

City Council Resolution to Borrow Capital Improvement Funds Approved

By Grace Kufahl

Paul Boening from Ehlers, Inc. reviewed the presale details related to the sale of up to \$3,205,000 in promissory notes to fund capital improvement projects, which will be repaid over the next 20 years. The sale is scheduled for Wednesday, July 29th. The estimated closing date, when funds would be released to the city, is Thursday, August 20th. For 2026, the portion of taxes on a \$200,000 home that would go toward paying the city's debt is estimated at \$426 and next year would be \$451. The amount taxed for this debt would decrease in future years and the total taxes paid on a \$200,000 home is estimated to total \$15,000 over the 20-year term. There is a sewer component of the debt, which is paid for through sewer rates. The city is at about 31% of its debt limit increasing to 50% with this new debt and projected to be 45% in 2027. The funds will be used for things such as road construction and equipment purchases. Resolution 2026 009 was passed authorizing the issuance and establishing parameters for the sale of the gen-

eral obligation promissory notes referenced above.

Chief Raupp reviewed a proposal to repeal ordinance 002-2026 chapter 27 concerning the municipal court and recreating ordinance 009-2026 chapter 27 establishing a joint Brodhead Decatur municipal court. This would facilitate enforcing ordinances in Decatur and avoid the need to send an officer to circuit court, where those cases are currently referred. The council is expected to vote on this at the July meeting.

In Other Business:

Seven-day notice was given for Paul Huffman for the Finance Committee.

The mayor reviewed expectations with the council.

The council approved changes to the Customer Service job description and pay range and changed the social media coordinator position from employee to contractor.

The mayor read America's 250 Celebration Proclamation proclaiming Saturday, July 4th as a day to celebrate in Brodhead.

4th of July Parade

(Free Press photos by Teresa Earleywine)



Save the Date

During Brodhead Covered Bridge Days plan to attend the Car-Truck Show on Sunday, August 9, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Kelsch Machine, 1805 E. 9th Avenue.

They will also be celebrating the community's heritage with music, food and fun on Friday, August 7 through Sunday, August 9, on County T and 19th Street. They will be featuring vintage Massey Harris tractors!

Greenwood Cemetery thank you

The Board of Directors, along with the caretakers of the Greenwood Cemetery in Brodhead wish to express their deepest gratitude to the Brodhead Foundation for their incredibly generous donation. Thanks to their substantial funding, they have successfully completed much-needed paving updates throughout the Cemetery grounds.

This major improvement ensures a safer, more accessible and beautiful resting place for our loved ones, benefiting our community for generations to come.

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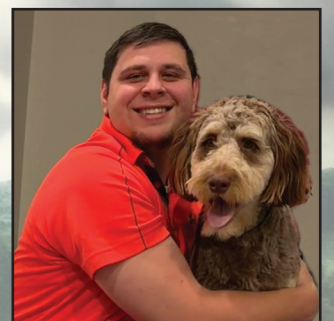
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Bethany Lutheran Church, 1652 West Church Road, Brodhead. 608-897-4158. Pastor position currently open. Interested candidates may reach out via Facebook or call Bethany Lutheran Church directly. Sunday school 8:45 a.m.; Sunday worship service 10 a.m. Holy Communion first Sunday of each month.

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 405 E. 9th Ave, Brodhead. Phone: 608-897-2341 Email: office@bethlehembrodhead.org. Website: www.bethlehembrodhead.org. Sunday in-person worship with Communion at 9 a.m. Online worship option via Facebook—Bethlehem Lutheran Church. Bingo the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at 6:30 p.m., doors open at 5:30 p.m.

Congregational United Church of Christ, E201 23rd Street, Brodhead. 608-897-2917. Pastor Shawn Stapleton. Sundays: 9 a.m. worship June through August. No Sunday school for the summer months. Nursery is available for those who desire. Communion first Sunday of each month—Gluten Free Options. 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 Community Church, N2350 Church Street, 608-934-5398. Mark Woodward, Pastor. Worship service 9 a.m. No Sunday school until Labor Day Sunday.

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

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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; Wednesday evening Impact Youth 6 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 Jadyne Meyer. Worship 9 a.m. Children’s Sunday school September-May 9 a.m.

St. Peter Lutheran Church (WELS), corner of West 5th Avenue and 17th Street. www.stpeterlutheranbrodhead.org. Pastor Tyler Swiderski. Cell 612-270-2591, church 608-618-6090. Schedule—Sundays: worship 9 a.m.; Bible class and Sunday school 10:15 a.m.

St. Patrick Catholic Church, 410 E. State Street, Albany, part of Christ the King Pastorate. Fr. Chahm Gahng, Pastor. Mass on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 8 a.m. www.ctk-p.org, 608-325-9506 or secretary@ctk-p.org.

St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church, 1005 W. 2nd Avenue, Brodhead, part of Christ the King Pastorate. Fr. Chahm Gahng, Pastor. Mass on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays at 11 a.m. www.ctk-p.org, 608-325-9506 or secretary@ctk-p.org.

St. Victor Catholic Church, 1760 14th Street, Monroe, part of Christ the King Pastorate. Fr. Chahm Gahng, Pastor. Mass on Monday 6:15 p.m., Tuesday through Friday 8:15 a.m., Saturday 4 p.m., Sunday 8 and 10 a.m. www.ctk-p.org, 608-325-9506. Fully accessible for people with disabilities.

United Methodist Church of Brodhead, 501 1st Center Avenue, Brodhead. 608-897-2515. Pastor Francois Mukosa. Church office hours: Monday through Friday, 9 a.m.-noon. In-person worship at 10 a.m. Sundays. Fully accessible for people with disabilities. Nursery available. Services live streamed on Facebook.

OBITUARIES



Hazel Kay Ommodt

With heavy hearts, we announce the passing of Hazel Kay Ommodt on Saturday, June 27, 2026, at the age of 79. She was born on September 14, 1946, the daughter of George and Nellie (Stone) Keller. She passed peacefully at home in Albany, Wisconsin, surrounded by her loved ones. A woman of extraordinary strength, self-determination, and grace, she lived a life full of simplicity and a love for those who knew her.

Hazel became a member of the Albany community as a young child with her parents and six siblings. She graduated from Albany Schools in the Class of 1964. Her younger brother, Kenny, introduced her to her soulmate, Larry Ommodt, of South Wayne, and they were married on November 7, 1970. Together they had three daughters, Tonya, Krista and Carrie. They were her pride and joy until she was blessed with their three grandchildren, Payton, Kaiya and Kaden Zurfluh.

There was rarely a time you would not see her at an activity or sporting event in the Albany community. She was fiercely dedicated to following her kids, and later her grandkids, in all their endeavors. Her passion and supportive nature made her a beloved grandmother to all who knew her. She was known for her generosity in giving out treats and warm embrace with her special hugs.

When she wasn’t busy supporting extracurricular activities, you could find her working on puzzles, weeding the flower gardens, watching The Wall, playing her scratch-offs, untangling necklaces, playing cards, taking care of the Veteran’s Memorial at the Albany Legion, and taking trips to Tastee Crème. She made the holidays extra joyful because of her love for decorating and making her famous Christmas treats. One of her greatest accomplishments was traveling to all 50 states with Larry and dear friends. Just as importantly, she will be remembered for her love of a daily can of Coke.

Hazel will be lovingly remembered by her husband of 55 years, Larry Merlin Ommodt; children: Tonya (Daren Dudgeon) Zurfluh, Krista (Marcus Adams) Ommodt and Carrie Ommodt; grandchildren: Payton (Brent) Ritschard, Kaiya (Gage Boegli) Zurfluh and Kaden Zurfluh; sisters: Margaret (Jon) Kauk, Kathy (Walt) Mueller, and Karla (Marlin) Neild; sisters-in-law: JoAnn (Gary) Corbin, Nancy (Dick) Brunner, and Deb (Dave) Neff; many nieces and nephews along with countless special “grandkids” and friends.

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She was proceeded in death by her parents, George and Nellie Keller; sister, Sandy Rhyner; brothers: Keith Keller and Kenneth Keller; parents-in-law, Merlin and Opal Ommodt; brothers-in-law, Marlin Neild, Jon Kauk and Gary Corbin; and special grand-dog, Jaxson.

Hazel touched the lives of everyone who had the honor of knowing her. Her selflessness, kindness, warmth, and generous spirit will be remembered forever. She leaves behind a legacy of love, strength, and compassion that lives in all of us.

A Memorial Service was held on Friday, July 3, at Albany United Methodist Church with Pastor Beth Staniforth-Seamster officiating. Burial followed service at Hillcrest Cemetery.

Shriner Hager Gohlke Funeral Home is assisting the family. Condolences may be sent to the family at: shgfuneralhome.net.

Hazel Kay Ommodt—Your quiet strength, your steady love....we will miss you deeply. We love you.

United Methodist Church Ice Cream Social

The United Methodist Church of Brodhead is hosting their annual Ice Cream Social on Thursday, July 16th from 4:30-7 p.m. The “all you can eat dinner” includes barbecue sandwiches, hot dogs, potato salad, fruit salad, baked beans, pie, brownies and ice cream. Deliveries are available in the immediate Brodhead area by calling 608-897-2515 to place your order. Carryouts are also available. Advance sale tickets (adults \$12/children \$6 ages four-10) may be purchased at the church office or by calling 608-728-2980. Prices will increase by \$2 at the door.

The United Methodist Church is located at 501 1st Center Avenue in Brodhead. All are welcome!



Robert “Boomer” Sprague

Robert “Boomer” Sprague of Brodhead, Wisconsin, passed away peacefully on May 31, 2026. He was born on November 6, 1947, in Waukesha, Wisconsin, the son of Edward F. and Helen M. (Gerlach) Sprague.

Robert farmed until he became an over-the-road truck driver. Once he started driving, he knew that is what he wanted to do and continued for many years until retiring in 2025. He met the love of his life, Linda, and they married in 1989. He even taught her to drive and they became a team on the road.

Robert enjoyed going bear hunting in Canada in his earlier years. He loved his dogs and treated them like they were his children. What he enjoyed most, though, was his daughters and grandchildren. He loved to tease them (and everyone else) in fun. His sense of humor and Santa-like appearance are what he was known for most.

Robert is survived by his wife, Linda Sprague; daughter, Tammy (Rick) Naramore; mother-in-law, Laurine Klossner; grandsons: Lucas (Laura) Kraft, Travis (Danielle) Kraft, Dustin Naramore, Dakota (Jocelyn) Naramore; great-grandchildren: Allisynn and Terrik; sister, Kathleen Ball; sister-in-law, Pat (Jerry) Ferguson; and many nieces and nephews.

Robert was preceded in death by his parents; three brothers: Jerome, Ross and Rodney “Mike” Sprague; two sisters: A. Diane Crusan and Jeanne Flitcroft; and his daughter, Penny Sprague.

A visitation will be held on Saturday, July 11, at 10 a.m., with the funeral service to follow at 11 a.m., at the Congregational United Church of Christ in Brodhead. D.L. Newcomer Funeral Home, Brodhead, is assisting the family.

In lieu of flowers any donations can be made out to the Sprague family.

Ye see me now more. ~John 16:10

No more! Those words filled the disciples’ heart with sorrow as the Lord announced His departure (v. 6). But consider what He was leaving to accomplish. He paid the full price for our redemption so “there is **no more offering for sin**” (Heb. 10:18). His victory was seen when He rose to “**dieth no more**” (Rom. 6:9). The sinner who is cleansed can claim God’s promise: “**Their sins and iniquities will I remember no more**” (Heb. 10:17). Then, when this life is over, the child of God goes to the Land of no more curse (Rev. 22:3). And there, “**God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes, and there shall be no more death**” (21:4). What a blessing to know more of God’s grand purposes this side of the cross!

—Brian Cretney
*No blood, no altar now, the sacrifice is o’er!
No flame, no smoke ascends on high, the lamb is slain no more.* —Bonar

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DEATH NOTICE

Sandra Dawn Pann

Sandra Dawn “Sandy” Pann, 80, of Albany, died on Saturday, July 4th, 2026, at the New Glarus Home. Grace-Bifulk Funeral Home, Albany, is honored to serve the family.

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Oakley-Union UMC Ice Cream Social

Get ready for the Oakley-Union UMC Ice Cream Social on Thursday, July 23rd, from 4 to 7 p.m. Join them in celebrating the summer with friends, food and more. The menu features barbeque, hot dogs, potato salad, beans, fresh fruit, cheese, ice cream and dessert. Free will offering.

The church is located at W2388 Gerber Road, Juda.

For more information call 608-214-0584.

ACTIVITIES AROUND TOWN

SCHWARTZLOW FAMILY REUNION

Schwartzlow descendants are having their family reunion on Saturday, July 11, at Putnam Park, 6th Street and W. 3rd Avenue, in Brodhead. The shelter house is reserved from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. They plan on eating at noon.

If you plan on staying to eat, please bring a dish to pass. Chicken, ham, table service and bottled water will be provided. Spread the work to other family members.

If questions, call Rita (Ringhand) Vickers at 608-897-2082.

OBITUARIES



Jay J. Kennedy

Jay Jeffrey Kennedy, 66, passed into the presence of the Lord on Monday, June 29, 2026, at the Mercy Hospital ICU in Janesville, Wisconsin, surrounded by family. He was born on August 18, 1959, in Reedsburg, Wisconsin, the son of Harlen and Linda (Johnston) Kennedy.

Jay's interest in farming and agriculture started at a young age. As a young boy, Jay loved helping with chores on his paternal and maternal grandparents' farms. He worked at several farms as a farmhand through his middle and high school years and into the early 1980s. When his parents moved and purchased an established rabbitry in 1973, Jay continued working with animals, helping the family raise over a thousand rabbits and guinea pigs, a few chickens, a couple of cows, and tending to the family's massive garden. While on this farmette, Jay's maternal grandfather, Melvin Johnston, gifted Jay a registered purebred Holstein, named Countess D Lovey. In addition to keeping the family supplied with milk, Jay went on to show his prize cow at county fairs, earning him a few blue ribbons.

After graduating from Albany High School in 1977, Jay attended UW-Madison to pursue a degree in criminology, with the goal of working for the FBI one day. He later changed course and set his sights on an agriculture education degree.

During college, Jay worked part-time in a laboratory and animal supply facility in Oregon, Wisconsin. After being promoted to Plant Manager, Jay moved to O'Fallon, Missouri, and later to Omaha, Nebraska, where he served as plant manager at similar facilities that bred and raised rats, mice, hamsters, and guinea pigs for the research industry. In 1990, Jay moved back to Wisconsin and, together with his brother Todd and his parents, created a family business, 4K Animal Supply, raising rats and mice for laboratories, pet stores, zoos, hospitals, and colleges across the country. Later, Jay renamed the company Pied Piper Animal Supply

and was the sole owner until closing it in 1995.

By 1994, Jay's desire to teach agriculture was pulling at his heartstrings, and he returned to college to resume his undergrad studies at UW-Madison, graduating with a bachelor's degree in agriculture education in 1996. He completed his student teaching at Juda School District in Juda, under the mentorship of Ag Instructor and FFA Advisor Ralph Johnson. Mr. J and Jay quickly formed a close-knit friendship that evolved into a lifelong brotherhood.

In 1997, Jay landed his first teaching job at Deforest High School, where he was awarded the Teacher of the Year. In 2000, after teaching three years at Deforest School, Jay accepted an ag education position at Parkview Schools in Orfordville. For nearly 13 years, Jay had the privilege of teaching agriculture, small engine repair, welding, building construction, horticulture, animal vet science, agribusiness, leadership, and much more. He was also the FFA Advisor and mentored many classes of students, many of whom stayed in touch over the years. As he never had any children of his own, his students were like his kids, and he cherished every one of them. Unfortunately, Jay was forced into early retirement in 2013 due to multiple medical issues.

After retirement, Jay pitched in to help with the Morning Sun Care Home, an adult CBRF that his mother founded in 1979. Jay later became licensed as the group home's administrator and found ways to mentor the residents, as he had done with his many students.

Jay was an avid sports fan. His dad used to say that Jay would find joy in watching two flies fight if it were a sport. During retirement, Jay found purpose in writing and co-administering the Milwaukee Brewers Rant Facebook Page, where he shared sports commentary on everything Brewers. In addition to the Milwaukee Brewers, Jay rarely missed watching the Wisconsin Badgers, Green Bay Packers, or Milwaukee Bucks games. He was proud of his Wisconsin teams' successes, including the successes of his fantasy football league with his friend Ralph. Jay loved collecting sports memorabilia, including bobbleheads and framed cards. He especially found joy in his autographed Milwaukee Brewers baseball and Green Bay Packers football. One of the highlights of Jay's life is meeting the legendary Bob Ueker, who served as the play-by-play announcer for the Milwaukee Brewers.

Following gallbladder surgery in January 2024, Jay required rehabilitation at a nursing home. Due to his complex medical history, Jay would go on to spend the next 2.5 years of his life as a resident in seven

Runaas Family Reunion

The Runaas Family Reunion will be held Sunday, July 12th at the Albany Village Park, 201 Sugar River Parkway. It starts at 1 p.m. Please bring your own table service and a dish to share. Coffee and water will be furnished.

Kindly spread the word with your immediate family. Any questions please contact Jim Runaas at 608-862-2220.

nursing homes and an inpatient at eight hospital systems. At nearly every nursing home and hospital, Jay encountered multiple former Parkview students who had gone into the healthcare field. Being able to catch up with his students was always the highlight of his many stays.

For most of his life, Jay attended the Brodhead Gospel Hall with his family and fellow Christians. On October 10, 1990, Jay accepted the Lord as his personal Savior, which sealed his forever Home at the feet of his Lord and gave him assurance that one day, when his life was over on this earth, he'd have life eternal with Jesus forevermore.

Jay is survived by his mother, Linda Kennedy of Brodhead; his sisters: Pam (Rick) Wollin of Brodhead, Mindy Allen of Juda, and Loreeli (Bryan) Swoboda of Brodhead; his brother, Nathan (Jamie) Kennedy of Galesburg, Illinois; and his sister-in-law, Tera Kennedy of Albany. He is further survived by nieces and nephews: Brad (Brenda) Wollin of Reedsburg, Kelli Wollin of Reedsburg, Brandon (Nikki) Wollin of Janesville, Brent (Abby) Wollin of Brodhead, Jon (Chelsea) Kennedy of Evansville, Ashley Kennedy of Monticello, Trish Allen of Monroe, Janna (Josh) Merritt of Monroe, Tara (Brandon) Harder of Monroe, Sierra Swoboda of Brodhead, Jessica Thrun of Janesville, Alycia Swoboda of Brodhead, Brianna Hadley of Brodhead, Chloe Hadley of Monroe, and Garrett Hadley of Brodhead; as well as many great nieces and nephews, cousins, aunts, uncles, and friends. Jay was preceded in death by his father, Harlen, in 2003; brother, Todd Kennedy, in 2022; sister, Johanna Hadley, in 2009; sisters-in-law, Lisa Kutzleb Kennedy, in 1996, and Lisa Foss Kennedy, in 2014; paternal grandparents, Calvin and Doris Kennedy of Ontario, Wisconsin; and maternal grandparents, Melvin and Virginia Johnston of Lime Ridge, Wisconsin.

Visitation will be held Thursday evening, July 16, from 4 to 7 p.m., at the Albany Lions Club in Albany. Funeral services, officiated by Jerry Jennings, will be held Friday, July 17, at 11 a.m. at the Albany Lions Club. A visitation will also be held from 10 a.m. until the time of the funeral service on Friday. Burial will follow at the Greenwood Cemetery in Brodhead. The D.L. Newcomer Funeral Home in Brodhead is assisting

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the family. In lieu of flowers, memorials can be directed to the family in Jay's memory. In honor of Jay's love for Wisconsin sports, guests attending the Thursday evening visitation are encouraged to wear Milwaukee Brewers, Wisconsin Badgers, Milwaukee Bucks, or Green Bay Packers apparel.

Jay was a beautiful, genuine soul, and a bright light in our family. He gave generously to everyone. No matter what health struggles he faced, he never lost his fighting spirit. He was full of positivity, laughter, and jokes. He loved hearing about everyone's lives and loved reminiscing about old times. Our family is comforted by the peace of knowing Jay has a new body, is pain-free, and is with his Lord and Savior, because he believed in Jesus' finished work on the cross and accepted Jesus as his personal Savior in 1990. Jay, until we are reunited, we will keep you alive in our hearts by sharing our stories and memories of you, and we will love you forever. We know that you are gathered with the Angels and the Saints around the throne of Jesus, reunited with our loved ones we have lost. We have peace knowing you are suffering no more, and the only Scars in Heaven are on the One who holds you now.

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Happy Birthday America Luncheon

The Stateline Women's Connection and Stonecroft cordially invite you to their "Happy Birthday America" luncheon on Wednesday, July 15, at noon. The cost is \$16. The luncheon will be held at Koning Maple Lane Event Center, N3051 State Road 81, Monroe.

The guest speaker Lorrie Reed, of Monroe, will share WHATEVER! Life experiences can be unpredictable—uplifting or disappointing. Lorrie has learned that whatever we encounter, it's possible to have a grounded sense of where you're headed and who's with you. The Local Spotlight will feature Mary Friedrichs, from FAITH Addiction Awareness of Green County.

Reservations are due by Friday, July 10, by calling Marcia at 815-821-4270 or Kim at 608-214-2157 or emailing: statelinewomensconnection@gmail.com.

SOFTBALL

Tuesday Night Masters' League

Tuesday's 6/30 results: Beef and the Boys defeated The Bar 1 9-7; Bridges Bar & Gill 2 defeated Bridges Bar & Gill 1 6-4.

Season standings: Bridges Bar & Gill 2 won 5 lost 0; Beef and the Boys 4-2; The Bar 1 1-5; The Bar 2 3-2; Bridges Bar & Grill 1 1-5.

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Albertson Memorial Public Library

By Laura Roth, Children's Librarian

Albertson Memorial Library's Summer Library Program featured the stegosaurus this week. Spike is the stegosaurus in the movie Land Before Time. The Dinosaur (by Milbourne) tells the story of a stegosaurus from hatching to grown-up, intimidating and taking care of himself. Can I have a Stego-saurus (by Grambling) points out all the good things a person can do with their stegosaurus. Stegothe-saurus (by Heos) is rich in descriptive words and in the end, that's a good thing. The morning preschool 'class' worked on chipping a dinosaur skeleton from a rock using wooden hammers and chisels. The afternoon craft was lots more involved, creating bookends by fastening pieces of wood together and attaching two halves of a dinosaur to the wood. Come to the library to see an example of this fun project! Thanks to Jeff Everson, Nate Bloom and Jeff Italiano for helping with this project.

Next week is the final week of Unearth a Story at Albertson Memorial Library. The highlighted dinosaur of the week will be the Pteranodon. Pteranodon is much like a pterodactyl, but much, much larger with no tail and no teeth in its beak. Books will include Winged and Toothless (by Dahl), Baby Pterosaur (by Aberly), and Pteranodon The Giant of the Sky (by West). The preschooler class in the morning will make tangram dinosaurs using felt pieces and the afternoon class will practice their folding skills to make an origami Pteranodon.

Don't forget to come to the last Family Movie Night on Tuesday, July 14th at 6:30 p.m. We'll provide the popcorn and the pillows. You bring the water bottles. It promises to be a grand time!



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ADRC of Rock County and SSM Health Offers “Healthy Living with Diabetes”

Program Helps People with Diabetes and Pre-Diabetes

In Wisconsin there are 400,000 adults with Diabetes and 1.45 million adults with pre-diabetes. People with diabetes or pre-diabetes can improve their health by joining a Healthy Living with Diabetes workshop sponsored by the Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) of Rock County and SSM Health. The program has been researched and proven to:

- Improve blood sugar levels and AIC
- Increased confidence managing their diabetes and better health
- Minimize the adverse effects of diabetes,
- Have fewer doctor visits, ER visits and hospitalizations

In just six weekly sessions Healthy Living with Diabetes gives participants strategies for managing diabetes including techniques to deal with symptoms and information about healthy eating, appropriate use of medication, exercise and working effectively with health care providers. Participants learn to make realistic, achievable action plans, share their experiences, and help each other solve problems. A bonus seventh session includes visit from a certified diabetes educator. This workshop is appropriate for adults aged 60+ with diabetes or pre-diabetes, or if a person is aged 60+ caring for someone with diabetes.

The Healthy Living with Diabetes series will be offered on six Wednesday afternoons from 1-3:30 p.m. from July 15-August 26, at the DWRC on 1717 Center Avenue, Janesville, WI 53546. The suggested donation is \$20 to cover the cost of the class and book “Living a Healthy Life.” Workshop facilitators are Wendy Bianchetti, Community Health Worker, of SSM Health and Lisa Messer, Health Promotion Coordinator of the ADRC.

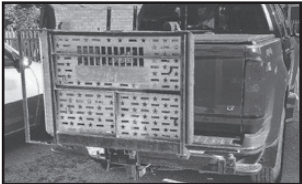
For questions, or to register for the program by Tuesday, July 7th, contact Lisa Messer of the ADRC of Rock County at 608-757-5309. One may view the complete brochure on the ADRC website by searching “Health promotion programs Rock County” and/ or register online.

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- Read and interpret blueprints, welding symbols, and technical drawings.
- Fabricate, fit, and assemble metal components to precise specifications.
- Install, maintain, troubleshoot, and repair industrial machinery and mechanical equipment.
- Use precision measuring instruments and alignment tools.
- Operate welding, fabrication, and rigging equipment safely.
- Maintain a clean, organized, and safe work environment.

Qualifications

- High school diploma or GED required.
- Technical training or apprenticeship in welding, millwright, or industrial maintenance preferred.
- Preferred minimum of 3 years of TIG welding and/or industrial millwright experience.
- Proficient in TIG welding stainless steel and aluminum.
- Ability to read mechanical drawings, blueprints, and schematics.
- Strong troubleshooting and problem-solving skills.
- Ability to lift up to 50 pounds and work in physically demanding environments.
- Willingness to work overtime, weekends, or on-call as needed.

Benefits

- Competitive pay based on experience
- Health, dental, and vision insurance
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- Safe and team-oriented work environment

This role is ideal for a hands-on professional with strong TIG welding skills and industrial millwright experience who enjoys troubleshooting equipment, fabricating components, and keeping production operations running efficiently.

Please contact mike@csswi.com to fill out application and/or send in resume.

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Adult Mental Health First Aid for Wisconsin Agriculture Community—July 28 and 29

The University of Wisconsin—Madison Division of Extension is offering a virtual education program to help the Wisconsin agriculture community identify and respond to a variety of behavioral health challenges. The next virtual Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) for the agriculture community is scheduled for Tuesday and Wednesday, July 28-29, from 12:30–3:30 p.m. via the Zoom platform.

What to expect: Participants are required to attend both virtual sessions. Pre-registration and approximately two hours of self-paced, online pre-work is required to participate in the July 28-29 training. Register for free at go.wisc.edu/1lmr82.

Nearly one in five adults lives with a mental illness, according to the National Institute of Mental Health. Research shows that suicide rates are higher within the rural and agriculture communities. The stigma of mental health challenges and thoughts of suicide is prevalent in our rural and farming communities. Mental Health First Aid helps community members better understand how they can support

their friends, family members, and neighbors and help break the stigma around mental health.

Just as CPR teaches you how to help someone having a heart attack, Mental Health First Aid instructs how to help someone experiencing a mental health challenge including, but not limited to, depression and anxiety symptoms, panic attacks and substance misuse, as well as someone thinking about suicide. The program gives participants the skills, confidence and resources to provide initial support and be able to respond in both crisis and non-crisis situations. Mental Health First Aid is a program that teaches participants how to identify, understand and respond to signs of these challenges.

The instructors for this training are two UW-Madison Division of Extension Educators: Joy Kirkpatrick, Farm Succession Outreach Specialist and Beverly Doll, Grant County Human Development and Relationships Educator. If you have questions about the training, please contact either joy.kirkpatrick@wisc.edu, 608-263-3485 or beverly.doll@wisc.edu, 608-723-2125.

Notice



SCHOOL DISTRICT OF JUDA Regular School Board Meeting July 8, 2026, 7:00 p.m. Juda School Den (Old Library) N2385 Spring St.

This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not considered a public hearing. There may be a time for public comment during the meeting as indicated in the agenda.

The Finance Committee will meet at 6:30 p.m. in the Den.

AGENDA

I. Call to Order by President Pflingsten

II. Roll Call

Dennis Pflingsten Jen Brooks

Eric Munz Kendra Sullivan

Courtney Martins Rustin Whitney

Amber Scheidegger

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Proof of Notice

V. Acceptance of Agenda

VI. Open Forum

VII. Consent Agenda—Consent agenda items will be approved in one motion: however, any Board member may ask that any individual item be acted on separately.

1. Approval of the minutes of the regular board meeting held on June 10, 2026

2. Treasurer and Financial reports (Action)

3. Approval of Contracts (Action)

4. Resignations/Retirement (Action)

5. Donations (Action)

VIII. Reports

1. School Staff/Student Report

2. School Board President's Report

•Review of School Finance meeting in Monroe, June 16, 2026

3. Administrator Report

•Staffing Updates

•Strategic Plan

•Review of events/Upcoming events

•Recreation Department Update

•Other updates as necessary

IX. Referendum Updates

X. Seclusion and Restraint: Discussion/Action

XI. Academic Standards: Discussion/Action

XII. Preliminary Budget: Discussion/Action

XIII. Policy-Act 89-Staff/Student Communication: Discussion/Action

•Policies included in the Act 89 update-144.5, 1213, 3213, 4213, 7530.02, 7544, 8120, 8462

XIV. Five Minute Recess

XV. Adjourn into Executive Session according to Wis. State Statutes 19.85 (1) (c) (f)

a. Review Administrator Contract

XVI. Reconvene into open session and take appropriate action as necessary

XVII. Future board agenda items and meetings: (discussion/action)

•August 11, 2026

XVIII. Adjournment

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AGENDA

BRODHEAD SCHOOL DISTRICT Finance Committee Meeting Wednesday, July 15, 2026 HIGH SCHOOL LMC 2501 W. 5th Avenue, Brodhead, WI 6:30 p.m.

AGENDA

I. REVIEW BILLS

II. REVIEW BUDGET UPDATE

III. ADJOURN

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AGENDA

BRODHEAD SCHOOL DISTRICT REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING Wednesday, July 15, 2026 DISTRICT OFFICE BOARD ROOM 2501 W. 5th Avenue, Brodhead, WI 7:00 p.m.

This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in the agenda.

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I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

V. INFORMATION REPORTS

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

AGENDA

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

2. APPROVAL OF BILLS

3. ACCEPT DONATION(S)

4. RESIGNATION(S)

5. EMPLOYMENT RECOMMENDATION(S)

VIII. SENIOR PROJECT PRESENTATION: PAINTED SENIOR PARKING STALLS

IX. INSURANCE RENEWAL (PROPERTY, LIABILITY & WORKERS' COMPENSATION) PRESENTATION OF ANNUAL CRIME STATISTICS REPORT

XI. APPROVAL OF FRONTLINE EDUCATION CONTRACT

XII. CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE 9-12 SCIENCE CURRICULUM

XIII. APPROVAL OF WASB BUSINESS HONOR ROLL NOMINATIONS

XIV. AUTHORIZATION TO HIRE STAFF

XV. APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC STANDARDS

XVI. ACCEPT BREAD & MILK BIDS FOR 2026-27

XVII. APPROVAL OF HIGH SCHOOL & MIDDLE SCHOOL CO-CURRICULAR HANDBOOKS FOR 2026-27

XVIII. APPROVAL OF 2025-26 BUDGET REVISIONS

XIX. FUTURE AGENDA

XX. ROLL CALL VOTE TO CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO WI. STS. 19.85 (1)(e)

a. District Administrator Evaluation

b. Staffing

•Consideration of Compensation of an Employee

XXI. ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

XXII. ADJOURNMENT

Persons needing special accommodations should call (608) 897-2141 at least twenty-four [24] hours prior to the meeting.

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To register for this free program, go to go.wisc.edu/1lmr82.

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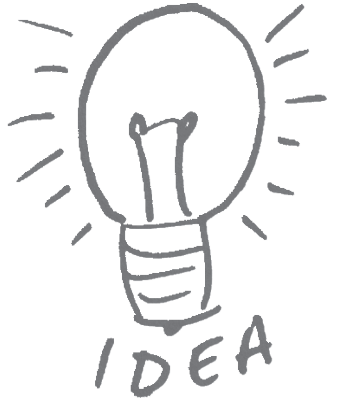


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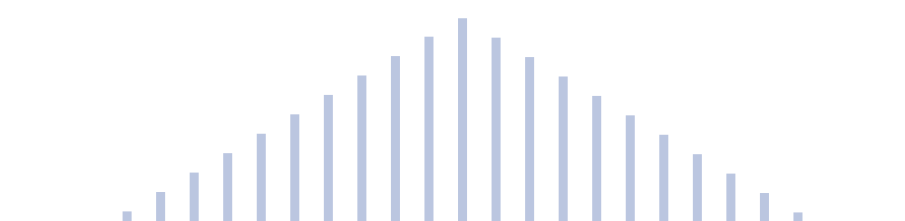
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Stockett.

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