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# Green County Fair July 19th-23rd

Hello Green County! This is Miah Roth, your 2023 Green County Fairest of the Fair! I would like to invite you all to the fair this July 19th-23rd! This year's theme is "Travel the World—Passport". We've got a lot of event planned this year!

Wednesday, July 19, is Military

Appreciation Day. From 4-6 p.m., we have our Veteran's Only Dinner held in the Hospitality Tent. Later, at 7 p.m., we have the Green County Bulls and Barrels in the grandstands. Finally, we will have a DJ in the entertainment tent from 7-11 p.m.

Thursday, July 20, is Educator's Appreciation Day. At 6:30 p.m., we have the Badger State Tractor/Truck Pull in the grandstands. We will also have the DJ in the entertainment tent from 7-11 p.m.

Friday, July 21, is First Responders Appreciation Day. Friday is

also Special Needs Day. All rides and parking will be free for Special Needs! This warms my heart knowing that I will be going into the Special Education Field! At 6:30 p.m., we have the SW Wisconsin ATV/ Garden Tractor Pullers and the Green County Local Truck and Tractor Pull. Both events will be held in the grandstands.

Saturday, July 22, is Kid's Day. All kids 11 and under have free admission until 1:30 p.m. From 4-6 p.m., we have the SWIRA Dirt Bike and 4-Wheeler Races in the grandstands. Finally, Eli Alger and The Faster Horses will be in the entertainment tent at 8 p.m.

Sunday, July 23, is Pioneer Day and the last day of the Green County Fair. Since it will be our last day, there will only be a \$5 admission fee for people ages 65 and up. At 2 p.m., we have the Brew City All-Star Heavyweight Wrestling in the Mayer Transport Show Barn. Finally, the Demolition Derby will be held at 5 p.m. in the grandstands. We will have many vendors, exhibits, and other royalty at the fair! I can't wait for the fair to start and I hope to see you all there!



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All proceeds will be donated to the Green County Humane Society. Please note: services will be provided by volunteers, not professionals, pets must be leashed.

For questions, contact [kiaraquimby@gmail.com](mailto:kiaraquimby@gmail.com).

BRODHEAD FARMERS MARKET

The United Methodist Church of Brodhead will hold a Farmers Market in their parking lot at 501 1st Center Avenue on Thursday, July 27th from 4-6:30 p.m. Vendors wanting to attend are asked to call 608-728-2980 or contact Jo Ann at [jsteuril@frontier](mailto:jsteuril@frontier) for registration forms. A \$10 donation is requested for a 10'x12' space.

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# Small Town Wisconsin Students Experience Culture Abroad

**By Clay Weum**

Last week, a local high school Spanish club from Monticello traveled to rural Costa Rica where they spent eight days immersed in local culture and Spanish language. In the 300-person town of La Flor, students lived with families and connected with local youth through a variety of intercultural and academic enrichment projects. One student commented that there was definitely some "culture shock involved. [We] lived in small houses right next to [our] neighbors who considered 9 p.m. bedtime, it took some getting used to." However, after a day or two of adjusting to the new schedule, students embraced the chance to spend mornings visiting the beautiful sights in their region, including waterfall hikes, biological reserves, and the Arenal Volcano, before returning in the afternoon to engage with locals.

Among these activities was a community library project whose goal is to encourage reading and facilitate access to books in an area where they are almost impossible to come by. Most evenings, students partook in exchanges with local teenagers, helping each other work on their language skills. Spanish immersion, in an area where only a handful of teens speak some English, was a major component of the trip: "I think I've picked up more knowledge here in a week than I did last semester," Inanda Senior.

Many of the students' biggest takeaways were the importance of sharing culture, living with less, and getting out of your comfort zone. If you want to check out the Madison-based family-owned company, Go Tico! Costa Rica, which facilitated the experience, go to <https://www.goticocr.com/>.



# Relay For Life of Green County Seeks Teams For Event

The American Cancer Society is recruiting teams from businesses, schools, families, and places of worship to participate in the Relay For Life of Green County event. This year's event will be held on Friday, August 4th at the Jaycee Park in Brodhead from 5–9 p.m. Relay For Life teams are committed to finishing the fight against cancer and raise funds to support the American Cancer Society's lifesaving mission. Teams and individuals can sign up for the Relay For Life event by visiting <http://relayforlife.org/greencountywi> or by calling Jo Ann at 608-728-2980.

"The Relay For Life movement unites communities across the globe to celebrate people who have battled cancer, remember loved ones lost, and take action to finish the fight once and for all," said Evelyn Crooks, Green County Relay For Life volunteer. "Many participants are our family, friends, and neighbors who have faced cancer themselves. Each new team that registers brings us one step closer to saving more lives."

Relay For Life is a community-based family event. Cancer survivors and caregivers take a celebratory first lap to start each event. This year, Green County's goal is to raise \$20,000 to support the Society's mission to finish the fight against cancer once and for all. Sign up individually or as a team and be a part of great event that helps support the fight against cancer!

# SOFTBALL

## Sunday Night Church

Sunday results: United Methodist-Albany defeated Living Word 19-9; Luther Valley defeated United Methodist—Bass Creek Golf Club 13-3; Bethlehem Lutheran defeated Congregational UCC 20-7.

Season standings: United Methodist-Albany 5-0; Church of God 4-1; Bethlehem Lutheran 4-1; Congregational UCC 1-3-1; Living Word 1-3-1; United Methodist—Bass Creek Golf Club 1-4; Luther Valley 1-5.



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# ACADEMICS

## UW-PLATTEVILLE ANNOUNCES DEAN'S LIST

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

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

Students from this area on the Dean's List include: Caden Maire—Sustainable Renew Energy Syst, of Albany; Elizabeth Callaway—Mechanical Engineering, of Brodhead; Angela Meiners—Civil Engineering, Lila Sloan—Agricultural Business, Sabrina Snyder—Elementary Education, and Sabrina Snyder, Industrial Technology Management, all of Davis, Illinois; and Erin Schoen—Animal Science, of Orfordville.

# UW-PLATTEVILLE ANNOUNCES SPRING 2023 GRADUATES

The University of Wisconsin-Platteville awarded diplomas to more than 700 undergraduate students for the spring of 2023.

Students from this area who graduated include: Keenan Gibson, Industrial Technology Management, of Brodhead; and Erin Schoen, Animal Science, of Orfordville.

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# Monroe Clinic & Hospital Foundation Celebrates Successful Mini Golf Event

The Monroe Clinic and Hospital Foundation's "Little Golf" and Grill event, held on Tuesday, June 13, was an afternoon of mini golf that led into a night full of generous giving for a great cause.

This year's "Little Golf" and Grill was held at Swissland Miniature Golf in New Glarus, with dinner following under the tent at Chalet Landhaus Inn. The event raised over \$60,000 from countless heartfelt donations provided by community members and businesses.

"It was so special to come together to enjoy our 31st year of "Little Golf" and Grill," commented Jane Sybers, Executive Director of Monroe Clinic and Hospital Foundation, a member of SSM Health. "Even the rain couldn't dampen our guests' excitement and dedication to supporting our SSM Health at Home's hospice services!"

The evening program celebrated the work hospice volunteers do through the We Honor Veterans program that conducts pinning ceremonies to hospice patients who are military Veterans. During the program, the volunteer group demonstrated the different parts of the pinning ceremony including the final salute. To round out the evening, a silent and live auction, that featured popular items such as a signed American Family Insurance Championship golf flag, Yeti cooler package and Farm to Table dinner experience, brought forward the competitive spirit of many.

A special thanks goes to the event's Founding Sponsor, Hans Lenzlinger and family, for all their generosity. The Lenzlinger family graciously underwrote the entire event, resulting in all the dollars raised going directly to local hospice services. Gratitude also goes to this year's Diamond Sponsors, Kalscheur Family Foundation and Only in Wisconsin Giving, Incorporated.

To learn how you can support the Monroe Clinic & Hospital Foundation, please visit [ssmhealth.com/donate](http://ssmhealth.com/donate).

# BHS students take CNA Course

**By Kirsten Novy, District Librarian, District Communication Specialist**

Our students will make wonderful CNAs! Many of our Brodhead High School students took the CNA course this spring semester. The students took the course through Blackhawk Technical College and the students earned college credits for the course. The class is a hybrid class which means coursework is done online and lab/clinical is done in person. The lab time was spent on campus in the lab/classroom setting and the clinical time was spent at SSM Monroe Clinic Hospital. Lab time was held in the morning and the students had to be up bright and early for clinical time starting at 5:45 a.m. in the morning! The instructor is Laura Powers, BSN; RN. She is a Blackhawk Technical College adjunct and the Brodhead School District Nurse. Brodhead High School had 10 seniors and one junior take the CNA class this year. Classes were taught at Brodhead High School campus, Monroe BTC campus, and Janesville BTC campus.

While in the lab the students practice a variety of different skills such as proper hand washing, infection control, proper body mechanics, range of motion exercises, donning and doffing personal protective equipment, taking vital signs, recording intake and output, bed making an occupied and unoccupied bed, positioning/transferring a patient, brushing teeth, bathing a patient, dressing a patient, and feeding a patient. They also learn the importance of having compassion and empathy for their patients. CNAs do a variety of skills while caring for patients and are an essential part of the healthcare team. CNAs not only provide physical care but also emotional and spiritual support, truly making a difference in

the lives of patients and families. CNAs are a vital part of the healthcare team.

Seniors: Abigail Santiago—UW Whitewater-Biology-on Pre-Dentistry tract; Skylar Gretebeck—UW Madison-Nursing; Alexis Kammerer—University of Dubuque-Nursing; Devan Green—Carroll University-Nursing; Kaiden Chojnacki—Carroll University-Biology; Noah Martinez-Bochman—Dartmouth-Pre-medicine and theater; McKenna Young—University of South Dakota-Physical Therapy with a minor in Psychology; Hannah Withrow—Carroll University-Nursing; Kingsley Bernstein—CNA workforce; Ciara Letcher—UW Whitewater-Elementary Education; and junior: Hailey Thelen.





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## SSM Health Honors 2022 Residency and Fellowship Graduates

SSM Health Monroe Hospital is proud to announce the nine doctors of the Family Medicine Residency, Pharmacy Residency and Emergency Medicine Fellowship Class of 2023. A graduation ceremony and celebration were held on Thursday, June 29, at Hawks Mill Winery in Browntown, Wisconsin that honored the doctors who completed the programs at SSM Health Monroe Hospital.

This year's graduates include:

Sarah Pope, DO, Family Medicine Resident, who is taking a primary care position at Mercy Health in Whitewater, Wisconsin

Mike Roesch, DO, Family Medicine Resident, who is taking a hospitalist position at Waukesha Memorial Hospital in Waukesha, Wisconsin

Erica Yamamoto, DO, Family Medicine Resident, who is with entering UW's Integrated Medicine Fellowship Program in Madison, Wisconsin

Maija Anderson, PharmD, Pharmacy Resident, who is continuing with SSM Health Monroe Hospital as a hospital pharmacist

Stephanie Garvin, PharmD, Pharmacy Resident, who is continuing with SSM Health Monroe Clinic Medical Group as a Year 2 Pharmacy Resident

Marcus Pribyl, PharmD, Pharmacy Resident, who is taking an ambulatory care pharmacist position in Ann Arbor, Michigan

Jack Barkin, DO, Emergency Medicine Fellow, who is who is exploring opportunities in Wisconsin

Travis Baumann, MD, Emergency Medicine Fellow, who is exploring opportunities in Wisconsin

Jacob Becker, DO, Emergency Medicine Fellow, who is continuing with SSM Health Monroe Hospital as a hospitalist

"We would like to congratulate our outgoing residents and fellows on their accomplishments and wish them success in their future endeavors," shared Lori Rodefelf, Medical Education Manager. "Each of these individuals have been instrumental in the continued success of these programs."

The Family Medicine Residency program started in 2015 and is the first American Osteopathic Association (AOA) accredited rural training track in the country. The Emergency Medicine Fellowship program also began in 2015 and was developed for family physicians who desire further training in rural emergency medicine. The Pharmacy Residency was established in 2007 to prepare competent pharmacist clinicians.

These programs offer the best of both worlds by combining the resources of major teaching facilities with the appealing environment of a smaller, community-based hospital. A goal of these program is to equip and prepare any resident or any fellow to be successful in the changing healthcare market.



The 2023 Family Medicine Residency graduates: (left to right) Dr. Sarah Pope, Dr. Michael Roesch and Dr. Erica Yamamoto



The 2023 Pharmacy Residency graduates: (left to right) Dr. Maija Anderson, Dr. Stephanie Garvin and Dr. Marcus Pribyl



The 2023 Emergency Medicine Fellowship graduates: (left to right) Dr. Jacob Becker, Dr. Travis Baumann and Dr. Jack Barkin

## The Bank of New Glarus Announces Promotion of Jance Marty

The Bank of New Glarus is pleased to announce the promotion of Jance Marty to Chief Operating Officer, effective immediately. As COO, Marty will continue to oversee Lending and will take responsibility for Loan Operations, IT, Retail Sales, and Retail Operations.



Marty joined The Bank of New Glarus in 2008 as a Commercial Lender. In 2015, he was promoted to Chief Lending Officer and has led

a team of Commercial and Residential Lenders.

"Jance is an incredible asset to our team," said Ron Schaaf, President and CEO of The Bank of New Glarus. "His knowledge of lending and tremendous ability to create relationships will ensure continued success for Jance as the Chief Operating Officer."

Marty is a graduate of Pecatonica High School and The University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire. In addition, he completed the UW-Madison Graduate School of Banking in 2013.

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## Green County Leaders project installation

Submitted by Matt Sheaffer

On Saturday, May 20th work culminated on a yearlong beautification project carried out by a team from the latest class of Green County Leaders. UW Extension and Green County Development Corporation cofacilitate the Green County Leader Program, which educates and inspires local professionals seeking to build their leadership capabilities. Working closely with Monroe Parks and Forestry supervisor Josh Trame, the team coordinated the planting of a native pollinator garden and completed a living tree catalog that highlights trees available through the City of Monroe Terrace Tree Program. The program offers Monroe residents trees for purchase that the city will plant, fertilize, mulch and guarantee for a year. Pollinator gardens feature a mix of native blooming plants that are attractive to and provide habitat for a diverse mix of bees and butterflies. Both components of the project can be found in Twining Park near the bandshell.

"This project was born out of the idea that trees and flowering plants make our neighborhoods a more attractive place to live. The emerald ash borer was devastating to many of our Green County communities, and we hope our efforts will serve as a resource for homeowners who want to participate in the Terrace Tree Program and those who are seeking inspiration for native plantings in their yards," says team member Matt Sheaffer. Matt was joined by Green County residents Al Aurit, Tim Lucas, Ashley Servin and Matt Schenk in the development and installation of the plantings.

The project received generous support from The Bank of New Glarus, Monroe Truck, AmericInn-Monroe, Woodford State Bank, Badger State Ethanol, Emmi Roth and Colony Brands. The beautiful plants in the pollinator garden were donated by RES—Great Lakes/Taylor Creek Nursery. Brochures for the Terrace Tree Program, which include a map of the new plantings can be found at City Hall in Monroe and a display board will be installed later this summer at the pollinator garden. More information on the Terrace Tree Program is available on the City of Monroe website—[www.cityofmonroe.org](http://www.cityofmonroe.org)

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**By Sarah Carpenter,  
Outreach Librarian**

Hear ye, hear ye! The Albertson Memorial Library is cordially inviting you to our very first Dungeons and Dragons event on Thursday, July 20th at 5:30 p.m. Players must be middle school aged or older, but any experience level is welcome! Whether it's your very first time playing, or you've been a player for years—we'd love to have you! This is the only Dungeons and Dragons event we have planned for the moment (and will be able to be played as a single session game), but we're open to having more if we have enough interest!

The All Booked Up Book Club is reading 'Take My Hand' by Dolen Perkins-Valdez and will be meeting for discussion on Monday, July 24th at 6:30 p.m. Set in post-segregation Alabama, this novel follows a Black nurse as she blows the whistle on unspeakable actions that are being forced upon young, poor girls. Decades later, she is ready to retire and leave everything behind- but there are people with stories who refuse to be forgotten. Copies are available and ready for pick-up; all are welcome to join in the conversation on this moving novel.

Our Summer Library Program is winding down, but there's still much to learn and do! Join us for our next session on Tuesday, July 18th: Happy and Healthy in Albany! We will be visited by SSM Health and learn about what we can do to stay healthy. Don't forget to keep logging your reading and activities for spins on our Prize Wheel!

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## District 6 Holstein Breeders

The District 6 Holstein Breeders held their 20th annual Holstein Futurity in conjunction with their breed show on Saturday, July 1 at the Rock County Fairgrounds in Janesville. To qualify, Holstein breeders entered calves three years ago in hopes that their entry would return to compete for a percentage of the cash winnings and one of two additional sponsored prizes for placing first or second in the class.

Pictured from left are Wisconsin Holstein Princess Ava Booth, Tami Behnke representing Compeer Financial who is presenting a \$500 check to Gracin and Chesney Speich of Orfordville. Chesney is holding their winning entry, Hobby-Hill Angler Giddy-Up. Rumspringa Rdg Low Altitude, the second place entry, is being presented by Brooke Mueller of Albany. Presenting the second place \$250 prize on behalf of Go-Sho Cattle Company and Cattle Traxx of Whitewater are Sadie Kropf, Wisconsin Holstein Princess Attendant Aubrey Behling, and Stella Schmocker.

## Conservation Learning Circle for Women Landowners on Sunday, July 16 in Monticello

Are you a Green County area woman interested in learning about conservation and meeting other women who share your passion for stewarding the land? You're invited to join a free educational session, "Learning Circle: Connect on Conservation," on Sunday, July 16 at 2 p.m. at Gasaway Gardens in Monticello, hosted by Renewing the Countryside (RTC), Soil Sisters and the Women, Food and Agriculture Network (WFAN) with a goal to bring women together with shared conservation interests and goals.

"These Learning Circles bring together women in a safe space to collaboratively connect, share and inspire each other," explains Jan Joannides, Executive Director of Renewing the Countryside, a non-profit dedicated to championing rural revitalization for over twenty years. "We have seen women thrive in such peer-based, informal learning environments, especially when we have the opportunity to gather together on a woman landowner's property and draw inspiration from her conservation actions, like Alicia Gasaway has done on her farm." RTC is the Wisconsin non-profit partner in WFAN's Stewardship Ambassador program, a seven Midwest state innovative venture supported by the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) to amplify the voices of women championing conservation practices on their land.

"I'm so excited to host this Learning Circle and share with other women what my family and I have created on our five acres. We are just beginning to learn about best practices for intensive grazing, cover cropping, permaculture, and raising animals. Finding an encouraging community that values knowledge sharing has been key for us. We've made lots of mistakes in our journey and admit our mistakes to others so they don't have to make the same ones" shares Alicia Gasaway of Gasaway Gardens outside Monticello. "I have personally found the support of and connections with other women who share my passion for stewarding the land through networks like Soil Sisters and WFAN so helpful, especially to share information and knowing I have others to call on for support and asking questions."

Gasaway serves as a WFAN Stewardship Ambassador, part of a team of over forty Midwest women farmers sharing their personal conservation journey story at various community events and gatherings like this Learning Circle. The Learning Circle format focuses on personal story sharing and resource connections in a safe, women-identifying only setting that welcomes all from beginners to seasoned conservationists.


"This WFAN Stewardship Ambassador project celebrates and spotlights these inspiring stories of women landowners, voices that historically have not been recognized in conservation," adds Stephanie Enloe, Director of Programming for WFAN. "Alicia exemplifies the incredible cooperative mindset of these women leaders, transparently and authentically sharing their land stewardship story with each other and strengthening opportunities for all by creating a supportive community."

Part of this local community roots in Soil Sisters, a project of RTC, which started in Green County over fifteen years ago to bring together rural women to share knowledge, resources and expertise to collaboratively advocate for conservation, sustainability, local food and networking. Featured on Around the Farm Table along with Midwest Living, Modern Farmer and a Top Rural Development Initiative Award winner, Soil Sisters brings the spotlight to the inspiring stories of women-owned family farms that produce food and fiber while stewarding the landscape. Today there are over 200 Green County area women in the founding group along with additional networks and resources.

This Learning Circle on Sunday, July 16 starts at 2 p.m. Free for all women to attend, but space is limited and registration required. Refreshments will be served. Attendees are invited to stay for supper at the monthly Soil Sisters potluck starting at 4 p.m., the monthly summer gathering bringing together this network of sustainability focused farmers, gardeners and local food enthusiasts in the Green County Area.


Soil Sisters is a project of Renewing the Countryside, a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization working to strengthen rural areas by building awareness and support for sustainable endeavors, reinforcing urban-rural connections, and providing practical assistance and networking opportunities for people who are renewing the countryside through sustainable and innovative initiatives, businesses, and projects. Learn more at [renewingthecountryside.org](http://renewingthecountryside.org).

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