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#### **School Board**

# District Administration presented mitigation proposal for masking

By Gloria Sutter

Several citizens voiced their opinions regarding masking as a safety measure in the schools. Kyle Johnson, Kurt Stuettgen, and Brandon Wollin presented rational for not requiring masking and Chris Nelson, Erica Boston, Jessica Swan and Kassandra Huffman presented rational for requiring masks. The District Administration presented their mitigation proposal after conferring with state and county health officials. The plan presented includes various criteria and local specific data that determine when District buildings will require masking. Close contact and quarantine plans are included. After discussion, the Board voted to approve the plan with five ayes and two nays.

The District will be requesting operational funding during the April 2022 election. Currently the 2021-22 budget shows a deficit of \$225,000 and projections show that figure increasing annually. This will be similar to the referendums that have been approved in the past.

Kevin Buxton, Director of Technology, reported that the District will receive E-rate funds of \$20,571 for broadband. A FCC grant for \$46,455 and \$19,909 from the Wisconsin Teach Infrastructure grant are approved.

ESSER 3 funds of \$1.3 million will be available for targeted areas in the District. The Board is surveying the public and will establish a committee to make recommendations for the use of this money.

In other business:

District attendance on August 31 was 86%. This gives the District an additional seven FTEs, which improve state aid.

The number of special education students is 143 which is an increase of 30 students over last year

The agenda for the Annual meeting on October 25 was approved as updated.

Student fund-raisers were approved for 2021-22.

The following donations were accepted: 12 backpacks containing school supplies from Aaron Child to the Elementary School. A \$2,200 concrete patio from the family of Donna Olsen to the Middle School's library for an outside learning area. A bassoon from the Flory family to the Band Department.

The resignation of Niteal Pinnow as Elementary School Food Service Worker was accepted.

The following employment recommendations were approved: Nancy Betker and Mary Mason, Elementary Food Service Workers; Marjie Broughton, Middle School Food Service Worker; Shawn Buckwalter, Middle School Night Custodian; Kristin Rinehart, Middle School Special Education Para-Educator; Amber Rear and Nancy Marchant, Backpack Program Coordinators; Carol Greiner and Evelyne Harris, temporary increase in Food Service hours; and Keri Mertens, temporary decrease in Food Service hours.



Staff and students at Brodhead Middle School wore orange to show their support of the Second Harvest Food Bank of southwestern Wisconsin. The organization's purpose is to end hunger by working work with local groups that share a passion to help people.



#### **Brodhead School Board**

Front row, left to right: Michael Oellerich, Elizabeth Kempel, and Jodi Kail. Back row: Al Schneider, Jim Wahl, Mike Krupke, and Don Buchanan. (Free Press photo by Gloria Sutter)



#### Where in the World?

Seventh-graders in Mrs. Tresemer's geography class are using online and classroom resources to review the continents and oceans. Our travels have just begun!

#### Mixed up at Lunch

Mix It Up at lunch is a school-wide initiative to break down barriers and encourage students to stretch out of their comfort zones. As Brodhead Middle School students entered the cafeteria on Friday, each student was asked to pick a colored piece of paper to determine their table in the cafeteria. Two TOOL members, Gretchen Kammerer and Brynn Riesterer, coordinated this activity and reminded students to be respectful and maintain a reaction of "happy" or "neutral" while finding new seats for lunch. A list of question prompts made for great conversations starters. The TOOL team looks forward to sponsoring more activities to build relationships among students.

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Sunday, September 26 from 1-5 p.m.—\$65

Come explore the watershed ... while maintaining safe social distancing at the sketching, drawing, and painting outdoor workshop led by artist Bonnie J. Schetski.

Participants will gather along the Sugar River banks and gain an appreciation for the waterway and surrounding habitat. Then Bonnie will provide step-by-step instructions on how to create different types of trees, clouds, water, and rocks. They will explore ways of adding color and depth to bring more life to the subject matter as you capture the Lower Sugar River Watershed's beauty. The workshop will be held at the Southern Wisconsin Land Conservancy's Three Waters Reserve, N3941 Golf Course Road, Brodhead.

Date: Sunday, September 26, 2021; Rain Date: TBD

Time: 1–5 p.m. with one 15-minute break

Ages: eight-18 years old

Cost: \$65/person (includes a furnished supply kit)

Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis. The maximum enrollment is twelve (12) students.

Print the PDF registration form, complete and mail by postal service no later than Monday, September 20th, 2021, to:

Lower Sugar River Watershed Association, N3941 Golf Course Rd., Brodhead, Wisconsin 53520

OR register by email to artshow-coordinator@lsrwa.org until Monday, September 20th. After that date, please see their website link for more information.

Please bring for your comfort and protection from the elements a hat, sunscreen, camp chair, water bottle, and snacks.



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Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 405 E. 9th Avenue, Brodhead. 608-897-2341. Rev. Peder Johanson, Pastor, www.bethlehembrodhead.org. Inperson worship has resumed in the sanctuary. Masks and social distancing are recommended for the protection of children and unvaccinated worshippers. Sunday worship with liturgy and communion at 9 a.m. Visit our web site for live stream details. For pastoral care call 608-346-2676 or e-mail pastor@bethlehembrodhead.org.

Congregational United Church of Christ, E201 23rd Street, Brodhead. Pastor Shawn Stapleton. Sundays: 10 a.m. worship. Communion first Sunday of each month. Quilting and crafts workshop every Wednesday at 9 a.m. AA meetings Tuesday and Thursday at 7 p.m. Sun., Sept. 19: Rally Sunday picnic following worship at 10 a.m. Tues., Sept. 21: Council meeting at 6:30 p.m. Sun., Sept. 26, Pet Blessing service at 10 a.m.

Living Word Church, 3825 S. County Road T, Brodhead. 608-897-8246. Pastor Russ Doebler. Web site: livingwordwi.org. E-mail: ptl@livingwordwi.org. Adult Sunday school 9 a.m.; Sunday service at 10 a.m. worship at church and also via live stream at livingwordwi.org/media; Sunday evening Impact Youth 4-5:30 p.m.

St. Peter Lutheran Church (WELS), corner of West 5th Avenue and 17th Street. www.stpeterlutheranbrodhead.org. Pastor Tyler Swiderski. Cell 612-270-2591. 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. The September 26 "Fun Day" is to be canceled. Sunday school information is to be mailed out. Contact Pastor for more informatio at 612-270-2591.

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.

## **OBITUARIES**



## Jana Lynn Olsen

Jana Lynn Olsen, age 57, of Rock City, Illinois, passed away September 4, 2021 at her home surrounded by her loved ones. She was born on September 29, 1963 in Aurora, Illinois, the daughter of Roger and Susan (Daughenbaugh) Flack.

Jana married Tom Olsen on December 21, 1981.

She was the president of TR Machine of Davis, Illinois. Jana was a member of St. Paul Church of Eplyanna in Davis; former member of the Davis Fire Dept. Auxiliary; the DOE Foundation of Dakota High School; former EMT-I for the Tri District Ambulance; and a member of the Victory Book Club.

Jana took great pride in the family she created with the love of her

life, "Tommy." Family was everything to her. She had a great love for her children and grandchildren. BINGO was a family favorite. She was known for her generosity, giving the best advice and loved entertaining her friends, especially sharing her passion for cooking. Jana loved traveling the world but she had a special place in her heart for Puerto Vallarta, which was her and Tommy's home away from home.

Jana is survived by her husband, Tom; children: Teal (Brock) Feld of Freeport, Illinois; Whitney (Mike) Lawler of Rock City; and Kayla (Cody) Jacobson of Davis; her 10 grandchildren: Riley, Tatumn, Talon, Taylor, Sophia, Chandler, Koehn, Dawson, Kanton, and Jovi; brother, Shane (Stacey) Flack of Freeport; mother-in-law, Barbara Olsen; brother and sister-inlaws; many nieces and nephews; aunts, uncles and cousins. "Our Familia"—Luz, Yesica (José), Daniella, Juan (Griselda), Miguel, Evan, Christopher, Brian, Ian, Miranda, Hansel, and Freddie.

She was preceded in death by her parents; father-in-law, Richard Olsen; sister-in-law, Kelley Olsen; and grandparents: Bob and Helen Flack and Lester and Margaret Daughenbaugh. A memorial will be established for Casa Hogar Orphanage in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico in Jana's name. Family was assisted by Daughenbaugh Funeral Home. Condolences may be shared at www.walkermortuary.com/.

# Albany UMC presents Dan Holmes

The Albany United Methodist Church will be having Dan Holmes guitarist and songwriter perform Sunday, September 19 at their 8 and 10 a.m. services. Please join them as they gather with this fun participation with song and sagas.

See you at 500 S. Park Street, Albany.

## Juda School Community Reunion—Sept. 26

It's time to come back to Juda High School and share your "Panther" memories with classmates, friends, teachers and community members on Sunday, September 26.

This year they will honor classes of 1970 and 1971.

Registration begins at 1 p.m. in the Juda High School cafeteria. The business meeting and program begins at 2 p.m. in the "Old Gym."

The 2021 committee is: Phyllis Flannery, Bobette Preston, Janice Matzke and Cindy Miller.

They look forward to seeing you on September 26. For any questions call Phyllis Flannery at 608-897-2242.

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## Elvin Robert Busjahn

Elvin Robert Busjahn, age 92, Brodhead, passed away on June 8, 2021 while at the William Middleton VA Hospital in Madison, Wisconsin.

Elvin was born on November 4, 1928 in Lena, Illinois, the son of Herman and Florence (Shank) Busiahn.

He married the love of his life Sara Ann Becker on June 20, 1952. The bond between them was incredibly strong. They had many adventures together. They worked together and put in long hours so the farm and the family were successful. When they weren't working, they knew how to have fun too. Camping, canoeing and mushroom hunting were a few of their favorites.

Elvin served in the US Army from 1951-1953. He worked for many years farming outside of Brodhead and later retired from the Brodhead US Postal Office as a postal carrier.

He was an active member of the Garden club in Brodhead for several years. As an accomplished farmer, he was able to share some of his secrets with his fellow members. He especially enjoyed his apple trees and would help other people with theirs. He scared more than a few of us thinking that he had pruned off way too much, but it always came out OK.

Elvin was a member of the American Legion in Orfordville. He was always getting involved with Legion activities like the Chicken Barbeque, Hosting Rudy's Boys Tug of Warteam and helping out with things

like the paper drive to help the local Boy Scout Troop raise funds so they could go to summer camp.

September 15, 2021

Was an avid canoeist who was as enthusiastic about leisurely floating down a river and enjoying the afternoon as he was about sprinting towards the finish line in an allout dash to win a race. His last race was when he was 90 years old. He and his son, Carl took second place at the Muscoda canoe race on the Wisconsin River 50 years after they took second place in the Brodhead Jaycees canoe race on the Sugar River, their first canoe race.

A great springtime passion for him was hunting Morels. The "Steak of the Woods" as he liked to call them. Always one to share, he wouldn't hesitate to let another mushroom hunter know exactly where he had found his most recent harvest. Just ask him and he will tell you, "on the South side of a hill, under a dead tree".

Elvin is survived by his wife, Sarah Ann Busjahn; two sons: Carl Busjahn and Melvin (Carol) Busjahn; five grandchildren, and six great grandchildren.

Elvin was preceded in death by his parents, one son, Dan; and his brothers: Harold, Eugene, Marvin and Leonard.

There will be a Celebration of Life on Sunday, September 26 at the American Legion from 1 to 4 p.m. Please bring a funny or heartwarming story about Elvin so we can all enjoy some of his good times again.

The DL Newcomer Funeral
Home in Brodhead is assisting the



# Panther Hill

#### **LUNCH MENU**

Thurs., Sept. 16: ravioli, garlic bread, green beans, pears.

Fri., Sept. 17: nachos, corn, applesauce.

Mon., Sept. 20: chicken wraps, applesauce cups.

Tues., Sept. 21, sloppy Joes, green beans, peaches.

Wed., Sept. 22: chicken nuggets, tator tots, mandarin oranges.

#### SCHOOL CALENDAR

Thurs., Sept. 16: middle school volleyball at Monticello; volleyball at Monticello.

Fri., Sept. 17: football vs. Platteville.

Mon., Sept. 20: JV football at Platteville; middle school volleyball home vs. Barneveld.

Tues., Sept. 21: middle school football vs. Evansville; volleyball home at Argyle.

Wed., Sept. 22: Blood Drive.

They were very excited for Girl Scout Troop 7330 to present their restoration project to the Board of Education this week. They took an old favorite on the playground and re-cemented it, painted it, put on new boards and tires. The students are very appreciative to have it back! Thank you to Ryleigh Brown, Aubrey McCullough, Sophia Bolton, their parents and the donors involved in the project. They also had Reagan Matzke come to present her idea about improving the swings on the playground. Thank you students for your ideas and efforts!

The first graders did their first STEAM challenge of the year. The challenge was to make the longest possible chain using only one sheet of construction paper. Hudson made the longest paper chain. Great job, Hudson!

The Juda Recreation District is hosting a Meat Raffle on Thursday, October 14th during the high school volleyball game. The drawings will be between 6 and 8 p.m. If you're interested in a ticket or want to help sell tickets, please contact Pam Green at 608-934-5251 Ext. 205 or psgreen@iudaschool.com.



#### ACTIVITIES AROUND TOWN

# BRODHEAD IN THE MOONLIGHT ...A HAUNTING EXPERIENCE

The Brodhead Police Association is hosting a downtown historical walking tour with a twist: you will learn of Brodhead's ghostly stories as well! Please join them each Friday and Saturday night in October to learn about Brodhead, both historical and spiritual. Friday night tours are limited to 15 people, \$35 per person. Saturday night tours are limited to 10 people, \$45 per person; Saturday night's tours they will be joined by paranormal team Lost Souls in the Shadows!

For tickets, please visit https://brodheadpa.ticketleap.com/haunt-ed-brodhead-walking-tour/

## WINTER VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE DEADLINE: THURSDAY, OCT. 7th

The Brodhead Parks and Recreation Department will offer the following recreation indoor volleyball league:

SUNDAY NIGHT RECREATIONAL 6x6 CO-ED LEAGUE: This league will be played on Sunday evenings at Brodhead Middle School beginning Sunday, October 17th. Players must be seventh grade and older, each team must consist of four to six players, with two of them being adults. The cost is \$25 per person.

To register a team, contact the Parks and Recreation Department at  $608-897-2159~\rm ext.~9.$ 

#### BRODHEAD HOMECOMING PARADE 2021

On Friday, October 1st, area clubs, BHS athletics, and local businesses and organizations will be showing their Cardinal pride at the annual Homecoming parade. If you are interested in being included in the parade line-up, contact BHS Student Council advisor, Cristi Gretebeck, at cgretebeck@brodhead.kl2.wi.us or at BHS 608-897-2155. You are welcome to bring candy or treats to pass out along the route.

Parade participants will line up by the old middle school at 3:45 p.m.. The parade begins promptly at 4:00. The parade route advances to Center Avenue to conclude at Veterans Park.

They are in need of convertibles and drivers for members of home-coming court and the AFS students, please contact BHS at 608-897-2155 if you can help them out!

They hope you consider joining Brodhead's homecoming parade.

#### CLASS OF 1996— 25-YEAR CLASS REUNION

A golf outing at Bass Creek Golf Course at 2 p.m. and an open house at the Ford Garage at 6 p.m. is being planned for Saturday, September 18th. Please contact Jeremy Pinnow at 608-897-2013 or visit the BHS Class of 1996 Facebook page for more details.

## Choral Union rehearsals began September 13

The Janesville Choral Union began rehearsals for their December concerts on Monday, September 13th, at 7 p. m. at Cargill United Methodist Church, 2000 Wesley Avenue, Janesville. Rehearsals continue each Monday night until the concerts on December 4th and 5th. This year's program will be All Mozart, including his Requiem, Regina Coeli, and Ave Verum Corpus. The concert will be performed in honor of Susan Blumer, longtime singer, board member, and chorus mentor.

The Requiem was last performed by Choral Union in 2011, along with the Regina Coeli and Ave Verum Corpus. The movie Amadeus included parts of theRequiem, making it familiar to a wide audience. It was commissioned by a nobleman in memory of his wife, but it was not finished when Mozart died. It was completed by several other composers known to Mozart including Franz Sussmayr, probably most widely known of those working to complete the Requiem.

Regina Coeli (Rejoice Queen of Heaven) was written for the cathedral in Salzburg, meant to honor the Virgin Mary from Easter Sunday through the Pentecost. It is a sunny piece of music with the chorus and soloists interweaving their lines, and a joyous Alleluia completion.

Ave Verum Corpus (Hail, True Body) was written for a friend who was the church musician of a parish church in Baden bei Wien. The quietness of the piece reflects the solemnity of a church celebration of the true body of Christ.

The first movement of Mozart's Piano Concerto #17 in G Major will be played by David Newman, Choral Union accompanist and Professor of Music at Beloit College

Due to COVID concerns, codirectors Richard and Marie Severing will separate the chorus into sections for rehearsal during a portion of each rehearsal. Cargill is currently requiring everyone using the church to wear masks, including singers.

The cost of membership is \$20 (waived for students). Music will be provided. Auditions are not required. Three months of rehearsals will fully prepare the chorus for the concerts with soloists and orchestra.



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# ALBANY News

#### **LUNCH MENU**:

Thurs., Sept. 16, goulash, roll, winter blend. Fri., Sept. 17, chicken patty, glazed carrots.

Mon., Sept.20, corn dogs, green bean casserole.

Tues., Sept. 21, diced chicken and gravy, mashed potatoes, roll.

Wed., Sept. 22, deli subs, Sun Chips.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Thurs., Sept. 16, picture day 8 a.m.-2 p.m.; volleyball at Pecatonica, 6-7:15 p.m.

Fri., Sept. 17, varsity football at Fennimore, 7 p.m.

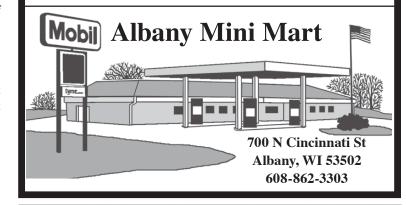
Sat., Sept. 18, cross-country at Wausau Tribute Golf Course, 8:30 a.m.; varsity volleyball at Iowa-Grant HS tournament, 9 a.m.

Tues., Sept. 21, volleyball at Black Hawk, 6-7:15 p.m.

Wed., Sept. 22, early release at 2:37 p.m.

Individual students photos will be taken Thursday, September 16. Picture packets will again be pre-paid and either paid on-line or by check payable to Lifetouch Studios. Students in all grades who do not order a picture packet must still have their photo taken for the yearbook and student record system.

Albany FFA Alumni 11th Annual Tractor and Toy Show—Sunday, August 29, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Albany Lions Building. Free admission. Food and refreshments will be available. There will be tractor displays with awards, toy tractor show, farm displays with awards, craft show/ flea market, raffles (guns, cash, 50/50) and kids pedal tractor pull. For more information contact Jeff McNeely at 608-628-6975 or albanywiffaalmumni@gmail.com.



#### **Thursday Afternoon Ladies**

9/9—High series: Betty Blum 444, Cora Ball 429, Becky Riese 426, Barb Chapman 408, Debbie Williams 406. High games: B. Blum 167, C. Ball 166, Nancy Salzwedel 166, B. Riese 165, D. Williams 150, B. Chapman 146. Splits: Virginia Schliem 5-6, B. Riese 3-10, B. Blum 5-7, Shirley Sutherland 4-5-7. Mike's Flooringhigh team game 550 and series 1,555.

**Standings:** Ball's Installations won 8 lost 0, Knutes 4.5-3.5, Mike's Flooring 4-4, Albany Lanes 4-4, Huntington Plumbing 3.5-4.5

#### Thursday Night Mixed

**9/9—High series:** Brandon Bayrhoffer 674, Rick Josephson 661, Tim Golz 652, James Laughlin 651. **High games:** B. Bayrhoffer 267, J. Laughlin 245, Rob Kubesh 238, Tony Brewer 236. Glenn Ann Holsteins-high team game 1,072 and series 2,931.

Standings: Broughton's Corner Bar 1 won 7 lost 0, Irv's Masonry 5-2, Golz Electric 5-2, Broughton's Corner Bar 2 2-5, Attica Bar 2-5, Glenn Ann Holsteins 0-7.

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### A LITTLE GOOD NEWS



"Smooth seas do not make skillful sailors."

~African Proverb



# **CASEY'S CORNER**

# -By Casey Jones-

Good morning! I hope your week has been fruitful.

Lori and I closed on our house and are ready to start making it our home. For those of you who haven't heard, we bought the Henning house in North Towne

George and Joan Henning bought the house new in 1972. They spent almost 50 years in the same house, raising their family and creating lots of memories. My brother and I delivered the Beloit Daily News to their house in the early to mid 1970s. I think it is pretty remarkable to buy a one owner home built in the 70s.

The Jones family bought our house across from the high school within a year of when the Henning house was built. I remember a lot of the décor and what I didn't remember I sure remember now! Shag carpeting, mirrors with designs on the wall and harvest gold appliances. Another memory that came flooding back is paneling. Every wall in our basement had paneling.

George was known for his awesome lawn. I hope that I can keep it up as he did but for the last 30 years we have had rocks for a yard. We tried to have grass once but painting the rocks green was the closest we could get to having a green area.

On a different note, the weather sure is about as perfect as one could ask for. I hope you get time to take a walk on the Pearl Island Corridor Trail. There is lots of wildlife and other things to look at while strolling along the Mill Race.

Have a great week! casey@bccole.com



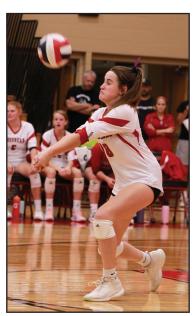
Blake Matthys finds running room for a first down. (Free Press photo by Becky Malkow)



Abbie Dix led with 23 kills in Thursday's game against Edgerton. (Free Press photo by Teresa Earleywine)



Aaron Makos gets pressure on Richland Center's QB. (Free Press photo by Becky Malkow)



Daisy Nelson compiled 16 digs against Edgerton. (Free Press photo by Teresa Earleywine)



Ellie Yates goes up at the net. Brodhead won 3 of 4 games to win the match against Edgerton. This week they will host Jefferson on Thursday. (Free Press photo by Teresa Earleywine)



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# Wisconsin War Bride Diary I

By Charles H. Ripp, MD

#### Chapter 16 - First Date with Major Herbert John Ripp

I travel to church after our goodbyes with a heavy heart. He's definitely the right guy in all ways. He's nice, comfortable with zany me, respects my parents and has no real bad habits-other than smoking a small amount. Herb works three jobs and is very industrious because he had so many siblings. Their family had little economically. They had each other and he's fairly close to all his brothers and sisters. Thankfully, he'll always have a great family for support. It's human nature to want to have a supporting family. Supporting colleagues, fellow employees and friends is also helpful wherever you are in life. I certainly don't have the stress that Herb incurs. I want peace and our relationship to last. These stupid wars in Asia now may take him away. I know he says it's only Camp McCoy; but that can lead easily to a ship and then combat. A fight just to survive would then ensue. It's bloody in Asia from the limited newsreels and newspapers we receive. Herb could also be shipped to Europe where the aftermath of World War II is occurring. Everything in Europe is yet to be settled. I listen to my Dad discuss the aftermath of the Great Warthe war to end all wars. It is not that easy to decipher. Obviously, the United States wants trained troops ready to go to war or a peacekeeping mission.

I played so-so in mass. I was in the dumps and didn't let on what had just happened to Herb. Mom came over and said I could stay home or come visit the family at our cabin today. She'd return to "pick me up" later. I said I'd come out later when I had my emotions under control. Mom understood and absolutely gets what is occurring. Mom wants the very best for everyone involved; and she's fortunate that Mary has Roland alive, James is performing well as a Jesuit Brother in Iowa and I'm in Wisconsin (though my mind is messy presently). I cannot fathom how military wives deal with these consequences of having their spouse leave for most of their marriage. It's pregnancy and gone for months. Dad only returns to see the baby, create a new child and then he's off on a difficult mission. I get that our country needs bravery; but I've seen enough in my small Green County, Wisconsin world. I'll somehow deal with all of this. Herb promised to write often and call if he could. I know I'll miss him tremendously; but somehow we'll endure the separation. I want a normal relationship. Why I run into infantry guys is a mystery. Other gals have met the same fate. It's just the times; and I cannot think of what might occur in a bad sense. I'll just keep writing, hoping and praying for his quick return.

Herb's employer, Milwaukee Road Railroad, was not happy that he was leaving. He had been under scrutiny to make the railways more efficient and profitable. He presently has multiple jobs in one. He travels Green County daily performing telegraphy, collecting payments from good shipments, manages the train system for transportation and helps the government move military equipment through the United

States. Some of the equipment was manufactured at the nearby Janesville, Wisconsin General Motors plant. Many crops, cars and other large commodities were transferred into and out of the county via rail. Replacing Herb for a prolonged period of time would be difficult. The railroad was quite honest in quickly relaying to Herb that they had a national duty to return his job after military experience. I was happy they didn't threaten his job requiring him to move away from Green County, Wisconsin. The economy is booming; and there are plenty of jobs surrounding Green County that Herb could perform. He admittedly loves the railroads; and has a beginning HO collection of trains. I doubt Herb will ever leave the rail system. I just hope he stays in our I finally made it to our cabin with

nice weather. We had a hamburger cookout in the evening over the large "Wisconsin" stone fireplace. The facing stone of the large outdoor fireplace chimney flue. Mom and Dad were both chefs after working all day. Chores included installing a new pier, raking leaves (endless in Wisconsin woods), trimming branches and painting the old barn. Everyone was exhausted. Mary spent time mostly with little Jimmie. Jimmie had another resolving cold that was immensely helped by Mom's home remedies. Dad spent an immense amount of time dealing with boat motors and various needed repairs to the boathouse. The spring water that flows into the lake from the Sugar River creates havoc for any structure along the current side. Our boathouse yearly receives structural damage from ice and spring currents. Dad loves to work around the water and improve matters; so the cottage and land repair along the bank of Decatur Lake is the very best downtime for him. Dad generally gets an immense amount of work accomplished while at our cabin. Roland (Mary's husband) has been a big help to Dad with his work ethic and engineering background. The Cote family (now three), love to travel to Wisconsin for the weekend. I expect it won't be long and Mary will be pregnant again.

Everyone was concerned for Herb at supper Sunday evening. I said we'd all hope and pray that he won't be involved in another conflict. His orders were secret and somewhat vague to me. Military preparedness was stressed; however, that could come under many definitions. Herb has a little clout after serving in the South Pacific during World War II. I'm not certain if this helps him avoid being shipped overseas. We'll soon discover his mission; and it appeared to him the present mission was mostly training. Camp McCoy services many reserve regiments throughout the Midwest. This could be just a formal exercise that Herb is involved with many other similar reserve regiments. Undoubtedly if the rage continues in Asia, Herb will probably be there; and be shipped from Camp McCoy. There will be many other friends and families affected. Herb says his entire regimen is stuffed with really good Southern Wisconsin guys with great families. I may

meet some of these folks down the road. I hope and pray Herb's regimen from Brodhead, Wisconsin is not called to duty from Camp McCov.

I limped back to our cottage after mass and was in a subdued mood. I need to just deal with the circumstances. Mom and Dad console me and ask me how everything else (like work) is treating me. I said generally fine; and the work situation at the hospital is better. Nothing has been stated in paper; but they have promised me extra coverage and time away from the hospital. My job has improved and our recruiting efforts for RNs has been successful. I've pushed to have our RNs have supplies provided by the hospital. Mom and Dad asked me what I requested since Dad is on the hospital board. The list is within my purse and includes:

Bandage scissors (\$1.50)
White nursing shoes (one pair =

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Three nursing dresses at \$5/

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Three nursing caps at \$6 total

Offering these items to new graduates or transfer nurses along with increasing the monthly salary from \$90/month to \$110/month will increase our recruiting and longevity issues. St. Claire Hospital needs more nurses constantly due to many becoming pregnant. In fact, the hospital frowns on nurses becoming pregnant; because, one pregnancy leads to another pregnancy. The reality is that many RNs just don't return to the workforce after children. They are needed at home and in many cases can only do part-time work as needed. If a child is ill (common) they cannot work. Thus, it seems that we will have an ever-increasing demand for trained obstetric RNs.

As we talked, my sister Mary chimed in regarding the work v staying home conflict. Though it may be slowly changing post World War II, it appears that a successful woman on the cover of McCalls or Life magazine still is hanging laundry on a clothesline outside. I mentioned that observing some painful labors should deter pregnancy; but it seems once the baby is born, it spurs on other women to have babies. Obstetric nurses appear to have a high pregnancy rate because they love babies, mothering, the labor and delivery process and creating a family nest. I don't envision the few male nurses we have trained becoming involved with obstetrics. Our family believes I've found my work niche and now have a nice relationship with Herb (if he returns). Roland (Mary's husband) with his Asian experience believes that the United States will force a resolution to the Korean conflict if at all possible and acceptable to the South Korean government.

I tearfully cry while they mention these war conflicts because I already have blood in my brain from this Korean conflict (Bernie Saddler). I eventually want to recues myself from listening to any war talk. I've seen enough from the Monroe veterans with the damaging alcoholism, stress trauma syndromes and ruination of families.

Both world wars have affected our entire country; and certain families pay the ultimate price. James, Mary, Roland and my parents are all very heartwarming regarding my plight. It is nice to have full support for my job and relationship. Herb essentially was voted into the family today should he decide to formally invite himself. I'm so fortunate that the hospital has provided me a return job. I will just focus on my obstetric unit and hopefully we'll grow in integrity, professionalism, quality and patient outcomes.

James (my brother and a real Jesuit Brother) is performing his mission of Jesuit duties in rural Iowa. He's been working at homes that provide care for both children and adults with permanent basic deficits and have high needs. His stories of cerebral palsy, autism, post concussion adults and patients that have had strokes is amazing. Daily James bathes, dresses, feeds and interacts with his assigned patients. This is real Jesuit work; and it goes to the very heart of why James became a Jesuit. He performs his Godlike duties faithfully seven days/ week. His vacation is an occasional trip home to Monroe, Wisconsin. Mom and Dad travel both ways by car to assist him home. His belongings include one pair of shoes, three sock pairs and undergarments, two shirts and pants and one coat/hat. His rubber boots in winter he shares with other Jesuits. Mary and I feel guilty having a few pairs of shoes and exponentially as many clothes. James couldn't be happier and has a low or non-existent budget. I've never observed anyone happier than James. He has zero regrets regarding the Jesuit Brotherhood.

Roland is quite happy; and there's talk of another baby. Mary is already stressed with baby Jimmie and won't return to work. Her med-surg RN duties had been stretched prior to Jimmie's birth. Roland returning and providing an ample income sealed the deal for her not returning to work. Mary seems content with herself, family and our family. She loves returning home; and Roland and her appear quite happy now that Roland is no longer working in Asia through the military. Returning on weekends to our cabin is becoming a near regular phenomenon. I wonder if this process may slow if another baby arrives for Mary. Jimmie is quite the handful; but he's a cute lovable baby. He smiles considerably and loves to eat. Mary breastfed briefly and then Jimmie went to the bottle. Roland and Mary Cote appear as the perfect American couple. I'll never be able to project that image in my parents' eyes. I'll always be in third place behind Mary and James. I'll just deal because at present I couldn't be happier.

#### Chapter 17 - Plunging Into Obstetric Nursing

I felt consumed after last weekend. Herb is gone for an unknown amount of time and may not return. I want to do what I can to keep occupied. I need to jog, play tennis, eat and write letters to my friends and Herb. Everyone in my family and close circle of friends wishes me well regarding my situation. Korea is a real problem; but there are other areas in Asia, the Mideast, war-torn

Europe and even within the United States that needs protective peacekeeping and fighting forces. Our reach as a country seems endless. There is considerable debate within our country regarding our reach having no limits. Democracy for all is highly debatable; and I'm just not partisan. Many of our friends and relatives are very factional. They feel the Russian (Soviet Union) government is permeating our society as we speak. Most people are just sick of war; and want no part of any conflict barring foreign troops at our shores. It is time to delve into my nursing obstetric duties and move on with life. I'm broken hearted; but then again Major Herbert John Ripp may be only gone one or two weeks. Deployment to Korea hopefully will not be in Herb's and his regiment's

I arrived back at work on Monday following a weekend off. Most of the laboring rooms were understaffed all weekend. The rooms had not had their supplies replenished. The administration wants a meeting and I'll take the blame undoubtedly. Perhaps some good clinical and administrative assistance will arrive from the negative over the weekend. Many babies were born with forceps and one Caesarean Section occurred. One of our fetoscopes disappeared. What anyone would possibly do with this device outside an OB ward is beyond any rational thought. Many people pay little or nothing for delivery services; and thus to have equipment stolen from our ward is substantial. Rural hospitals are busy struggling to survive. I don't want to have our hospital close because of mismanagement; yet, we need good equipment. Thus, after work I'll meet with Shelly and other management. Collectively, we can decipher how we can improve obstetrics at St. Claire Hospital. I want to get it all correct; but realize that we may only partially solve problems with staff, equipment and employee hours. The most difficult aspect is that labor can last 24 hours or longer. Many patients become rapidly attached to the labor nurse; and leaving in the middle of labor is difficult for the birthing Mom and nurse.

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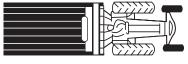
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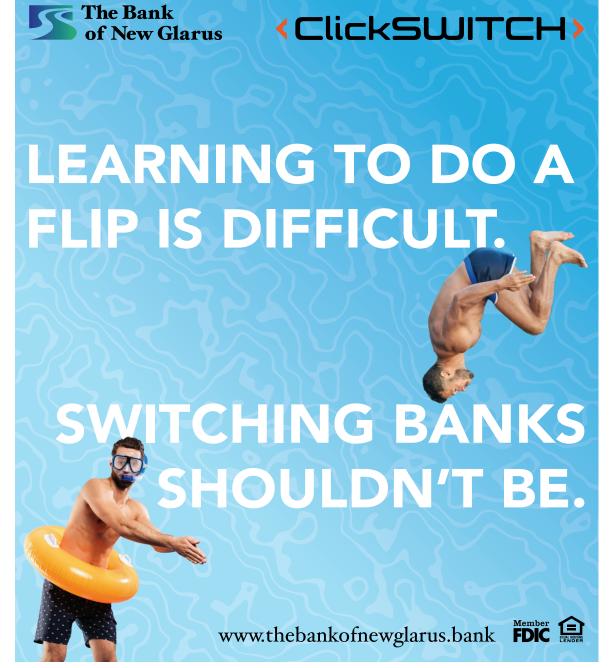




Gage Boegli runs towards the end zone. Boegli had 228 vards on 12 carries and 4 TDs in the Cardinals victory over Richland Center 47-10. (Free Press photo by Becky Malkow)



Cole Hoesly follows through on a great fake, and puts the ball in the end zone. (Free Press photo by Becky Malkow)





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

Thurs., Sept. 16: chicken nugget bowl, mashed potatoes, country gravy, corn, whole grain biscuit. No second choice

Fri., Sept. 17: hot dog on bun, ranch wedges, mixed veggies, ketchup/mustard

Mon., Sept. 20: cheese quesadilla, cheesy refried beans, potato oles, sour cream/salsa or pizza cruncher w/marinara.

Tues., Sept. 21: chicken patty on bun, sweet potato wedges, sliced cucumbers

or Italian garlic cheesy pull-a-part.

Wed., Sept. 22: Teriyaki chicken, brown rice, green peas, broccoli florets. Junior high/high school lunch menu:

Thurs., Sept. 16: chicken nugget bowl, mashed potatoes, country gravy, corn, whole grain biscuit. No second choice.

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#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Thurs., Sept. 16: girls' varsity volleyball triangular at Central Wisconsin Christian School, 4:30 p.m.; girls' JV2 volleyball triangular at Central Wisconsin Christian School, 5 p.m.; girls' JV volleyball triangular at Central Wisconsin

Fri., Sept. 17, varsity football game at Fennimore, 7 p.m. Sat., Sept. 18, cross country invitational at Belleville High School, 9 a.m.; girls' varsity volleyball invitational at Deerfield High School, 9 a.m.

Mon., Sept. 20, JV football game vs. Fennimore at home, 5 p.m.; girls' JV volleyball vs. multiple schools at home, 5 p.m.; School Board meeting, 6 p.m.

Tues., Sept. 21, girls' JV2 volleyball at Deerfield High School, 6 p.m.; girls' JV volleyball dual at Deerfield High School, 6 p.m.; girls' varsity volleyball dual at Deerfield High School, 7:30 p.m.

At last week's football game, they honored our very own Kate Brown and inducted her into the Parkview Hall of Fame! Kate has a long history with Parkview and has inspired countless students' lives, as well as played an instrumental part in the success of the Parkview wrestling program. They are so proud to have her in their #ParkviewCrew and don't know where they'd be without her! #TeamKate

Feel like you're getting twisted up with everything going on during the start of the school year? Don't panic! Mrs. Wellnitz's class are pros at figuring this stuff out! They did an activity to break the ice on their first day of class that involved tying Twizzlers into knots with one hand!

Let's all give a warm welcome to our new #ParkviewCrew members!

Rylee Scinico is our new 1st Grade teacher at PES! "I grew up in Oregon, Wisconsin and graduated from the University of Wisconsin Eau Claire in May of 2021. I am a fourth generation teacher and was lucky in knowing that I always wanted to be a teacher! My boyfriend is from Scotland so I am lucky to be able to travel there frequently. My favorite drink is a Chai latte and I am currently teaching myself to cook (If anyone has any recipes, send them my way!) Most importantly, I am so excited to be a part of the Parkview team!" We can't wait for this year together,

Chelsea Burger is our new English teacher at PJHS! "I grew up in southern Indiana and made the move to Wisconsin about five years ago. I'm now living in Beloit with my husband and our two kids: Eliasen and Emmeline. I graduated from Southern New Hampshire University with a degree in English and Creative Writing and I will complete my Masters in December 2021. If I'm not in the classroom, you can catch me jumping on the trampoline with my kids, lounging around our fire pit, or checking out a new book. This is my second year teaching and I am so excited to join the Parkview family! I am looking forward to learning more and being a part of this incredible community." Can't wait to make this an awesome year together!

Patty Knutson is our new Kindergarten teacher at PES! "I am starting my seventh year teaching kindergarten and I am very excited to be joining the Parkview Crew! I graduated from St. Norbert College in 2013 with a degree in Child Development and I am passionate about helping families in our community. My husband and I live on a farm in Newark Township with our two little boys (age five and three). We spend most of our time with family- cousins, nieces and nephews." Can't wait for this year together, Patty!



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