

# Annual Brodhead Family Fest

They hope you can join them for a fun day of community togetherness, creating memories, and celebrating Independence Day at Brodhead Family Fest on Saturday, June 29th! For complete details, including a schedule of events, parade sign-up, vendor forms, sponsor list, and more, visit [Brodheadchamber.com](http://Brodheadchamber.com).

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Please join Better Brodhead, the Brodhead Chamber of Commerce, and the Brodhead Memorial Public Library for their kick-off to Family Fest movie night on Friday, June 28th at Veterans Park! They will be showing "SpongeBob Out of Water" with a movie show-time of 8:30 p.m. Feel free to come at 8 p.m. to get your free popcorn, cotton candy, and water, and take pictures with the real-life SpongeBob characters that will be walking around the park!

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Bethany Lutheran Church, 1652 West Church Road, Brodhead. 608-897-4158. Pastor position currently open. Interested candidates may reach out via Facebook or call Bethany Lutheran Church directly. No Sunday school; Sunday worship service 9 a.m. Holy Communion first Sunday of each month.

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 405 E. 9th Ave, Brodhead. Phone: 608-897-2341 Pastor Callie Arendt. Email: office@bethlehembrodhead.org. Website: www.bethlehembrodhead.org. Sunday in-person worship with Communion at 9 a.m. On-line worship option via Facebook—Bethlehem Lutheran Church. Bingo the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at 6:30 p.m., doors open at 5:30 p.m.

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

Congregational United Church of Christ, E201 23rd Street, Brodhead. 608-897-2917. Pastor Shawn Stapleton. Sundays: 9 a.m. worship. NO Sunday school for summer—starts in September. Nursery care is available for those who desire. Communion first Sunday of each month. Quilting and crafts workshop every Wednesday at 9 a.m. AA meetings Tuesday and Thursday at 7 p.m. Seven-week Bible study series on Gospel of Mark Tuesday, June 4, until Tuesday, July 16, at 11 a.m. Women's Christian Community Luncheon Thurs., June 27, at 11:30 a.m.

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

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

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

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

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

Saturday Mornings at the Durand Library

Bulldog Book Bonanza!—A Summer Reading Challenge

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

The Bulldog Book Bonanza challenges young readers, and the parents of pre-K kids, to read 500 minutes of books of their choosing. Each reader who achieves that goal by Saturday, August 10, will receive a congratulatory gift.

Oh my gosh, 500 minutes! It sounds like a lot but reading 20 minutes a day for 25 days reaches that goal very quickly. This challenge is available to pre-K children also as the time parents spend reading to their kids also counts. Entry forms are available at the library.

Library hours are Tuesdays 4 to 7 p.m. during the summer school recess as well as the Saturday morning hours of 9 a.m. to noon. Anyone who is unable to get to the library to pick up the entry form is invited to email villagelibrary@cusd322.org to receive an e-copy to print off.

The five week Summer Reading Program is ongoing now and parents are encouraged to bring their children to these fun sessions on Tuesdays 4:30-6 p.m. through Tuesday, July 2.

Please don't let library hours limit your use of library resources. All Durand school district residents are invited to email or call to inquire about a title and volunteers are more than happy to meet patrons at the library during off hours for book pickup. For those who are physically unable to get to the library we can take the books to you!

About the Library

The Durand Library is a collaboration between the school and the Friends of the Durand Library. The school library with its large collection is made available to the residents of the school district and the Friends volunteer to maintain the public hours. These volunteers are motivated by their love of learning and the desire to help the community.

Please enter the library from the east or playground end of the building. Follow the signs along the wide paved walkway. Email villagelibrary@cusd322.org, visit Facebook.com/durandvillagelibrary or call 815-289-8602 for more information.

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Schwartzlow descendants are having their family reunion on Saturday, July 13, at Putnam Park (6th Street and W. 3rd Avenue) in Brodhead, from 11 a.m.–4 p.m., eating about noon.

Bring a dish to pass. Chicken, ham, table service and bottled water will be provided. Spread the word to other members of your family.

If questions, call Rita (Ringhand) Vickers at 608-897-2082.

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**Luther Valley Lutheran Church**

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Please join us on Monday, July 1st at 6:30 p.m. at Luther Valley Church as the Koinonia Singers perform. Koinonia Singers is a ministry of Koinonia Youth Ministry (formerly Rock County Youth for Christ). The teen's performance is titled Eavesdropping at the Proppa Cupa Coffee House and will focus on Psalm 103. Come out and enjoy these talented singers.

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Thank you,

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I would like to thank the Ray C., Maude M. & Genevieve Lyons committee members for selecting me as a recipient. Your generosity is much appreciated.

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VBS at St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church

You're invited to join St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church, for Celebrate the Savior, their Vacation Bible School, open to all children from kindergarten up through seventh grade. The camp will run from Monday, July 8-Friday, July 12, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Come and sing songs, play games, make crafts, and study the Word of God with them. Snacks and lunch will both be provided. Parents especially will want to come Friday afternoon for their closing ceremony (refreshments provided), and again on Sunday, when the VBS kids will have the chance to sing in the 9 a.m. Sunday worship service! With this free program, they're hoping to get to know the members of the community, form some friendships, and show you what they're all about here at St. Peter. And what better way to get to know each other than with a bit of summer fun?

If you'd like to know more about Vacation Bible School, Sunday School, or the other services St. Peter provides, they offer a number of convenient ways to contact them. Call or text the church phone at 608-618-6090. They'll also be working on their new website, StPeterLutheranBrodhead.com, if you'd like to register online. And if you'd like to get acquainted with the pastor, he'd love to hear from you as well! Call or text Pastor Tyler Swiderski at 612-270-2591. Otherwise, you can email him at pastorswiderski@gmail.com. The Camp Coordinator, Joyce Drewes, can be contacted for more info at 608-897-4071. In person visits are also always welcome. Find them at 1708 W. 6th Avenue, Brodhead. Look for the brown A-frame church! All guests are welcome to join them for worship Sunday mornings at 9 a.m., but if you'd like to drop by during the week, that works, too.

Camp registration forms can be found online, picked up in-person in the church building, or by contacting Pastor Swiderski or Joyce between the hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. They're hoping to get all registration forms in by Friday, July 5th, but they're happy to take registrations the day of, if need be. Please note, if you wish to enroll multiple children, they request a separate form for each child. They hope you join them for Celebrate the Savior, and have a terrific summer!

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# ACTIVITIES AROUND TOWN

## BANK OF BRODHEAD BUS TRIP

Are you interested in going to Mount Rushmore, the Badlands and the Black Hills? There are seats available for the Bank of Brodhead bus trip leaving on Sunday, September 8th and returning Saturday, September 14. The trip includes visits to Mount Rushmore, Journey Museum, Crazy Horse Memorial, Badlands National Park, tours of the Wildlife loop in Custard State Park and Deadwood. If interested or for more information call or text Sue Schmelzer at 608-558-8797.

## ATTENTION PARENTS

The Brodhead Parks and Recreation Department is offering different summer programs that you can still sign-up for, after summer school is finished.

Swimming Lessons: Session 2—July 8—July 26; Session 3—July 29—August 16

The Brodhead public swimming pool offers group swimming lessons for kids age five and up. Each session is three weeks long and meets: Monday-Tuesday-Thursday and Friday mornings, for 50 minutes. Cost is \$50 for city resident and \$65 for non-resident.

T-Ball: Session 2—July 16—August 8

The first three nights will be fundamentals for t-ball and then they will go into scheduled games, hitting the ball off the tee; Tuesday and Thursday nights 6-7 p.m. Cost is \$40 for one session.

Tots on the Run: Session 2—July 15—August 9

Tots on the Run will have activities geared for pre-school children aged three—six years. This class will offer a combination of different activities: crafts, playground, etc. This group will meet for two hours, at Putnam Park, from 9:30—11:30 a.m. Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Cost is \$45 for one session.

To register your child in a Park and Rec program, call the Brodhead swimming pool at 608-897-8091.

## SAVE THE DATE

The Brodhead Police Association is hosting the 10th Annual Brodhead Night Out on Tuesday, August 13th (rain date Wednesday, August 14th) from 5 to 8 p.m. at Jaycee Park, 300 4th Street. This FREE Night Out is a community wide event to heighten awareness of crime, drug and prevention efforts and to encourage community participation. For more information please visit them on Facebook!

## Youth Ball Umpires Needed

The Brodhead Park and Rec Department is looking for youth ball umpires. Applicants, at least 14 years of age, must possess a solid knowledge of baseball/softball and its rules. Games will occur Monday-Fridays. Games begin in June and extend through July.

If interested, call the Brodhead Park and Rec Department at 608-897-2159 x9.

# SOFTBALL

## Tuesday Night Masters' League

Tuesday's results: The Bar defeated Bridges Bar & Grill 11-4; Panoske Plastering defeated Beast Buffet 15-5.

Season standings: Panoske Plastering won 5 lost 0; Beast Buffet 2-3; The Bar 2-3; Bridges Bar & Grill 1-4.

## Sunday Night Church

Sunday results 06/16: Luther Valley defeated Orfordville Lutheran 13-5; United Methodist-Albany defeated Living Word 12-4; Congregational UCC defeated Bethlehem Lutheran 13-4.

Sunday results 06/23: Bethlehem Lutheran defeated Living Word 16-15; United Methodist-Albany defeated Luther Valley 22-13; Church of God defeated Congregational UCC 7-5.

Season standings 06/23: United Methodist-Albany 5-1; Bethlehem Lutheran 4-2; Luther Valley 3-2-1; Congregational UCC 3-2-1; Church of God 3-3; Living Word 2-4; Orfordville Lutheran 0-6.

# Ice Cream Floats

Stop down to cheer on the youth and enjoy a cool summer treat. Ice cream floats will be available at the Juda Community Park on Wednesday, June 26, from 6-9 p.m. The cost is \$4 and they will have root beer and orange available. All proceeds go towards new playground equipment.

## Brodhead Community Blood Drive

The Brodhead Community Blood Drive will be held Tuesday, July 9, from noon to 5 p.m. at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 405 E. 9th Avenue, Brodhead.

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

Give a pint, get a pint! Get a coupon for a FREE pint of Culver's famous frozen custard, while supplies last.

Get a new Red Cross umbrella when you come to give blood Monday, July 1 to Sunday, July 14, while supplies last.

# Helping make Brodhead a place to call home.

## Runaas Reunion

The Runaas Family reunion will be held Sunday, July 14th at Purdy Park Pavilion in Orfordville. It starts at 1 p.m. Please bring your own table service and a dish to pass. Coffee and water will be furnished.

## Albany Lion's Club 21st Annual Car Show and EMS Silent Auction

The Albany Lions's Club will be hosting their 21st Annual Car Show on Sunday, June 23 at the Lion's Building in Albany.

Registration begins at 8 a.m. and continues until noon. Registration is \$10 per car/truck and \$5 per cycle.

This is a non-judged show with dash plaques, four individual awards, cash prizes, and a single time tribute award.

The Orfordville Legion Post 209 will be selling raffle tickets for a 2025 Jeep Wrangler and five other prizes, and also, the Albany EMS will be holding a Silent Auction inside the building from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

General admission is free, there are refreshments and food with inside seating and restrooms available. Please remember no dogs or bicycles are allowed in the show area.

Please join them for a fun filled day. Any questions may be directed to Abe Runaas at 608-751-2895.

## Financial Peace University class offered at LWC

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## Classifieds: \$5 for 20 words (10 cents per word, thereafter)

# BINGO!!

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Thursday, June 27

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## Twilight in the Park

6:00 ~ 8:00 p.m. • Veterans Park

All concerts will be held on Sunday evenings from 6-8 p.m. Bring your lawn chairs/blankets—Reminder: dogs are not allowed in city parks. Concerts are FREE to the public - come and enjoy!

### Sunday, June 30th

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## Green County Genealogical Society research center open

The Green County Genealogical Society's research center is now open following renovations. The center is open every Tuesday from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. and is located in the lower level of the Monroe Public library.


The phone number is 608-328-7436. Email: [info@greencogenealogywi.org](mailto:info@greencogenealogywi.org). Website: [www.greencogenealogywi.org](http://www.greencogenealogywi.org).

An appointment can be made for another time if Tuesdays are not convenient.


The Center has history books, plat maps, obituaries and other resources for Green County. The surrounding counties are also represented in our Center.

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**Brodhead Community Band**

Come and see our very own Brodhead Community Band at this year's Family Fest. The Brodhead Community Band has been in existence for 11 years and consists of area musicians from seventh grade all the way through to members into their 70s. This year, the Brodhead Community Band will have their first performance of the season at Putnam Park on Saturday, June 29th at 1 p.m. during Family Fest. The concert will consist of marches, popular selections, and even some classics. They hope you can come and join them. The concert is free and open to the public.



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# Local FIRST LEGO League robotics teams participates in American Robotics Open Championship

By Heather Schneider, coach

Team 2x4, a local FIRST LEGO League robotics team, recently returned from the American Robotics Open Championship, a national robotics competition held at American Dream in East Rutherford, New Jersey. Team 2x4 was honored to represent Wisconsin among 60 of the best teams in the country. “I do not see the other teams as competition, just as potential friends!” shared Bethany Walton, reflecting on what it was like to compete with some of the best teams in the nation.

Accomplished inventor [Dean Kamen](#) founded [FIRST®](#) (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) in 1989 to inspire an appreciation of science and technology in young people. Based in Manchester, New Hampshire, FIRST designs accessible, innovative programs to build self-confidence, knowledge, and life skills while motivating young people to pursue opportunities in science, technology, and engineering. Over 150,000 teams participated in FIRST LEGO League for students in fourth-eighth grades this season, with less than three percent getting to participate in post-season competitions.

The team had a strong judging session sharing their engineering process in building and coding their robot, core values, and how they iterated their Innovation Project “The Custom Carver” from a brainstormed idea to a fully functional model. The Custom Carver is the first custom moldable knife handle for beginning carvers. The judges loved getting a chance to mold a handle and were impressed that the team wrote an article for “Chip Chats” the National Woodcarver Association's Magazine.

Robot performance was a big area of growth this year thanks to new coach, Kent Walton. The team learned a lot about physics and forces, which helped them design, build, and code a very consistently performing robots, Giant and Gigantica. One of their goals at AROC was to record an official match over 400 points. They blew that away scoring 410, 425, and 425 in their three official matches. They finished 11th in the robot game, which is the highest they have ever done in a post-season competition.

Team 2x4 was incredibly honored to be asked to give their presentation to the entire audience of about 1000 people. Then at the award ceremony they were given the Champion's Finalist Award. This award celebrates a team that embodies the FIRST LEGO League Challenge experience by fully embracing the Core Values while achieving excellence and innovation in Robot Performance, Robot Design, and the Innovation Project. Being a finalist means the team finished either second or third for the entire competition! Evan Schneider says, “We've never won a Champion's Award at a post season tournament. It was very exciting!”

The team had such a great experience at AROC. Timothy Walton commented, “I'd go back in a heartbeat because its fun!” “Collecting items from teams and winning award made for a great time,” according to Mason Williams. Halee Williams said, “Everything was fun!” adding, “I enjoyed teaching everyone about The Custom Carver and launching a successful run one in the robot game.”

There is only a short break before the next season starts on Tuesday, August 6th. Team 2x4 encourages families and school officials to contact them, as they'd love to help get more robotics teams in the Stateline area. They are hosting an FLL Boot Camp on Tuesday, August 6th to help new teams get a strong start.

Team 2x4 would like to thank all those companies and individuals who helped mentor and financially support their season and trip to NJ. They could not have done it without you! If you'd like to sponsor the team donations can be sent to Stateline Homeschool Robotics, P.O. Box 126, Clinton, WI 53525. You can follow Team 2x4 FLL team #37,441 on facebook or contact them at flteam2x4@gmail.com.

Mason Williams and Halee Williams, are the son and daughter of Heather and Steve Williams, the owners of Kaufmann Country Store and Timothy and Bethany Walton, are the son and daughter of Kent and Robin Walton, former residents of Brodhead.

Team 2X4 would like to thank each of our sponsors and also recognize Decatur Dairy in a special way for providing their excellent cheese at a reduced cost to the team which enabled the team to fund-raise a significant amount of their travel expenses. To each fan of Decatur Dairy cheese who purchased cheese from a Team 2X4 member over the past few weeks—THANK YOU!

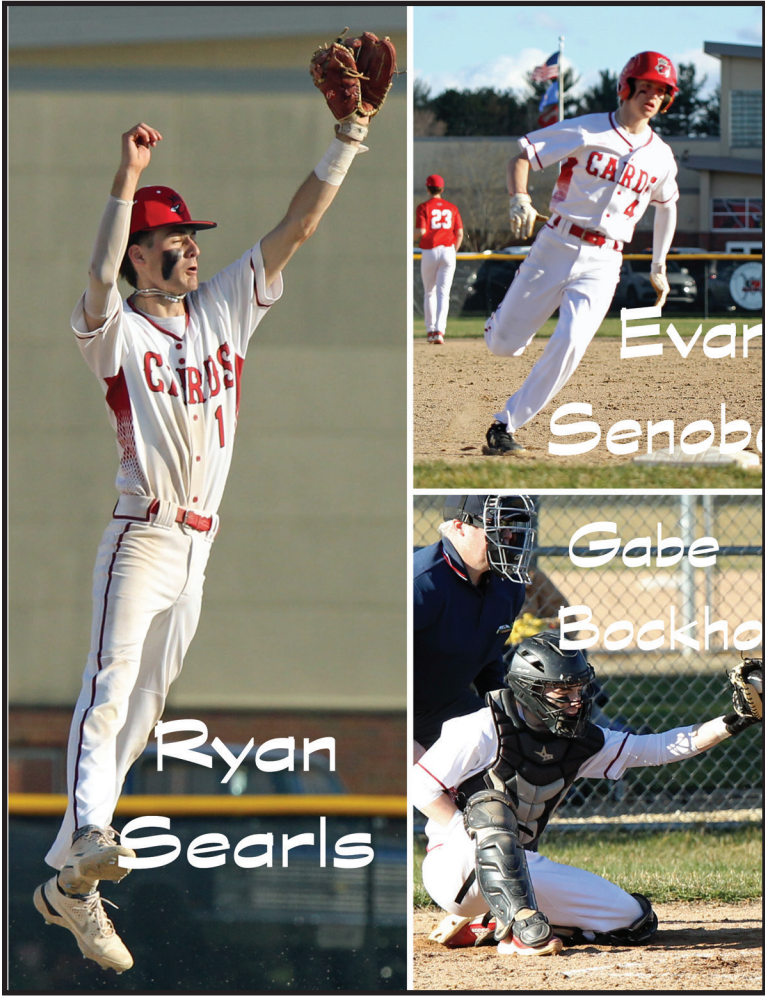


Team 2x4 at Practice Table: Mason Williams, Timothy Walton, Evan Schneider, Bethany Walton (leaning), and Halee Williams work to perfect their robot game. They were thrilled to post three consistent, high scores.



**Thank you Sponsors:** The team poses with their trophy and sponsor banner with the Manhattan skyline behind them. Team 2x4 couldn't have done it without so many wonderful sponsors! Thank you to everyone who donated and cheered the team on this season.





### BHS Baseball Awards

By Teresa Earleywine

With Brodhead Baseball earning a share of the RVC-Rock title, several players received honors and Coach Aaron Guilbault was named Coach of the Year. Gabe Bockhop was named the RVC-Rock Player of the Year, Ryan Searls infield and Evan Senobe as flex player were named first team all conference. Second team all conference was awarded to Sam Searls as pitcher and honorable mention went to Dave Masloske outfield and Kohen Sawle pitcher. The team finished with a 9-6 conference season record.

Captain— Evan Senobe, Gabe Bockhop, and Dave Masloske. Defensive/ Catch of the Year Award—Evan Senobe. Gabe Bockhop also set the Career Double Record (previously 16) with 20, and one more year of Baseball to go.

Team MVP— Ryan Searls. Team MIP—Max Pinnow. Cardinal Award— Demonstrating Selflessness and Team 1st Culture —Tyrin Foster. All-District Honorable Mention—Gabe Bockhop.

Coach Guilbault added, “I would like to recognize my coaching staff, and the players because coach is a true team award, without them, us winning a conference championship that doesn’t happen. We are already back to work this summer to defend that title!”

### Victor Illichmann Receives Land Conservation Leadership Award from Gathering Waters

Victor Illichmann, a long-time volunteer and supporter of Green-Rock Audubon Society, received the 2024 Land Trust Volunteer of the Year Award from Gathering Waters: Wisconsin's Alliance for Land Trusts on May 23, 2024 at a private celebration in Janesville, Wisconsin.

Victor Illichmann began the intensive land management of Green-Rock Audubon Society properties over 20 years ago. It started with just a borrowed tractor and brush mower, cutting back willows that had overgrown the property at the Spring Creek Reserve.

Over time, supporting Green-Rock Audubon Society as a long-term Board member and volunteer, Victor helped identify the properties that needed work most urgently. He had a vision for what could be done to return the land to a state that would enhance the population of native plants, birds, and insects, and he made that vision a reality.

Victor partnered with the National Resources Conservation Service, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, and other organizations to seek out funding for Green-Rock Audubon Society's efforts. He used his knowledge and leadership skills to organize work parties and make improvements that would benefit each property under the land trust's management as a true conservation preserve.

Walking through the acres of restored properties that previously were overgrown messes and are now delightful woods and prairies, it is evident what Victor has accomplished.

“We’re so glad for this opportunity to recognize Victor with the Volunteer of the Year Award for all his years of service to Green-Rock Audubon Society, one of the 40+ land trusts that protect land in Wisconsin,” said Mike Carlson, executive director of Gathering Waters. “Victor’s support has been invaluable and we thank him for his dedication to land conservation in Wisconsin.”

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### Seven Brodhead FFA members attend State FFA Convention

By Jillian Malkow, Agriculture Teacher/FFA Advisor

On Tuesday June 12th, Seven Brodhead FFA Members headed to Madison for the State FFA Convention. Members are: Leilah King, Annelise Bethke, Peyton Jordan, Kiara Quimby, Laney Fraley-Markley, Gabrielle Wenger and Karissa Whitehead. Brodhead had two students that day competing in different areas.

Peyton Jordan—Competed in the FFA Creed Speaking, She competed against 10 other students throughout the State. She did not move on to the finals, but it is a big accomplishment to be in the Top 10 in the state for this competition.

Kiara Quimby, new going to the State convention, was in the Top 4 in her SAE (Supervised Agriculture Experience)—Nursery Operations Entrepreneurship. At the Convention she found out she was the State Winner and will now be sending her application to the National FFA to get judged nationally! She also had to put together a display for her proficiency and was awarded best display!

At the Opening Session The Brodhead Chapter was also recognized with the P.R.I.D.E Award (Promote, Recruit, Inspire, Develop, Educate) an increase of 10+ of membership this year.

On Wednesday June 13th, three seniors received the State FFA Degree. The Guidelines to receive this degree is:

- Complete 360 hours of Agricultural Education Courses
- Received your Greenhand and Chapter Degree
- Earned/Invested \$1,500 or worked 1,000 hours in their SAE
- Participate in at least five different FFA activities above chapter level
- Two different public speeches about agriculture
- Demonstrate 10 different parliamentary procedures activities
- Participate in 25 unduplicated hours of community service

The three to receive the degree was Madeline McGuire, Ellyana Harding and Kiara Quimby.



Pride Award, left to right: Gabrielle Wenger, Karissa Whitehead, Peyton Jordan, Laney Fraley-Markley, Annelise Bethke, Leilah King and Kiara Quimby.



Peyton Jordan—Creed Speaking, on right, with Advisor Mrs. Jillian Malkow.



Kiara Quimby, State Winner, with Best Display for her Proficiency Nursery Operations



State Degree Recipients, left to right: Ellyana Harding, Kiara Quimby & Madeline McGuire.

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## SSM Health Medical Assistant Receives BEE Award

SSM Health Monroe Clinic Medical Group Medical Assistant, Teresa Nelson, has been named the newest recipient of the BEE Award. Teresa serves patients at our clinic in Albany.

Teresa was nominated by Albany nurse, Kaylee Ritschard. Her nomination shared, "I had a pediatric patient come in on the nurse's schedule for a vaccine, and you could tell she was very anxious. Teresa is familiar with this patient's anxiety around vaccinations, so she went out to buy popsicles to calm her nerves. As I was prepping the vaccine, Teresa went out of her way to come into the room to check in on the patient and offered to administer the vaccine. The patient ended up doing well with Teresa giving her the vaccine, and Teresa even made a point for her to sit a few minutes in the lobby and checked back in on her to make sure she was okay before leaving. You could really tell she made a huge difference in this patient's experience with this vaccine, and I truthfully think her anxiety around vaccines was much bet-

## ACADEMICS

### DAVIS NATIVE JESSICA ALBER NAMED TO MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY'S SPRING 2024 DEAN'S LIST

Jessica Alber of Davis, Illinois, has been named to the Dean's List for the spring 2024 semester at Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Alber is pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Marketing.

To make the Dean's List, students must have earned at least 12 credits for the spring 2024 semester and have no disqualifying grades. The GPA threshold varies by college—for the College of Education and the Klingler College of Arts and Sciences, undergraduate students must have at least a 3.7 to be named to the Dean's List.

The undergraduate GPA requirement is 3.5 for the following colleges: the Diederich College of Communication, the College of Business Administration, the College of Health Sciences, the Opus College of Engineering and the College of Nursing. All other programs have a 3.75 GPA minimum.

### LOCAL STUDENTS GRADUATE FROM MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY

This past spring, the following students graduated from Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

There were 2,852 students who graduated from Marquette in May. The university celebrated its 143rd Commencement with a series of events, including Graduate Recognition Ceremonies at Fiserv Forum and a Baccalaureate Mass on campus. Learn more about the weekend.

Area residents who graduated include Jessica Alber, Bachelor of Science, Marketing and Grace McCoy, Bachelor of Arts, Psychology, both of Davis, Illinois; and Sophia Flood Elyafi, Juris Doctor, Law, of Orfordville.

ter because of Teresa's efforts to go above and beyond."

The BEE Award was created to recognize any non-nursing staff members who demonstrate excellent quality care, extraordinary compassion, focus on the patient and the patient's needs and effective collaboration with other members on the patient care team.



**Teresa after receiving  
the BEE Award on  
Tuesday, June 11.**

### LORAS COLLEGE ANNOUNCES 2024 GRADUATES

Loras College has announced the names of students who earned a bachelor's degree or master's degree in 2024.

Among those graduating was Derek Behrens, BA, Finance, Accounting, Davis, Illinois.

### UW-LA CROSSE ANNOUNCES SPRING 2024 DEAN'S LIST

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

Qualification for the Dean's List is limited to students who have attained outstanding academic achievement. To be eligible, students must have earned at least a 3.5 semester grade point average and carried a minimum of 12 credits.

Students on the Dean's List from this area include: McKenna Broughton—Management Major, Raj Flannery—Broadfield Social Studies Education Major, and Ryan Winder, Statistics Major: Actuarial Science Concentration, all of Albany; Gage Boegli—Finance Major: Personal Financial Planning Concentration; Madelynn McIntyre—Exercise and Sport Science Major: Physical, Adapted, and School Health Education, and Liam Simons—Art Major, all of Brodhead; and Seth Rieman—Exercise and Sport Science Major: Exercise Science-Pre-professional Track, of Davis, Illinois.

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Among those graduating was Jessica Alber, Bachelor of Science, Marketing, of Davis, Illinois.



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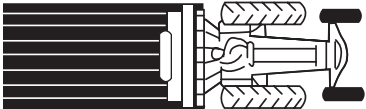
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**The Ford Shed, 705 E. Exchange Street,** Huge 12 family rummage sale. Fri., June 28, 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Sat., June 29, 8 a.m.-3 p.m. A whole warehouse full! Lots of brand-named clothes all sizes—baby-adult, shoes, jewelry, purses, household items, home decor, F/Q bed, furniture, rugs, lumber, vintage goods & signs, old wood case record players, ice chest, Nascar diecast cars, bikes, scrapbooking items, puzzles, toys, American Girl house, Barbies & so much more. Items prices to move.

# POLICE

## Green County Sheriff's Department June 17-23, 2024

At 1:37 pm, Monday, deputies responded to 2841 6th Street, City of Monroe, and arrested Mason T. Obermann, 28, of Brodhead. Deputies took Mason into custody and transported him to the Green County Jail.

# POLICE

## Brodhead Municipal Court Finding Date: 06/05/2024 through 06/12/2024

Donna R. Ackerman, Davis, IL, zone and posted limits, violation date 04/22/2024, \$124.

David William Brennan, Monroe, zone and posted limits, violation date 03/29/2024, \$98.80.

Thomas J. Callahan, Chicago, IL, zone and posted limits, violation date 04/19/2024, \$98.80.

Jamie Lee Calvert, Albany, zone and posted limits, violation date 04/08/2024, \$124.

Karrion Kanile Carter, Orfordville, zone and posted limits, violation date 04/20/2024, \$98.80.

Andrea Rose Diaz, Beloit, possess open intoxicants in motor vehicle, violation date 04/19/2024, \$124.

Luis Alberto Diaz-Medina, Darlington, WI, operating after suspension, violation date 04/13/2024, \$124.

Tawny L. Dreier, Durand, IL, non-registration of auto, etc, violation date 04/18/2024, \$98.80.

Kaci Jean Franklin, Beloit, non-registration of auto, etc, violation date 04/09/2024, \$98.80; operate motor vehicle without proof of insurance, violation date 04/09/2024, \$10; operating after suspension, violation 04/09/2024, \$124.

Landon Andrew Friedrich, Monroe, license restriction violation-Class D/M vehicle, violation date 04/21/2024, \$124.

Chloe Larae Fuchs, New Glarus, WI, operate without carrying license, violation date 03/28/2024, \$124; possess drug paraphernalia, violation date 03/28/2024, \$124; zone and posted limits, violation date 03/28/2024, \$124; possession of THC, violation date 03/28/2024, \$124.

Derek Allen Furniss, Evansville, WI, operate motor vehicle without proof of insurance, violation date 04/04/2024, \$10.

Robert A. Gadow, Brodhead, operate without valid license, violation date 04/12/2024, \$124.

Brinley Rose Gebhart, Monroe, zone and posted limits, violation date 04/15/2024, \$98.80.

Kaylae Brooke Nehls, Brodhead, possession of THC, violation date 04/12/2024, \$124.

Lisa Marie Pember, Janesville, zone and posted limits, violation date 04/10/2024, \$98.80.

Michael Patrick Ruhland, Orfordville, possess drug paraphernalia, violation date 04/04/2024, \$124.

Marlon J. Salgado Ponce, Darlington, WI, operate motor vehicle without proof of insurance, violation date 04/05/2024, \$10.

Charles R. Schultz, Orangeville, IL, zone and posted limits, violation date 04/20/2024, \$98.80.

Rebecca Jane Searls, Brodhead, zone and posted limits, violation date 04/12/2024, \$98.80.

Hailey Thelen, Juda, zone and posted limits, violation date 04/05/2024, \$98.80.

Emanuel Vilchez Trujillo, Lena, IL, zone and posted limits, violation date 03/31/2024, \$98.80.

Samantha Lon Hart Vinesett, Brodhead, zone and posted limits, violation date 03/30/2024, \$98.80.

Saige Anjalien Waefler, Monroe, zone and posted limits, violation

date 04/06/2024, \$98.80.

Shawntell Fellie Wildman, Orfordville, operate without valid license, violation date 04/14/2024, \$124.

Joel Olin Wilson, Middleton, WI, non-registration of auto, etc, violation date 04/20/2024, \$98.80.

Becky Marie Zuelke, Milton, WI, zone and posted limits, violation date 04/22/2024, \$98.80.

## When was the last time you tested your well water?

The 2023 Consumer Confidence Report was sent out for the City of Monroe's well water annual summary of multiple tests they conduct throughout the year. There are a total of five wells in Monroe which range from 680 feet deep to 1,800 feet. Other towns like Monticello, New Glarus, and many others follow the Safe Drinking Water Act, which allows citizens of Wisconsin to have access to safe and sustainable water.

Transient non-community water systems (TN) have different regulations. If the well serves at least 25 people for a minimum of 60 days a year, its regulated in this category. These are usually in rural areas such as churches, campgrounds, restaurants and more. The responsibility for TNs is to maintain a code-complying water system and submit the required water samples. Green County Public Health works with local organizations and businesses who have TN wells to regularly inspect their water systems, test their water, and address any contamination issues.

Private well owners need to be their own advocate. Unlike cities and TNs, they do not have any rules and regulations for testing. Often people feel that their well water is safe because it looks clear. You should not assume your water is safe to drink without testing it. Now would be a great time to get your well water tested. It assures your water is free of harmful contaminants or at least to know their levels. Wisconsin DNR recommends that you test your well once a year. Some areas in Green County have more contaminants like nitrates and bacteria than others.

Private well owners should test their well water to make sure their water is safe. You can pick up a homeowner package test kit at the Green County Public Health to test for bacteria and nitrate. If you are wanting to test for metals and/or pesticides, you'll need to contact UW Stevens Point Water and Environmental Analysis Laboratory. Call them at 715-346-3209 or for further questions on well testing call Green County Public Health at 608-328-9390.



Private wells, like the one pictured, need to be annually tested by the users to know that the water is safe to drink



## By Laura Roth, Children's Librarian

Janna (from Albany, Texas!) read to us last about the Inside and Outside of Texas. She even brought a long-horn to her library for us to see (via Zoom, of course). Two of the performers from the famous Albany Fandangle came to sing about Texas, complete with a campfire and guitar. It was a real cowboy adventure!

We explored how air can inflate a balloon by dipping a water balloon in both hot and cold water. Brrr! The cold air wants to snuggle in tight making the balloon shrink, while the hot air needs room to expand making the balloon fill up again.



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# A Class About Aging for Those Who are Aging

By Bridget Mouchon

Let's face it, like all things in life, we can either see the bright side or the cloudy side of a thing. Aging is no different. When we know more about the things we should expect—health, finances, relationships—we can manage it all better, and feel more confident and healthy. Living life to the fullest doesn't mean that we ignore the difficult stuff. Being better able to confront the changes we experience in the second half of life can help us live fully and courageously.

Our Aging Mastery class helps us to learn about key topics that are important as we age, as well as skills and resources that will help us “master” them. These include nutrition and exercise, finances and end-of-life planning, managing medications, better sleep, relationships and isolation, and community engagement. The class is online in the evening and is as interactive as you'd like it to be—introverts and extroverts are welcome and will enjoy the approach to learning and connecting with others.

The class is free, and participants receive a free information-packed workbook, with room for your notes and ideas! We will meet on Wednesday evenings via the online platform, Zoom. The class starts Wednesday, July 10th, and runs for 10 weeks, from 5:30-7 p.m. If you have never used Zoom, or feel a little unsure, please sign up and let us know. We'll be ready to help make sure it's a good experience!

Reach out to Bridget Mouchon at 608-328-9517 or blmouchon@wisc.edu or Laura Steiner at 608-328-9499 or lsteiner@gchsd.org—we will answer any questions and/or get you signed up.



On Thursday, May 2nd, Spring Grove Honest Workers 4-H club spent the day planting flowers at the township building then headed out for their highway clean-up day. The kids will take turns all summer long watering and caring for the flowers. They will also be repainting the township sign for another club project at a later date.

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The program runs on fund-raiser funds and volunteer coaches, NOT TAX DOLLARS. The fund-raiser has made possible: new and improved infields, dugout roofs, sod infield, yellow fence capping, fencing, batting cage and net, safety net, playground equipment, bleachers, LED lights for the boys' and girls' diamonds, drinking fountain, pitching machines and new equipment upon request. Fundraiser money has also helped pay for irrigation, the new concession stand at Legion Park and a batting tunnel at the high school, which the older leagues use.

In a day and age when video games keep our children indoors for hours on end, programs such as this; are vital to our kids' health and well-being. Again, our deepest gratitude going out to all the children, parents and family members involved in keeping this program up and running. Thank you all very much!

This year's winners were: \$1,000—Tim Maier; \$700—Randy Cameron; \$500—Bryce Broughton; \$300—Joanne McCrimmon; \$200—Erin Hartwig; \$100—Julie Bockhop, Eric Woodruff, Maggie Strehlow, and Troy Ping; \$50—Tom Freeland, Zack Hefty, Kimberly Forrester, Raelon Fulton, Karen Searles and Mitch Krumwiede.

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