about emergency weather alerts at https://www.weather.gov/crp/wea.

•Assemble an Emergency Kit: Build an emergency supplies kit with items such as water, food, flashlights, first aid kits, and more. Store your emergency kit in a secure, waterproof container.

What can I do to prevent flooding and flood damage in my home?

There are ways you can prevent flooding and flood damage in your home, many of which are inexpensive and easy to do.

•Manage Downspouts and Gutters: Regularly clear out your gutters to prevent leaf buildup and other debris from blocking water flow. Also, extend your downspout away from your home's foundation.

•Install a Rain Barrel: A rain barrel is typically placed at the bottom of a downspout and can reduce the risk of flooding by directing water away from your home's foundation. Stored water can also be used for other tasks like watering your lawn or washing your car.

•Patch or Repair Foundation: Close cracks in your home's foundation with mortar or caulk to prevent leaks.

• Protect Your Valuables: Move valuable or sentimental items to a safe location well above potential flood elevation or place valuable items in secure, waterproof containers.

•Elevate and Anchor Utilities: Elevate and anchor your critical utilities like electrical panels, appliances, wiring, or propane tanks to prevent electrical hazards.

It is easy to get swept up in preparing for a flood. Just remember that your first priority in all flooding emergencies should be the safety of you and your loved ones.

Michael Niles is a Public Health Strategist for the Rock County Public Health Department. If you would like to ask a health-related question to be answered in a future column, email RCHealthDept@co.rock.wi.us with Healthful Hint in the subject. The Rock County Public Health Department reserves the right not to answer any questions deemed unsuitable. For more information, follow us on social media @rockcountyPHD.



#### Wisconsin Holstein members celebrate Registered Holsteins, now then and forever in Jefferson County

The Jefferson County Holstein Breeders, in coordination with the Wisconsin Holstein Association (WHA), hosted the annual Adult Holstein Convention at the Country Inn and Suites in Fort Atkinson, February 18 and 19. Holstein breeders from across the state were in attendance for meetings, speakers and tours, and to receive recognition for outstanding accomplishments in 2021.

The convention kicked off Friday afternoon with WHA committee meetings. Following these meetings, Holstein USA board members Bob Webb and Tony Brey hosted a Holstein USA town hall forum. Members heard updates from the national association and were able to ask questions about programs and industry topics.

The annual WHA business meeting was held and included committee reports from board members. Four new members were elected to a three-year term on the WHA Board of Directors: Nicole Miller-Speich, Orfordville; Ty Hildebrandt, Hustisford; Ralph Petersheim, Viroqua and Krista Luedkte, Hortonville. Ryan Weigel of Platteville was re-elected to a second three-year term

The WHA Board of Directors met to elect officers for the upcoming year. Steve Endres of Waunakee will serve as president. Vice President will be Ryan Weigel, Platteville, and Erica Ullom of Bloomer will serve as secretary for a sixth year. Kurt Loehr and Sara Feldmann were also elected to serve on the Executive Committee.

# CASEY'S CORNER

# By Casey Jones-

Good morning! Grab your morning beverage and get ready to talk weath-

We sure had a goofy night of weather for March this past weekend! Pea sized hail, thunder, lightening and winds that took the 70-year old front door off the Pearl Island Bed and Breakfast! There was even an F-1 tornado below

As many of you know, my mom lives with us. Mom was always the daring one when us kids were young. I remember her gathering us kids and my dad and getting us down to the basement while a tornado was heading our direction. We all hustled to the basement. When we turned around mom was nowhere to be found. She was upstairs looking out the window either watching or daring the tornado to come to our house. I think she actually scared the tornado into going around our house. Nobody messes with the momma bear's family.

Another story from not too long ago reinforces the courage mom displays when faced with stressful situations. It happened at the Bed and Breakfast either last year or this year. I was walking down the back hall when I got buzzed by the biggest bat in the world's history. I let out a shriek about five octaves higher than the soprano at the opera. Around the corner came Mrs. Jones, armed with a broom and a pillowcase, she set out on her pursuit. 30 seconds later, disaster was averted and the threat was neutralized! The only casualty was my fragile ego, LOL!

March 9 will be my son's 34th birthday, Happy Birthday, Rusty! Have a great week! casey@bccole.com

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Cards lose to Marshall in round 2 playoffs
In the opening round of playoffs last Tuesday, Brodhead hosted Parkview. The Cardinals played strong the entire

game with nine players contributing to the final 76-46 victory. Owen Engen led the Cardinals with 19 points, followed by Owen Leifker with 16 and Gage Boegli earning 11. At the half Brodhead led 38-18. They also put 11 threepoint shots and made nine of thirteen from the stripe. Parkview was led by Trey Oswald with 17.

In round two of the playoffs, Brodhead traveled to take on the Marshall Cardinals. Brodhead struggled to get their shots to fall through the hoop that night and their season ended with a 44-62 loss. Leifker and Engen were the only Brodhead players to earn double digits.

Right, top to bottom: Gage Boegli contributed 11 points in last Tuesday's win against Parkview.

Owen Leifker feels the pressure against Marshall players in round two of the playoffs.

Seth Engen goes high for two against Parkview. He also had three 3-point shots in the

(Free Press photos by Teresa Earleywine)

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#### **Music in Our Schools**

#### **By Brodhead Music Boosters**

March is Music in our Schools Albrecht Elementary School Music Program. Jennifer Perry is in her second year as the music teacher at Albrecht Elementary and we are glad to have her in our district. With the help of Music Boosters, she recently equipped her classroom with Ukuleles and has been teaching her students to play.

Ms. Perry was asked to share a

few things about herself:

Hi! My name is Jennifer Perry. I tary School. Month. This week, we celebrate the love teaching music because it made a significant impact in my life, and I love to share that alternative means of expression with others. I also love getting to be artistic and creative on a regular basis with many of the things I do. Finally, I love working with so many students because every day is different. I previously taught at River Ridge School District, and now I am currently in

my second year at Albrecht Elemen-

My son, Noah, is in high school and sings tenor and plays the baritone. My daughter, Kayla, is in middle school and sings soprano and plays the flute. I am engaged to be married to Matthew Jones on June 4th. He is extremely supportive of the music program and helpful to me.

Thank you Ms. Perry for your hard work and dedication to music and our students!













#### **BHS Student Council February Staff Spotlight**

The BHS Student Council would like to congratulate the following February Staff Spotlight Nominees:

Mr. Jarvis—Physics Teacher Mr. Cerjak—Technology Education Teacher

Mrs. Hurt-English Teacher Here is what students and staff had to say about these teachers!

Mrs. Hurt-She is a very kind teacher and she makes my day whenever I get to see you. She always helps you and is fun to talk to. She helps me a lot and many students are able to talk to her. She is such an amazing teacher, always working hard to promote reading. She cares about her students, taking the time to get to know them. She tries to find books for every student that they can truly connect with and enjoy reading. She spearheaded the "Caught Reading" program and has worked with the Library to promote it. I feel she is so deserving of the Spotlight recognition. She is a very good teacher who makes learning fun. She is very engaging in conversations with us and just a very fun teacher.

Stephanie is an amazing teacher. She works hard to improve reading literacy for all her students. Stephanie takes the time to get to know her students and find the perfect book to interest them. She also collaborated with the District Librarian to develop the "Caught Reading Program" at the high school. This program promotes and rewards reading. She truly cares about her students and it shows though all that she does.

Mr. Jarvis—He is always thinking of others and is always positive. He is so positive about things even when his whole class is in the dumps. He is always greeting people in the morning and is always there for you when you need help, with or without school related things. He is very understanding and always positive

Mr. Cerjak—He helps anyone and everyone he can and also can joke around and make everyone feel apart of the class even though some people didn't want to be in the class. He was one of the best teachers I have ever had and he helped me through a lot of hard questions about making t-shirts and candles. Great teacher fun to be around. Mr. Cerjak is able to teach a wide variety of skills to students of all levels. He is always positive and flexible. He is a great person to work with!

#### **Brodhead Development of the Bands**

Mr. Jason Riesterer, Brodhead High School and Albrecht Elementary director of these bands had a very full house in the high school gym on Sunday for the Annual Developmental Band Concert.

More pics in next week's edition.

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Trey Boeck, Ephraim Olson, Brady Bruns and Taetum Hoesly performed a brass quartet at the Solo and Ensemble festival.

#### Brodhead Music Department Hosts Solo and Ensemble Festival

During the day on Saturday, February 26th, the halls of Brodhead High School were filled with music. Throughout the day, Brodhead Band & Choir students were performing solos and various ensembles at their annual Solo and Ensemble festival. The day concluded with an Honor's Recital, which featured some of the exemplary performances from the day. Congratulations to the following students were selected for this special event: Tori Urness, Leah Rear, Eve Droessler, Karli Krumwiede, Kaleigh Van Wyhe, Brynn Riesterer, Simon Moore, Aubrie Yoshida, Abbey Vickers, Lily Scheidegger, Ruthie Buehl, Jenna Dougherty, Bryson Oliver, Kayla Perry, Griffin Thompson, Lillian Sievers, Nicole Miller, Emma Nelson, Madi Arnold, Amanda Visger, Kalena Riemer, Laney Weis, Manny Bueno, Lindsay Dodd, Josie Picard and Serena Santiago.



Amanda Visger performing her vocal solo at the Honor's Recital.





Serena Santiago was selected to perform her tuba solo "Auld Lang Syne" at the Honor's recital.



All of the high school students that participated in solo and ensemble.



All of the middle school students that participated in Solo and Ensemble.

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# Lent and Easter 2022 schedule for St. Mary and St. Patrick

Holy Mass—7:30 a.m. Communion Service on Mondays; 7:30 a.m. Mass on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays; 7 p.m. Mass on Thursday evenings, followed by Stations of the Cross, at St. Mary Church; 7:30 a.m. Friday Mass is followed by Eucharistic Adoration from 8 a.m.-12 p.m., followed by Stations of the Cross and Benediction

Holy Rosary—prayed after 7:30 a.m. daily Mass and before 8 a.m. Sunday Mass

Confessions—Saturdays: April 2 and 9, from 3:45-4:15 p.m., St. Patrick Church; every Sunday 7:30-7:45 a.m. St. Mary Church

Diocesan Be Reconciled Day—Wednesday, April 6, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., St. Mary Church

Holy Week—Holy Thursday, April 14. The Easter Triduum begins at 7 p.m. with the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, St. Mary Church. Adoration immediately follows and concludes with an 8:45 p.m. prayer service, in St. Mary Church Hall.

Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday) April 15—During this Good Friday service, which begins at 12:10 p.m. there will be a reading of the Passion, Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion reserved from the Holy Thursday Mass, St. Mary Church. The beginning of The Divine Mercy Novena will be lead at 3 p.m., St. Mary Church. Our Lord said to St. Faustina that, "whoever will recite it will receive great mercy at the hour of death."

Holy Saturday, April 16—The Easter Vigil will be at 7:15 p.m., St. Mary Church. This Mass is the greatest and holiest Mass of the Church Year.

Christ is Risen! Easter Sunday, April 17—Easter Sunday Masses are at 8 a.m., St. Mary Church and at 10 a.m., St. Patrick Church.

# **Durand FFA Alumni and Supporters Metals Drive**

The Durand FFA Alumni and Supporters will hold a metals drive on Saturday, April 9, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Durand School's west parking lot, 200 W. South Street. Proceeds collected will benefit the Durand FFA and the Alumni and Supporters Scholarship Fund.

Examples of items that can be donated are appliances, pipes, brake drums, rotors, copper, iron, sinks, tubs, aluminum and stainless steel. No electronics, TVs or anything containing Freon.

For questions call Scott Lee at 815-298-8811 or by email at leeshowcattle@hotmail.com

#### BMS Forensics

FORENSICS is an extra-curricular activity offered to students in sixth, seventh, and eighth grade. Middle school forensics aims to build self-confidence and oral competency by developing and practicing fundamental public speaking skills.

Brodhead Middle School hosted the Rock Valley Conference schools for our first Forensics meet of the season on Thursday, March 3. Forensics advisor, Mrs. Tresemer, is very proud to mention that 67 students participated in 44 events. BMS students were "judged" in the following categories: poetry, prose, reader's theater, demonstration, speech, and radio announcing. All students received a lot of positive feedback and some pointers on improving. The Forensics team will travel to Beloit Turner on Thursday, March 10, for a final meet of the sea-







# Monroe Theatre Guild Presents "Jake's Women," a play by Neil Simon

A Humorous Romantic Comedy Navigating Man's Relationship with Woman

Monroe Theatre Guild is pleased to announce their spring production of "Jake's Women." Author Neil Simon, a well-known American playwright and screenwriter, is best known for his comedies on the Broadway stage and in Hollywood movies. "Jake's Women" a romantic comedy, tells the story of Jake, a novelist wrestling with writer's block while trying to save his troubled second marriage.

Jake, played by Adam Bansley, talks to the women in his life, either real or imagined, seeking their advice. They include his beloved, but deceased first wife Julie, played by Emily Duvall; his daughter Molly at age twelve, played by Layla Duvall, and Molly as a college student, played by Alli Leutenegger; his bossy sister Karen, played by Nadine Patchin; his opinionated therapist Edith, played by Peggy Woodward; and Jake's current wife Maggie, played by Kate Leverton. Maggie and Jake are continuously at odds with each other throughout the play as they try to repair their broken marriage. At one point the couple's constant bickering creates a hysterical scene with Jake's bewildered girlfriend Sheila, played by Lindsay Dombkowski.

Directing MTG's first full-length production of 2022 are Tom Hardin and Susan Jorenby-Hardin, veteran players of MTG. "Jake's Women" is their directing debut at MTG, bringing with them years of experience as actors, crew members, teachers, and directors in high school theatre and other community theatres. The Hardins are proud of this talented cast of strong women and excited to debut lead actor Adam Bansley, a newcomer to the theatrical stage, but no stranger to comedy. He is known locally for his stand-up comedy and as a popular comedian in MTG's annual Comedy Night line-up.

Neil Simon's witty take on modern relationships in "Jake's Women" is funny and touching all at once, a refreshing must see romantic comedy for MTG audiences. "Jake's Women," part of the Colony Brands Performance Series, will be presented at the Monroe Theatre Guild, 910 16th Avenue, Monroe on the Colony Brands Stage. Showtimes are available on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays for two weekends only, March 25—27, and April 1-3. Tickets are now on sale on the MTG website, monroetheatre.com, or at the Monroe Arts Center during their regular business hours, or by calling 608-325-1111.

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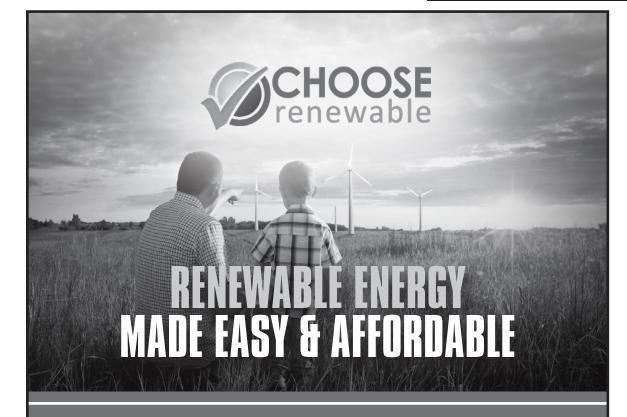
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#### **Notice**



SCHOOL DISTRICT OF JUDA **Regular School Board Meeting** March 9, 2022, 7:00 p.m. **Juda School Learning Commons** N2385 Spring St.

The Finance Committee will meet at 6:30 p.m. in the Learning Commons. This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public hearing. There may be a time for public comment during the meeting as indicated in the agenda.

#### **AGENDA**

Call to Order by President Pfingsten

Roll Call Dennis Pfingsten Pat Daniels Sue Trotter Laura Powers Stefanie Baum Jessica Matzke

Pledge of Allegiance

Proof of Notice

Acceptance of Agenda VI. Open Forum

. Consent Agenda—Consent agenda items will be approved in one motion: however, any Board member may ask that any individual item be acted

on separately.

1. Approval of the minutes of the regular board meeting held on

2. Treasurer and Financial reports

(Action) 3. Approval of Contracts (Action)

Social studies

4. Resignations/Retirements (Action)

5. Donations (Action)

Reports School Staff/Student Report

Recreation Department Update

2. School Board President's Report 3. Administrator Report Staffing

 Building operations/protocols 4. Policy Committee: Discussion/ Action

Update 31

•5215 Missing and Absent Children

Referendum Updates: Discussion/ Action Staffing and support staff Benefits

and Salary: Discussion/Action

**Five Minute Recess** Adjourn into Executive Session

according to Wis. State Statutes 19.85 (1) (c) (f) Reconvene into open session and

take appropriate action as necessary

Future board agenda items and meetings: (discussion/action) April 13, 2022

> Adjournment 03/09/2022

**POLICE** 

**Brodhead Municipal Court Finding Date: 02/02/2022** through 02/09/2022

Alyson J. Abb, Monroe, disorderly conduct, violation date 12/05/2021, \$142.90.

Matthew R. Carlson, Leaf River, IL, zone and posted limits, violation date 12/17/2021, \$124.

Braden Dale Erb, Brodhead, fail to signal turn, violation date 11/07/2021, \$111.40.

Cortez T. Hill, Rockford, IL, operate without valid license, violation date 12/17/2021, \$124; possession of THC, violation date 12/17/2021, \$124; possession drug paraphernalia, violation date 12/17/2021, \$124.

Jennifer Lynn Jones, Brodhead, display unauthorized vehicle registration plate, violation date 12/27/2021, \$161.80; failure to transfer vehicle title, violation date 12/27/2021, \$98.80; non-registration of auto, etc., violation date 12/27/2021, \$98.80; operate motor vehicle without insurance, violation date 12/27/2021, \$124; operating after suspension, violation date 12/27/2021, \$124; failure to notify police of accident, violation date 12/27/2021, \$313.

Bryce Everett Laube, Davis, IL, hit and run-property adjacent to highway, violation date 12/10/2021, \$330.29.

Tammy Sue Morgan, Oxford, WI, zone and posted limits, violation date 12/28/2021, \$149.20.

James Russell Murray, Brodhead, criminal damage to property, violation date 10/07/2021, \$250.

Vincent J. Nafzger, Juda, failure to transfer vehicle title, violation date 12/02/2021, \$98.80; nonregistration of auto, etc., violation date 12/02/2021, \$98.80; operate motor vehicle without proof of insurance, violation date 12/02/2021, \$10; display unauthorized vehicle registration plate, violation date 12/02/2021, \$161.80.

Trenton Leroy Neeley, Brodhead, fail to signal turn, violation date 12/16/2021, \$111.40.

Callie Jo Norton, Darlington, WI, theft-movable property<=\$2,500, violation date 12/05/2021, \$225.50.

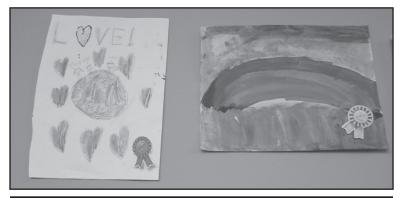
Joanna Kay Olsen, Brodhead, fail to signal turn, violation date 12/07/2021, \$98.80.

Carley Ann Rote, Orangeville, IL, theft-movable property<=\$2,500, violation date 12/05/2021, \$225.50.

Darrell K. Tribble, Chicago, IL, operate motor vehicle without proof of insurance, violation date 12/17/2021, \$10.

Brian R. Vaade, Brodhead, loud/ unnecessary noise prohibit first offense, violation date 12/11/2021, \$124.

Ruth Christine Yacyszyn, Orfordville, issue worthless checks, violation date 12/20/2021, \$573.48.

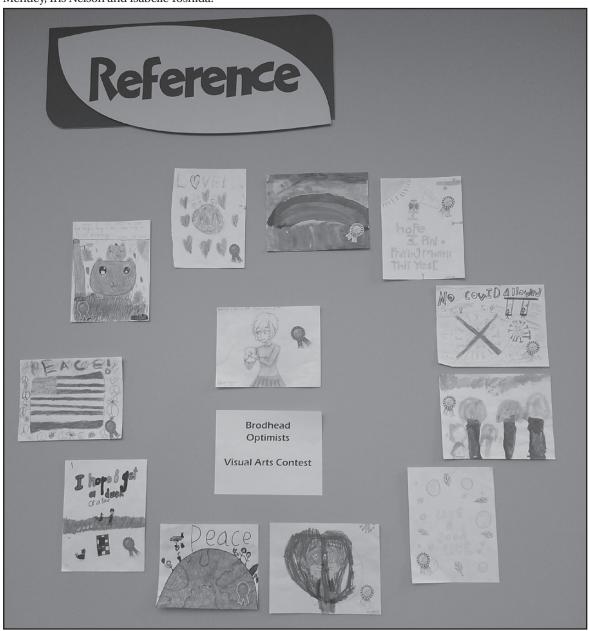


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#### **Optimist Club Visual Art Contest**

The Brodhead Optimist hosted a Visual Arts contest for children under the age of 11. The theme was "what do you hope for or hope happens in 2022?" The answers ranged from getting better grades all the way to world peace. All of the submissions are currently being displayed at the Brodhead Memorial Public Library. First place received a Grand Prize of an amazing 200-piece professional art kit. Second and third prize winners received McDonalds gift

The winners were as follows: First Place—Alyssa Wyss; Second Place—Aria Yoshida, Charlize Hopwood, Emma Yoshida, Lukah Menuey, Nadeli Walker; Third Place—Ashlynn Phillips, Cameron Andrews, Delilah Hopwood, Fay Menuey, Iris Nelson and Isabelle Yoshida.







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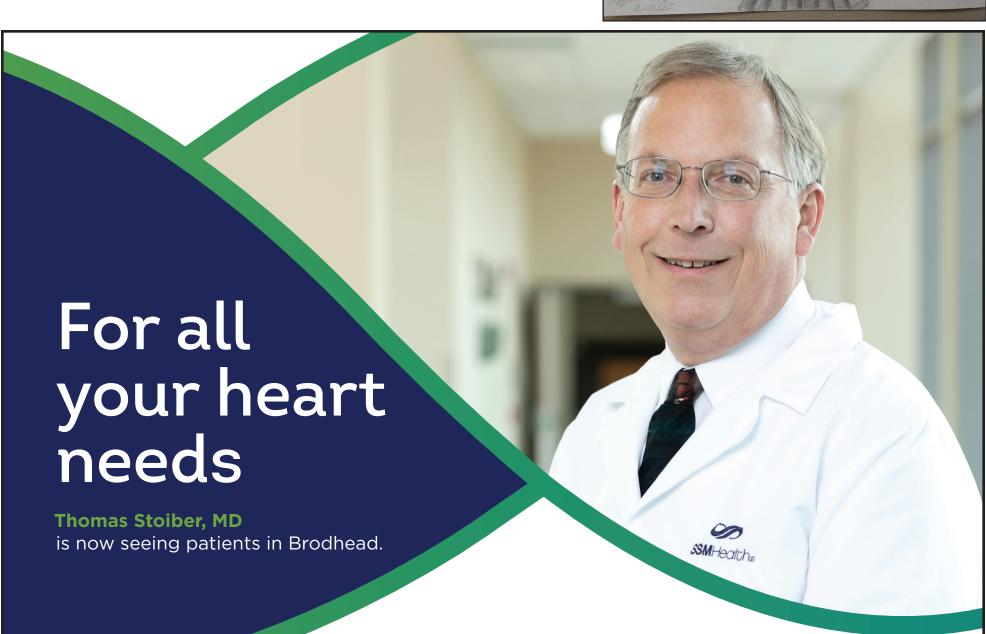
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