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## Brodhead Cardinal volleyball team added a silver ball to the trophy case at the high school

Row one, left to right: Onni Oliver, Madisyn Kail, Nataley Bump, Landen Kammerer; row two: Gretchen Kammerer, Alexis Kammerer, Kaidynce Bevars, Kiarra Moe; row three: Head Coach Erin Kammerer, Carly Mohns, Kirsten Fish, Bailey Matthys, McKenna Young, Abbie Dix, Ellie Yats, Addison Yates, Daisy Nelson, Sabrina Siegel, Brooke Kintzle, Leanne Richmond, Brian Kammerer. Missing: Assistant Coach, Daphne Johnson. (Free Press photo by Teresa Earleywine)

## School Board Oath of Office administered for Buchanan and Krupke

By Gloria Sutter

Board Vice-President Jim Wahl administered the Oath of Office to incumbent Board members Don Buchanan and Mike Krupke.

The Board approved the contract for newly hired District Superintendent David Novy at a salary of \$141,000, effective July 1, 2021.

The negotiated increase in staff health insurance is a 2.3% increase. The Board approved paying the increase which is about \$30,000 for the 2021-22 school year.

Director of Technology Kevin Buxton reported that the district was able to lock in a price of \$229 for Chrome Books. No shipment problems are foreseen.

The Covid updates include having 75% of the staff vaccinated. Eighth Grade Promotion will be Friday, June 4. Most traditional school activities are now scheduled with limited attendance. Outside organizations will be allowed to use facilities provided they follow proto-

cols. Hometown Pharmacy will be allowed to host a vaccination clinic if needed. Volunteers will be able to return to classrooms.

In other business:

Spring sports started Monday.

A new reading intervention, Passports to Journeys, is being used in the District.

The first reading of Board Policies IHCD and IHCD, regarding the Start College Now and Early College Credit Program, were approved.

Dictionaries for each third grade student, from the Brodhead Optimist Club, were accepted at a value of \$413.67. Resignations were accepted from Pam Gratz, Middle School Special Education Paraeducator, and Wayne Gratz, Middle School Special Education Paraeducator.

Blake Burns and Jeremiah Young were approved as volunteers for high school baseball and high school softball, respectively.

## Novy new Superintendent



The Brodhead School Board announces that Mr. David [Dave] Novy, current Principal of Albrecht Elementary School, has been selected as the new Superintendent for the Brodhead School District, beginning July 1, 2021. Mr. Novy has 28 years in education including the last 19 years in Brodhead. He obtained his teaching and masters' degrees, along with his Principal certification from Winona State University, his Director of Special Education/Pupil Services and Director of Instruction certifications from Viterbo University, and his Superintendent's license from St. Mary's University. Mr. Novy will succeed Mr. Leonard Lueck who will retire June 30, 2021 after serving as Superintendent for 8 years.

The District conducted a formal search process for the Superintendent vacancy, to ensure that the best available candidate would be chosen to lead the District. Thirteen applications were received for the position. Five of those candidates went through formal interviews on March 2 and 3 with three committees comprised of all members of the Board, representatives of the Administrative Team, teaching and support staffs, and community members. The Board selected two candidates for second interviews on March 10. After a thorough review of candidate qualifications and impressions formed by the interview teams, the Board has offered the Superintendent position to Mr. Novy.

Board President Mike Krupke stated, "Mr. Novy has demonstrated strong instructional knowledge and has demonstrated the ability to lead his staff to high levels of success. We are confident that Mr. Novy will continue the many fine things we have going in Brodhead and help us identify ways to become even better. He is an established member of the Brodhead community and is excited to be promoted to this position. We know we can count on the Administrative Team and Mr. Lueck to help with a smooth transition."

## Vaping's Not My Thing

Some tweens and teens assume that using e-cigarettes—also known as vaping—is a safe alternative to smoking traditional cigarettes. After all, e-cigarettes can come in flavors, so how bad can they really be? The truth is that vaping exposes you to very real—and very scary—health risks. These include lung-damaging chemicals, as well as the drug nicotine, which can harm your brain and cause addiction. [https://www.scholastic.com/vapingrisks/index.html#fda\\_contest](https://www.scholastic.com/vapingrisks/index.html#fda_contest)

Students have the power to get other teens to avoid or quit vaping. Brodhead Middle School students were encouraged to create a one-page entry to convince teens of the serious health risks of vaping. Entries included persuasive techniques with scientific facts or statistics. All entries were displayed at school and entered in a contest sponsored by Scholastic.com.

Congratulations to the following students for creating an entry for the contest: Emberly Ast, Khloe



Pictured: Kathy Comeau, Ava Sunderlage, Khloe Coplein

Coplien, Brynn Riesterer, Lily Scheidegger, Ava Sunderlage, and Dakota Carlson. Kathy Comeau of Better Brodhead presented each of the participants with a bag of goodies. Better Brodhead is a community coalition addressing youth sub-

stance use, bullying, and dating violence among youth in the Brodhead School District through education, awareness, and advocacy.



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St. Peter Lutheran Church (WELS), corner of West 5th Avenue and 17th Street. www.stpeterlutheranbrodhead.org. Pastor Tyler Swiderski. Cell 612-270-2591. 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.

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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## OBITUARIES



### Pearl Marie Wideman

Pearl Marie Wideman, age 96, of Juda, passed away peacefully on April 13, 2021 at the New Glarus Nursing Home.

Pearl was born on January 4, 1925 in Janesville, Wisconsin, the daughter of William and Estella (Triplet) Reigle. She graduated from Brodhead High School in 1944. She went on to earn her teaching degree through Green County Normal School. Over the years while raising a family and teaching full time, she worked towards and earned her Bachelor's Degree.

She began her teaching career in Jordan Prairie Country School in rural in Brodhead, in the 1945-1946 term. She later taught at Jordan Prairie again, then the Decatur Country School and the Decatur Consolidated. Pearl retired from Brodhead Elementary Schools in June 1989. After her retirement she became a member of the Green County Retired Educators until recent years.

Pearl was also a 50 year member of the Green County Homemakers, having been a member of Oakley Homemakers, Richland Homemakers and Juda Mid Century Homemakers Clubs.

For a time she also served as a 4 H Club project leader.

Among her favorite things to do were baking, working in her flower gardens, or attending family gatherings for birthdays, holidays and family reunions and traveling. She and her husband had traveled to Hawaii, several European countries, the Caribbean as well as several of our western states.

She always had a supply of her homemade cookies on hand, which earned her the name of "Cookie Grandma" which was given to her by her great grandchildren.

Surviving Pearl are two of her sisters: Dorothy (Jay) Feldt of Evansville, Wisconsin and Clarice (Mike) Elvekrog of Stoughton, Wisconsin; a daughter, Patsy (Lyle) Thorp of Reedsburg, Wisconsin; a son, Jeffrey (Dee Indergand) Wideman; three grandchildren: Pamela (James) Frazier of Reedsburg, Shawn (Nhu) Thorp of Stoughton, Wisconsin, and Blane (Mo) Thorp of Reedsburg; six great grandchildren: Josey and Jaymee Frazier, Devin Thorp, Brittany Meinert, Caitlyn and Treyvor Thorp, as well as several nieces and nephews.

Pearl was preceded in death by her husband John on July 26, 2014, her parents, William (Bill Sr.) and Estella Reigle, three brothers: Gerald (Marilyn), Bill Jr. (Lorraine) and Bob (Mary) as well as three sisters: Eleanora (Raymond) Pinnow, Joyce (Edwin) Frederick and Evalyn (Richard) Hale.

Private family services will be held at the DL Newcomer Funeral Home in Brodhead. Burial will conclude at the Greenwood Cemetery in Brodhead.

Memorials may be made to Green County Hospice or Nine Angels Scholarship Fund for Juda Schools.

### George R. Kjelland

George R. Kjelland, age 70, of Brodhead passed away on Tuesday, April 13, 2021 at his home. He was born the son of George and Lois (Kratz) Kjelland on December 25, 1950 in Monroe. George was united in marriage to Lynette K. Brugger on October 15, 1977 in Monroe.

George is survived by his wife, Lynette; children: Tashana (granddaughter, Adelyn), Paul, and Andrew; and siblings: Kristen Klemme, James Kjelland, and Janet Kjelland. He was preceded in death by his parents; and brother, David Kjelland.

Per George's wishes no formal service will be held. Shriner Hager Gohlke Funeral Home is assisting the family. Condolences may be sent to the family at: shriner111.com.

### Congregational UCC's Annual Fish Boil

The Brodhead Congregational United Church of Christ will be having their 27th Annual Spring Fish Boil, Drive-Thru/Take-Out Style, on Saturday, May 1st from 4:30 to 7 p.m.

The UCC located at E201 23rd Street, Brodhead, will serve their always delicious menu which includes; cod, potatoes, carrots, onions, coleslaw, rolls and pie for dessert! This will be a drive-up, take-out meal. No indoor seating available.

Meal tickets are \$15, sold at the door, no early sales or discounted tickets of any kind. They hope you will plan to attend this delicious event!

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### Gary L. Hawkins

Gary L. Hawkins, age 83, of Brodhead, passed away at home on Saturday, April 17, 2021. He was born on March 10, 1938, the son of Orville and Doris (Berndt) Hawkins. Gary is survived by his son, Doug (Sherri) Hawkins; daughter, Terri (Kurt) Severson and son, Travis Hawkins; two sisters: Vicki Ingwell and Rhonda (Craig) Buhlmann. He has seven grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

Gary was preceded in death by a brother-in-law, Vic Ingwell.

Gary's passion was dairy farming for over 40 years. After farming he worked for Knight Manufacturing (Kuhn North America Inc.) and retired at the age of 70.

Gary's kids would like to give a very special tribute to his life-long friend Bob Olsen. Also a special thanks to Denise Arfsten, Gary's homecare giver. Without Denise's compassion, kindness and patience, Gary would have not been able to stay in his home.

In honoring Gary's wishes there will be no public funeral services. The family will have private funeral services at a later date. Memorials can be sent to the family in his memory and should be mailed to the DL Newcomer Funeral Home, PO Box 26, Brodhead WI 53520.

### Colonel Benjamin Harrison Chapter of the DAR met

Respectfully submitted by Athleen Schenk

The Colonel Benjamin Harrison Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) met on Tuesday, April 13th at The Corner Pub and Deli in Argyle for lunch, a meeting and to reconnect with each other after the past pandemic year.

We had a short meeting and were happy to meet and welcome a new member to our group. We also have a new chairperson for our Good Citizen Scholarship program, which we hope to sponsor again next year. Due to the Covid Pandemic we were not able to have it this year. And we made plans to do some preservation work at the Greenwood Cemetery in Monroe.

Our next quarterly meeting is scheduled for Saturday, July 10th with a Chapter Outing planned.

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

### Breakfast to Benefit Badger Honor Flight

The Monroe Moose Lodge will hold a Breakfast to Benefit Badger Honor Flight on Sunday, June 6, from 8 a.m. to noon. The Lodge is located at 639 3rd Avenue, Monroe. Help send our veterans to Washington, DC, to see the memorials built in their honor.

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## Celebration of Life



### Leonard Dwane Funk

of Evansville/Orfordville, died Jan. 27th, 2021.

**Lenny will be honored Saturday, May 1, 2021 at 11 AM at the Orfordville American Legion, Post 209.**

An Honor Guard and American Legion families will assist with his Celebration of Life service. Join the family for the service and luncheon and bring stories to share all afternoon. This is an indoor/outdoor event, bring chairs if needed.

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## Annual Footville Community Rummage Sales

Please come out to the first official rummage sales of the season! Footville Community Rummage Sales are scheduled throughout the Village on April 23-24 with a rain date of Sunday, April 25, 2021.

New this year: food trucks will be located at the former Footville Elementary School, 121 Janesville Street, in the lower level parking lot. While out at the sales, please stop by and check out the fantastic food from Gourmet Kettle Korn and Route 26 Hamburger Stand. They might have more food trailers, too!

To keep shoppers and those holding rummage sales safe, they ask that everyone wear a mask, maintain six feet apart for social distancing, and use hand sanitizer or wash your hands regularly. Rummage at your own risk and have fun.

Like their page on Facebook "Footville Community Rummage Sale" for sale locations, items available for sale, and other details as they come up. Please come out and share in this annual tradition!

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## Self-identification Required for Green County Fair Market Lambs and Market Wether Goats

Green County Fair market lambs and market wether goat exhibitors will be required to self-identify their lambs and goats using the RFID tag method this year. Exhibitors will be required to tag their own lambs and goats and do photo identification for each fair market animal. There will be no cost for the Photo Identification Kits. Exhibitors will also be given two RFID ear tags for each animal at no cost. Market lamb and wether goat photo identification kits and ear tags will only be available for pickup at the Extension Green County Office, 2841 6th Street, Monroe.

The photo identification kits and ear tags will be available for pickup starting Monday, April 19, 2021 and must be returned to the Extension Green County office by Monday, May 3rd. The kits cannot be mailed. For lambs, photos of each animal must be taken from one head view, clearly displaying the RFID ear tag in the animal's ear. For wether goats, two photos of each animal must be taken: one head view showing the RFID ear tag and scrapie tag in the animal's ear and one side view of the goat must be taken. Photos must be attached to the Green County Fair Photo identification form and submitted to the Extension Green County office by 4:30 p.m. on Monday, May 3rd.

The Extension Green County office will loan out ear taggers for exhibitors to use for tagging their animals. The taggers must be returned

to the Extension office and will be sanitized before being given to another farm to prevent the spread of disease. 4-H Leaders and Agriculture instructors will be allowed to pick up ID kits for their members. However, they will be required to sign for all the kits they pick up at the Extension Green County Office. Each kit will include the photo identification forms and two RFID ear tags for each animal to be identified.

When picking up their identification kits exhibitors will be provided with instructions on the correct procedures for taking the photos and placing the RFID ear tags. Only animals that are identified using the Green County ID kits will be eligible to exhibit at the 2021 Green County Fair.

Lamb Exhibitors will be allowed to sell their market lamb in the 2021 auction, provided they meet all auction requirements. Market Wether Goats will have the Champion and Reserve Champion Wether Goat winners sell in the auction, provided they meet all auction requirements. Both specie exhibitors will need to turn in an auction entry form and two signed buyer cards to the Extension Green County office by Friday, June 25th to be eligible to sell in the auction. The cards will be available on-line for printing after Saturday, May 1st or hard copies of the buyer cards will also be available at the Extension Green County office.

All youth who completed Youth Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) training in 2020 will not need to re-take the training in 2021. If the training was not completed in 2020, the training will need to be completed in 2021. Your YQCA certificate number will be needed to do online fair entries.

For more information contact Jackie McCarville, Ag Educator at the Extension Green County office at 608-328-9440 or at [jackie.mccarville@wisc.edu](mailto:jackie.mccarville@wisc.edu).

## White Gift Food Pantry

The White Gift Food Pantry is open every third Saturday of the month from 10 to 11:30 a.m.

The pantry is located behind the Senior Center and is open to all residents in the Brodhead School District. If you have any questions or have a need for food before the third Saturday of the month, please contact Vickie Krattiger at 608-897-6466 or Lisa Regenold at 608-897-2496.

At this time they cannot accept donations of canned goods due to COVID-19. If you would like to support the White Gift Food Pantry, you may send cash donations to: Brodhead White Gift Food Pantry, N2346 Tenny Rd, Brodhead WI 53520. Please write White Gift donation on the memo line of your check. Thank you.

## ACTIVITIES AROUND TOWN

### BHS COMBINED JR/SR PROM

Brodhead High School will be holding a combined junior and senior prom, "Rustic Romance", on Saturday, May 4. This will be an outdoor event and masks will be required. The Grand March will take place on the track at 7:30 p.m. and a dance under a tent will be from 8:30-10:30 p.m. Current BHS juniors and seniors are encouraged to attend and may bring one other BHS student as a date. Each attending junior/senior will be allowed four observers at the Grand March.

Incident Weather Plan—The event will be held in the high school gymnasium. Junior Grand March at 7:30 p.m.; Senior Grand March at 8:30 p.m. Students will still be allowed four observers each, but observers will enter/exit in two shifts.

### BANK OF BRODHEAD UPCOMING BUS TRIPS

The Bank of Brodhead presents Beautiful Vermont Bus Trip, nine days and eight nights (Saturday–Sunday) October 16-24, 2021. Cost is \$1,015 per person, double occupancy. Must have a valid US Passport for this trip.

The Bank of Brodhead also presents Branson Holiday Show Extravaganza Bus Trip, six days and five nights (Monday–Saturday) November 15–20, 2021. The cost is \$660 per person, double occupancy.

All passengers traveling on the trips this year will need to be fully vaccinated for Covid-19 at least 15 days prior to the departure date.

For information and to make reservations call Sue Schmelzer at 608-558-8797.

### SUMMER 4-ON-4 SAND VOLLEYBALL LEAGUES

**DEADLINE: May 20th**


The Brodhead Parks and Recreation Department will be offering a 4-on-4 Coed sand volleyball league on Thursday evenings at Jaycee Park beginning June 1st. The four-person team may be any male/female combination. High school aged players are welcome with a signed waiver by parent or guardian. The cost for this league is a flat rate of \$100 per team.

To register a team for the league, contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 608-897-2159 ext. #9. Deadline is Thursday, May 20th.

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### BRODHEAD AREA EMS ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Brodhead Area EMS, Inc. will be held Monday, May 3rd, at 7 p.m. at the Brodhead Area EMS training center, 1003 12th Street, Brodhead. All members are encouraged to attend. This meeting will follow the regular monthly crew meeting, which will begin at 6:30 p.m. that evening.

Business and progress over the last year will be covered and three directors will be elected. The directors whose terms expire are: Derrick Pinnow and Lynn Johnston as crew members, and Barb Clark as non-crew member. The BAEMS Inc. is required to have nine directors, holding three-year terms, of which four directors are non-crew members from the area.

### MT. HOPE CEMETERY ASSOCIATION TO MEET

The annual meeting of the Mt. Hope Cemetery Association will be held Monday, April 26th, at 7 p.m. at the Spring Grove Town Hall, County Road GG, Brodhead.

### ATTENTION PARENTS OF CHILDREN IN KINDERGARTEN TO FIFTH GRADE

They are looking to restart Cub Scout Pack 108. If you are interested, you are invited to an informational meeting at:

JC Park— corner of 4th Street and East 7th Avenue on Saturday April 24, at 9 a.m.

Questions can be directed to their Facebook Page: Cub Scout Pack 108-Brodhead, WI

### BRODHEAD PARK & REC YOUTH SOCCER

The Brodhead Parks and Recreation Department will be sponsoring a four-week youth soccer program for boys and girls in 4K–fifth grade. The program will meet on Saturday mornings at Marigil Park located south of the Dog Park beginning Saturday, May 1st and ending Saturday, May 22nd. This program is for children at all skill levels and it will teach basic skills and fundamentals with a scrimmage each week.

4K—9–9:45 a.m. ; 5K—9:45–10:30 a.m.; first grade—10:30–11:15 a.m.; second grade—11:15–noon; third–fifth grade—noon–1 pm.

Forms are available at the elementary school, the Brodhead Parks and Recreation Department or on the City of Brodhead Website. The cost is \$20, which includes a T-shirt. Forms need to be completed and turned in with the fee by Wednesday, April 28th to the office or Rec Department. Children are encouraged to wear tennis shoes and shin guards. Masks are required. Checks made payable to the City of Brodhead. If you have any questions, contact Pete Claustro at 608-447-1236 or email him at [pete.anthony970@gmail.com](mailto:pete.anthony970@gmail.com) or Wade at the Park and Rec at 608-897-2159.

### TUESDAY NIGHT ADULT SOFTBALL UMPIRES NEEDED

The Brodhead Park and Rec Department is looking for two adult umpires for Tuesday Night Men's League. If you are interested please call Wade at 608-897-2159 ext. 9.



# Brodhead Organization Identified

By Evelyn Crooks, Brodhead Historical Society

Volunteering at the Brodhead Depot Museum archives led me to identifying a photo submitted to the Independent Register in July of 1972. The aged photo pictured a well-dressed group of men. Contact was made with the person submitting the May 1917 photo. Conversation answered where and how the photo was left behind and discovered in the home's closet.

I had been clipping old articles for the museum's archive files, when a December 11, 1918 article about the G.A.R. Wesley W. Patton Post listed their current officers. Comparing the names helped to answer the original question relating to the men. The museum's holdings also includes a collection of original Register/Independent-Register newspapers beginning in the 1800s.

My interest in genealogy linked the Williams family to the submitted photo after almost 50 years! (Seth) Clark Williams passed away about two years after the photo was

taken. He and family members are laid to rest at Oakley Union Cemetery in rural Juda.

## Wesley W. Patton Post Elects Officers

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- C—Fred Ties
- S. V. C.—I. W. Young
- J. V. C.—Amos Smith
- Adjt.—Clark Williams
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- Q. M.—Chas. Bencoter
- O. D.—Oscar Smith
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- Delegate—L. T. Fries
- Alternate—Cal. McNaught
- Alternate—Thos. M. Manahan
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- Trustee three years—Fred Ties



The above picture was brought to the Register by Mrs. Michael Moore. It was found in the Bertha Williams home in a picture frame behind another picture. It was taken in Brodhead in May of 1917.

We are not able to determine what organization or group of men it is. Anyone with knowledge of such a group is encouraged to call us at the Register.

Top row: William Edwards, A. Bennett, J. Lewis, T. Mc Manninan, Jordan J. Kellar, William Taylor, E. Stewart. 2nd row: F. Ties, C. McNight, W.S. Pengra, C. Williams, E. Wessell, A. Smith, J. Bridge, B. Butcher, C. Bencoter. 3rd row: Ira Wilson, F. Roberts, I. Friese, G. Wooster, I. Young, F.M. Sherman J. Egner D. Straw B. S. Rolfe. 7/13/1972 JK

## Brodhead's Newest Festival—Family Fest—Announced for June 26th at Putnam Park!

As part of celebrating its 75th anniversary, the Brodhead Chamber of Commerce announced that it will be holding its first festival

for 2021—Family Fest in Putnam Park. Family Fest will take place on Saturday, June 26th and feature free games for the kids, live DJ, fair food,

cornhole bags tournament, live music by the State Line Playboys, fireworks and much more. Family Fest will begin with a patriotic parade at 11 am.

"The Independence Day Parade, traditional held on July 4th, is being incorporated into Family Fest which will be the last Saturday in June," says organizer Michael Lowery of the Brodhead Chamber of Commerce. "Our goal is to increase participation in the parade as we celebrate America's Birthday and honor our veterans." The parade route will begin at 11 a.m. starting from Brodhead Police Station and make its way north along West 3rd Avenue, east onto 3rd Street, north onto Cedar Street, east onto Alpine Street and end at Legion Park. The Brodhead Cardinal High School and Middle School Bands will be performing in the parade.

"Putnam Park will be a great spot to view the parade and we invite you to bring your lawn chairs and blankets as food vendors will be serving great items for your picnic lunch in Brodhead's Putnam Park," says Lowery. Businesses, organizations, and individuals are highly encouraged to participate in the parade and may contact Jeremy Pinnow at 608-897-2013 to register their parade entry. No candy or handouts will be permitted during the Parade.

Following the parade, other Family Fest activities will begin at noon on Saturday, June 26th in Putnam Park. "Our goal is to host a free event where we can come together as a community and celebrate," says Lowery. "Putnam Park is a great Brodhead treasure and provides lots of room to social distance. The Brodhead Chamber of Commerce invites you to bring your lawn chair and picnic as we come together to celebrate Brodhead."

Family Fest includes a live DJ and free camps-style games for the kids like the hula hoop contest, tug of war, and more. Many organizations will be hosting the games. A cornhole bag tournament will be held during the day. Food vendors will be on hand with a great menu of fair favorites. The State Line Playboys will perform at 6 p.m. A salute to our veterans occurs at 8:30 p.m. and fireworks will happen at

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# 40th Annual Reuben's Run is Saturday, May 29th

On Saturday, May 29th, all are invited to participate in the 40th annual Reuben's Run held at Albany High School.

This year's events include a 5K run/walk and a one-mile walk. The cost is \$20 for adults and \$15 for children under 18 through May 10. After Monday, May 10, \$5 will be added to the cost. Registration begins at 7:15 a.m. in the school cafeteria and the races begin at 8:30 a.m.

Awards are given to the top three male and female finishers in each age category and to the male and female overall winners. Again this year, participants may enter as teams to compete for the team awards of "Best Dressed" and "Fastest Team." (5K only) Team members can be made up of 5K and one-mile participants and will still compete individually for times in the 5K.

All proceeds from the event go toward Albany High School's Post Prom, a school sponsored party held at the school to offer students a safe, drug-free environment.

Registration forms are available on the Albany School District website ([www.albany.k12.wi.us](http://www.albany.k12.wi.us)). Any questions can be directed to Dunnell Kendrick at 608-862-3225 or [dunnell.kendrick@albany.k12.wi.us](mailto:dunnell.kendrick@albany.k12.wi.us). Volunteers and sponsors are also needed for this event, if interested please contact Dunnell Kendrick.

## Family Fest Continued

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dark. For the complete schedule of events, check out Family Fest on the Brodhead Chamber of Commerce website: [www.BrodheadChamber.com](http://www.BrodheadChamber.com).

If you would like to support the Fireworks and Family Fest, sponsorship opportunities are available at [www.BrodheadChamber.com](http://www.BrodheadChamber.com).

"Community is important to Brodhead and Family Fest gives us the opportunity to celebrate who we are," Lowery said. "Please join us as we create new memories and remember those from our childhood. We are proud to be serving the Brodhead for 75 years."

## Save the Date—Brodhead Night Out 2021

The Brodhead Night Out 2021 will be held Tuesday, August 17th (rain date Wednesday, August 18th) from 5-8 p.m. at Jaycee Park, 300 4th Street, Brodhead.

This is a FREE community wide event to heighten awareness of crime, drug and violence prevention efforts and to encourage community participation! For more information, find them on Facebook at the Brodhead Police Association or email them at [brodheadpa@gmail.com](mailto:brodheadpa@gmail.com).



By Carolyn Seaver, Director

It has been one year since the Library closed its doors due to the COVID-19 pandemic, in compliance with an executive order. We have had to learn new ways to reach out to our community. We have worked hard. We would like to know how we have done so far. What did you like? What didn't you like? What services would you like to see continued, even as we reopen more? Thanks for taking the time to fill out this survey. More copies are available at the Library.

Survey of Socially distanced Services

The Library has been operating in new ways for one year now. It is time to see how we are doing, and what we can do better. Please take time to fill out this short survey. All completed surveys will be entered into a drawing for a Library bag filled with reading and watching goodies.

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How do you prefer to receive your library materials?

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What kind of adult programming would you be most likely to attend or participate in?

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Did you participate in the Storywalk? Y/N

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Were the grab-n-go crafts and activities helpful? Y/N

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What would be helpful for your family this summer?

What library services would you like to see? What formats work best for you?

## ALBANY COMETS



Lunch menu:

Thursday, April 22, BBQ, potato wedges, cottage cheese; Friday, April 23, quesadillas, chips and salsa, shredded cheese; Monday, April 26, pizza, veggies; Tuesday, April 27, corn dogs, mac and cheese; Wednesday, April 28, cheese dunkers, pizza sauce, mixed veggies.

Upcoming events:

Thursday, April 22, Earth Day.

Friday, April 23, high school football vs. Benton/Shullsburg, 7 p.m.

Virtual Day Schedule—Wednesday, May 12. The district will have one virtual day built into the schedule.

Prom 2021—Prom 2021 will take place the week of May 3-7. High school students can wear formal prom attire, either all day or in the afternoon for the Grand March of the Prom Court. The court will be announced during an afternoon assembly in the gym, May 7th, following the Post Prom prize drawings. Prom upperclassmen will enjoy a pizza party and photo booth pictures after the assembly to finish off their Special Prom Day.

The Albany Music Department is happy to announce they will be hosting a live, in person concert for their MS/HS band and choir students. More details will be coming later, but this year's concert will be held OUTDOORS. The concert will be held on Wednesday, May 12, at 6 p.m., rain date is Wednesday, May 26, at 6 p.m.

Save the date—The 40th annual Reuben's Run will be held on Saturday, May 29, 7:30 a.m. All proceeds go towards Post Prom. Participation applications are available online at the Albany School District web site, in the main district office, and by email request [dunnell.kendrick@albany.k12.wi.us](mailto:dunnell.kendrick@albany.k12.wi.us). Please plan to attend this year's event.

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4/13—High series: Travis Smith 625, Rob Kubesh 614, LeRoy Blumer 595, Dave Brugger 579. High games: R. Kubesh 244, T. Smith 222, Ethan Pfeuti 215, D. Brugger 210. Jim's Mechanic Shop-high team game 782 and series 2,211. Standings: Renks won 42 lost 28, Counter Attach 38-32, Decatur Dairy 37-33, Jim's Mechanic Shop 35-35, Pearl City Elevator 30-40, Brugger Farms Trucking 28-42.

### Thursday Afternoon Ladies

4/8—High series: Virginia Schliem 415, Laurie Thommen 407, Becky Riese 406, Chris Rosheisen 387, Debbie Williams 385. High games: B. Riese 169, Shirley Sutherland 163, C. Rosheisen 146, V. Schliem 145, D. Williams 145, L. Thommen 144. Splits: L. Thommen 3-7, Sheryl Johnson 5-6, C. Rosheisen 3-10, Ann Thornton 3-10, V. Schliem 3-10. Huntington Plumbing-high team game 566 and series 1,531. 4/15—High series: Becky Riese 521, Laurie Thommen 409, Debbie Williams 408, Shirley Sutherland 404, Sheryl Johnson 399. High games: B. Riese 197-164-160, L. Thommen 155, S. Johnson 153, Chris Rosheisen 147, D. Williams 146. Splits: Barb Clark 3-10, Joyce Nipple 3-10, S. Sutherland 3-10, 2-7, B. Riese 3-6-7-10. Mike's Flooring-high team game 613 and series 1,684. Winners of second half—Huntington Plumbing. Members are Joyce Nipple, Debbie Williams, Lorraine Williams and Chris Rosheisen. Standings: Huntington Plumbing won 48 lost 12, Mike's Flooring 28-32, Albany Lanes 25-35, Ball's Installations 19-41.

### Thursday Night Mixed

4/8—High series: Brandon Bayrhofer 674, Rick Josephson 661, Tim Golz 652, James Laughlin 651. High games: B. Bayrhofer 267, J. Laughlin 245, Rob Kubesh 238, Tony Brewer 236. Glenn Ann Holsteins-high team game 1,072 and series 2,931. Standings: Attica Bar won 32 lost 17, Glenn Ann Holsteins 28-21, Broughton's Corner Bar 1 24-25, Broughton's Corner Bar 2 22-27, Irv's Masonry 22-27, Golz Electric 19-30.

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# CASEY'S CORNER

*By Casey Jones*

Good morning! Grab your favorite beverage and read your favorite newspaper.

Congratulations to the high school girls' volleyball team! Achieving the high level of excellence it takes to finish second in state is no easy accomplishment.

My daughter, Denessa Jones, will begin her time as a Brodhead City Council member this Tuesday. It sure was easier not too long ago to know what you can call a member of the City Council. It started as Alderman or Alderwoman. Then, it morphed to Alderperson. Now, I guess it is just plain Alder. Denessa is dedicated to helping economic development in the City of Brodhead and I am sure she will excel whatever she is called.

Needless to say, I am very proud of the woman my daughter has become. I have every confidence she will be a great asset to the Council and the City.

Sometimes words can come to a person very easily and other times not so much. Rather than rambling on and on I am just going to say, have a great week!

Casey@bccole.com



Gage Boegli had 148 yards rushing for the night to lead Brodhead. (Free Press Photo by Teresa Earleywine)

# Brodhead High School sports round-up

By Teresa Earleywine

## VOLLEYBALL

Brodhead opened sectional play-off play last week Tuesday in Wau-pun for both semifinals and finals in one day starting with taking on Columbus. The Cardinals were able to take control and ended the season for Columbus in three games, 25-10, 25-9 and 25-19. Abbie Dix led the Cardinals in kills with 18 and 15 digs and three blocks. McKenna Young had eleven digs and three blocks. Alexis Kammerer contributed with 36 assists and four aces. Madisyn Kail had three aces.

In the sectional finale against top-seeded Laconia it was a match of endurance with all five games being played before the Cardinals finished on top. The first game was so close but Laconia came out on top 25-23. Brodhead was able to rally and finish games two and three with wins of 25-16 and 25-19. But the Spartans were able to put on a comeback show in game four winning 25-18 and forcing game five. Brodhead quickly took a 4-0 lead but Laconia fought its way back tying the game. The score seesawed back and forth before the Cardinals sealed the deal with a 15-11 victory. Dix and Young combined for 31 kills in this marathon of a game. Kammerer added six more with Bailey Matthys and Sabrina Siegel each contributed three at the net.

State semi-final match was against Royall on Thursday in Beaver Dam. The first match was one of true grit as the score resulted in a 33-31 win for the Panthers. Brodhead stayed focused and did not panic. In the subsequent three matches the Cardinals managed the ball well and was able to capitalize on several errors made by Royall. The scores for these matches, 26-16, 25-20 and 25-18. Brodhead combined for a total of 50 kills and 15 blocks at the net. There were 93 digs and 50 assists, a true team effort.

For the state championship game in Kaukauna on Saturday Brodhead, No.1 seed, faced an undefeated team from Washburn, No.2 seed. There was a strong showing of Brodhead fans in the gym. The cheering for both teams brought energy that had been lacking during the regular season due to Covid-19 restrictions. It was a tight first game with each team having some great volleying going back and forth but the Castle Guards came out on top 25-22. In game two it was again Washburn, 25-17 win over the Cardinals. Brodhead was tenacious and with a 25-20 score took game three. Both teams went head-to-head in game four. Several times the scoreboard indicated tie points. Washburn was paced by Caitlin and Lilly Wheeler along with Annamarie Wright at the net. This triple threat

was more than our Cardinals could handle, 25-21 was the final score. Washburn earned the three to one win. Brodhead Coach Erin Kammerer and team hoisted the silver ball above their heads. For a season of volleyball that almost didn't happen, a way was made. This team played as a team, lifting each other when the going got tough, celebrating victories and we as a community were glad for reprieve from the ongoing challenges and restrictions of the corona virus.

## Cross Country

Brodhead hosted an invite last Tuesday with Whitewater, Bellville and Beloit Turner joining Brodhead. The setting was the same as last week but the temperatures and environment were vastly different. Brodhead men placed third overall. Kyle Braund, 18:20 led the Cardinals with a fourth-place finish. Also placing in the top 20 for Brodhead was Gavin Pinnow, Josiah Engen, Jacob Lohmar and Brady Bruns. Turner finished in first place and Whitewater in second.

For the women Brodhead was again paced by Madelynn McIntyre, 19:01 bettering her time of last week. Kalena Riemer, Presleigh Arnold, Jada Burkahlter and Kyleigh Raupp also finished in the top twenty to help the Cardinals earn a second-place finish, one point behind Bellville who took first.

The RVC meet will be held in Whitewater on Thursday.

## Football

The Friday night matchup was between two unbeaten teams, Brodhead-Juda at New Glarus/Monticello. The Knights are known to be a passing team while the Cardinals often are a force with their running game. Connor Green scored the initial touchdown for the Cardinals with an eight-yard run. Cole Hoesly earned the point-after-kick. NGM was unable to score with their first possession. With BJ deep in NGM territory a fumble occurred and was recovered by the Knights. With their quarterback, Darrius

Schuett scrambling, Braden Cook (BJ) breaks through the line and gets a sack in the endzone that results in a safety. Gage Boegli, who rushed for 148 yards for the night, had a 27-yard run in the second quarter resulted in a TD. Hoesly's PAK is good and the Cardinals have a 16-0 lead. But before half time, the fast-moving Schuett is able to get in the endzone for the Knights and then with a pass play earns a two-point conversion. Opening the third quarter, BJ has the ball and Cook on a handoff from Cade Walker, QB for Brodhead, is able to muscle his way across the goal line on a five-yard run. PAK is good and the Cardinals lead 23-8. Again, BJ is able to get a stop. On a fourth and four yards to go, Brodhead Coach, Jim Matthys makes a gutsy call. Instead of Hoesly punting the ball away, he hands it off to Boegli who gets more than the four needed yards to keep the drive alive. But two plays later, NGM intercepts a pass. Top of the fourth quarter, Schuett makes good on a three-yard pass to Nathan Streiff followed by another two-point conversion. The score is 23-16, Brodhead is holding the lead. With less than two minutes on the clock, Schuett again finds open ground and runs 22 yards for a TD. The Knights go for another two-point conversion this time it falls short. The score is 23-22 in favor of the Cardinals. Brodhead is able to manage the clock and maintain their perfect season for another week.

First downs—BrJ 13, NGM 10. Rushing (Att.-Yds.)—BrJ 47-228, NGM 25-107. Passing yards—BrJ 103, NGM 135. Passing (Comp.-Att.-Int.)—BrJ 10-16-1, NGM 10-20-0. Penalties-yards—BrJ 50, NGM 20. Fumbles-lost—BrJ 1-1, NGM 0-0.

Friday Brodhead will host Fenimore.

## COMING SPORTS EVENTS

Event schedule subject to change. To view online events ~ <https://www.rockvalleyconference.org/public/genie/245/school/3/>



Braden Cook pushes his way into the endzone for a TD. (Free Press photo by Teresa Earleywine)

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# Wisconsin War Bride Diary I

By Charles H. Ripp, MD

## Chapter 8—RN Obstetric Duties

Hospital personnel immediately know at that critical juncture that delivery must occur soon. If not, the baby may abruptly die during delivery. Labor and delivery is a pressure packed generally joyous event. Prior to my arrival, a Mom had pushed for multiple hours only to have a still-born child. There was blame upon the hospital and obstetrician. Nursing was additionally being blamed for the mishap. I only wish that I would have been present to encourage a C-Section. Surgical delivery is difficult; but can be lifesaving for baby and Mom. I feel the obstetrician has very little choice at this juncture of the case; and the risk to Mom and baby in a strenuous delivery are high compared to the risks of the surgical delivery (C-Section). Some women have 6 C-Sections; so it's not that big of a deal to avoid the risks of a difficult vaginal delivery.

Shirley Tompkins calls me late at night after I've fallen asleep. I was just thinking of the baby George with Erb's palsy (weak arm). Most of these injuries recover shortly after delivery; however some persist into adulthood. The baby may have a weak, numb arm for life. I just hope and pray he recovers with physical therapy at work upon him throughout the day. Mom will stay over a week (regular time frame). She is bottle feeding; and will use her extra time to self heal and work/stretch the arm until it moves normally. Shirley Tompkins has worse problems. Her husband, Halet, has worsened with depression, frank alcoholism and miserable endless pains and sleepless nights. She has two babies and is now expecting a third child in a few months. This pregnancy occurred after one encounter with her husband. Halet has been grumpy and probably physically and psychologically abusing her through his own misery. She is calling for medical advice. I inform Shirley, my attractive, blond dear friend, that the lone psychiatrist at St. Claire Hospital in Monroe, Wisconsin is extremely overwhelmed clinically. There are large numbers of patients requiring mental health treatments. Shirley is desperate; thus, I will personally talk to the psychiatrist (Dr. Gordon) tomorrow. Halet during a prior hospitalization formerly did visit with Dr. Gordon; but didn't follow up with long-term rehabilitation for drug abuse. We agree to continue to play tennis despite Shirley's pregnancy. What a clinical mess!

I then enter the kitchen and Mom asks me what in the world is happening? Was that Shirley? I remark that she's very pregnant, nervous and frightened. Halet, her husband, who Mom knows and dislikes, is again struggling with alcohol and stress trauma syndrome issues after being in Europe during World War II. The couple has received some limited counseling; but, there's only one psychiatrist in the county. Dr. Gordon, our lone psychiatrist is overwhelmed. Halet's case is beyond any social worker, marriage or nurse counselor. Halet and Shirley need desperate help. They want me to intervene. I'm playing tennis with Shirley; and now I'm her counselor. Mom and Dad would say "no way." As a friend, it is difficult to counsel. I say help whenever and wherever I'm

needed. Shirley wants to meet me at the tennis courts tonight. I agree and will bring my racket; however, I suspect we'll hit few balls. In fact, I don't have any decent tennis balls. Hopefully, Shirley will have some new Spalding tennis balls purchased from our new Sears or Montgomery Wards.

It will be nice just to see Shirley again. Maybe something good will happen from the Halet and Shirley Tompkins complex family situation post World War II. I'm just happy the war is over; but now I do miss Bernie (thinking of him always - bombed and killed in Korea). I know I need to move on. War has caused much more extended strife for years beyond the battlefield. It has caused considerable major family disruption. War extends your faith as to why we are fighting amongst humans. There are unexplainable reasons beyond our rational thought patterns. Every medical provider in the world is dealing with post World War II stress trauma syndrome amongst many of our best recruits. Maybe the newly formed United Nations will have the answers - a solution to end all wars.

I met Shirley at the tennis courts and she is barely prepared for a sparring singles tennis match. Obviously, she just wants to talk considerably. I allow her to explain her situation. She definitely wants help for her husband who drinks the local Huber beer daily, has no ambition to work and blames everything on his injuries incurred in Europe. Whoa! This is immense grief and terror at home. I don't know what you do with this situation when Halet won't agree to counseling per Shirley. I don't know him because these two lovebirds connected while I was a collegian. I'm certain he was a good person who now is tainted by war. This situation in Shirley's husband, Halet, may be irretrievable. Maybe he needs shock therapy. This can be done with insulin to make him seize by lowering his blood sugar to extremely low levels.

ECT (electroshock therapy) is being performed commonly all through the world. It has begun in Monroe, Wisconsin with some controversy (Dr. Gordon). It is a brutal method of administering general anesthesia and then transmitting high voltage current through the brain to cause grand mal or tonic-clonic seizures. The other method is to administer high fever by placing the patient in hot water. This has removed clinical depression in many; but remains in long term studies to be medically proven. Our nursing journals express that many new antidepressant drugs are in the making. I would personally try psychotherapy initially. Psychiatric assistance can change a person for the better. We left a 90 minute discussion with no tennis and positive recommendations to obtain more psychiatric therapy for Halet.

I walk home from Recreation Park because I still don't have a car. I have a few moments off from work and I confront medical problems. I don't mind the walk since I'm hopefully helping Shirley Tompkins, my former tennis teammate on the Monroe Cheesemaker team of a few years ago. I cannot let her down. I'll talk to Dr. Gordon, the psychiatrist tomorrow at the Monroe Clinic. I'll think of a strategy to get Halet, Shelley's be-

leaguered husband, into a workable therapy. It may be fever (God forbid), insulin shock (more God-forbidden treatments), ECT (more shocks to the brain in sequence), or psychotherapy. I would prefer the latter; and word has it that Dr. Gordon frequently performs extensive psychotherapy based on Freud. I know he has a full practice; but there are always people moving and canceling. Most of the psychiatric population rarely moves away. Once a patient finds any semblance of relief, they stick with the doctor. There has to be room for Halet Tompkins.

Now that I'm thinking freely, I rediscover that The Monroe Clinic would not have existed without my father. Dad led a group of investors to build the first building with a loan from the First National Bank. Dad has been the president of the bank for years; and has helped fund many business and philanthropic projects in Green County, Wisconsin. Dad has offered very low or no interest rates to many entrepreneurs. These people using the bank's loan return the favor by banking with my Dad's bank forever. I will mention to Dr. Gordon that the Monroe Clinic was started by my father. Perhaps that will get Halet Tompkins an appointment.

Mom inquires extensively regarding Shirley; and mentions that she's heard considerable gossip regarding the Tompkins fights and domestic disputes over the past few weeks. Monroe, Wisconsin in the middle of rural Green County is very small when it comes to knowing other community member happenings. We are so small that news and gossip as it occurs travels faster than the speed of light according to Mom and Dad. Bad news travels much faster because it is human nature to garner bad thoughts about people. Negative gossip is juicier, seemingly will place yourself in a better light comparably and by analogy makes one realize they have life better than a friend or acquaintance. We are all placed on this planet by God; and must pass the torch along by our actions. The human nature of our existence and God's plans for us understandably intersect. We must overcome the urge to act just for ourselves and always do what is right for the situation. Otherwise, life has no meaning. Money, power and greed are the enemies of our very existence. I need to concentrate on my RN obstetric duties fully; and not concern myself with all the occurrences surrounding myself and other Green County, Wisconsin folks. I need to place my parents into perspective because they are totally nosy about everything in my life.

I'm highly accustomed to my parents' tactics; and try to stay ahead of my Mom and Mary at least one-half step. I see my sister Mary and Mom peeking around every corner. I love them to death; however, at times I thoroughly wish I had my soon. Letters report there are beaux lined up for me; but I've heard that statement prior. I'm game to meeting someone debonaire that has a nice family, well educated and wants to raise a family in the Illinois suburbs. Mom and Dad might go for that since Mary is doing exactly that feat with her husband, Roland (still with Chiang Kai-Shek in the South Pacific). Dick Rothstein never called me back; and I've heard nothing regarding his status. He is

admittedly an excellent catch (did I just think those thoughts?). Words cannot describe Stanley Haber, the big untrustworthy creep. I need to get these guys out of my mind. A diary is the truth and I'm just telling my inner thoughts so I'm not fake.

I'm called in unexpectedly tonight as the head obstetric nurse. There is a gal who has triplets - our third set since I began as head obstetric RN. She may have a Caesarean Section (delivery by surgery). She wants to deliver vaginally. Most of the obstetric resources are being utilized in her care. There is a family physician and obstetrician present for the delivery. Planned Simpson forcep deliveries are anticipated. One baby may be breech (buttocks first). This 3rd child may turn during the delivery process while Mom is laboring. Mom has a caudal (low) catheter placed with local anesthetic infusion for pain control. She may receive inhalation halothane through our new copper kettle device for general anesthesia. The certified registered nurse anesthetists are still concerned about aspiration. We've only begun intubating patients recently (tube in the trachea for surgery) to prevent aspiration and overall airway protection. The other problem is that with paralysis and anesthesia, Moms won't push as effectively. Therefore, we need to bolster our confidence in Mom to endure some pain. The newer obstetric analgesic methods are quite good for pain control; however, these new medical tactics may lead to complications (inability to push a baby through the birth canal). The triplets will deliver in surgery because we may need to convert to a C - Section.

I have one nursing uniform present, which I quickly throw upon myself. I don't have time for makeup, hair, nails, perfume or shaving. Dad drives me to the hospital and wants information about Halet Tompkins. Apparently Halet has been robbing stores and stealing from homes. He's experienced the very worst psychosocial reaction to war imaginable. He needs help immensely. I make a point to find Dr. Gordon and plead for him to take Halet Tompkins as a patient. Otherwise, Halet will most likely enter prison for an extended period of time. Dad says that he talked to a sheriff of Green County, Wisconsin. The sheriff said the case was nearly complete; however they cannot exactly pin the crimes upon Halet. Fingerprinting has been in use for years; but is not exact. Most of the fingerprints point to Halet; but there is some discrepancy. Oh, my God! Shirley will be without a husband and the family will be without a father for years. Halet is definitely extremely ill. Shirley cannot work full time as a waitress due to the difficult pregnancy and family situation with children. She has now over the past couple days become preeclamptic (the new term for hypertension, edema and protein within the urine while pregnant). Shirley could die and leave a disabled, mentally ill husband with two or three children. What an absolute mess!

I arrive at St. Claire Hospital and immediately there is a Code Blue (death impending) in our primitive Emergency Room. I run to the ER and notice a guy my age struggling to breathe. I know him somehow. He looks at me and says; "Jean Su-

zanne Zuercher." I inch closer to the action and note that it is Jimmy Spilet, my high school sweetheart. He incurred a farm accident near Juda, Wisconsin. A tractor fell upon him and crushed his chest, abdomen and extremities. He's in critical shape as we are typing and cross matching his blood with the blood bank and giving him some IV fluids to temporize. I talk to him fondly and notice that his wife and children are nearby in the waiting room. Jimmy incurs syncope (loss of consciousness). The nurse anesthetist is called to intubate Jimmy and assist with the resuscitation effort. He will need surgery to remove his spleen (bleeding within the abdomen). He will also require orthopedic placement of hardware for a crushed pelvis and chest tubes on both sides for collapsed lungs with multiple rib fractures.

Jimmy's older child, Henry, fell off the tractor the other way and was not injured. I talked to his wife, Sara; and she was beside herself. She knew of me because Jimmy occasionally mentioned me while he was drinking some Huber beer. A couple occasions led to a tussle; but Sara understood that Jimmy was not unlike many guys who sometimes veer backwards when they drink too much or reminisce about how things were in a prior time. Sara just cares immensely; and wants Jimmy to get well immediately. I explained that he was being rushed into stabilization surgery. After this evening Jimmy will incur a few surgical procedures, rehabilitation and medical treatments, Jimmy could be essentially normal over time. Jimmy won't recover immediately. Neighboring farmers will assist with the Jimmy Spilet injury (common for friends and neighbors in time of need to plant and combine crops, feed cattle and milk cows). This will be a definite time of need for the Spilets.

Sara cried endlessly. She remarked at how difficult it had been for the family. She was from a difficult impoverished upbringing in Juda, Wisconsin. Her parents were poor farmers; and never good with finances. Debt was always a strong component of their life. Her father committed suicide over finances and her mother recently died from metastatic breast cancer. Her siblings sold the family farm and all belongings due to debt, foreclosed on all assets and the family split into pieces. The marriage between Sara and Jimmy occurred my first year in college. Sara became pregnant and within a month the two lovebirds were exchanging vows. There is more and more talk of better birth control for women; but it certainly has not arrived in Green County, Wisconsin. Sara and Jimmy raised two wonderful children ages five and three. The couple had only recently begun to discuss having another baby. They were on their feet with a farm of their own near the Illinois border. They purchased the farm during a foreclosure sale and have been prosperous with good business sense. The Spilet's have no health insurance; and Sara cries thinking of the medical bills they'll incur from St. Claire Hospital. I said we'd all worry about that later and obtain some fundraisers. Sara was relieved and wanted to talk further.

**To be continued next week.**



# Archbishop of Rwanda Comes to Brodhead

## Raising pork from one continent to the next

The Archbishop of the Anglican Church in Rwanda, Laurent Mbanda, and his wife, Chantal, came to Brodhead to visit Riemer Family Farm to learn more about sustainable farming, particularly of pigs. As archbishop, Laurent leads 1.3 million people in faith throughout the country. To help save funds for the orphanage they run, Chantal started raising their own food for the children, specifically pork and eggs. Limited in resources, Chantal was interested in seeing what a sustainable American farm might look like.

Starting with 12 pigs just 10 months ago, Chantal's ambition has resulted in more than 100 pigs and 1,000 laying hens so far that not only feed the 27 children in their orphanage, but bring revenue to it, as well. She said, "We are trying to be more sustainable in our service to the poor by importing less and growing more of our own food."

Laurent and Chantal were recommended to visit Riemer Family Farm, a pasture based livestock operation, during their visit to a support church outside of Chicago.

Laurent Mbanda was enthroned

on June 10th, 2018 as the fourth Archbishop and Primate of the Province of the Anglican Church of Rwanda and ever since has been working on rebuilding and reuniting the people of Rwanda after the terrible genocide.

Laurent said, "Since the end of the genocide there has been such a large change for the better in the way people act, the way they live and even the way they use the land and everyone gives God the glory."

Chantal said, "Almost nobody refers to themselves as Tutsi or Hutu anymore they refer to themselves as Rwandan." This has resulted in mass unification across the country.

Laurent and Chantal enjoyed seeing how the pigs and other animals are raised, and noted two major differences. While Rwanda doesn't experience frigid winters, they have a rainy season and a dry season. Land space is also limited due to higher populations. While these bring their own challenges, Chantal says the end result of producing healthy food for people through holistic faith is the same.

"We learn[ed] a lot and plan to transfer our learning to our people and more specifically in helping the

poor." Archbishop Laurent Mbanda said.

It was inspiring to see how the simple act of farming, no matter where in the world, can improve the lives of so many people, especially when integrated with faith.

Riemer Family Farm is a regenerative, pasture based livestock operation outside of Brodhead, owned by Jen and Bryce Riemer, that produces grass-fed beef and lamb, as well as pastured pork, chicken, and turkey for direct to consumer sales. For more information visit [riemerfamilyfarm.com](http://riemerfamilyfarm.com) or email at [info@riemerfamilyfarm.com](mailto:info@riemerfamilyfarm.com).



# Panther Hill



Lunch menu—

Thurs., April 22, Pride Day Cookout (brats, hotdogs).

Fri., April 23, ravioli, garlic bread, green beans, peaches.

Mon., April 26, Juda Special, cini rolls, corn, applesauce.

Tues., April 27, crispy or grilled chicken wraps, pickles, mandarin oranges.

Wed., April 28, chicken patty, baked beans, pears.

School calendar—

Thurs., April 22, cross country conference meet at UWW.

Fri., April 23, football home vs. Fennimore.

Mon., April 26, JV football vs. Fennimore.

Tues., April 27, baseball at Clinton.

Wed., April 28, softball team photos.

The Juda School District students and staff will be doing their day of service on Thursday, April 22, Earth Day. It will look a bit different than years past, but they feel it is an important and worthwhile activity. If you have an idea for a project (raking leaves, helping with painting, etc.), please call the office at 608-934-5251 or email Mrs. Davis at [davis@judaschool.com](mailto:davis@judaschool.com). They will review the requests and if they can make it happen, they will! Thank you!

The 10th Annual Juda Hill Climb scheduled for Saturday, May 15th of 2021 has been cancelled and postponed to the following school year. In addition, Juda Spanish Club trips to Spanish speaking countries have been put on hold until further notice. We regret to inform you of these cancellations. As much as we'd like for this event to continue, the health and safety of everyone involved is far more important. Please continue to help support our program by attending the following year on: Saturday, May 21st, 2022. Thank you for your understanding and support, and we hope to continue this successful event in the near future.

A Fine Dining Experience! Each month in the elementary, a character word of the month is posted, talked about, and practiced. The word of the month for March was Perseverance. The students chosen as the Perseverance recipients are being rewarded with a fine dining experience this month. The students got to decide on who their server would be! The two 5K students chose Mrs. Davis and the three third grade students chose Mrs. McCullough.

Congrats to Jencie, Bella, and Jordan! Next year they will be attending Blackhawk Technical College!

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## Fifth graders at Albrecht Elementary complete reading competition

All fifth graders at Albrecht Elementary School completed a reading competition for the month of March. Students recorded their minutes read daily to earn points for their team. These students earned prizes and a pizza party. The entire class earned extra recess minutes for doing such a fantastic job!

Pictured to the left—The winning team from Mrs. Ubersox's class pictured left to right: Nick Miner, Jadeyn Broge, and Donovan Bishop (also an MVR reader). Other MVR readers from Mrs. Ubersox's class pictured from left to right are Alexandra Andrews and Ayvah King.



Pictured (top left) is the MVR (Most Valuable Reader) winners from left to right: Brooklynne Ramirez, Paige Swan, and Channing Wilhite. Below is the winning team from Mrs. Rear's class pictured left to right: Kennedy Zimmerman, Brooklynne Ramirez, Ashton King, Will Searls and Kelvin Miller (not pictured). Pictured (top right) is the winning team from Mrs. Marchant's class from left to right: Aiden Arn (also the MVR), Julie Strommen, Blake Samelstad, and Karissa Whitehead.

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At approximately 2:53 p.m., Wednesday, deputies responded to the Green County Probation and Parole Office in the City of Monroe and arrested Jeremy L. Hartwig, 33, Albany, who had a Probation Hold placed on him by the Wisconsin Department of Corrections. Hartwig was incarcerated in the Green County Jail.

At approximately 5:51 p.m., Friday, deputies conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle for speeding in the N1600 block of CTH G in the Town of Spring Grove. Investigation resulted in the driver, Kristen M. Brickson, 28, Brodhead, being cited for operate after revocation (traffic crime). Brickson was released pending a mandatory court appearance.

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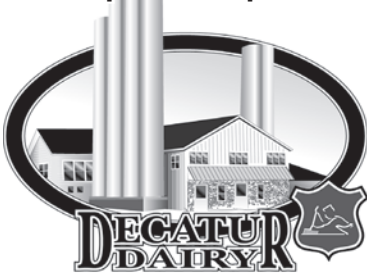
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## News from Parkview High School



Elementary lunch menu—Thurs., April 22, pizza, garlic toast, green beans, Caesar salad; Fri., April 23, EZ Jammer w/WOW butter, string cheese, Cheez Its, baby carrots, juice; Mon, April 26, chicken nuggets, French fries, baked beans, dipping sauce; Tues, April 27, pizza dippers w/ marinara, roasted broccoli, baby carrots; Wed, April 28, chicken Alfredo w/ pasta, garlic toast, California veggies, tossed salad.

Jr./Sr. High lunch menu—Thurs., April 22, pizza, garlic toast, green beans, Caesar salad; Fri., April 23, Philly beef sandwich, oven roasted potatoes, grape tomatoes; Mon, April 26, chicken nuggets, French fries, baked beans; Tues, April 27, pizza dippers w/marinara, roasted broccoli, baby carrots; Wed, April 28, white cheese chicken lasagna, garlic toast, tossed salad.

Donations requested—They are requesting donations for individually wrapped snacks and nut-free snacks! The care closet at PES is out. If students forget a snack or aren't able to bring one from home, they make sure the teachers have an extra supply so the students don't go hungry. If you are able to, donations can be brought to PES during the school day. Thank you for your help!

The National Honor Society will hold a Blood Drive on Thursday, May 6, from 9 a.m.- 2 p.m. at the Junior/Senior High.

Early Release—The school board approved changing early release day on May 7 to full release day. Students will not report to school on this day. The reason for this change is to allow more teacher planning time and opportunity for deep cleaning. The amount of extra work for the teachers due to planning for in-person and virtual instruction will be significant. Providing the custodial crew with an extra day per month for deep cleaning will also be important.

Upcoming events:

Fri., Apr. 23, varsity football vs. Shullsburg/Benton at home, 7 p.m.

Sat., April 24, varsity softball scrimmage at Twining Park, 11 a.m.

Mon., April 26, boys' varsity golf mini golf meet at Horicon Hills Golf Course, 3:30 p.m.

Tues., April 27, JV baseball game vs. Johnson Creek at home, 5 p.m.; varsity baseball game at Johnson Creek, 5 p.m.; varsity softball game at Johnson Creek, 5 p.m.

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## Local farmer directs America's Farmers Grow Communities donation to Juda Volunteer Fire Department

• The America's Farmers Grow Communities program, sponsored by Bayer Fund, partners with farmers to provide grants to local non-profits to help their communities.

• Through the program, farmers enroll for the chance to direct a \$2,500 donation to a local eligible nonprofit organization of their choice.

• The America's Farmers programs have given more than \$59 million to rural America since 2010.

Local farmer Larry Kloeping recently directed a \$2,500 Bayer Fund America's Farmers Grow Communities donation to Juda Volunteer Fire Department. Juda Volunteer Fire Department will use the funds to continue its emergency response and rescue efforts in the community.

Since 2010, the America's Farmers programs have awarded more than \$59 million to community non-profits, aspiring ag students, and public schools across rural America. Farmers are leaders in their communities, which is why America's Farmers programs rely on them to help identify the most worthy causes.

Dedicated to making a difference in rural farming communities, the Grow Communities program asks farmers across the country to participate by nominating nonprofit organizations with resources to strengthen their local communities. Last August, farmers entered for the chance to direct a \$2,500 Grow Communities donation to a local eligible nonprofit of their choice. Farmers have directed donations to food banks, emergency response organizations, schools, youth agriculture programs, and many others that reflect the spirit and support the vibrancy of rural America.

"The COVID-19 pandemic has affected everyone, including those in rural regions, and farmers play a critical role in helping communities overcome challenges, like the ones we're currently facing," said Al Mitchell, Bayer Fund president. "Bayer Fund is proud to work side-by-side with farmers to identify local eligible nonprofit organizations that are able to provide their residents with solutions that leave a lasting impact."

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# Brodhead High School Spring Sports Teams

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## Varsity Volleyball

Front, left to right: Landen Kammerer, Nataley Bump, Kiarra Moe, Onnikah Oliver, Madisyn Kail, and Gretchen Kammerer; middle: Alexis Kammerer, Ellie Yates, Bailey Matthys, Addison Yates, and Daisy Nelson; coaches: Carly Mohns, Brooke Kintzle, Daphne Johnson, Erin Kammerer, Leanne Richmond, and Brian Kammerer; back: Sabrina Siegel, Abbie Dix, Kirsten Fish, McKenna Young, and Kaidynce Bevars.



## Girls' Cross-Country

Standing top, left to right: Elli Riemer, Kalena Riemer, Lexie Lobeck; standing middle: Maddie McGuire, Jen Riemer, Curt Gratz, Nick Jarvis, Grant Gretebeck, Ruth Buehl; kneeling bottom: Hannah Withrow, Jada Burkhalter, Presleigh Arnold, Madelynn McIntyre, Alex Villalva, Kyleigh Raupp; sitting bottom: Gabi Ryser, Nicole Miller.



## JV1 Volleyball

Front row, left to right: Emaleight McNeece, Abby Mills; middle row: Lily Bump, Taetum Hoesly, Jaelyn Hilliard, Skylar Gretebeck; back row: Jersey Medenwaldt, Victoria Urness, Kirsten Fish, Cora Hafen, Coach Leanne Richmond.



## Boys' Cross Country

Standing top, left to right: Sabain Blang, Josiah Engen, Brady Bruns; standing middle: Maddie McGuire, Jen Riemer, Curt Gratz, Nick Jarvis, Grant Gretebeck, Ruth Buehl; kneeling bottom: Kyle Braund, Gavin Pinnow, Jacob Lohmar, Syler Weeden, Mario Reyes.



## JV2 Volleyball

Front, left to right: Elly Harding, Tessa Kloepping, and Macy Fernandes; middle: Hailey Thelen, Ciara Letcher, Molly Regenold, and Kylee Gosnell; back: Abigail Santiago, Paityn Kail, Brenley Jones, Jerrica Schwartz, and Coach Brooke Kintzle.



## Brodhead-Juda Football

Front, left to right: Mgrs: David Masloske, Gabe Bockhop, Brooks Malkow; second row: Jason Monteil, Joe Lohmar, Brayden Sommerfeldt, Leon Saunders, Braden Erb, Dawson Blum, Charlie Weis, Junior Hillario, Marcus McIntyre, Isaac Saunders, Evan Senobe, Grayson Erb; third row: Coaches Chris Hoesly, Eric Oliver, Bill Prochnow, Dave Knuth, BJ Bockhop, Jim Matthys, Tim Cerjak, Reeve Lincoln, Mitch Hasse, Wade Boegli, Jeff Jubie; fourth row: Emmitt Allen, Brady Rosheisen, Aidyn Vondra, Braden Cook, Gage Boegli, Karson Miller, Blake Matthys, Jaxon Dooley, Lucas Powers, Ben Knuth; fifth row: Mason Kammerer, Joey Brown, CJ Kamholz, Brandon Bernet, CJ Streuly, Joe Ross, Conner Green, Owen Hillstrom, Devon Anderson; sixth row: Gunner Boegli, Cooper Woelky, Colton Buttke, Aaron Makos, Austin Moe, Cole Hoesly, Kaden Harper, Brady Malkow, Cade Walker, Caleb Leighty.



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