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City Council

Brodhead City Council votes to add police officer position back

By Gloria Sutter

A Public Hearing took place prior to the meeting with numerous citizens voicing concern about City services. At a previous meeting, the Council approved removing a Police Officer position to assist in making the State levy limits. This would allow the addition of funds to supplement the EMS. Representatives from the EMS explained why they need City assistance for the first time in their existence. Donations no longer meet their needs because of a lack of volunteers and the cost of training. They are working with the Fire Department in recruiting additional personnel.

Many citizens provided reasons for not reducing the number of Police officers. The number of officers has not increased for 20 years. Services would need to be reduced and work conditions would impact the ability to hire and to keep high quality officers. State Statutes also

impact how officers are used and their working conditions.

The Library Board also requested that money be added to the budget to allow for staff pay increases. Last year the Library took a \$13,000 budget cut.

Casey Jones told the Council that he had investigated the use of ARPA funds for the EMS since it is classified as a nonprofit entity. He was told by the State and our State Representative Mark Spreitzer that they would qualify for the funds.

The Hearing was closed.

After some contentious discussion ensued during the regular meeting, the Council voted on a three to two vote to add back the Police Officer position, at a cost of \$70,000. The \$66,000 EMS funding was removed and will be included in ARPA funding requests. The Library will receive an additional \$3,200 for staff wage increases.

The Council voted unanimously

to hold a referendum during the February election. They will be asking for an additional \$200,000 annually to assist with operational expenses.

After a closed session, the Council, on a three-two vote, approved the offer to purchase of the six parcels identified in the offer to purchase on October 27, 2021, for the sum of \$120,000, subject to the Driftless Home Project and the WHEDA grant.

In other business:

The Council approved the renewal of the contract with Pellitteri for 10 years.

Janet Cook was approved as the new agent for FIBS North.

Two bartender licenses were approved.

The Budget Resolution meeting will take place on Monday, November 29, at 6 p.m.

The next regular meeting will be Monday, December 20, at 7 p.m.



AFS meet and greet

A meet and greet was held Wednesday, November 17 at the Kelch Aviation Museum in the Kent Joranlien Memorial Fellowship Hall for the Brodhead exchange students. The AFS students are from left to right: Omar El Maaoui from Morocco; Teeba Mbaideen from Jordan and Lisa Vierelhauser from Germany.

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Looking to become part of city government in Brodhead? You can pick up paperwork at City Hall starting Wednesday, December 1st if you are interested in becoming an Aldersperson or Mayor. During the Spring Election there will be three aldersperson and the Mayor positions up for election. You must be a resident within the city limits of Brodhead and be at least 18 years of age.

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Bethany Lutheran Church, 1652 West Church Road, Brodhead. 608-897-4158. Pastor Rick Gleason. Sunday school 8:45 a.m.; Sunday worship 10 a.m. Holy Communion first and third Sundays of each month.

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 405 E. 9th Avenue, Brodhead. 608-897-2341. www.bethlehembrodhead.org. Web site and Live Stream information at www.bethlehembrodhead.org. In-person worship with Communion at 9 a.m. every Sunday. Masks and social distancing are required at this time. Contact church leadership at office@bethlehembrodhead.com.

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.

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 school, 10:30 a.m. morning worship, 6 p.m. evening service. Wednesday 6 p.m. service.

Juda-Zion United Methodist Church, N2350 Church Street, 608-934-5398. Kelly Jahn, Pastor. Sunday school 9:30 a.m. for all ages, worship service 10:45 a.m. Oakley-Union United Methodist Church, W2388 Gerber Road, Juda, 608-934-5398. Kelly Jahn, Pastor. Sunday worship and children's Sunday school 9 a.m.

Living Word Church, 3825 S. County Road T, Brodhead. 608-897-8246. Pastor Russ Doeblner. 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.

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.

22 Snows
To Go!

According to the Ties Formula, go back to the last new moon before the first trackable snow and take that snow and add the two numbers together. The first snow was November 13.

OBITUARIES



Debra Jo Huschka

Debra Jo Huschka, age 66, Brodhead, passed away on November 14, 2021 at Monroe Clinic Hospice in Monroe, Wisconsin.

Debra Jo was born on November 19, 1954 in Janesville, Wisconsin, the daughter of Earl and Sonia (Ellefson) Tate. She married Daniel Huschka on July 20, 1996 at the Fulton Church of Edgerton.



Dona J. Mauerman

Dona J. Mauerman, age 91, passed away Monday, November 15, 2021 at Azura Memory Care in Monroe. She was born October 17, 1930 the daughter of Edward and Amy (Carter) Burkhalter. She graduated from Orfordville High School.

Dona married Melvin Mauerman



Joyce Louise Myers

Joyce Louise Myers, age 89, Brodhead passed away on November 13, 2021 while at her home.

Joyce was born on February 9, 1932 in Flint, Michigan, the daughter of Woodworth and Hazel (Dowen) Coad.

Joyce married Robert C. Myers on February 14, 1953 and spent almost 60 years together before his passing in January of 2013.

Joyce is survived by three children: Belinda (Don) Adams of Brodhead, Robin Evans of Belvidere, Illinois and James (Marie)

Debra was a longtime member of the Fulton Church. She enjoyed reading the Bible and watch religious TV shows and passing the time with coloring. Debra was known as a friendly person who took the time to talk to anyone and always enjoyed spending time with family and friends.

Debra is survived by her husband, Daniel of Brodhead; a daughter, Sonia Tate of Brodhead, three siblings: Tina (Dave) Rothenbuehler of Brodhead, Daryl Tate of Janesville and Kevin Tate of Elkhorn; and several nieces and nephews and other relatives and friends.

Debra was preceded in death by her parents.

Memorials can be directed to the family in Debra's memory.

Funeral services were held at the DL Newcomer Funeral Home in Brodhead on Friday, November 19, at 11 a.m. A visitation was also held at the funeral home on Thursday, November 18, from 4 to 7 p.m. and also on Friday from 10 a.m. until the time of service. Cremation rites were accorded after the services.

Online condolences can be made at www.dlnewcomerfuneral-home.com.

on January 16, 1949 in East Luther Valley. She worked for the telephone company in Beloit, Swiss Colony, and Monroe Clinic throughout her life. She was a member of Grace Lutheran Church and a member of the Women of the Moose Chapter #599. For many years Dona volunteered for the Monroe Clinic Hospice. Her hobbies included knitting and crocheting. Dona simply enjoyed life and had lunch with her sisters every Friday for several years.

She is survived by her sister, Carol (Robert) Meythaler; nephew Mark (Casey) Meythaler; and several extended relatives. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Melvin Mauerman; brother, Rodney Burkhalter; and sister, Iva Scoville; and niece, Amy Sangermano.

A private graveside service will be held at Greenwood Cemetery in Brodhead with Reverend Richard Thickpenney officiating. Shriner Hager Gohlke is assisting the family. Condolences may be sent to the family at: shriner111.com.

Myers of Flushing, Michigan; eight grandchildren; 13 great grandchildren and several nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends.

Joyce was preceded in death by her parents, a son, Robert Lee Myers in 1968 and two brothers: Howard and Gerald Coad.

In lieu of flowers memorials can be directed to the family in her memory.

Funeral services will be held at the Trinity Baptist Church, 4222 Elms Road in Flushing, Michigan on Saturday, November 27, at 11 a.m. A visitation will also be held at the church from 10 a.m. until the time of funeral. Burial will conclude at the Flushing Cemetery.

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New Christmas musical 2021

Since 1995 there has been a Christmas musical presented at Juda Zion Church (with the exception of 2020 because of the pandemic). The tradition continues this year with a new musical, "Welcome To Bethlehem." This is a heart-touching story set in a present time hotel in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. As travelers come to the hotel they experience a warm welcome from the owners, Mr. and Mrs. Wiseman, and from the hotel staff. The theme of Hope shines through the experiences of each of the different characters. Everyone needs hope these days.

Performances will be Sunday, December 5th and Sunday, December 19th, both at 1:30 p.m. at the Juda Zion Church, located at N2320 Church Street, Juda. Cast and choir members include: Rudy Kaderly, Judy Kaderly, Julie Davis, Blake Adkins, Reagan Matzke, Peggy Matzke, Kay Carter, Bob Severson Jr., Bethany Woodward, Sophie Bolton, Joyce Hoesly, Pat Daniels, Peggy Jordan, Jake Hoesly, Dakota Davis, Steve Anderson, Nicole Ramieriz, Aurora Daniels, Beth Figi, Julia Figi, JoAnn Eberle, Calvin Kaderly, and Sharon Creuzer. The musical is directed by Shelly Jordan. Brian Matzke is in charge of lights, Bill Jahn and Joe Kaderly handle the sound system, Heidi Bolton the videos and Hazel Matzke the publicity.

The public is welcome, there is no charge. Masks are recommended.

BMS Holiday Luncheon

The Brodhead Middle School's annual holiday luncheon will be held on Friday, December 10. This is an opportunity for senior members of our local community to gather for a free lunch and to enjoy a program of festive musical performances, a trivia game, and have the chance to win beautiful door prizes. The program will begin at 11:30 a.m. with lunch being served at noon. The Brodhead School District is in Plan Red, which requires all students, staff, and visitors to wear a mask. If you would like to attend, please contact the Brodhead Middle School office at 608-897-2184. Reservations must be made by Wednesday, December 8. Free-will donations are welcome to maintain this holiday tradition.

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Austin’s and Tenley’s Warriors T-shirts

Over Thanksgiving weekend the Albany girls’ and boys’ basketball teams will be playing at Brodhead HS. Tenley Doescher and Austin Moe are spear-heading a fund-raiser for this event. Tenley and Austin have recently been diagnosed with TYPE 1 Juvenile Diabetes.

Players, coaches, and managers will be wearing warm-up shirts for these games that represent Tenley and Austin. Proceeds from the shirt sale will be going to the JD RF Foundation and American Family Children’s Hospital in Madison.

They will also be hosting a silent auction during all the games and the auction will close at the start of the boys’ varsity basketball game.

Please note that they have received several really outstanding gifts and baskets that would be wonderful Christmas gifts. The names of the silent Auction basket winners will be announced at half time of the boys’ varsity basketball game.

Money raised will be supporting two great causes in Wisconsin. Half of the money raised will be sent to JD RF (Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation) to help find a cure for childhood diabetes.

The other half of the money will be sent to the UW American Children’s Hospital to purchase items for children that are hospitalized there.

Thank you so much for your support of these two strong WARRIORS!



White Gift and Green County Food Pantry Food Drive

Colten Steiner’s Senior Project

Colten Steiner is a senior at the Brodhead High School. Colten is putting on the annual FFA Food Drive for the Brodhead Community White Gift and the Green County Food Pantry. Starting Monday, November 15th-Friday, December 3rd there will be a holiday decorated box at the Piggly Wiggly to collect any non-perishable and toiletry items.

Starting Monday, November 22nd through Friday, December 3rd the high school and middle school will be doing a competition on collecting the most non-perishable and toiletries from their first hour class (high school)/Star (middle school). The winning class will receive donuts and milk/juice the week of December 6th!

Juda Craft Fair

The Juda Booster Club is hosting the Juda Craft Fair on Saturday, December 11, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be over 40 crafters/vendors which include Lilla Rose Hair Accessories, ceramics, handmade signs, homemade soaps, quilts, cross stitch, easy to prepare food, spices and drink mixes, wickless candles, plastic canvas, gourmet food products and much more.

Concessions will be available all day including breakfast and lunch options as well.

Santa will be visiting from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Admission is free. The event will be held at the Juda School, N2385 Spring Street, Juda.

VOLLEYBALL

Winter Sunday Night

Season standings: I’d Smack That won 12 lost 0; One Hit Wonders 7-5; The Bumpsters 7-5; Killer Serves 7-5; The Blockheads 5-7; Nirvana 5-7; Super Soy 4-8; Net Ninjas 1-11.

Remember loved ones with Christmas Memorial Tree

Once again this year, Brodhead offers the opportunity for people to remember their loved ones on the Memorial Christmas Tree on display at City Hall. Your loved one’s photo and name will be displayed on the Memorial Christmas Tree.

Drop off your photo and information at the Brodhead Free Press, 925 W. Exchange Street, Brodhead by Thursday, December 2. The cost is \$5. You can find the registration forms on their Facebook page and send it in by mail as well. Please call 608-897-4797 if you have questions.

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Please contact us to place a community event, engagement/wedding announcement, an advertisement, or nearly anything else.



Brodhead Senior and Local Business Team Up to Make a Change

“It Makes Cents To Give”

As the holiday season approaches, Brodhead High School band members are preparing their holiday concert selections for their Monday, December 13th concert. One of their selections portrays homelessness and the extra struggles during the holiday season. Senior band member, Cora Hafen will be collecting loose change in a “It Makes Cents To Give” drive, which will run from Monday, November 29th-Friday, December 10th. You can drop off your loose change at the following locations: Gasser’s True Value, Pinnow Hometown Pharmacy, Speich Oil, Brodhead Mobil, Subway, Decatur Dairy and the Bank of New Glarus. All change collected will be donated to Family Promise of Green County.

To coincide with this campaign: the Piggly Wiggly in Brodhead will run their “round-up” program in support of this cause. Piggly Wiggly customers will have the opportunity to help and support Family Promise of Green County by rounding up their purchase total. The dates of the Piggly Wiggly “Round-Up” will run from Saturday, November 20th-Sunday, December 12th.

“It Makes Cents To Give” this holiday season.

To learn more about Family Promise of Green County, please visit their website: <https://www.familypromisegreencounty.org/>

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ACTIVITIES AROUND TOWN

DEER HIDES FOR LIONS CAMP

It’s deer hunting season! If you are a deer hunter and want to put your deer hide to good use, the Brodhead Lions Club is sponsoring a Deer Hide Collection at Brodhead Veterinary Medical Center, W1175 Highway 11/81, Brodhead. All proceeds from the deer hides will be used for the Wisconsin Lions Camp to help serve the needs of others. The Wisconsin Lions Camp began in 1956 and has been dedicated to providing a quality camping experience for people with disabilities. There is no cost for participation in the summer camp program, so contributions are vital to the operation of Lions Camp.

Please help by donating your hides. For more information, call Lion Ted Mertens, of the Brodhead Lions Club, at 608-558-1198.

SANTA NEEDS YOUR HELP!

Santa uses the Brodhead Optimist Mitten Tree Project to help make Christmas special for all children in our community. This year is no exception. Anyone wishing to help Santa gather gifts for those children in need is asked to pick a set of mittens from the tree in the Bank of Brodhead lobby, the Bank of New Glarus—Brodhead Branch lobby, or at Trey Carpenter’s Madison Partners office at 1103 1st Center Avenue.

Beginning Friday, November 19, please pick up and fill out the mitten asking for your contact information and leave it in the mailbox nearby. Then take the other mitten containing the child’s age, size and wish list with you. After shopping, just wrap your gift and attach the mitten with the child’s info on the package and drop it off where you picked up the mitten. The gifts must be returned by Friday, December 10.

Happy shopping to all of Santa’s helpers and thank you for participating in this great Optimist project. If you have any questions, please call 608-558-5868.

FIRE AND ICE FESTIVAL ANNUAL ARTS AND CRAFTS FAIR

Brodhead Chamber of Commerce members have announced that their Fire and Ice Festival Committee is sponsoring the Annual Arts and Crafts Fair during the festival on Friday, December 3rd, and Saturday, December 4th. The fair will run from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Friday, and again Saturday, December 4th, from 8 a.m. to noon.

The Arts and Crafts Fair will be held in the Bank of Brodhead Courtesy Room. Fire and Ice Festival Committee members have approximately 10 booths available for crafters. Exhibitors are to bring their own display equipment, tables, and electrical cords if they need electricity.

The fee for obtaining a booth in the fair is \$15. For an application, contact Debbie Bruns at 608-201-9433 or fill out the form online at <https://www.brodheadchamber.com/fire-and-ice-vendor-form>.

WINTER WALKING AT ALBRECHT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Once again, this year Albrecht Elementary School will be open for people wanting to walk inside rather than outside in the cold weather starting Monday, November 15th. The building will be open from 6:30 to 7:30 a.m. and 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. The building will be closed over the School District’s scheduled Thanksgiving break Wednesday, November 24th-Sunday, November 28th and Winter break Wednesday, December 22nd-Sunday, January 2nd. Children must be supervised by an adult at all times. Unless otherwise posted, masks must be worn at all times.

The School District of Brodhead is not responsible for personal injury or loss.



Night of Christmas Music

You are invited to The Night of Christmas Music on Sunday, December 5, at 6 p.m. at Albany United Methodist Church. This ecumenical event will feature music and scripture celebrating the savior's birth. The church is located 500 Park Street, Albany.



By Carolyn Seaver, Director

Santa Claus is coming to the Albertson Memorial Library! Santa will be at the library between 4 and 6 p.m. on Saturday, December 4th. Santa will be available for pictures and will be giving out treat bags. Children will be able to pick out a book. To make this event a safe one for everyone we will be providing facemasks for all.

The tree lighting ceremony will take place at 6 p.m. right after the library event has finished. We hope you will be able to attend both!

The Silent Auction finished on Saturday. All items are ready for pick up. Please pick yours up as soon as possible if you have not done so already. We raised a total of \$2,293, or 65% of our total goal. If you would still like to contribute towards the technology fund for the library, you can stop by or mail your check to Albertson Memorial Library, 200 N. Water Street, Albany WI 53502.

Santa will be picking up letters from the Albertson Memorial Library again this year.

Letters to Santa can be dropped off at the library. They will be forwarded to the North Pole. If an address is included, Santa or one of his elves will write each child back. Free books are available for each child when the letter is delivered to the library

Miss Laura continues to offer story times on the library Facebook page each Tuesday morning. The library has coloring pages, crafts, and activities to go with the stories each week. Be sure to stop in and check it out.

The library will be closed on Thursday and Friday so that our staff can enjoy Thanksgiving with their families. Happy Thanksgiving to all of you from the Albertson Memorial Library staff.

Monday Night Mixed League

11/15—High series: Robert Murray 717, Denny Schultz 679, Ty Powell 662. High games: R. Murray 279, D. Schultz 262, T. Powell 237. Deb's Bar-high team game 1,086 and series 3,045. Standings: Beloit Chiropractic won 38 lost 32, Albany Lanes 37-33, Deb's Bar 34-36, Center Tavern 34-36, Broughton's Bar 34-36, Fosters Gaming 33-37.

Tuesday Shaningans

11/16—High series. Phyllis Shrier 495, Barb Brugger 462, Fran Kubesh 416, Brandon Bong 623, Bill Shrier 572, Rick Clark 535. High games: P. Shrier 171, B. Brugger 164, F. Kubesh 163, B. Bong 221, R. Clark 214, B. Shrier 200. Barely Upright-high team game 714 and series 1,964. Standings: Greightful Dead won 25 lost 17, Albany Lanes 25-17, Barely Upright 21-21, Misfits 19-23, Sweet Mini HaHa 18-24, Clayt's Boomtastic 15-27.

Badger

11/16—High series: Ryan Brugger 650, Tony Brewer 638, Austin Heath 622, LeRoy Blumer 613, Megan Anderson 444. High games: R. Brugger 251, Dave Brugger 238, Keith Riese 232, L. Blumer 225, M. Anderson 183. Renks-high team game 896 and series 2,371. Standings: Jim's Mechanic Shop won 48 lost 22, Renks 45-25, Pearl City Elevator 35-35, Counter Attack 30-40, Decatur Dairy 27-43, Brugger Farms Trucking 25-45.

Wednesday Night Ladies

11/17—High series: Laurie Thill 460, Joan Flood 453, Rikki Thomas Martin 443, Lindsey Kotte 427, Kari Johnson 426. High games: K. Johnson 170, L. Thill 168, L. Kotte 166, R. Thomas Martin 165, Nicole Brewer 164. Albertson's-high team game 570. Center Tavern-high team series 1,654. Standings: New Glarus Brewery won 48 lost 22, Glenn-Ann Ladies 38-32, Albertson's 38-32, Center Tavern 34-36, Broughton's Bar 27-43, Larson Acres 25-45.

Thursday Afternoon Ladies

11/18—High series: Phyllis Shrier 510, Laurie Thommen 432, Betty Blum 432, Barb Chapman 422, Shirley Sutherland 413, Nancy Salzwedel 399. High games: P. Shrier 190-174, L. Thommen 178, Priscilla Kaderly 170, B. Chapman 161, B. Blum 158. Splits: Barb Clark 5-7, S. Sutherland 3-10, B. Chapman 4-5-7, 5-7. Mike's Flooring-high team game 605 and series 1,715. Standings: Mike's Flooring won 31 lost 17, Knutes 30.5-17.5, Ball's Installations 27-21, Huntington Plumbing 25.5-22.5, Albany Lanes 25-23.

Thursday Night Mixed

11/18—High series. Tony Brewer 739, Austin Heath 677, Tim Golz 645, Josh Stadt 636. High games: T. Brewer 259 John Pluss 245, T. Golz 245, A. Heath 243. Broughton's Corner Bar 2-high team game 1,045 and series 2,998. Standings: Glenn Ann Holsteins won 7 lost 0, Broughton's Corner Bar 2 5-2, Golz Electric 5-2, Attica Bar 2-5, Irv's Masonry 2-5, Broughton's Corner Bar 1 0-7.

Saturday Morning Juniors—Cardinals

11/20—High series—boys: Parker VanderPal 500, Avery Rufer 478, Dawson Blum 469, Brittan Paulson 468, Alexander Ramirez-Vogel 295, Tylan Bergfeld 257, Evan Johnson 257. High games—boys: A. Rufer 185, P. VanderPal 174, D. Blum 173, B. Paulson 162, A. Ramirez-Vogel 127, T. Bergfeld 104. High series—girls: Kylee Wahler 521, Zoe Krattiger 510, Grace Gold 452, Harper Krattiger 272, Grace Welbig 269. High games—girls: K. Wahler 203, Z. Krattiger 172, G. Gold 168, H. Krattiger 104, G. Welbig 93.

Early Rollers—Cardinals

11/20—High games: Amelia Fenwick 75.

Saturday Morning Youth—Cardinals

11/20—High series: Rowan Krattiger 145, Reese Popanz 124, Carter Fenwick 88, Emma Welbig 57. High games: R. Krattiger 75, R. Popanz 68, C. Fenwick 46, E. Welbig 30.

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ALBANY COMETS *News*

LUNCH MENU:

Thurs., Nov. 25, no school.

Fri., Nov. 26, no school.

Mon., Nov. 29, corn dogs, tri-tater, cake.

Tues., Nov. 30, fish nuggets, baked beans, cottage cheese.

Wed., Dec. 1, chicken Alfredo bake, green beans.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Sat., Nov. 27, boys' basketball at Brodhead, 3:30 p.m.; girls' basketball at Brodhead, 2 p.m.

Sun., Nov. 28, Zumba in cafeteria, 6 p.m.

Tues., Nov. 30, boys' basketball at home vs. Belmont, 6 p.m.

Wed., Dec. 1, fifth grade music concert, 5:30 p.m.; third and fourth grade music concert 6 p.m.; Zumba in cafeteria, 6 p.m.; adult open gym, 7 p.m.

Extended Day Program—Space is still available for those wanting to participate in the Extended Day Program. This program provides before and after school care on days school is in sessions including early release Wednesdays. Students who attend the after school program are provided with a healthy snack, receive help with homework, are offered a variety of arts and crafts activities and both outdoor and indoor play. The program is available to students in grades K-eighth. Students are welcome to try it out for a day and see if it's a good fit. For more information about the program contact Mrs. Nelson at becky.nelson@albany.k12.wi.us or 608-862-3135ext. 2318..

Music Department—Please join the Music Department for the MS/HS band and choir concert on Wednesday, December 8 at 7 p.m. in the main gym. Students enrolled in band or choir grades fifth-12th will be performing their winter concert. The fifth grade concert is Wednesday, December 1st at 5:30 p.m. in the elementary gym. The elementary concert is Monday, December 1st at 7 p.m. in the elementary gym. Students enrolled in grades third and fourth will be performing their winter concert.

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A black and white photograph of a woman with long dark hair, smiling, standing next to a large, wrapped box. She is holding a dark, quilted winter jacket by its collar. The box is wrapped in paper with diagonal stripes and has a sign that reads "THE BIG BUNDLE UP" and "DONATE HERE!". The sign also features a small image of a person in winter gear and the text "DONATE HERE!". The woman is wearing a long-sleeved top with horizontal stripes and dark pants. The background is a plain wall and floor.

Brodhead Chamber of Commerce helps Wisconsin Bundle Up

Local organizations collect warm winter clothing for Wisconsin Department of Tourism's annual charity drive

The Brodhead Chamber of Commerce is teaming up with the Brodhead High School Student Council to invite residents to drop off new or gently used coats, sweaters, hats, mittens, socks and other warm clothing items as part of the Wisconsin Big Bundle Up campaign; a statewide collection program running now through Friday, January 7, 2022.

This is the 11th year of the Wisconsin Big Bundle Up and, to date, the program has collected nearly 200,000 warm winter items to help families in need.

Donating warm winter items is the perfect way to give to local families in need as the holiday giving season approaches. Collection boxes will be located at all Brodhead Schools, as well as the Bank of Brodhead and Bank of New Glarus, for donors to drop off warm clothing items. All items donated at these locations will be given to the Brodhead Community Closet, 1108 11th Street, which is open to the public on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

CASEY'S CORNER

By Casey Jones

Good morning! Grab that morning beverage and your favorite newspaper!

I hope your week has been exciting as mine has been. It started off with Monday night's budget hearing at City Hall. I have been attending the budget Public Hearing's since 2017. Up until this one I have been one of a few that was in attendance. There was always plenty of choices for seats and usually lasted all of 10 minutes, if that long.

Imagine my surprise as I entered the City Council chambers and couldn't locate an available seat. The place was packed. There is nothing like the prospect of steep budget cuts to energize a crowd. Extra chairs were added even into the hall to accommodate the crowd's seating needs. The last time I saw a crowd this size in City Hall was the Hearing on the proposed Senior Center three or four years ago. The Senior Center meeting had about 50% attending in favor of the proposal and 50% not in favor. It was what seemed like an endless parade of alternating views. Some were loud, some were not.

This public meeting had a little different tone. I would say that the people supporting the proposed cuts were in a great minority to the attendees that were against the cuts.

No matter what the make-up of the crowd, it was interesting and refreshing to see the public participating in their hometown decision making process. I hope it continues.

Later in the week, the Senior Center card games were well attended also. We almost had to break out another table on Friday as it was a full house of people enjoying themselves and the company of others.

On Saturday, I was asked by Ron Risum to accompany him as he set out to clear some of the fallen trees on the Pearl Island Recreational Corridor trails in preparation of the winter cross country skiing season. I am not a hiker or walker, so I jumped at the opportunity. As we removed the fallen trees, I was able to look around at the absolute beauty that surrounded me. The volunteers that take care of the trails have done an awesome job of grooming and laying out a beautiful trail system on the city-owned portion. I was also introduced to a short cut to access the trails. I look forward to visiting the trails again. Did you know that there is an area known as "Pearl Island south"?

Have a great week! Thanksgiving is upon us! We have so much to be thankful for right here in Brodhead!

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Onni Oliver, #21, led the Cardinals with 11 points including nine from the perimeter.



Brodhead girls opened their basketball season with a non-conference game against Janesville Parker last Tuesday. Tori Urness, #34, was strong rebounding and put up nine points for the 56-20 win. (Free Press photo by Teresa Earleywine)



Addison Yates, #1, was one of eight Brodhead players scoring in last Tuesday's game. Brodhead traveled to Beloit Turner last Friday and ran over the Trojans with a 56-11 win on their conference opener. (Free Press photos by Teresa Earleywine)

DEFY Domestic Abuse Beloit Seeks Donations of Gift Items over Holidays

Annual Holiday Project Matches Community Members with Domestic Abuse Survivors

DEFY Domestic Abuse Beloit is seeking people willing to donate gift items for the holidays to the families and individuals they've served in the past year. In 2021, DEFY provided services to more than 100 survivors of domestic abuse. The holiday gift program is an annual tradition for the nonprofit.

DEFY staff has asked each family or person who received services in the past year for a list of items they would like for the holidays. Their lists often include such items as gas cards, clothes, body wash, toys and gift cards. DEFY reaches out to members of the community to donate items on the list. Donors may choose to purchase one item or all items on a person's or family's list. Donors are welcome to buy items for more than one family, and many have done so in previous years.

"This is a small way to brighten what is often a difficult year for families rebuilding their life after abuse," said Kelsey Hood Christenson, DEFY's Director of Survivor Empowerment Services. "People who donate items are able to make the holidays happier, both for the recipients and often for themselves, knowing they have helped make someone else's season brighter."

Anyone interested in receiving a list and donating one or more items is asked to contact Eboni Morrow by email at emorrow@familyservices1.org, or by phone at 608-364-1083. There is no deadline to sign up to be a donor. DEFY is requesting that gifts be dropped off on or before Monday, December 20 at 416 College Street, Beloit. Staff will distribute all gift items before Christmas to the designated recipients.

As part of Family Services of Southern Wisconsin and Northern Illinois, Inc., DEFY Domestic Abuse Beloit extends to survivors of domestic abuse all the support offered by Family Services. This includes financial planning; parenting support; therapy and counseling; legal advocacy; and community outreach.

In addition to DEFY Domestic Abuse Beloit, Family Services includes the following: Individual & Family Counseling Program; Sexual Assault Recovery Program; Life Financial Solutions; Praxis Employee Assistance Program; Youth2Youth 4 Change; and The Neighborhood Resilience Project.

Family Services is a funded partner of United Way Blackhawk Region, United Way of Green County, and the Community Foundation of Southern Wisconsin.

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Right—All though Albany was up 21-7 mid-way through the first half, Belleville rallied to take lead then maintained during the second half to secure the win. The final score of game: Belleville 62, Albany 54.

As the game was coming to a close Brianna Dahl goes up against Belleville shooting for two. (Free Press photo by Duke Goetz/Goetz Imagery)



Conference Awards

Second Team All-Conference: Madi Brown and Anna Skoumal; Honorable Mention: Gavin Pinnow and Kalena Riemer.



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LUNCH MENU—
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Tues., Nov. 30: chili, corn bread, fruit/veggie.

SCHOOL CALENDAR—
Thurs., Nov. 24: no school.
Fri., Nov. 24: no school.
Mon., Nov. 22: blood drive.
Mon., Nov. 29: girls’ basketball vs. ALCS.
The Juda Spanish Club is currently selling Butter Braids from now until Thursday, December 2nd. Delivery is scheduled for Friday, December 17th (Just in time for Christmas gatherings!) Please contact a member of the Juda Spanish Club or Amber Williams to place an order. (608-934-5251 Ext. 148) Thank you for your support of the Juda Spanish Club!

The Juda Booster Club will hold their Craft Show on Saturday, December 11, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the school.
A Big Pumpkin thank you to Lisa and Greg Sutherland for donating the proceeds from their pumpkin sales to the Library in memory of Lisa’s mother Carol Hafen, former Librarian here at the school. Thank you to everyone that purchased pumpkins from them as well!

The high school Computer Literacy class rocked their Microsoft Excel Certification Test. All five students passed with flying colors. They are all now certified in Microsoft Word and Excel!



Saturday Night Ghost Tours



Kathy Hammon and Mary Wells of the BPA presenting Travis and Tiffney Cook and Ariel Pribble of Lost Souls in the shadows, the paranormal team, with a check for their portion of the proceeds for the Saturday night ghost tours. After the presentation, they had a planning meeting for the 2022 tours.
The second picture is from the last tour night showing the group with the tour guide.

SSM Health Monroe Clinic Medical Group Offering COVID-19 Vaccine Event in New Glarus

SSM Health Monroe Clinic Medical Group is offering a COVID-19 Vaccine Event on Tuesday, November 30. The event will run from 4-7 p.m. at their clinic located at 1800 Second Street, New Glarus.
The following COVID-19 vaccines will be available:
•Pfizer Pediatric vaccine for ages five-11. These individuals must be available to return in three weeks for a second dose.
•Moderna COVID-19 booster for eligible individuals who received their last dose at least six months ago. Boosters are available for people 65 years of age or older, residents of long-term care facilities and congregate living facilities, those 18-64 years of age with certain underlying medical conditions and individuals whose occupations put them at high risk for exposure to COVID-19.
Appointments and masks are required. To schedule, please call 608-527-5296.
For more information about COVID-19 vaccines or how to schedule a vaccine appointment for any eligible individual, community members can visit monroeclinic.org/coronavirus.



John Godfrey “Gof” Thomson of The Bank of New Glarus accepts his award from WBA President and CEO Rose Oswald Poels and WBA Board Chair Ken Thompson, president and CEO of Capitol Bank, Madison.

Gof Thomson inducted into WBA Leaders in Banking Excellence

John Godfrey Thomson, better known in our community as “Gof”, was honored by the Wisconsin Bankers Association for his excellence in banking, community service, and civic involvement. A celebration was held on Friday, October 29 at the WBA headquarters in Madison, where a Leaders in Banking Excellence Wall installation displays a tribute to outstanding current and former bankers. The wall was established in 2020, and five Class of 2021 honorees join the 12 inaugural honorees.
“Gof has made significant contributions to Wisconsin’s banking industry and to the economic wellbeing of our state,” said Rose Oswald Poels, WBA president and CEO. “Part of what makes him an exceptional leader is that he has inspired others to succeed in their professions and in service to their communities.”
Thomson worked for more than 30 years at The Bank of New Glarus, making lifelong connections, and positively impacting Wisconsin’s banking industry. He is a graduate of Grinnell College and received his Juris Doctor degree from the University of Minnesota. He served in the U.S. Navy Reserves as a JAG officer. Gof served on the Board of Directors for the Independent Community Bankers of America (ICBA) and has been involved with many aspects of the Community Bankers of Wisconsin (CBW) and Wisconsin Bankers Association. He also served as president of CBW from 1993–1994 and was named “Banker of the Year” by CBW in 1999.
In our community, he is active with the New Glarus Lions, the New Glarus Chamber of Commerce, the Wilhelm Tell Play, and Green Coun-

ty Development. He has served on the Clean Wisconsin Board for nearly 30 years.
When asked about Gof’s contribution to the community, Ron Schaaf, President & CEO of The Bank of New Glarus said “We’re very thankful to Gof for all his years of service to our bank as well as to our community! He certainly is a Leader in Banking Excellence.”
The additional honorees in the 2021 Leaders in Banking Excellence Class are: Jon Bernander, Bank of Wisconsin Dells; Robert Gorsuch, Oak Bank, Fitchburg; Mary L. Staudenmaier, The Stephenson National Bank & Trust (SNBT), Marinette; and Merlin E. Zitzner, Baraboo State Bank.
To read the bios of each of the 2021 Leaders in Banking Excellence honorees, please visit www.wisbank.com/excellence2021.



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Wisconsin War Bride Diary I

By Charles H. Ripp, MD
Chapter 20 - Family Stuff

Herb loves James (brother) and Roland/Mary (brother-in-law and sister) along with baby Jimmie. He takes naturally to children and I could see him being a great father to our kids. I'm getting the feeling that we need to get over an engagement hump at our house. I don't want to pressure him because I feel he gets it and doesn't want to rush me. Both of us love each other and our families (important). It is critical that we go down the road to matrimony together if that is how things may occur. I even received the vote of his cranky sister, Pauline. If Pauline likes me, anybody in that family will like my presence. We have plenty of Jesuits to marry us; however, I would prefer to utilize our local pastor. I want a clean ceremony of marriage (why am I constantly thinking this way). Apparently, I'm truly in love and cannot escape thinking of a final push towards the partnership becoming permanent. I want everything to go exactly perfect—knowing that things may occur at times in a negative way. Again, I feel fortunate that I've found the right guy, he occupies my mind daily and I'm good with his interactions with both our families (important).

The only people Herb hasn't met yet and will this weekend is our relatives from Chicago (Zuercher cheese in Chicago). Besides distant relatives, these folks are the salt of the earth, hard working and make great cheese. We've been friends since childhood and I'd like to continue into adulthood if possible. Families get stretched, feelings are tampered and distance plays a role in families not maintaining contact. I want to circumvent all these obstacles and maintain our family as close as possible. Chicago is only two hours and we have considerable catching up to do. I want to make the effort to maintain close ties with our family roots on the Zuercher side in Chicago. Mom's roots are probably out East; but then again, we'll never know. Mom rarely discusses her roots and is comfortable acting in this manner. Dad has extensive family contacts throughout the Midwest and maintains close ties with all his siblings and close friends. He was raised in a different generation where friends were the very best source of importance, fun and alliance.

The Chicago relatives appear to be established and more "well off" than the Wisconsin Zuercher sect. Herb is excited to meet these family members and procure more positive votes for his entrance into our family (we actually vote). Herb chuckles as do my co-workers as we explain our Zuercher system of voting people into the family. It is a "closed door around the dinner table" session with objections fully explored. It is hair raising; and if Herb comes up for a vote, he'll win. I'll not stay for a discussion and the final vote. There's plenty to review about Herb; but it is all positive. I must go to bed!

Chapter 21 - Finally

Our family has settled nicely into a comfortable position by maintaining good relationships with everyone. There is strife around me with little family quarrels I'm hearing from my nursing colleagues.

Alcoholism appears rampant throughout the county. Many feel it is the beer produced in Monroe, Wisconsin (Huber Brewing Company). My thought is that if one is drinking to excess, it doesn't matter where the alcohol is produced. In fact, I've read during prohibition many people brewed their own beer and obtained alcohol illegally from far away sources. Plus, the fact that the Huber family lives across 17th Avenue from our house makes me somewhat biased towards brewers. Most people don't abuse alcohol and use it socially. Thus, it's not big deal barring overuse of the drug. Many of the alcohol abusers appear to be veterans; and this is understandable. There has to be another method of control for these guys returning with stress trauma syndrome. It's obvious that many of these people we visit weekly at the veteran's special gathering place (VFW) downtown are riddled with alcoholism. Jobs, education and family relationship assistance with special psychiatric care is provided. Unfortunately, since our one psychiatrist in rural Green County, Wisconsin, has left, we are in a world of hurt for mental illness.

Climbing through the cracks and deciphering what is occurring socially to veterans is difficult. Nobody wants to say this or that guy is scarred for life. Medically, we just don't know. After World War I many vets were instructed that they may have problems; and the best form of treatment was to just deal with the problem yourself. This didn't work because many vets committed suicide, developed psychiatric conditions and had endless family difficulties (not discussed much according to Dad—a WWI vet himself). Many of our soldiers had issues before the wars, which in my mind are accelerated after the war. I don't feel that we have the answer for most of these guys. The gals I know that are married to war veterans are dealing with considerable dysfunction upon their return home. Herb seems more stable and is moving on from the war experience. I'm confident he'll handle life well after being recruited at such a young age. Some of our vets were recruited at the age of 15 years. Incredibly, if the youth had the moxy and build, he could help fight a war of survival for the United States. I suspect that many of these soldiers will have flashbacks and issues the rest of their lives and never receive any valid treatment. Love and support of all our friends and fighting veterans is critical because it means so much.

I received a call from the hospital to come back this evening due to the busy OB ward, short staffing and many difficult patients. I'm on my way despite needing a bath and makeup. I'll be alright because most women in labor care about one thing (delivering safely). I arrive in good time to the hospital and enter a forceps delivery that isn't a smooth delivery clinically. The baby is occiput posterior by the x-ray and clinical exam (sunny-side up/backwards). I want to assist because the obstetrician (Dr. Marin) is struggling and tired. The forceps are finally on but cannot be secured easily. A final big push by Mom occurs and our baby is delivered with substantial cranial

molding. The forceps ended on the baby's eyes, mouth and nose with considerable pressure marks. I'm concerned about fractures, vision difficulty and apparently the ability to eat. The shoulder is drooping and the right arm is not moving like the left. Baby has Erb's Palsy (by my nursing textbooks). We've pulled on his brachial plexus (nerves going to his arm); and he now has a paralyzed arm. Mom is fine with a large perineal tear that is bleeding excessively. The pediatrician on call is on his way and Mom is crying. Perhaps these are the babies we should be performing Caesarean Sections routinely. That is the future thought to avoid nerve and other injuries during the delivery process. Mom's with C-Sections end up fine and have no long-term issues other than to have all their future babies delivered surgically.

The pediatrician arrives with alcohol on his breath. I feel sorry for him because we only have 2.5 pediatric doctors in the county. Two full time pediatric docs who take call a week at a time. One doc works part-time and is unavailable for evening hospital consults. Our on-call doctor not just smells like alcohol, he is visibly inebriated. I'm not certain of what to do as the head OB nurse. Do I talk to him, call administration or allow him to care for the baby? I come up to him as he is examining the baby and says we'll place the baby in physical therapy for the arm, consult the ophthalmologist in the morning and watch the facial scars. The doctor, Dr Smith, actually appeared adequate clinically despite being a touch floppy. I wouldn't want him for my baby's doctor! I stepped back and realized that this doc has call for a week; and that is asking considerable.

In small communities with all party phone lines (because of the expense of private telephone lines), the physician is required to endure substantial chronic stress awaiting difficult referral on call cases. This extends to staying near a telephone that your neighbor may never set down, being called for every little order and the hospital requirement of examining every pediatric admission upon arrival. Many of our docs are here most of the evening and have clinic with hospital call the next day or week. It is quite demanding. The pay is less than a physician in a large city. Our docs are here because they want to live in a small town. The values are golden in small communities. I discovered this when I moved to Milwaukee. People still care in many ways within small communities.

I was ready to report this pediatrician the next morning. I had planned on walking into the hospital administrator and spilling my beans over a drunken physician on staff. As I walked in at 0630 for my 0700 shift I was met by Dr. Smith, the pediatrician. He wanted to talk and spilled his beans loudly. He expressed dismay with himself as there was a party for war friends last evening at his house. He had four beers and risked that he wouldn't be called into the hospital. I don't know him well except I did hear his wife was ill and he has children. He's obviously under stress; and as a recent war veteran who obviously had his career plans turned upside down;

I didn't want to further his stress (whistle-blower). He apologized for being on my hospital obstetric unit after having beer and vowed to never let it happen again. He was embarrassed and it appears that difficult forceps delivery case will heal with normal vision. Ophthalmology has already examined the baby and feels the vision is normal with no substantial injury. As I was leaving the pediatric doctor, he abruptly asked if I wanted to go for dinner this evening. I was floored and embarrassed. I don't really like this guy that much; he's of average looks and has made a mess of himself and family. I casually answered thanks for the offer but I have a serious relationship (I certainly hope I do).

Herb is coming over tonight at 7 p.m. to listen to our radio. The Chicago channels are quite intriguing. Radio from the big city on our large Zenith Hi-Fi is incredible. Comedy, sports, news and story telling are the very best. Late evening stories with incredible suspense has everyone with their ears pointing to the radio. We have choices to make with the very best of Chicago radio. We have The Falcon, Family Theatre, Famous Jury Trials, The Fat Man, Father Knows Best, Favorite Story, The FBI in Peace and War, and Fibber McGee and Molly. These are all great shows; and my parents will also listen to many of these popular shows. We tuned into Jack Benny this evening and he was hilarious. We laughed until we were crying. As we listened, Mom made popcorn from our farm. This was incredibly delicious. I love eating fresh popcorn from a field of recently picked popcorn. There was plenty of moisture this year to harvest a great crop. It was so wonderfully tasting. The Hubers across the street visited socially. They have plenty to discuss with my parents. In a small town, much of everything is openly discussed - including politics, love affairs, family gossip and church issues. The local neighborhood discussions lag on for hours. I'm not worried that we'll be listening to the radio later than the talk in the kitchen.

Herb has been viewing me differently the last couple times we are together. I cannot explain it. Is he running away or getting more interested in the relationship? It's hard for a gal to determine how a guy actually thinks or deliberates. Guys are a different species than females. I know that from hospital interactions. I want to know more; but I could not get myself to ask him if there is something not right, too right or is it war stress trauma? Mom would get anything out of my Dad in a heartbeat. I cannot be so forthright to delve into Herb's mind. I'm thinking as we end the radio night with The Grand Ole Opry Show. This is always the very best of country music; and Hank Williams is constantly performing. I ultimately kiss Herb goodbye and will see him later this weekend at our cottage. I act upbeat as he appears down a touch. He's thinking deeply; and that can be good or bad.

I slept so-so last evening. I kept wondering what is happening to Herb. He's spellbound and I'm in the middle of his thoughts. Will he leave or hang around and become engaged? He says he loves me; but

according to all the St. Claire nurses that statement is cliché. All guys state they love you to make a gal feel good - whether they actually mean it or not. I'm not getting that from Herb. He's far too nice to just say stuff and not mean it. He did hold on tighter as we parted this evening. This is a good sign. I feel I'm overreacting. Moving on, I've got a 12-hour nursing staff filler tomorrow on the surgical post op floor. I'm covering for a good friend who is nearly at the end of her pregnancy. I'm not certain she'll return after her 4th baby. I give her credit for working the weekend shifts with three other toddlers at home. Jane states that she is on vacation when she's at the hospital. Her husband is a hard working Swiss Colony baker. They live just on the edge of town and struggle to maintain their kids in private St. Victor School. They are strong Catholics and good friends of our family. Their kids are so wonderfully dressed in mass every Sunday. Since I'm playing at 10:30 mass I don't mingle with them much; but they are ever present and proud parishioners. There are so many good families in our parish that it is difficult to find a better parish than St. Victor's parish.

My shift on Saturday was a bummer. My post-op patients included a case of terminal metastatic cancer in the abdomen, an infected post-op gallbladder case and a partial liver resection patient who won't stop bleeding despite our whole blood with its clotting factors being transfused. He'll return to surgery Sunday morning probably if his hemoglobin and blood pressure don't rise. He's in a world of hurt; and despite the IV morphine, he's not obtaining good pain relief. I've tried everything in the nursing manuals in consultation with the surgeons. Clinically, our entire medical staff is throwing their hands up in the air over this case. I finally gave him a large dose of phenergan and he slept for the day. I'm not certain if he'll live; but everyone is trying. Our other nursing colleagues on the surgical floor also don't have it easy. There are many ill patients with considerable post-operative issues. This is a far different world than obstetrics; and it really gives your life meaning to care for people in such difficult conditions. This is why I'm a nurse. This critical care nursing is what our profession needs to stand-out amidst mediocrity. Patients, administrators and physician staff highly respect the minute-to-minute care these post-operative patients receive. I love it!

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Green County Childcare Professionals Complete Training

Two-dozen Green County childcare professionals recently completed special training in Professionalism to enhance their skills as early childhood educators.

As part of the Professionalism workshop, participants examined the skills required to be a successful early childhood educator as well as who they are as professionals. They studied developmentally appropriate practices in early education and identified what it looks like for each individual. Training was provided by 4-C through a partnership with Green County Development Corporation (GCDC).

"The Professionalism class with Lisa Jones (of 4-C) was amazing. She really knows how to keep us engaged," said participant Theresa Klemm.

She and other participants had the opportunity to embrace the world of an early childhood educator, rather than a "babysitter" who watches kids. Working in early childhood education goes far beyond providing a space



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where a child can “hang out,” have a snack, and nap while parents are at work. There are intentional practices that happen behind the scenes of which most parents and caregivers are unaware.

The majority of our brain’s hard wiring occurs between birth and age five. This period sets the stage for the child’s entire life – how they will live, learn, think, and respond as adults. Early education professionals need to have a wide skill set to effectively provide care and education to children at this crucial stage. This training helps early educators understand the enormous impact their roles have on the lives of children who will one day be adults.

Completing the Professionalism training were: Bailey Smith, Cassidy Ware, Tara Walz, Chelsey Guthrie, Becky Zuber and Gina Anderson of Small World, Inc., New Glarus; Amy Burkhalter, Sandy Ritschard and Betty Lou Parkinson of Rainbow Childcare, Monroe; Laura Callaway of Glorious Giggles, Brodhead; Kathy Olmstead of Walk With Me, Argyle; Theresa Klemm of Monroe Parks and Rec; Andrea Priebe of Little Rascals, Monroe; Corrine Hendrickson of Corrine’s Little Explorers, New Glarus; Jillynn Niemeier of Blue Door Day Care, Monroe; Brenda Studer of Brenda’s Family Daycare, Monroe; Margaret Lutz of Margaret’s Clubhouse, New Glarus; Peyton Morgan, Megan Chance, MacKenzie Zander and Sara Viney of The Growing Tree, New Glarus; Valerie Johnson of Tiny Treasures Family Daycare, Albany; Julie LeGros of Julie’s Child Care, New Glarus; and Sally Yaun of Little Gippers Daycare, Monticello.

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Green County 4-H Youth, Adults Recognized

Green County 4-H held its annual Awards & Recognition Ceremony on Saturday, November 13 where numerous youth and adults of the 4-H program were recognized and thanked for their efforts in promoting and supporting positive youth development.

4-H record books are a means of tracking and reflecting on the progress a youth has made on a project over the 4-H year. Accumulating points during record book reviews earns youth a bronze, silver, gold, or emerald pin. This year's bronze pin winners were Mickaelynn Andrews (Washington Center), Aleczander Johnson (Next Generation), Megan Leitner (Cheese Country Clovers), and Lillian Sievers (Clarence Bridge Pioneers). The silver pin was awarded to Mirielle Smith (Washington Center). No gold or emerald pins were awarded this year.

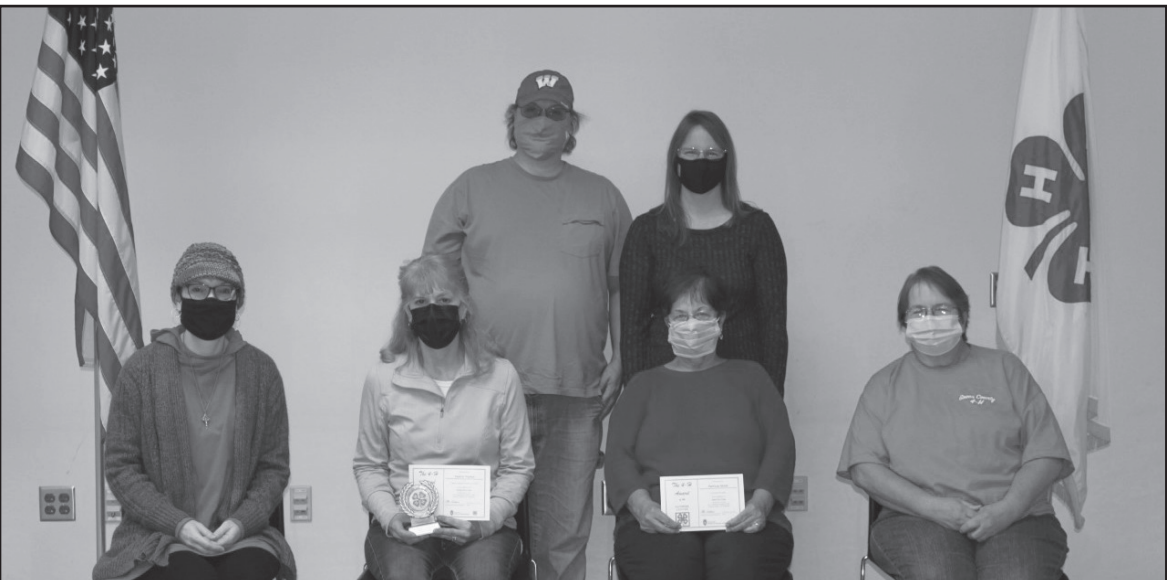
Adult volunteers were also recognized for their years of service to Green County 4-H youth. Adults serving 20 or more years at this time are Tina Straws (20 years); Valerie Wymer (25 years); Leilani Erb and Rae Wellnitz (30 years); Patricia Sleiter (35 years) and Connie Heimann (40 years).

Other awards and recognition given were for First Year Record Books, Cloverbuds, Cloverbud Graduates, Project Awards, Project Category Awards, Outstanding Record Books, Club Historian, and National 4-H Week Window Displays.

For more information about the 2021 Green County 4-H Awards & Recognition Ceremony, please contact: Ellen Andrews, 4-H Youth Development Educator at 608-328-9440.



2021 4-H Awards Ceremony—youth: front row, left to right: Marcellus Smith, James Maricque, Eliza Sievers, Isabella Johnson, and Jamison Smith. Middle row: Mirielle Smith, Megan Leitner, Lillian Sievers and Aleczander Johnson. Back row: Mara Meichtry, Madilyn Brown, Mickaelynn Andrews, Benson Miller and Liam Goers.



2021 4-H Awards Ceremony—adults: front row, left to right: Sabrina Meichtry, Valerie Wymer, Patricia Sleiter and Deb Myers. Back row: Christopher Smith and Dawn Smith.

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UScellular Is Pledging up to \$13 Million To Help Up to 50,000 Youth Connect and Close the Homework Gap

Company launches After School Access Project for eligible Brodhead nonprofits to receive free hotspots and service

Access to reliable connectivity causes a divide between youth who have access and those who do not. Currently, 35% of low-income households lack any access to broadband service at home. This leads to an issue known as the “homework gap” among students who lack proper Internet access. To close this gap, UScellular has launched the After School Access Project, a program that provides free mobile hotspots and service to nonprofits that support youth after the school day has ended and provides safe Internet access for homework and education.

This is an expansion of previous hotspot donations the company provided to address connectivity needs during the pandemic, including in Janesville, La Crosse, Fond du Lac, and Madison. Seeing the greater need, the company has pledged to donate up to \$13 million in hotspots and service in 2022. Eligible 501c3 nonprofit organizations are encouraged to apply by going to <https://bit.ly/3B7zOZQ>.

“When we heard the stories of youth who couldn't get access to reliable Internet for their schoolwork, we knew we had to act,” said Christine Paulson, director of sales for UScellular in Wisconsin. “Connecting people and communities is our mission and the After School Access Project is just one way that we're helping ensure students have the reliable access they need to grow and pursue their dreams.”

Hotspots are stand-alone Wi-Fi networks that can connect several devices at once wirelessly and have proven to be a vital tool for youth to access the Internet, study and complete homework. To date in 2021, UScellular has donated 2,800 hotspots, 100+ of which went to Wisconsin, and service to 33 Boys & Girls Clubs across the country, a \$2.6 million investment. Clubs have used them to boost their connectivity on site and loaned the devices out to youth and their families to support reliable access at home.

Brodhead nonprofit organizations that meet the following criteria are welcomed to apply:

- Certified 501c3 nonprofit organizations
- Operate within UScellular's service area
- Focused on kindergarten through 12th grade
- Not a school or government entity

Hotspot devices will be shipped to nonprofit organizations within 6 to 8 weeks of an approved, completed application.

“Closing the digital divide will require the involvement of many organizations and that is why we encourage nonprofits working with youth in after-school programs to apply and use this resource to enhance the important work they are already doing,” said Paulson.

UScellular is focused on addressing gaps in STEM education and is committed to connecting more than 200,000 of tomorrow's innovators each year with the resources they need today to help shape future opportunities. Since 2009, UScellular has donated more than \$20.8 million along with countless experiences and technology items to nonprofit organizations across the country. For more information about UScellular's corporate social responsibility initiatives, please go to <https://www.uscellular.com/get-to-know-us/community-outreach>.

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A Night of Jazz

The Middle School and High School Jazz Bands performed their Fall concert on Monday, November 15th. The concert featured the Middle School Jazz Band performing “Footloose” and “Lean on Me”. The High School Jazz Band played “Moondance”, “Somewhere Out There” and “Pennsylvania 6-5000”. The concert ended with a combined piece by all Jazz Band members playing “25 or 6 to 4”. It was a wonderful night of jazz.

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