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## City Council

### Ordinance to Rezone Wuthrich Property to R2 Failed

By Grace Kufahl

Ordinance 006-2023 would allow for the property north of the Senior Village and west of Cardinal Estates be rezoned to R2 to allow for duplexes to be built. Alder Simpson moved to decline to rezone due to residents' concerns it would affect their property values. He was also concerned that it didn't pass the Zoning Board of Appeals. Mayor Jones stated the Planning Commission recommended the zoning be changed and the many local residents who live in the Mobile Home Park were not asked for their opinion since they rent the land on which their homes sit. He also stated that the city has a housing shortage and this type of development would help that. Mr. Simpson stated the city has land to develop for housing. The mayor stated that land in

the industrial park is not an option. The representative of the property said the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting was not professional and he wasn't given a chance to address the homeowners' concerns. He further stated the variance question is a matter of two feet along the length of the properties. After much discussion, Simpson's motion to deny the rezone ultimately passed with a five to one vote.

Sheriff Jeff Skatrud attended to answer questions about Green County's request for approximately \$70,000 for a 911 dispatcher. Skatrud explained that from 1981 until a staffing shortage earlier this year, Brodhead accepted 911 calls for the 897 exchange and cell phones from the same area. The county agreed to help even though their staffing model wasn't built for this. With the

increase in volume, they need two additional dispatchers. The county will fund one and they're asking the city of Brodhead to fund the other. Alder Burkhalter asked if any other communities pay for dispatch and the Sheriff responded they do not. Alder Simpson asked if the proposal had passed the Green County and Brodhead Attorneys. Sheriff Skatrud stated it had. Attorney Schroeder clarified he'd reviewed it, but wasn't asked to research it. Alder Baxter asked if the county would still take the calls if the city declined to pay and the Sheriff stated they would. After further discussion in closed session, the council directed the city attorney to research state statues concerning 911 emergency services in regards to the contract Sheriff Skatrud presented.



### Welcome the new owners of N&S Family Properties

N&S Family Properties is a 174-unit storage facility located at 203 23rd Street in Brodhead.

In March of 2023, Noah McMahon and his family bought the storage units. Noah is a delivery driver for Frank Distributing. His wife, Ana Sofia is a schoolteacher. They have two children: Jonah and Salma. They reside in the nearby Village of Orfordville.

They are excited to offer quality storage at affordable prices. They are offering a move-in special that does not charge for the rent until the beginning of the first of the month. They have three types of units that include 10x20, 10x40 one-door units and 10x40 two-door units.

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500 Park Street, Albany. 608-862-3206,  
Rev. Tom Moe, Pastor. Sunday worship  
at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Check our web page  
at albanyumchurch.com.

Bethany Lutheran Church, 1652 West  
Church Road, Brodhead. 608-897-4158.  
Pastor Rick Gleason. 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@beth-  
lehembrodhead.org. Website: www.beth-  
lehembrodhead.org. Sunday in-person  
worship with Communion at 9 a.m. On-  
line worship option via Facebook—Beth-  
lehem Lutheran Church. Bingo the second  
and fourth Thursdays of each month at 7  
p.m., doors open at 5:30 p.m.

Congregational United Church of  
Christ, E201 23rd Street, Brodhead.  
608-897-2917. Pastor Shawn Staple-  
ton. Sundays: 10 a.m. worship. Sunday  
school every other Sunday at 8:45 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. Sun.,  
Dec. 3, Christmas program during ser-  
vice. Cookie Walk/Frosty Workshop, Fel-  
lowship Hall, Sat., Dec. 9, 8 a.m. to noon.  
Ecumenical Live Nativity event, church  
parking lot, Sat., Dec. 16, 5:30-7 p.m.  
Longest Night "Service of Remembrance"  
at church, Thurs., Dec. 21, 5 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.



## Lucille A. Schneider

Lucille A. Schneider, aged 90, of  
Browntown, passed away peace-  
fully on November 24, 2023, at St.  
Elizabeth Manor, Footville, Wis-  
consin. She was born the daughter  
of Tilman and Rachel (Laughridge)  
Nipple on October 4, 1933, in Al-  
bany. Lucille married the love of her  
life Lawrence Schneider on June 15,  
1952, in Albany.

Lucille worked at Libby's, now  
known as Seneca Foods, in Janes-  
ville seasonally for a few years; she  
later worked at Advance Trans-

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Funeral and  
Cremation Services

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. Pas-  
tor Russ Doeblen. 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; Sun-  
day 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 Jady N Manjrekar. Wor-  
ship 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. Sched-  
ule—Sundays: worship 9 a.m. Monthly  
church Council and Ladies Aid meetings  
are held the second Sunday of the month  
at 10 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 Administra-  
tor. Mass at 8:15 a.m. Wednesday and on  
the first Sunday of the month at noon.

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

former for 30 years before retiring  
in 1986. Beyond her career, Lucille  
loved life and pursued a variety of  
interests. She was an avid bowler  
and enjoyed traveling. But it's her  
family time that brought her the  
most joy; she loved being with her  
children and grandchildren.

Lucille is survived by her hus-  
band, Lawrence; three children:  
Bruce (Becky) Schneider of Mon-  
roe, Connie (Steve) Isely of Juda,  
and Linda Buol of Troy, Illinois;  
10 grandchildren; numerous  
great-grandchildren and great-  
great-grandchildren; uncle, Ray  
Laughridge; and sister-in-law, Es-  
ther Gobeli. She was preceded in  
death by her parents; two brothers:  
Donald (LaVerne) Nipple and  
Gordon (Rita) Nipple; sister, Carol  
(Virgil) Marshall; son-in-law, Terry  
Buol; grandson, Terry Schneider;  
and great-granddaughters, Iris,  
Danielle, and Emma Loggins.

Funeral services will be held  
on Friday, December 1, at 11 a.m.  
at Shriener Hager Gohlke Funeral  
Home with Pastor Brian Barrett of-  
ficiating. Burial will be held at Mt.  
Vernon Cemetery in Juda at a later  
date.

A visitation will be held Thurs-

## OBITUARIES



## Sharon Treuthardt "Mrs. T"

Sharon Treuthardt "Mrs. T", age  
75, Brodhead, passed away from  
natural causes while surrounded by  
her family at the Collinwood Mem-  
ory Care facility in Brodhead.

Sharon was born on June 18, 1948  
in Janesville, the daughter of Roy  
and Mabel (Thompson) Smith.

She married Michael Treuthardt  
on August 6, 1966.

Sharon worked for APCO, Cold  
Storage, Pierce Hardware, worked  
as a dispatcher for the City of Brod-  
head and later retired in 2013 from  
the Brodhead Elementary School.

Sharon is survived by her hus-  
band, Mike; one son, Aaron (Cheryl)  
Treuthardt; two siblings: Tammy  
and Tom; and many other nieces,  
nephews and other relatives and  
friends.

Sharon was preceded in death by  
her parents, two sisters: Joyce and  
Pam; and two brothers: Allen and  
Brad.

The family would like to extend a  
special thank you to Maria Johnson  
and LouAnn Harmel and the staff at  
Collinwood Memory Care.

Per Sharon's wishes, there will be  
no services and cremation rites will  
be accorded. The DL Newcomer Fu-  
neral Home in Brodhead is assisting  
the family. Online condolences can  
be made at www.dlnewcomerfu-  
neralhome.com.

day, November 30, from 4 until 7  
p.m. at the funeral home. In lieu of  
flowers, memorials may be made to  
the Alzheimer's Association. Con-  
dolences may be sent to the family  
at: shriner111.com.

The family would like to extend  
a special thank you to St. Elizabeth  
Manor for their compassionate care.

THANK YOU • **THANK YOU** • Thank You • Thank You

THE FAMILY OF MERLYN NENNEMAN  
wishes to thank everyone who called, sent cards and gave  
memorials and all kindnesses shown to us after his passing.  
Thank you to Pastor Francois Mukosa for officiating at  
the funeral and Jarod from DL Newcomer Funeral Home for  
making all the arrangements.  
May God bless all our relatives and friends.

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## A LITTLE GOOD NEWS

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"We may not have hit the peak yet,  
but we are on the journey up."  
~Brian Nhira



Brodhead UCC Women's Guild

## CHRISTMAS COOKIE WALK

Saturday, December 9th  
8 a.m. - Noon

Cookies! Candies! Rosettes!

Other specialty cookies also available!



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Hand styled craft items and new  
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## Albany UMC Night of Christmas Music

An Ecumenical Event of Scripture and Music

Sunday, December 3rd at 6:00pm

ALBANY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
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albanyumchurch.com



## Jeanette Ann Jones

Jeanette Ann Jones, 74, of Brod-  
head, passed away Saturday, No-  
vember 18th at her home surround-  
ed by family.

She was born on October 20th  
1949 in Lancaster, Wisconsin, the  
daughter of Reuben and Emmo-  
gene Ludlum. Jeanette married  
Richard Jones on May 11, 1968 at St  
Jude Catholic Church, Beloit.

Jeanette worked at Mickey  
Mouse, Flynn's Steakhouse and  
M&J's, just to name a few. She en-

joyed watching football, and spend-  
ing time with her family most of all.  
She loved to cook, carve watermel-  
ons and crochet in her free time.

Survivors include her husband,  
Richard Jones; children: Rich-  
ard Jones, Jr. and Elizabeth Fields  
(Jeff); grandchildren: Dylan Fields  
(Raychel), Taylor Hoard (Tylor),  
Brenley and Jalynn Jones; great  
grandchildren: Temperance Fields,  
Palmer and Lettie Hoard; siblings:  
Evelyn Krattiger, Gerald (Linda)  
Ludlum, Roger (Susan) Ludlum,  
Susan (Brad) Warden, Randy (Jody)  
Ludlum, Mike (Cindi) Jones, Anna  
Jones, Lanaya Jones (Gary), Mary  
Ludlum and Gail Ludlum; along  
with several nieces and nephews,  
and a special friend, Rachel, who  
helped her so much until the end of  
her journey.

Jeanette was preceded in death  
by her parents; mother in law, Edith  
Jones; father in law, Vernal Jones;  
brothers: Darrell, Ronald, and Don-  
ald; in laws: Jerry Jones, Jimmy  
Jones, Ronald Jones, Patricia Groth,  
Nancy (Ray) Rankins, and Donna  
Brady.

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

A celebration of life will be held  
on Saturday, December 2, from 2 to  
5 p.m. with a special family eulogy  
at 5 p.m. at the DL Newcomer  
Funeral Home in Brodhead. Online  
condolences can be made at www.  
dlnewcomerfuneralhome.com.

45  
Snows  
To Go!



## ACTIVITIES AROUND TOWN

### BANK OF BRODHEAD BUS TRIPS

The Bank of Brodhead is sponsoring two upcoming trips. The first trip is to Virginia Beach, Colonial Williamsburg and Norfolk. The trip dates are April 6-14, 2024. It includes Virginia Beach Boardwalk, visit to Colonial Williamsburg, narrated Norfolk Naval Base Harbor Cruise, admission to the Nauticus and Battleship Wisconsin, visit to Mariners' Museum and Park and Virginia Beach Aquarium and Marine Science Center. The price for the trip is \$1,219 per person double occupancy.

The second trip is to Mount Rushmore, Badlands and Black Hills. The dates for this trip are September 8-14, 2024. Features include Mount Rushmore National Museum, Tour of Wildlife Loop Road at Custer State Park, admission to the Unique Journey Museum, tour of Deadwood, visit to the Crazy Horse Memorial and a visit to the Badlands National Park. The price for this trip is \$939 per person double occupancy.

To sign up or for more information call Sue Schmelzer at 608-897-2676 or 608-558-8797 or email [sschmelzer@charter.net](mailto:sschmelzer@charter.net).

### 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 17, 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 8.

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.

### BMS HOLIDAY SENIOR CITIZEN LUNCHEON

The Brodhead Middle School TOOL team and additional staff and students will host the annual holiday luncheon on Friday, December 15. The Team of Outstanding Leaders will organize a program of musical performances, trivia, readings, crafts, and door prizes. The program will begin at 11:30 a.m., with lunch served at noon, and conclude around 1 p.m. This annual luncheon is an opportunity for senior citizens in our community to gather before the holidays. If you would like to attend, contact the Brodhead Middle School office at 608-897-2184. Reservations must be made by Wednesday, December 13.

Free-will donations are welcome to maintain this holiday tradition.

### PENNY WAR

The Albrecht Elementary Penny War will be held from Monday, November 27 to Friday, December 1. Put your spare change toward a great cause. All proceeds from the penny war fund-raiser will go to support the district's Backpack Food Program.

Pennies are "positive." Here's how it works:

- Containers are located by the office for each grade level
  - Each penny counts as one positive point for the grade level
  - Each silver coin counts as negative points for other grade levels, in other words, dropping a quarter in another grade level's bucket takes 25 points from their total
  - At the end of the day on Friday, December 1, all change/points will be tallied and the grade level with the most points will win a prize
- Start saving your change—it can make a big difference.

**Advertising Deadline:  
Friday, 5 p.m.**

## JPAC brings first ever opportunity for littlest performers to the stage!

JPAC Kids Present: North Pole The Musical! Auditions are underway for the 400th Anniversary of North Pole Musical, and everyone is in a panic! The dancing Reindeer are "hoofin' it," but don't know what to do with Rudolph and his four left hooves. The elves are tired of always getting the short end of the stick, and are singin' the blues. The snowmen are "chillin'" but worried about the funky hot lights, and the toys are trying to do the entire Nutcracker Suite in three minutes! The annual Christmas show keeps getting bigger and bigger each year. But, wait a minute! Is bigger really better? See how Santa finds a way to remind everyone of the true meaning of the season. With a run time of just over 30 minutes, this is great fun for the whole family!

Featuring more than 30 students in grades K-3, this is the first ever performance-based opportunity for the youngest of performers at JPAC! They are excited to offer this new learning opportunity to a brand-new age group! Tickets are selling fast, so be sure to ring in the holiday cheer with this fun performance! Tickets are adults: \$7, students: \$5. Performances are Saturday, December 2nd and Sunday, December 3rd at 2 p.m.

Purchase tickets online at [www.janesvillepac.org](http://www.janesvillepac.org) or by calling 608-758-0297.

## The Community Closet

Thank you to the City of Brodhead and the surrounding communities for your support of the Community Closet. The Community Closet provides gently used clothes and shoes for free to women, men and children. They are located at 1108 11th Street, Brodhead, and open Saturdays 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

They have six participating churches in the Brodhead area. They are Bethany Lutheran, Bethlehem Lutheran, Living Word, St. Rose, United Church of Christ, and United Methodist. Each church volunteers two months of Saturdays a year.

They are currently needing winter donations of all sizes for the upcoming cold weather. Please bring them to the Closet any Saturday or if you have any questions call Sandy Condon at 608-558-3390.

## Faith by the Fire

On Thursday, November 30, come join the Congregational UCC for a relaxing evening of faith talk around the fire! They will gather at 5:30 p.m. in the Narthex around the fireplace for a time of questions and conversation around issues of faith. Do you have questions? Just want to hear the questions others have? Maybe you have insights that others could benefit from? Bring your favorite chair, your favorite beverage, and the issues of faith that you'd like to address. Everyone is welcome, See you then!

## Holiday Cookie Walk and Frosty Workshop

The UCC's Annual Cookie Walk and Frosty Workshop will be held on Saturday, December 9th in the Fellowship Hall of the UCC from 8 a.m. to noon, or until treats are sold out!! Be sure to take a stroll through our Frosty Workshop after you are done cookie shopping. They will have many new or gently used hand crafted items for your holiday gift giving needs and very reasonable prices!

## Ecumenical Live Nativity Drive-Thru

The Ecumenical Live Nativity Drive-Thru Event will be held on Saturday, December 16th from 5:30 to 7 p.m. in the parking lot of UCC. Enjoy the live animals, talented actors/actresses, vintage costumes and dazzling light displays! The true story of Christmas will unfold before your eyes as the Scriptures come to life with each passing scene. Please be sure to invite all of your family and friends to an event they won't want to miss!

## JUDA FIRE DEPARTMENT'S

### 30th Annual GUN SHOW

Sunday, December 3rd  
8 a.m. - 3 p.m.



Held at the  
Juda Community Center & Fire Station  
N2350 County Road S  
Juda, WI 53550

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## BINGO!!

### BIG CASH PAYOUTS!!

(Running Progressive Pot)

Thursday, November 30

Continuing 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month!



Doors open at 5:30 p.m.

Bingo starting at 6:30 p.m.

Food stand open at 5:30 p.m.



Bethlehem Lutheran Church

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### Bridges Breakfast with Santa!

Sunday, December 3  
8 - 11 a.m.

(Regular breakfast menu available all morning)

Bring your camera to take a picture with Santa!  
Santa will be at Bridges from 9 to 11 a.m.

Complimentary Hot Chocolate and Cookies will be available.

Also make a holiday ornament to take home.  
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**FIRE & ICE PARADE**

Come join in on the holiday festivities this weekend at the Fire & Ice Festival. Make sure to watch the parade and spot our float on Friday, December 1st!



Jaelyn Hilliard looks to pass the ball. Brodhead lost 37 -38 against the Trojans. (Free Press photo by Teresa Earleywine)



**Give a child a smile this Christmas...**

attend the 25th Annual **Children's Christmas Benefit**

**Saturday, December 2, 2023**  
at Orfordville American Legion Post 209

A holiday tradition sponsored by Rock County Supervisor Brian Knudson!  
Enjoy a free meal and entertainment! No admission or cover charge.

**Just bring donations to help those in need:**

- New Toys & Games
- CASH**
- Food Pantry Items

**IT'S WHAT CHRISTMAS IS SUPPOSED TO FEEL LIKE!**

Welcome the holidays with a **Fun Night for your entire Family!**

6:00p.m. - FREE Community Dinner (donations accepted)  
7:00p.m. - Children's visits with Santa  
7:45p.m. - FREE Children's raffle drawings  
8:00p.m. - LIVE MUSIC - Stateline Playboys  
Hourly Prize Raffles - \$1/ticket - Over 150 Prizes (must be present)  
**11:45p.m. - Grand Prize Raffle (\$5/ticket)**  
with over \$1500 in prizes!  
(Winners need not be present for Grand Prize Raffles)

For more information, call 608-490-1296; email [childrenschristmasbenefit@yahoo.com](mailto:childrenschristmasbenefit@yahoo.com) or follow us on Facebook!



### North Pole mailbox ready for letters to Santa

This is the time of year when children start thinking about that special gift they would like for Christmas. A special North Pole mailbox has been delivered to the Brodhead Post Office. Children can address their letters to Santa and put them in the mailbox for a sure delivery to the North Pole. The North Pole staff has guaranteed that Santa will be answering each of the letters.

The box will be available until Saturday, December 16. Santa's schedule gets a little busy after the 16th.

**Helping make Brodhead a place to call home.**



Brodhead's Alecia Dahl led her team with 12 points against Beloit Turner last week. (Free Press photo by Teresa Earleywine)



**Brodhead FREE PRESS** You've tried the rest... Now read the BEST!!

Former Jaycee members, Jeremy and Stephanie Pinnow, are very excited to help kick-off the fundraising efforts to build the splash pad at Jaycee Park. They are seen presenting a check for \$5,000 to current Jaycee President Katie Porterfield. Both Jeremy and Stephanie were members of the Brodhead Jaycees for 20+ years. Jeremy served as President for more than half of his tenure and Stephanie chaired the annual craft show for many years. The Jaycee organization represents individuals ages 18-40 focused on serving their community through volunteer activities. The Jaycees are very grateful for this generous donation and the Pinnows' commitment to making this community a great place to live!





## Lifeguards recognized by Red Cross

On Wednesday, November 22, Kyle Kriegl, Executive Director at the Red Cross, presented four Brodhead lifeguards with their national life saving award along with their lifeguard instructor Dave Gissing. Congratulations to those four ladies for their heroic actions. Thank you to Dave Gissing for training them to the highest standard. Park and Recreation Director Domanic Wiegel could not be more proud of all of them.

Pictured from left to right are: Kyle Kriegl, Jaelyn Hilliard, Madisyn Kail, Addison Swan, Tyra Lehman, and Dave Gissing.



The congregation of St. Peter Lutheran Church would like to offer their heartfelt thanks to you, the members of the Brodhead community, for joining them for their Community Thanksgiving Meal on Monday, November 13th. Thanks to your help, along with the contributions of Thrivent Financial, Texas Roadhouse and Ten Eyck Orchard, this annual event was a success! They hope you enjoyed good food and good company, and they thank you for your generous donations as well. Altogether, \$1,110 was raised for Brodhead EMS—and what a blessing to be able to give back to those who do so much for us! Truly, they are grateful to be a part of this community and they pray you all had a blessed Thanksgiving season!



Mike Olson, Bank of Brodhead President, presenting a check for \$2,000 to Kylee Gosnell and Molly Regenold

## Senior project in final stage

Kylee Gosnell and Molly Regenold are in the final stages with the lighting of the covered bridge. This has been their senior project and involved a lot of planning and fund-raising. Ideas for the lighting started out to be purely aesthetic, however the type of lighting that was eventually decided upon, provides visibility and security as well.

The Bank of Brodhead pledged to match up to \$2,000 and the girls exceeded their initial goal. The grand totaled raised was slightly over \$5,600. In addition the girls are planning seasonal decoration as well.

The downward lighting is from the roof at each peak, and two downward lights that light up the walkway across the bridge. It is programmable to change colors for various holidays. It is also programmable to go on at dark. The girls hope many of you will drive by to see the lights, wreaths, and garland on our beautiful bridge at Putnam Park.

They wish to thank everyone who donated to their senior project. Your generosity helped them reach their goals and it is greatly appreciated. Thank you to the following:

- The Bank of Brodhead (Mike Olson)
- The Brodhead Jaycees
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Also thank you to Ed Hoff and his crew for donating their time and efforts. As well as the Pearl Island Organization, Doug Pinnow, Rick Vogel and Cove Electric for their continuous support.



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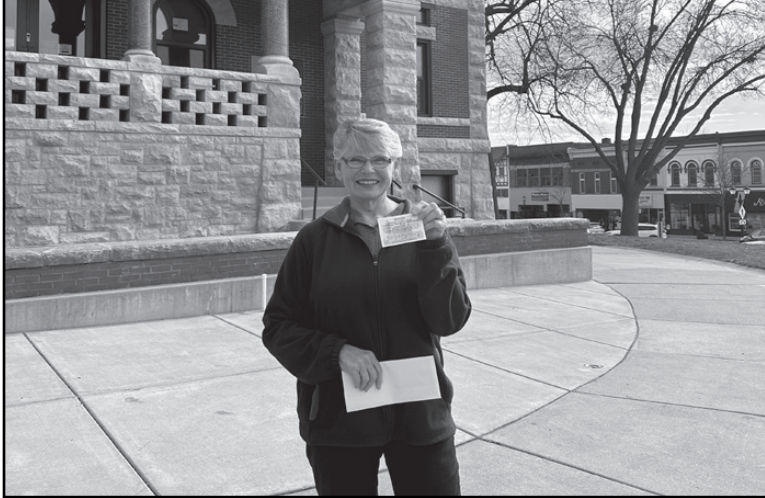
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**Vicki Schuur, of Monroe, stands in front of the courthouse on Monday, November 13th. Vicki won Main Street Monroe's 50/50 raffle by picking the closest time the courthouse renovation would be completed. Main Street Monroe defined the project as the clock tower bell ringing and all scaffolding being removed. Vicki chose November 8th because it's her father's birthday. A fundraiser for its downtown programming, Main Street sold 300 tickets. The earliest date anyone picked was May 3rd, while six were for 2024, and two 2025 dates were chosen.**

## Durand to host Spark! Place of Innovation

Durand has been selected by the Smithsonian to host its traveling exhibit Spark! Places of Innovation Saturday, December 2–Saturday, January 6. It really is quite unique to be able to host an exhibit of this nature...they're the first in the northern half of the state to do so! The exhibit will be held at the Durand Masonic Lodge #302, 420 North Center Street, Durand, Illinois.

Make sure to follow Durand Charm on Facebook as they promote their upcoming month-long Smithsonian exhibit. In addition to the exhibit itself, they will also host a companion exhibit featuring innovative ideas from Durand, the restored 1926 Peter Pirsch fire engine, visits from Santa, and Illinois Road Scholar presentations. More info can be found at [ILHumanities.org/Durand](http://ILHumanities.org/Durand).

The schedule for the exhibit is:  
 Monday-Friday: 5-8 p.m.  
 Saturday: 11 a.m.-5 p.m.  
 Sunday: 2-5 p.m.  
 Saturday, December 30, 2023: 2-5  
 Saturday, January 6, 2024: 5-8 p.m.  
 Closed; Saturday, December 23-Monday, December 25 and Sunday, December 31 and Monday, January 1.

This exhibition and related activities are hosted by Durand Charm. About Spark! in Durand After two fires in the 1800s in the town's business core, a volunteer fire department was created in Durand. They became the first municipal volunteer fire department in Illinois, sporting District #1 on their fire engine.

As a companion to the Spark! exhibition in Durand, Durand Charm is producing an exhibit highlighting the Durand Fire Department. Included in this exhibit will be the department's original 1929 Peter Kirsch fire engine. The exhibit will also display regional agricultural innovations.

Durand Charm has an exciting calendar of events planned in conjunction with the Spark! Exhibition: Road Scholar programs by Norman Moline and Cynthia Clampitt, visits from Santa Claus and a Youth and Innovation Project Competition.

About Spark! Places of Innovation

Spark! Places of Innovation, part of Illinois Humanities' Museum on Main Street program, is a Smithsonian traveling exhibition that highlights innovation in rural America from the perspectives of people who have lived it. Their words, images, and experiences, gathered through an ambitious crowd-sourcing initiative, are the heartbeat of the exhibition. The communities featured in Spark!—including seven small towns in Illinois—have enhanced their vitality through innovations in fields such as technology, agriculture, economic development, education, and the arts. Explore the diversity, ingenuity, and tenacity of rural Americans in Spark! Places of Innovation. Spark! will visit seven towns in Illinois from June 17, 2023 to March 29, 2024.



### Miss Laura, AML Children's Librarian

Dinovermonth at Albertson Memorial Library was sooooo much fun! There's dinosaur prints on the sidewalk with chalk drawings of dinosaur shadows. The dinosaur shaped obstacle course was a huge hit... lots of hopping and twisting and going over and under all around the giant dinosaur outline! We even put together a dinosaur skeleton! But now we're getting ready for Christmas stories for Preschool story time at Albertson Memorial Library. Stories about bears and dinosaurs (a

hold over from Dinovermonth!) and ducks and geese and rabbits and the little old lady who swallowed a bell! (I don't know why she swallowed a bell. I wish she'd tell!) We'll be putting puzzles together and exploring What Santa CAN'T Do. We'll try to help Bear Stay Up and checking out the Great Santa Stake-out! Now THERE's a mystery! Duck and Goose are waiting patiently for Christmas to arrive so they can put the star on the tree. It's Christmas, David is sure to sound familiar to our preschoolers. We'd love to see more kiddos at our story time. We meet most Tuesdays at 10 a.m. Since the library doesn't open until 11, we've got the place to ourselves and can be as active and rowdy as a preschooler wants to be. Come see us!

## MTG Proudly Presents the Musical Holiday Inn this December

Monroe Theatre Guild is pleased to present Irving Berlin's Holiday Inn on the Colony Brands stage this December. First time Directors for MTG, Alex and Olivia Lentz are skillfully leading this full-scale musical production. Alex, the Vocal Music Instructor at Monroe High School, and Olivia, the Communications and Community Outreach Manager for the Monroe Arts Center, share an impressive background in the performing arts. Their combined insights and remarkable ability to pass on their technical expertise to this gifted cast featuring actors from all walks of life, promise audiences can anticipate a memorable song and dance experience this holiday season.

Based on the 1942 award-winning movie of the same name, this new Broadway version of Irving Berlin's musical Holiday Inn, is a fresh take on an old classic. When singer-songwriter Jim Hardy tires of showbiz, he shocks his best friend Ted and fiancée Lila by leaving the bright lights behind for a quieter life in a farmhouse in Connecticut. At first, he greets his new life with enthusiasm, but just as he starts to think farm life isn't all it's cracked up to be, he meets Linda Mason, a spunky schoolteacher harboring immense talent and big dreams. Together, they bring life back to the Mason Farm by transforming it into The Holiday Inn, a lively venue for festive performances celebrating the red-letter days on the calendar. But when Ted shows up with plans to spirit Linda away to Hollywood, Jim fears he may lose his best shot for a happy life. With dance numbers galore and a score packed with Irving Berlin classics like "Blue Skies," "Heat Wave," "Shaking the Blues Away" and the beloved "White Christmas," this heartwarming romance is sure to delight all 365 days a year!

Monroe Theatre Guild's presentation of Holiday Inn, part of the Colony Brands performance series, is the final installment of their 2023 season. With 53 years of community theatre to their credit, having started the tradition in 1970, MTG is preparing to announce their much-anticipated 2024 Season to their members and the public later this month.

Performances at Monroe Theatre Guild are Friday, December 1 and Saturday, December 2 at 7 p.m., Sunday, December 3 at 2 p.m., Thursday, December 7 and Friday, December 8 at 7 p.m., Saturday, December 9 at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m., and Sunday, December 10. Ticket sales for Holiday Inn have been performing well. Reserved seating tickets can be purchased online at [monroetheatre.com](http://monroetheatre.com), or at the MTG ticket window at 910 16th Avenue, Monroe on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m.–2 p.m., or by calling 608-325-1111. As is often the case for MTG's holiday productions, this show promises to be another sell out.



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# Brodhead Fire and Ice: Prepare to be amazed!

Nothing kicks off the holiday season better than taking time to enjoy the annual Fire and Ice Festival in downtown Brodhead! This year's festival, presented by Bridges Bar and Grill, promises holiday fun for all ages including favorites like horse-drawn carriage rides, pictures with Santa, lighted parade sponsored by Senz Insurance, memory tree, arts and craft fair, food, drink and more. The first full weekend of December will be full of holiday cheer in downtown Brodhead as Brodhead Fire and Ice kicks off on Friday, December 1st.

Beautiful lights and seasonal music will greet you as you find bargains and that special something for the people on your shopping list. Fire pits on the square will keep you warm and roast hot dogs, or marshmallows for s'mores. Fire twirlers and dancers will amaze and ice will provide great entertainment as it is transformed into glistening, incredible ice sculptures! The night concludes with our phenomenal lighted parade sponsored by Senz Insurance and the event is topped off with Breakfast with Santa, hosted by the Brodhead Jaycees, on Saturday morning.

Check out BrodheadFireAndIce.com for complete details and to register for the craft fair, contests, memory tree and great-lighted parade! Prepare to be amazed!

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# POLICE

## Green County Sheriff's Department November 20-26, 2023

At approximately 12:48 p.m., Saturday, deputies responded to the intersection of County Highway FF and Ladwig Road, Town of Sylvester, for a two vehicle, non-injury crash. Investigation determined a northbound vehicle on Ladwig Road being operated by Dawn M. Love-Tempel, 57, of Darlington, failed to yield to an oncoming vehicle that was traveling eastbound on County Highway FF. Dawn merged onto CTH FF and struck the rear of a vehicle being operated by Henry B. Robinson, 52, of Albany. Neither driver was injured in the crash and both reported wearing their seat belts. There was no airbag deployment in either vehicle and they were driven from the scene. Dawn was ultimately issued a citation for failure to yield the right of way.

At approximately 9:06 a.m., Sunday, deputies responded to the intersection of Rechsteiner Road and Towns Road, Town of Sylvester, for a single vehicle accident with no injuries reported. Investigations found that a vehicle operated by Peter T. Cline, 68, of Brodhead, was northbound on Rechsteiner and preparing to turn westbound onto Towns Road. Cline reported his vehicle losing traction and slid into the stop sign. Cline denied injury, reported wearing his seat belt, and no airbag deployment. Cline's vehicle sustained functional damage and was driven from the scene.

## Green County Genealogical Society Monthly Meeting

On Saturday, December 2, the Green County Genealogical Society will host "Golden Books" presented by Holly Everson. The meeting will be held at Turner Hall. Holly Everson has collected Golden Books since 1986. She began buying children books at second hand stores and garage sales because her daughter announced that she was expecting their first grandchild. She noticed the sparkling bindings of the golden books and wondered how many different ones there would be. They were numbered and she thought that it would be relatively simple to look for one of all the numbers. And that was the beginning of her golden book collection.

The meeting will be held at Turner Hall, 1217 17th Avenue, Monroe, at 10 a.m., Saturday, December 2. Visitors are always welcome and there is no cost to attend. You may call Ginny at 608-426-1796 or Donna at 608-921-1537 if you have any questions. The GCGS Research Center (located in the lower level of the Monroe Public Library) is closed for remodeling until February 5, 2024.

## Monday Night Mixed League

11/20—High series: Robert Murray 704, Dan Goepfert 675, Josh Strehlow 664. High games: R. Murray 288, J. Strehlow 254, D. Goepfert 239. Deb's Bar-high team game 1,017 and series 2,849.

Standings: Beloit Chiropractic won 7 lost 0, Deb's Bar 5-2, Center Tavern 5-2, Fosters Gaming 2-5, Albany Lanes 2-5, Broughton's Bar 0-7.

## Tuesday Shanigans

11/21—High series: Alexis Sies 523, Barb Brugger 492, Phyllis Shrier 396, John Thill 598, Larry Ommodt 526, Bill Shrier 499. High games: A. Sies 204, B. Brugger 189, P. Shrier 148, J. Thill 215, L. Ommodt 195, Ted Yaun 185. Barely Upright-high team game 820 and series 2,392.

Standings: Barely Upright won 31 lost 18, Albany Lanes 31-18, Boomtastic 4 26-23, Misfits 26-23, Sweet Mini HaHa 18-31, Greightful Dead 15-34.

## Badger

11/21—High series: LeRoy Blumer 703, Brian Behnke 693, Keith Riese 640, Dave Brugger 633, Megan Anderson 508, Jen Parrish 298. High games: B. Behnke 255, L. Blumer 245 D. Brugger 245, K. Riese 244, M. Anderson 185, J. Parrish 108. Renks-high team game 947 and series 2,562.

Standings: Renks won 7 lost 0, Jim's Mechanic Shop 7-0, Decatur Dairy 4-3, Team 3 3-4, Counter Attack 0-7, Pearl City Elevator 0-7.

## Saturday Night Live Mixed

11/25—High series: Robert Murray 641, Jason Shrier 613, Tyson Foster 609, Amber Foster 523, Zoe Krattiger 487, Dana Harper 454. High games: J. Shrier 267, R. Murray 255, T. Foster 214, Z. Krattiger 202, A. Foster 192, D. Harper 177. Broughton's Bar-high team game 795. Up N Smoke-high team series 2,183.

Standings: Payne's Pub won 31 lost 11, Rosheisen Baling 28-14, Fearsome Foursome 28-14, Brodhead Free Press 21-21, Up N Smoke 14-28, Broughton's Bar 4-38.

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- 6pm-6:30pm Caroling by Brodhead High School Choral Group
- 6:15pm Cindy Lou Who Judging @ Business Center
- 6:15pm Decorated Pet Judging @ City Hall
- 7:00pm Senz Insurance LIGHTED PARADE
- 8:00pm Frozen t-shirt Contest
- Saturday, December 2nd 9am-11am Jaycees Breakfast with Santa @ Brodhead Library.

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