

## Fulfilling Our Nation's Promise USS Oklahoma Sailor Accounted For From World War II

The Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA) announced recently that Navy Seaman 2nd Class David J. Riley, 25, of Juda, killed during World War II, was accounted for on February 24, 2021.



On December 7, 1941, Riley was assigned to the battleship USS Oklahoma, which was moored at Ford Island, Pearl Harbor, when the ship was attacked by Japanese aircraft. The USS Oklahoma sustained multiple torpedo hits, which caused

it to quickly capsize. The attack on the ship resulted in the deaths of 429 crewmen, including Riley.

From December 1941 to June 1944, Navy personnel recovered the remains of the deceased crew, which were subsequently interred in the Halawa and Nu'uanu Cemeteries.

In September 1947, tasked with recovering and identifying fallen U.S. personnel in the Pacific Theater, members of the American Graves Registration Service (AGRS) disinterred the remains of U.S. casualties from the two cemeteries and transferred them to the Central Identification Laboratory at Schofield Barracks. The laboratory staff was only able to confirm the identifications of 35 men from the USS Oklahoma at that time. The AGRS subsequently buried the unidentified remains in 46 plots at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific (NMCP), known as the Punchbowl, in Honolulu. In October 1949, a military board classified

those who could not be identified as non-recoverable, including Riley.

Between June and November 2015, DPAA personnel exhumed the USS Oklahoma Unknowns from the Punchbowl for analysis.

To identify Riley's remains, scientists from DPAA used dental and anthropological analysis. Additionally, scientists from the Armed Forces Medical Examiner System used mitochondrial DNA (mtDNA) analysis.

Riley's name is recorded on the Walls of the Missing at the Punchbowl, along with the others who are missing from WWII. A rosette will be placed next to his name to indicate he has been accounted for.

Riley will be buried on May 27, 2023, in Juda.

For family and funeral information, call the Navy Service Casualty office at 800-443-9298.

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## City Council

### New Park and Recreation Director approved

By Gloria Sutter

The Council did not receive a second when considering whether or not to have a spring referendum for funding to maintain city services. State law limits the amount a municipality can budget for operating expenses annually which has caused the city to continually cut department budgets. The Finance Committee recommended a \$400,000 referendum. After discussion the Council approved holding a special meeting with the Finance Committee.

In July, the Council approved enforcing the developer's agreement regarding sidewalks in the Crosswinds subdivision, but no one was assigned the task. The Council approved having the City Attorney contact the developers.

Currently the city is allowed the investment funds, but there is no official policy. Resolution 2022-017 was approved establishing an investment policy.

Rich Vogel reported that portions

of the Solid Waste and Recycling Ordinance have not been updated for several years. The Council approved working with the City Attorney to make these updates.

After a closed session, the Council approved having the mayor set up an ad hoc committee to negotiate with the Rural Fire Association.

Resolution 2022-012 adopting wage changes for non-rep employees was approved with the addition of Erin Menzel.

#### In other business:

Resolution 2022-016 appointing 2023 Election Officials was approved.

Domanic Wiegel was introduced and approved as Parks and Recreation Director pending the completion of a background check.

A conditional offer of employment was approved for Harrison Creed as a fulltime police officer.

The BID operational plan was approved.

The seven day notice was given for Erin Menzel on the Library Board.



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Morgan Duncan, RN, (left) and Kelly Metz (right) after receiving their DAISY and BEE Awards.

## Two SSM Health Monroe Hospital Family Birth Staff Receive DAISY & BEE Awards

SSM Health Monroe Hospital Family Birth team members, Morgan Duncan, RN, and Kelly Metz, CNA, are the newest recipients of the DAISY and BEE Awards.

Morgan was nominated by two recent Family Birth patients. One of her nominations shared that “Morgan was our night shift nurse after we delivered on son via c-section. My physical recovery was much harder than I expected. Morgan was kind, compassionate and gentle as she helped me, addressed my pain, listened to my birth story and helped us get a great start to our breastfeeding journey. She went above and beyond to provide exceptional nursing care to our family. Morgan truly cares about her patients and provides much needed physical and emotional support and encouragement during the initial postpartum period. We are grateful for Morgan and the care she gave us!”

Kelly was nominated by Erica Wand, Director of Women’s Health, and her fellow coworkers. Her nomination shared that “Kelly is the glue that holds the department together and the oil that ensures things run smoothly. She is always cheerful and positive. Kelly demonstrates a high level of initiative. She often has things done before anyone can ask her for help. Anything you ask her to do she is more than willing to do, patient’s vital signs, 24-hour cares on babies, emptying trash or picking up patient trays, cleaning up instruments from the deliveries, taking patients out to go home, and the list goes on and on and all these things with a smile. We are so blessed to have her on our team.”

The DAISY and BEE Awards recognize staff members who provide outstanding care and compassion to patients and their families. Patients, visitors and staff can nominate an SSM Health employee for the DAISY or BEE Awards. Nomination forms are available online at [www.ssmhealth.com](http://www.ssmhealth.com).

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**MHS hosting second annual Prom 4 Pennies event**

The Monroe High School Jr. Optimists are hosting the second annual Prom 4 Pennies event on Sunday, January 15th, at the Monroe High School, 1600 26th Street, Monroe, from 1-4 p.m. At this event, gently used and new prom dresses and tuxedos are available for no more than \$40. All proceeds go to Jacob SWAG foundation, which advocates for suicide and mental health awareness.

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*(One family will win all prizes listed.)*

1. The parents of the baby must reside in Brodhead School District.
2. Parents wishing to be considered in the Firstborn Contest must contact the Brodhead Free Press within one week of the birth. Once a winner has been chosen, the decision is final.
3. The contest will continue until a winner is declared.









# Brodhead High School Student of the Month— December

From left to right, front row: Santa, Madeline McGuire, Makenna Schooff, Taiya Hawkins, Tessa Kloepping, Lindsay Simons, Reindeer; back row: Mataya Mordhorst, Breleigh Gierhart, Nathan Engen, Danica Demrow, Alecia Dahl.



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## TOOL Holiday Cheer and Volunteer

Sixty members of the Team of Outstanding Leaders were out and about on Monday, December 5, to spread some holiday cheer and to volunteer. To start the day, TOOL members helped White Gift volunteers pack donated non-perishable items for area families. The day continued in Monroe with a visit to Family Promise to drop off over 20 handmade fleece-tied blankets. Rick Gleason will distribute the 20 blankets to Green County's homeless individuals. The next stop was for lunch and a couple of bowling games at Leisure Lanes. The final destination was the Green County Humane Society for a tour and to drop off handmade tug toys made by volunteers during Make a Difference Day in October. The TOOL team laughed, played, volunteered, listened, and learned many lessons beyond the walls of a traditional classroom.





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Thursdays January 12th–February 23rd, noon–1 p.m.

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## POLICE

### Green County Sheriff's Department December 19-25, 2022

At approximately 6:37 p.m., Wednesday, deputies responded to a two-vehicle accident in the W2600 block of State Highway 11, Town of Jefferson. Investigations found that a vehicle operated by Aiden M. Grey, 18, of Davis, Illinois, was west-bound on State Highway 11 when a deer entered the roadway. Grey slowed his vehicle and was struck from the rear by a vehicle operated by Vaughn L Barker, 19, of Monroe. Grey and Barker both denied injury and reported wearing their seat belts. The airbags in Barker's vehicle deployed. Grey's vehicle sustained functional damage and was driven from the scene. Barker's vehicle sustained disabling damage and was towed from the scene.

At approximately 9:09 p.m., Friday, deputies responded to 300 block of E. State Street Village of Albany, for a report of a two vehicle crash without injuries. Deputies arrived on scene and spoke with the



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driver, Hunter Brewer, 22, of Brodhead, who reported that he was traveling westbound when he had swerved to avoid a collision with another vehicle being operated on State Street. When Hunter negotiated around the oncoming vehicle, he was unable to control his vehicle due to the snow covered roadway. Hunter's vehicle collided with the rear end of a parked vehicle owned by Beau York, 30, of Albany, where it came to a rest. Hunter reported wearing his safety belt and was uninjured. Both vehicles sustained functional damage with no airbag deployment. Hunter was issued citations for failure to maintain control and operating a motor vehicle without insurance.


At approximately 5:07 p.m., Saturday, deputies responded to the W1800 block of Hein Road, Town of Decatur, for a report of a verbal altercation. Investigation resulted in the offender, Teryl F. Watson, 59, of Brodhead, being placed under arrest for disorderly conduct and criminal damage to property falling under Wisconsin's Domestic Abuse Laws. Teryl was booked and released at the Green County Jail and was released to a responsible party with a future court date.

# Access the latest UW-Madison Division of Extension Dairy Cattle Research during the upcoming Badger Dairy Insight webinar series

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Tuesday, January 10th—Optimizing Use of Sexed Semen in Dairy Herds. Paul Fricke, Dairy Cattle Reproduction Extension Specialist and Ryan Sterry, Regional Dairy Educator, will discuss the latest trends in how farms are using sexed and beef semen in dairy herds in Wisconsin and the upper Midwest. Paul will then present the latest

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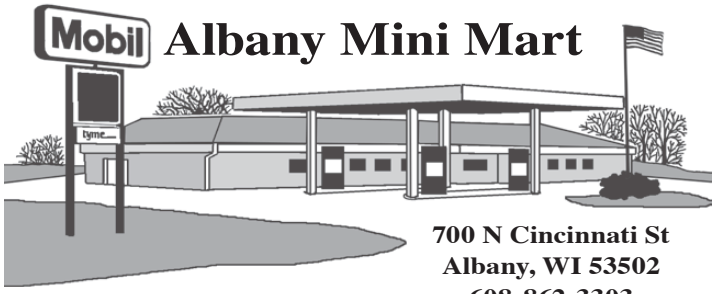
News

LUNCH MENU:

Thurs., Dec. 29: no school.  
Fri., Dec. 30: no school.  
Mon., Jan. 2: no school.  
Tues., Jan. 3: chicken patty, corn, cookie.  
Wed., Jan. 4: pizza, yogurt cups, apple wedges.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Thurs., Dec. 29: no school; boys' basketball at Parkview, 5:30 p.m.; girls' basketball at Parkview, 5:30 p.m.  
Fri., Dec. 30: no school.  
Mon., Jan. 2, no school; Albany PTO meeting, 4:30 p.m.; girls' basketball at Beloit Turner, 5:30 p.m..  
Tues., Jan. 3, boys' basketball home vs. Potosi, 5:30 p.m.  
Wed., Jan 4: volleyball open gym, 7 p.m. adult basketball open gym, 7:30 p.m.



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12/19—High series: Tyson Foster 661, Jason Shrier 653, John Thill 650. High games: J. Shrier 258, Denny Schultz 245, Robert Murray 242. Deb's Bar-high team game 1,063. Fosters Gaming-high team series 3,003. **Standings:** Beloit Chiropractic won 26 lost 9, Deb's Bar 21-14, Center Tavern 19-16, Albany Lanes 17-18, Broughton's Bar 12-23, Fosters Gaming 10-25.

Tuesday Shanigans


12/20—High series: Alexis Sies 524, Phyllis Shrier 510, Barb Brugger 403, Dennis Atkinson 614, Rick Josephsen 640, Rick Clark 512. High games: P. Shrier 186, A. Sies 180, Chris Rosheisen 150, D. Atkinson 219, R. Clark 201, Larry Ommodt 194. Barely Upright-high team game 714 and series 2,026. **Standings:** Barely Upright won 56 lost 21, Misfits 41-36, Albany Lanes 37-40, Sweet Mini HaHa 34-43, Clayt's Boomtastic 33-44, Greightful Dead 30-47.

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12/20—High series: Keith Riese 718, Ryan Brugger 670, Dave Sawdey 622, Tony Brewer 608, Kim Qualley 319. High games: D. Sawdey 259, R. Brugger 246, K. Riese 245, T. Brewer 245, K. Qualley 118. Renks-high team game 935 and series 2,526. **Standings:** Renks won 28 lost 7, Jim's Mechanic Shop 21-14, Counter Attack 17-18, Pearl City Elevator 16-19, Decatur Dairy 12-23, Brugger Farms Trucking 11-24.


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News from Parkview High School




UPCOMING EVENTS:

Thurs., Dec. 29: no school; boys' varsity ice hockey tournament vs. Stoughton at Mandt Hockey Arena, girls' varsity basketball game vs. Albany at home, 5:30 p.m.; boys' JV basketball game vs. Albany at home, 5:30 p.m.; girls' JV basketball game vs. Albany at home, 7 p.m.; boys' varsity basketball game vs. Albany at home, 7 p.m.  
Fri., Dec. 30, no school; boys' varsity ice hockey tournament vs. Stoughton at Mandt Hockey Arena, 3 p.m.; boys' JV2 basketball game at Randolph High School, 5:50 p.m.  
Sat., Dec. 31: boys' varsity ice hockey tournament vs. Stoughton at Mandt Hockey Arena, noon.  
Mon., Jan. 2: no school.  
Tues., Jan. 3: girls' JV basketball game vs. Madison Country Day at home, 6 p.m.; boys' JV2 basketball game at Marshall, 6 p.m.; boys' JV basketball game at Marshall, 6 p.m.; boys' varsity basketball game at Marshall, 7:30 p.m.  
Wed., Jan. 4: Finance Committee meeting, 5:30 p.m.




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LUNCH MENU

Thursday, December 29: no school.  
Friday, December 30: no school.  
Monday, January 2: no school.  
Tuesday, January 3: taco.  
Wednesday, January 4: JPC Bowl.


SCHOOL CALENDAR

Tuesday, January 3: boys' basketball home vs. Benton.


SENIORS OF THE WEEK:



Loudon Westgard is a senior at Juda High School. Westgard started at Juda High School in 2020; he originally went to school in Virginia. Westgard participates in basketball and the annual musical. He plans to attend the University of Wisconsin-Stout to study computer science. Westgard likes to play video games and hangs out with friends in his free time. Westgard's favorite memory was going on an English field trip to APT.



Aiden Schadowaldt has attended Juda School since second grade. Schadowaldt is a current member of the school's basketball and E-sports teams. He has been in basketball since seventh grade in 2017 and E-sports since it first started in 2020. Schadowaldt wants to go to a Technical college for computer engineering after graduation. In his free time, he likes to play video games such as Valorant, Osu!, Among Us, Minecraft and Roblox.



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Tuesday, February 7th—Milk Quality and Production: Opportunities and Threats. Laura Hernandez, Professor Lactation Physiology and Affiliate Professor Obstetrics & Gynecology, recently completed research aimed to determine if increased cisternal milk impacted milk yield given that in traditional milking systems, take offs are set according to the fastest milking quarters. Are the possible negative

effects on quarters that are not completely milked out? Don Sockett, Epidemiologist/Microbiologist at the Wisconsin Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory, participates in research, consultation and education to meet the needs of many. He will give an update on the work being done in the lab and challenges he sees emerging in the dairy industry. One of the topics he will present on is the emerging threat of Prototheca Bovis Mastitis.

**Farm Ready Research**

Learn the most up-to-date information on topics including dairy and livestock production, forages, and farm management resources from Extension's Agriculture virtual education offerings. Your farm-ready research! There is no charge to participate in the sessions, however pre-registration is required to allow access. Register online at [go.wisc.edu/FarmReadyResearch](https://go.wisc.edu/FarmReadyResearch).



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Pictured left to right are Brodhead Area EMS Board Member Chris Searles, Compeer Financial Loan Officer Erin Mullett, Compeer Financial Insurance Officer Loralie Burmeister, Brodhead Area EMS Board Member Tami Jacobson, and Compeer Financial Loan Officer Anne Schultz.

## Compeer Financial Awards \$746K to Emergency Response Departments

### Emergency Response Equipment Grants Awarded to Departments in Illinois, Minnesota and Wisconsin

Compeer Financial's Fund for Rural America, the Farm Credit cooperative's giving program, has awarded 177 grants as part of their Emergency Response Equipment Program, including 15 new collaboration grants for equipment shared by multiple departments.

Emergency Response Equipment Grants help to offset the cost of equipment that community emergency response departments need to carry out their important work throughout rural America. Additionally, the new Emergency Response Equipment Collaboration Grant highlighted the critical need for teamwork between volunteer fire,

rescue and ambulance departments when responding to emergencies.

"We know rural departments often share resources and important pieces of life-saving equipment," said Karen Schieler, senior corporate giving specialist with Compeer Financial. "The spirit of collaboration is strong for emergency departments across Compeer's territory and we hope these grants can help impact even more lives. First responders give so much when people are in need, and these tools and resources will help in critical situations."

The 2022 Emergency Response Equipment Collaboration Grants are for up to \$10,000; and will directly impact 41 collaborating departments, 872 department members,

3,239 square miles of coverage and 121,007 residents. This year was the first time this grant was offered.

Among the departments receiving the Emergency Response Collaboration Grants was the Brodhead Area EMS. The team used the grant funding to purchase additional vehicle mounted mobile radios and EMT handheld portable radios that are compliant with the upgrade to Green County's digital radio system. The new radios will allow EMTs on scene to have a reliable means of communication when working with dispatch, other personnel on scene as well as neighboring districts during the event of a call.

The Fund intends to offer both of these grants again in August 2023.

## Brodhead Fire District holds awards night

On Wednesday, December 7, the Brodhead Fire District held their annual awards night.

Thank you for your time and dedication to the Brodhead Fire District Community.



Left to right: Lt./EMR Troy Gerber—40 years of Volunteer Fire Service, Firefighter/EMT; Jake Updike, Firefighter/EMT—10 years of Volunteer Fire Service; Brian Shearer, Second Assistant Chief/EMR—20 years of Volunteer Fire Service, Firefighter/EMR; Shane Nehls, Firefighters/EMR—15 years of Volunteer Fire Service; Mike Keller—firefighter five years of Volunteer Fire Service; and William Shrier, Firefighter/EMR—50 years of Volunteer Fire Service.



Chief/EMR Robert Scheidegger and Lt./EMR Troy Gerber— 40 years of Volunteer Fire Service.



Chief/EMR Robert Scheidegger and Firefighter/Paramedic Derrick Pinnow—15 years of Volunteer Fire Service



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