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School Board

New Speak Up Speak Out Tip Line Available

By Grace Kufahl

The district has a new school safety Tip Line program called Speak Up Speak Out Wisconsin to report bullying or harassment. Links to the tip line are available on the school district's website and app.

Superintendent Novy reported Athletic Director Brian Kammerer was seeking approval to add sixth graders to middle school wrestling because they don't have enough participants without them. This led to a discussion about including sxith graders in other sports. It was ultimately decided to add it to next month's agenda with Director Kammerer in attendance.

During the public comment period, Max Pinnow, Brodhead senior, sought approval to solicit sponsorships for a new varsity baseball diamond scoreboard, and other needed improvements, for his senior project. In a desire to keep it equitable with football sponsorships, the board decided to gather more information and defer the decision until next month's meeting.

Per the CDC, the Illness Protocol has been updated to treat Covid like the flu and other communicable diseases and do away with the five-day quarantine requirement.

The second January school board meeting was moved from

BENEFIT

Wednesday, January 22nd to Monday, January 27th due to a conflict with the Wisconsin Associate of School Boards Conference.

This year's annual meeting will be held Monday, October 28th at 6 p.m. in the high school auditeria

In Other Business:

All leaders gave shout outs to their staff for a great start to the school year.

High School Principal Jim Matthys is starting quarterly grade specific newsletters to families to improve communication.

Kid Connection's new Bounce Back event at the Elementary School was a success and will likely become an annual event.

Middle School Principal Adam Ferger reported the revamped Cardinal Tale newsletter is getting a good response.

McDonald's, Kid Connection and the Optimist Club were the three local organizations honored this year by the district and the Wisconsin Association of School Boards for their contributions to Brodhead

Nexus Solutions will be starting quarterly update reports on the referendum construction projects which will then be posted on the website.

South Central Wisconsin Farmers Union Manure Digesters—Another False Solution to Climate Change

By John E. Peck



There has been much media hype about manure digesters and how they "solve" climate change by capturing and burning methane from confined animal feeding operations (CAFOs-aka factory farms). Billions in taxpayer handouts and other incentives through pollution offset trading markets are encouraging factory farms to expand in order to profit from their waste stream. In Wisconsin alone there are fifteen such digesters getting cash payments from the California Cap and Trade System for their supposed greenhouse gas offsetting. Economists now speculate that factory farms are earning more from making methane than milk! A new report (https://foe.org/ resources/biogas-or-bull/) even further suggesting that if the U.S. really wanted to reduce livestock's toll on the earth's climate, it would make more sense for regulators to phase-out/split-up CAFOs and shift taxpayer support towards smaller grass-based operations in-

Sadly, the misguided notion of manure digesters as a "solution" to the climate crisis is nothing new. Back in 2009 at the U.N. Climate Change Conference in Copenhagen I almost fell off my chair when then USDA Sec. Vilsack announced that manure digesters on factory farms were going to be a key part of Obama's greenhouse gas reduction

agenda. He later admitted that less than 10% of dairy farms (i.e. CAFOs) would be large enough to qualify for these USDA digester grants-another example of how federal policies support industrial agribusiness to the detriment of smaller farmers. This digester-building binge has ramped up even more under Biden-with Vilsack once again back at the USDA. Nearly half of the \$1 b+ in Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP) spending each year now goes to help deal with CAFO waste, and in the last decade alone the Rural Energy for America Program (REAP) has earmarked \$78 million just for digesters. The recent Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) added another \$2 billion to the REAP pot, plus a 30% federal tax credit for new digesters built. The trough of taxpayer funding behind the manure methane industrial complex is long and deep.

My first reaction 15 years ago to Vilsack's digester proposal remains true today – why pay to fix a problem that doesn't even need to exist? Countless studies have shown that the most cost effective, eco-friendly, and profitable form of dairy farming is managed rotational grazing. If cows are allowed to just eat grass outside and deposit manure naturally in a pasture system, one does not have a methane problem. It is only when one decides to liquify millions of gallons of manure and then store it in large anaerobic lagoons that one has created a pollutant 80+ times worse than carbon dioxide.

Sure, one can then capture and burn such digester methane to make electricity or run a vehicle (which still means more greenhouse gas pollution), but you still have the leftover sludge (aka digestate) to spread somewhere. This digestate is loaded with nitrates, phosphorous, and—depending upon what other waste gets dumped into the digester—PFAS, pharmaceuticals, heavy

metals—which will then get into ground water and surface runoff. And then there is the ever-present danger of methane explosions, lagoon leaks, and pipeline ruptures. Just ask anyone who lives near Waunakee what it is like to have digester explode and pour 400,000+ gallons of manure into Lake Mendota a decade ago. Would have been so much cheaper, simpler, and less accident prone to promote composting...

Unfortunately, our current "get big or get out" farm policy does not care too much about low-tech agroecological approaches to producing healthier food. Instead, corporate agribusiness is allowed to manipulate commodity markets-driving out what little competition exists from smaller farmers and local processors—and their political allies ensure that taxpayers will still underwrite the largest operations that are the easiest to vertically integrate into their oligopoly structure. Is it any surprise to see well heeled lobbyists now touting manure digesters as "climate smart" for Earth Day and pushing for pollution trading offset schemes within the 2024 Farm Bill?

Thankfully, there are better agricultural responses to the climate crisis that also treat rural people and our land, air, and water with respect. Existing federal initiatives such as the Conservation Reserve Program could provide more direct payments to farmers who are already doing so much responsible stewardship—without requiring a 25% markup for corporate offset middlemen. The EQIP and REAP programs could be overhauled to severely limit or even eliminate CAFO lagoon/digester grants and earmark more towards smaller grass-based diversified operations instead. Factory farms should be treated as a pollution point source, subject to all the monitoring, regu-

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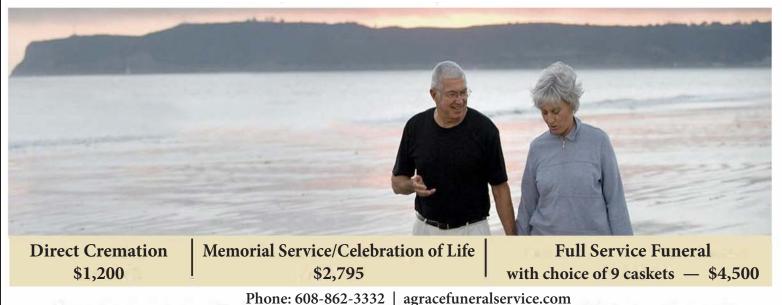
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Bethany Lutheran Church, 1652 West Church Road, Brodhead. 608-897-4158. Pastor position currenlty open. Interested candidates may reach out via Facebook or call Bethany Lutheran Church directly. Sunday school 8:45 a.m.; Sunday worship service 10 a.m. 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. Online 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: 10 a.m. worship. Sunday school every other Sunday beginning October 6, from 8:45-9:45 a.m. 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. Rally Sunday "Farm Fresh Breakfast" event, Sunday, September 22, 9 a.m. "Blessing of the Backpacks" during service on Sunday, September 22, at 10 a.m.

Grace Independent Baptist Church, Hwy. 81, three-quarter of a mile east of junction with 11, Brodhead. Donald Adams, Pastor. 608-897-8484. 9:30 a.m. Sunday

Rally Sunday at UCC September 22

Please join the Congregational UCC-Brodhead on Sunday, September 22nd for their 10 a.m. service for their Rally Sunday 2024 Event. The Congregational UCC-Brodhead is located at E201 23rd Street

BLESSING OF THE BACK-PACKS—Please join them for their 10 a.m. service and they would be happy to bless your child's backpack and their upcoming school year!

SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRA-TION will be held during this time for the 2024/2025 school year. Any child ages three and up are welcome to join. Classes held every other Sunday at 8:45–9:45 a.m. starts Sunday, October 6th. Plan on sticking around for church at 10

CONFIRMATION—OPEN ENROLLMENT will be held during this time for the 2024/2025 school year. These classes are open to any eighth grader (if they are church members or not). This is a one-year program; so if you know of someone who is interested, please contact Pastor Shawn or Jeni Nielsen, ASAP.

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Juda-Zion Community Church, N2350 Church Street, 608-934-5398. Kelly Jahn, Pastor. Sunday school 9:15 a.m.; worship service 10:30 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.

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 Jadyn 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 lst 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.

Greenwood Cemetery notice

A reminder that it is time to prepare the cemetery for winter. Please remove any flowers and decorations you wish to save by Tuesday, October 1st, to allow adequate time to clean up. Do not place fall or winter items until November 1st.

Football contest

The highest scoring football game of the week was Jefferson over East Troy, 49-33. Eric VonAllmen, Albany, won first place with all the correct games. Second place was won by Curt Elmer, Albany, with one incorrect game. The following had two incorrect: Teresa Earleywine, Paul Clark, Doug Rezner and Dennis Schwartz, all of Brodhead.

OBITUARIES



Valerie A. Steinmann

Valerie A. Steinman, age 54, of Brodhead, died Monday, September 9, 2024 at University Hospital in Madison. Val was born on May 14, 1970 in Monroe, the daughter of Gaylord and Joyce (Burmeister) Schultz. She was a 1988 graduate of Blackhawk High School in South Wayne. She was united in marriage to Joel Steinmann on September 19, 1992 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Warren, Illinois. Val's passion in life was her family, friends, and faith. Her home was always open to any visitor. She always reminded her family to look at life's positives and find the good in any situation.

She is survived by her husband, Joel Steinmann of Brodhead; four children: Sidney (Nik) Rettinger of Mukwonago, Koel (Laken) Steinmann of South Wayne, Noah Steinmann of South Wayne, and Joie Steinmann of Brodhead; two grandchildren: Brantley Steinmann and Ila Steinmann; three sisters and their families: Traci (Nitin) Ganatra of San Jose, California, Gina (Todd) Leonard of Hollandale, and Amy (Mike) Schubert of Verona; her mother-in-law, Roxie Steinmann of Monroe; and many nieces, nephews, and cousins. She was preceded in death by her parents; a grandson, Winston Steinmann; a sister in infancy; maternal grandparents, Don and Gladys Burmeister; paternal grandparents, Merve and Eleanor Schultz; father-in-law, Peter Steinmann, Sr.; brothers-in-law: Peter Steinmann, Jr. and Matt Keller; and a nephew, Shea Tate Keller.

Funeral services were held on Monday, September 16, at 11 a.m., at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Warren, with Pastor Carter Jorgensen officiating. Interment followed in Elmwood Cemetery. Visitation was on Sunday, September 15, from 2 until 6 p.m. at the Newcomer Funeral Home, Monroe. In lieu of flowers, a memorial fund will be established in Val's name. Condolences may be shared at www.newcomerfuneral-home.net.



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Dale A. Peterson

Dale A. Peterson, after exceeding all expectations at every stage, has finally succumbed to his battle with Leukemia, quietly passing away in the morning hours of August 24th. Dale was born on July 8, 1959, in Monroe, Wisconsin, to Harry and Arline (Schwartz) Peterson. He grew up on a farm in rural Brodhead with his brother, Jan and sister, Vicki.

At an early age, Dale discovered a passion for music that developed into a career starting in junior high as a drummer, trumpet player, and bass guitarist. He joined the American Federation of Musicians in 1972, in order to play the grand opening of the Sheraton Hotel in Madison. He was the youngest union member in history, a fact he was very proud of. Dale was the founder and leader in his own bands. The Starlites and Showdown, and he played with numerous other bands including Wheatstone Rock n' Roll Show and lastly, The State Line Play Boys.

Dale graduated from Brodhead High School in 1977 and moved to Orfordville, where he purchased his first home. On October 1, 1983, he married Marcia Wichser and on February 7, 1991, he added the pride, joy, and responsibility of fatherhood to his life with the birth of his first son, Travis. Six years later, and per Travis' request, Dale welcomed a second son, Derek, into the world as well.

Eventually, Dale bought the old Orfordville Lumberyard property and used it for his business, Spring Valley Antiques and Storage. He later bought the Milwaukee Road depot on the adjoining land and had the historic depot moved to his property, saving it from destruction as ordered by the state and ensuring that the depot was placed on the National Register of Historical Places. Dale was known in the area for selling at numerous antique shows including the Janesville Antique Show and the Elkhorn Flea Market.

Dale represented Orfordville for over 20 years by serving as a Village Board Trustee, promoting fiscal responsibility and the betterment of the community. Additionally, he was involved in coaching for Viking Youth Baseball Association and stayed on as a coach even after his own sons aged out of the program. He had a deep, lifelong love of baseball at all levels and especially enjoyed watching the Beloit Snappers.

In 2009, his life has changed dramatically when he was diagnosed with Chronic Myeloid Leukemia. With his family beside him, he learned how to live with a disease that would fundamentally change how he looked at life. Later, as a complication, he developed pulmonary fibrosis, which would eventually lead to his early departure from this life.

Dale is survived by his wife of 40 years, Marcia; and sons: Travis Peterson and Derek Peterson; brother, Jan (Carolyn) Peterson; brother-in-law, Ed Brown; parents-in-law: Richard and Mary Wichser; and brother-in-law, Dan (Cathy) Wichser. He is further survived by numerous loving nieces and nephews along with his beloved Siamese cats, Jake and Elwood. He was proceeded in death by his parents, Harry and Arline Peterson; sister, Vicki Brown, and nephew, Tim Brown.

A celebration of life will be held Sunday, September 29th, from 1-4 p.m. at the Orfordville American Legion. In lieu of flowers, memorials will be donated to Crossroads Blues Society (Blues in The Schools) and Viking Youth Baseball Association.

The family wishes to extend heartfelt thanks to Dr. Julie E. Chang of the UW Carbone Cancer Center, for her wonderful care over the past 15 years. A special thank you to Liz, Jenny, and TaJuanna of Agrace Hospice for their excellent care the in last eight months of Dale's journey.

Newcomer Silverthorn Chapel on the Hill, Orfordville is assisting the family.

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ACTIVITIES AROUND TOWN

SENIOR CITIZEN PROM

Brodhead High School Senior, Kyla Miller, is hosting a Senior Citizen Prom Saturday, October 5, from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Brodhead High School for anyone 55 years or older. Aides and caregivers are welcome to attend. There is no admission fee.

If you would like to make a donation or RSVP please contact Kyla at 608-897-3073 or millerkyla@brodhead.kl2.wi.us.

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 Saturday night in October to learn about Brodhead, both historical and spiritual. The tours are limited to 15 people and the cost is \$35 per person. For more information, email them at brodheadpa@gmail.com or follow them on Facebook and Instagram.

Proceeds from this event will go to the Brodhead Police Association's First Responder Scholarship program.

For tickets, please visit https://www.ticketleap.events/tickets/brodheadpa/brodhead-in-the-moon-light-a-haunting-experience

BRODHEAD HOMECOMING PARADE 2024 WE GOT THE BEAT!

On Friday, September 27th, area clubs, BHS athletics, and local businesses/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. Parade participants will line up between the Football Concession Stand and the Middle School at 1 p.m. The parade begins promptly at 1:30 p.m. The parade route ends near the Brodhead Memorial Public Library.

They are in need of convertibles and drivers for members of the Homecoming Court, please contact BHS at 608-897-2155 if you can help us out!

They hope you consider joining Brodhead's Homecoming Parade.

Wild Ones Rock River Valley

Wild Ones Rock River Valley Chapter will present Engaging Community to Save and Care for Endangered Natural Areas on Thursday, September 19, at 5:30 p.m.—social time, 6 p.m.—program (note time change for this month). The program will be held at the Forest Preserve Headquarters (note location change for this month), 5500 Northrock Drive, Rockford, Illinois.

Zoom: http://wildonesrrvc.org/ Pre-registration for Zoom is required. See website for details.

Join them as they welcome Amy Doll and Daniel Pohl to speak about their work to engage the community in stewarding nature preserves and other endangered ecosystems in the wake of Bell Bowl Prairie. Daniel Pohl is the lead volunteer steward at Harlem Hills Nature Preserve. He, along with Field Rep Jessie Crow Mermel, offers a state of the Harlem Hills prairie after nine months of working with Friends of Illinois Nature Preserves, IDNR staff, and Natural Land Institute to steward the largest remaining gravel prairie in the Midwest at Harlem Hills. Amy Doll addresses the larger picture of the work of Friends of Illinois Nature Preserves; including informing about herbicide drift damage in natural areas and launching the pilot program Illinois Endangered Ecosystems in Winnebago County. This program measures risks and identifies solutions to stewarding at-risk natural sites. She'll talk about how the work of engaging the community in stewardship is essential in the larger picture of protecting Illinois' many plants, animals, and natural areas. Friends of Illinois Nature Preserves is grateful to have received a grant from Wild Ones of Rock River Valley to aid in the ecological restoration being done at Harlem Hills.

About the speakers: Amy Doll is the Executive Director of Friends of Illinois Nature Preserves. Friends of Illinois Nature Preserves helped lead the efforts to save Bell Bowl Prairie. Amy Doll became the first Director of Friends of Illinois Nature Preserves in 2021. Before Friends, Amy had more than 15 years of Illinois public lands experience, most recently leading the DeKalb Park District for the past five years. She is passionate about biodiversity conservation and natural lands protection and is enthusiastic about developing collaborative partnerships. She is the parent of two great boys and lives in DeKalb.

Daniel Pohl currently works for the Illinois Natural History Survey in a position with IDNR Forestry. He lives in Rockford, loves plants and has a really cute cat.

Jessie Crow Mermel is a Field Representative with Friends of Illinois Nature Preserves and is dedicated to helping people restore their relationship with the wild world.

This program is free and open to the public. Participants can attend in person at the Forest Preserves of Winnebago County Headquarters or attend via Zoom with prior registration found on our website at http://wildonesr-rvc.org/ Call Jerry Paulson, 815-222-4414 for more information. Please note time and location change this month.

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Juda School District

Board Meeting Wednesday,

September 11th, 2024

- •Accepted a monetary donation from the Juda Zion Community Church for school supplies.
- •Approved one early graduation
- •Traci Davis reported on the start of the school year and how great the new staff members are doing. She noted that Mrs. Grimm is doing a great job serving as a mentor for the new staff.
- •Traci Davis updated the board on events taking place in the coming months including band marching in the Cheese Days Parade and homecoming activities the last weekend of the month.
- •Amended the school calendar for the year to allow for a half day of instruction on Friday, September 27th to allow students to attend the homecoming parade in Brodhead. In the future this will be built into the school calendar.
- •Heard the new reading curriculum is going well in the district.
- •Traci Davis informed the board that the school doors and windows have been updated and clearly marked both inside and outside to ensure easy communication with Law Enforcement and Fire Department. She also noted there are four safety meeting held during the year and noted where the Go Packs are located in the building and the use of Boxer for staff communication.
- •WASB Business Honor Roll recipients for the Juda School District were announced. These businesses were nominated for their outstanding support of the district. They are Kuhn Knight, JR Jordan Construction, DC Rise and Culvers of Monroe.
- •Adam Prochaska of Upper90 was present to discuss the future maintenance needs of the district. He presented a listing of projects that will be shared with the public at the upcoming Community Referendum Meetings, which will be held on Monday, September 30th and Wednesday, October 23rd along with information being shared at the Districts Annual Meeting on Wednesday, October 16th.
- •Approved out of state trips for FFA Members attending National Convention Wednesday, October 23rd to Saturday, October 26th and the Art Class going to Galena on Thursday, October 24th.
- •No Executive Session was need-
- •Future meeting dates are as follows:

Community Referendum meetings Monday, September 30th and Wednesday, October 23rd

Regular Board Meeting Wednesday, October 9th

District Annual Meeting Wednesday, October 16th

Joint School Board Meeting Wednesday, November 6th.

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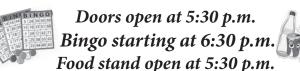
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A LITTLE GOOD NEWS



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Condemnation Commissioners announced

Judge Jane M. Bucher and Judge Faun M. Phillipson have announced that Richard Maliszewski and Joseph Ripp, both of Monroe, have been reappointed to a three-year term as Condemnation Commissioners effective Tuesday, October 1.

Other members serving on the committee include Nathan Lancaster, Thomas Bidlingmaier and Ronald Spielman, all of Monroe.



Last week Jorge Villalva (file photo) placed in the top 15 of varsity boys in the Ladish Invite at East Troy. Brodhead Juda, men and women finished in eighth place. This week they will compete at Edgerton on Thursday.





On the road last week against River Valley, Brodhead was edged out 20 - 22 by River Valley. Nolan Bump #17 (file photo), was credited with two touchdowns. Complete game stats not available at press time.



Brody Riese #4 (file photo) has been a targeted receiver for the Cardinals. This week they return to Gary Larsen Field hosting Dodgeville, 7 p.m. game time.

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GO ORANGE!

Second Harvest gathers millions of pounds of food each year and distributes it to neighbors facing hunger throughout southern Wisconsin, including families in our local community. On Hunger Action Day, Tuesday, September 10th, students at Brodhead Middle School were encouraged to GO ORANGE to raise awareness of hunger and encourage people to take action.

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lation, and liability required for any other large-scale industrial operation. Defending local control also remains critical—and thousands of folks did respond to a recent action alert calling upon Gov. Evers to veto AB957 that would have hamstrung the ability to pass ordinances dealing with factory farms (and other toxic rural activities). Farmers can feed the world and cool the planet without the false promise of manure digesters.

John E. Peck is a Wisconsin Farmers Union member and operator of Yellow Dog Flowers and Produce near Brooklyn, Wisconsin, in Green County. He also teaches Economics at Madison College and is executive director of Family Farm Defenders.

South Central Wisconsin Farmers Union is a member-driven chapter committed to enhancing the quality of life for family farmers, rural communities, and all people through educational opportunities, cooperative endeavors, and civic engagement in Rock, Green, and Lafayette Counties.

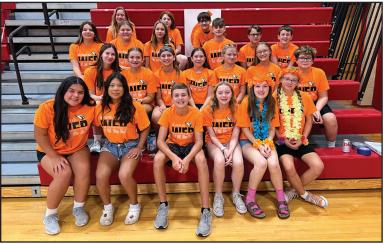


WEB—

Where Everybody Belongs

WEB, which stands for "Where Everybody Belongs," is a middle school orientation and transition program that welcomes sixth graders and makes them feel comfortable throughout the first year of their middle school experience. Built on the belief that students can help students succeed, the program trains mentors from the eighth-grade class to be WEB Leaders. (https://www.boomerangproject.com/transition-programs/web)

Before school started, 22 eighth-grade students participated in over 10 hours of training under the direction of WEB coordinators Erin Kammerer, Jessica Gardipee, and Stephanie Tresemer. Throughout the school year, WEB leaders will meet with their WEB groups for academic and social follow-ups, guided by the Boomerang Project curriculum to meet the needs of our students at Brodhead Middle School.









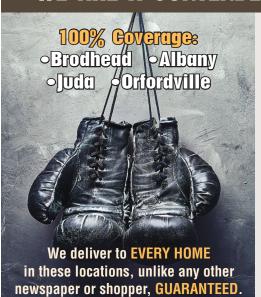
Alecia Dahl (file photo) had 27 assists and 12 digs to help give the Cardinal volleyball team success over Beloit Turner last Thursday winning 3 -of- 4 sets.



Chesney Walker (file photo) slammed down a kill in the fourth game to help seal the win against the Trojans. This week the team will host Clinton on Tuesday and travel to Edgerton on Thursday.



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9/9—High series: Jason Shrier 632, Roger Sutter 623, Corey Foster 622. High games: C. Foster 255, R. Sutter 252, Denny Schultz 244. Fosters Gaming-high team 1,057 and series 2,953. **Standings**: Fosters Gaming won 7 lost 0, Beloit Chiropractic 7-0, Albany Lanes 4.5-2.5, Center Tavern 2.5-4.5, Bartelt 0-7, Broughton's Bar 0-7.

Badger

9/3—High series: Brian Behnke 609, John Elmer 600, Craig Krueger 576, Don Nieman 575, Kim Qualley 393, Megan Anderson 393. High games: Ryan Brugger 226, B. Behnke 218, C. Krueger 216, D. Nieman 212, M. Anderson 139, K. Qualley 136. Counter Attack-high team game 773 and series 2,152. 9/10—High series: Ryan Brugger 694, Josh Brugger 643, John Elmer 607, Tony Brewer 604, Megan Anderson 364, Samantha Siegel 329, Kim Qualley 321. High games: J. Brugger 269, R. Brugger 246, Ethan Pfueti 246, J. Elmer 240, M. Anderson 133, K. Qualley 115, S. Siegel 115. Renkshigh team game 829. Jim's Mechanic Shop-high team series 2,365. **Standings**: Jim's Mechanic Shop won 12 lost 2, Decatur Dairy 12-2, Team 6 9-5, Pearl City Elevator 4-10, Counter Attack 3-11, Renks 2-12.

Wednesday Night Ladies

9/11—High series: Zoe Krattiger 530, Tami Behnke 485, Sarah Flood 463, Rikki Thomas-Martin 463, Darcy Stephenson 461. High games: Z. Krattiger 204, Fran Kubesh 170, S. Flood 169, R. Thomas-Martin 169, T. Behnke 166. Crystal's Team-high team game 690 and series 1,843. **Standings**: Crystal's Team won 7 lost 0, Albertson's 7-0, Glenn-Ann Ladies 5-2, Stables Bar & Grill 2-5, Larson Acres 0-7, General Store 0-7.

Thursday Afternoon Ladies

8/29—High series: Tana Klitzman 434, Cindy Sheldon 431, Barb Chapman 423. High games: T. Klitzman 157, Betty Helwig 155, B. Chapman 154. Knutes-high team game 549. Nolte's Garage-high team series 1,606. 9/5—High series: Laurie Thommen 485, Nancy Salzwedel 456, Betty Blum 447. High games: L. Thommen 187, B. Blum 184, N. Salzwedel 162, Barb Chapman 162. Mike's Flooring-high team game 565 and series 1,553. **Standings**: Ball's Installation won 10 lost 4, Knutes 9-5, Mike's Flooring 7-7, Nolte's Garage 7-7, Albany Lanes 7-7.

Thursday Night Mixed

9/12—High series: Robert Purintun 623, Robert Murray 617, Tim Golz 615, DJ McGowen 615. High games: R. Purintun 261, John Pluss 238, R. Murray 236, Andrew Elmer 225. Albany Lanes-high team game 1,016 and series 2,867. **Standings**: Golz Electric won 10 lost 4, Albany Lanes 9-5, Broughton's Corner Bar 1 7-7, Attica Bar 7-7, Broughton's Corner Bar 2 7-7, Glenn Ann Holsteins 2-12.

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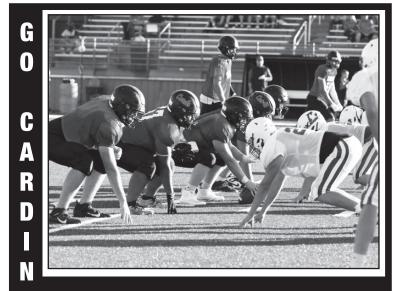
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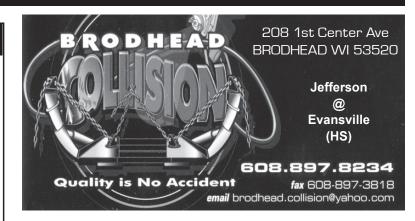


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E201 23rd Street, UCC rummage sale continued Thursday, September 19 and Friday, September 20, 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Free will offering. New items added!



By Cindy Clint, **Outreach Librarian**

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SSM Health welcomes new orthopedic surgeon in Monroe

SSM Health Monroe Hospital is pleased to welcome Dr. Tyag Patel, orthopedic surgeon, to the organization.



Dr. Patel earned his medical degree at University of South Florida Morsani College of Medicine in Tampa Bay, Florida, followed by an Orthopedic Surgery Residency at Marshall University in Huntington, West Virginia. He also completed an Orthopedic Sports Medicine Fellowship at University of New Mexico in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

As an orthopedic surgeon, Dr. Patel provides comprehensive, advanced orthopedic care to patients of all ages. Common conditions he sees patients for includes, but is not

limited to, injuries or pain in the knee, hip and shoulder as well as other tendon and ligament injuries and fracture care.

"I enjoy educating patients so they can better understand their injuries and musculoskeletal conditions," shared Dr. Patel. "This often alleviates anxiety and worry so we can discuss a treatment plan that best fits their goals."

Dr. Patel is accepting new patients. Please call 608-324-2453 to request an appointment.

Saturday Mornings at the Durand Library Constitution Day Sept. 17

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

Congress, and also the president, may declare certain days to honor or commemorate a public issue or social cause, ethnic group, historic event or noted individual. One such day has expanded to a weeklong recognition: Constitution Day and Citizenship Week, September 17 of each year and extending through September 23.

The declaration commemorates the date in 1787 when a majority of the delegates to the Constitutional Convention signed the document establishing the framework of the fledgling country.

The earlier Confederation of States was seen as inadequate since the Articles of Confederation gave little power to the federal government. It could not tax the states, draft soldiers, regulate trade, or create and enforce laws.

In order to secure the support of the southern states the delegates at the Convention shirked the issue of slavery. There are oblique references in the Constitution to slavery and the importing of "persons" but it took the 13^{th} Amendment passed after the Civil War and ratified by the states in 1865 to abolish the immoral and cruel practice.

The proposed Constitution required the ratification of at least nine of the 13 states before the government could be established and, in the view of many states, the document was not perfect. The first 10 amendments, termed the Bill of Rights, were quickly added to satisfy states, which wanted a guarantee of the freedoms for which they had fought the British. Other amendments were later added including three following the Civil War, the 13th as mentioned above, the 14th granted citizenship to those born in America and the 15th guaranteed the right to vote to African American men. Women had to wait until the 19th amendment gave them that right.

In the days of horse and buggy, it took time for copies to be distributed to the states which then had six months to decide whether to ratify or not. Delaware was the first to do so and New Hampshire made the ninth. Ultimately 11 states ratified, while Rhode Island and North Carolina did not.

Federal institutions and government could not be established until the required number of states had acted. Following New Hampshire's ratification, the then existing Confederation Congress established March 9, 1789 as the date to begin operating under the Constitution.

The original document, signed by 39 of the 55 delegates, was moved from Philadelphia, where the Constitutional Convention was held, to New York City, which was then the capital, and then to Washington, DC. It now rests permanently in the National Archives Rotunda for the Charters of Freedom along with the original Declaration of Independence and the Bill of Rights.

The history of the declaration of this day is not straight forward as some states had already done so before Congress acted and later the day was combined with an existing day to naturalize new citizens. Constitution Day is celebrated with a range of activities and educational exhibits in Philadelphia as one might imagine. Recognition of the significance of the document is encouraged by the declaration and takes place throughout the country. While the document may have been imperfect, this momentous effort established the checks and balances, provision for amendments and other guarantees that have endured for more than two centuries.

To learn more about the drafting of the Constitution of the United States of America, please check out these books at the Durand Library: Constitution Day by Molly Aloian; Decision in Philadelphia: The Constitutional Convention of 1787 by Christopher Collier; and We the People: The Constitution of the United States of America by Peter Spier.

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Downtown Janesville, Inc. Unveils Two New Halloween Events

Downtown Janesville Inc (DJI) introduces two new Halloween events that will take place during the Downtown Janesville Halloweekend on Saturday, October 26th. The annual Downtown Trickor-Treat will take place that day from 10 a.m.—1 p.m., followed by the new Monster Mash Bash held from 1-4 p.m. at The Venue, and a Zombie Run at 5:30 p.m. on Festival Street.

The Monster Mash Bash is a family-friendly Halloween party that will feature a DJ dance party, face painting, magic show, costume parade, raffles, and more! DJI encourages you to bring the kiddos downtown for free trick-or-treating, grab lunch at a local downtown restaurant, and then head over to The Venue for the Monster Mash Bash. Tickets are \$10 per person, two and under are free. You can purchase tickets now at https://downtownjanesville.com/event/monstermash-bash/.

The Zombie Run will feature a 5k and one-mile walk or run. Check-in will start at 4 p.m. on Festival Street and the race will begin at 5:30 p.m. Dress up as a zombie for a chance to win prizes, enjoy a beer or seltzer from Second Salem Brewing, music by DJ Lalo, and photo-ops with zombies and the Wisconsin Ghostbusters. It's going to be a frightfully fun evening! Tickets are available now for \$45. Ticket price includes finisher medal, commemorative tshirt, and professional race timing. Get your tickets today at https:// downtownjanesville.com/event/ downtown-janesville-zombie-run/

"We are so excited to build off the holiday weekend that has historically drawn hundreds of people to downtown for trick-or-treating. There's something for all families and adults to enjoy throughout the day and we hope to continue to fill this weekend with more spooky fun in the future," Elaina Szyjewski, Managing Director.

All proceeds from these new events go towards supporting DJI. Downtown Janesville Inc. is a 501c3 non-profit whose mission is to activate and beautify downtown Janesville. If you are interested in sponsoring the new events, please email elaina@downtownjanesville.com.

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New Glarus is famous for its traditional Swiss alpine architecture, charming downtown, and array of restaurants. Spend the day shopping at the unique boutiques for on-trend fashions, jewelry, furniture, antiques, home décor, garden supplies, and more. Discover treasures at the Swiss Historical Village and Museum, Chalet of the Golden Fleece, or Swiss Center of North America, and then enjoy lunch or dinner at one of the traditional Swiss cuisine restaurants, where you can sample fondue, schnitzel, and roesti. No matter what you choose to do, it'll be a great weekend out in New Glarus!

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Suicide Prevention Awareness Month

By Samantha Wileman, Activity Assistant, Extension Green County

September is Suicide Prevention Awareness Month. This year, we are focusing on keeping our loved ones and ourselves safe. CALM (Conversations on Access to Lethal Means) is a suicide prevention training that encourages safe storage of lethal means before and during a suicidal crisis.

"Having firearms in the home is a constitutionally protected right and a way of life for many people in America, especially for our Veterans. Unfortunately, many people that are going through a temporary crisis will end up attempting to find a solution to the pain they are in by committing suicide. These are people that would normally not think of suicide. Due to extenuating circumstances, they can find themselves in moments of weakness. This could be for several reasons: use of intoxicants, overwhelming pressure and significant life stressors, or no perceived solutions to their current problems. Firearms are statistically the means of choice for suicide for many men and Veterans. Due to the inherent lethality of firearms, the CALM training attempts to temporarily and voluntarily reduce access to lethal means during these times of crisis," Clayton Ruegsegger, County Veterans Service Officer-Green County, Wisconsin.

Please go to the SWCAP Calendar Page (swcap.org/events/) OR email (s.monson@swcap.org) or call (608-553-0095) Shawn Monson with Farm Well WI to sign up for one of the following in-person or online trainings:

IN-PERSON: Tuesday, September 24th—Brodhead Library, 5:30-7 p.m., and Monday, September 30th—Monroe Library, 5:30-7 p.m.

ONLINE: Wednesday, September 18th, 12-1:15 p.m. and Wednesday, October 2nd, 7-8:15 p.m.

Several Green County organizations work together to reach people who might be dealing with thoughts of suicide or who has lost a loved one to suicide. Look for our coasters with resources at local taverns and restaurants. Green County Mental Health Matters has also worked collaboratively to develop some new support and resources – see below:

•New Suicide Bereavement group 4-5:30 p.m. Mondays in main lobby resource room at GCHSD starting Monday, September 23rd

•New NAMI Peer Support group in main lobby resource room at GCHSD on the fourth Tuesday of each month 6-7:30 p.m., starting Tuesday, October 22nd

•Look for drink coasters with support and crisis information

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