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School Board

Board Learned about Band's NYC Trip

By Grace Kufahl

High School and Middle School band directors Jason and Beth Riesterer gave a presentation on the Brodhead Middle School and High School March trip to New York. One of the highlights of the trip was being interviewed by Al Roker and meeting the cast of the Today Show. Thanks to fund-raising and donations, the group was able to visit Liberty Island, the 9/11 Memorial, China Town, the Space Shuttle Enterprise, Grand Central Station, Central Park, the Empire State Building, Times Square and Radio City Music Hall as well as visiting with Broadway performers and

The Brodhead School Board was reorganized following the April election. Paul Donovan was welcomed and Al Schneider was welcomed back. Mike Krupke, Elizabeth Kempel, Michael Oellerich and Al Schneider were re-elected to their positions as Board President, Vice President, Clerk and Treasurer. The school district is looking for a new citizen member for the Finance Committee since Donovan will now

be a Board member in that group. The Board approved Teacher Contracts with an increase of 2.95%. After a lengthy discussion about what has been completed with referendum funds versus other funding and the potential for using investment income to cover this year's estimated \$350,000 budget deficit rather than for facilities projects, the Board approved the Building and Grounds Committee's recommendations for Long-Term Facility



Woodsview Duplexes Has Openings

Enjoy independent living at its finest. Brodhead Property Management is taking applications for seniors over 65 who would like to downsize into our duplexes. They currently have one opening and another that is opening up around Tuesday, May 27, 2025. They are also creating a waiting list for future openings.

The residents enjoy a level of comfort knowing that they have the security of a life-long lease. The life-long lease includes utilities (excluding cable, internet and phone), maintenance inside and out, snow removal and lawn maintenance all for a maintenance fee of \$715 per month. Units include two bedrooms, two bathrooms, kitchen, living room with gas fireplace and a sitdown counter. The units also have a one-car garage.

The lease requires a substantial deposit of between \$160,000 and \$185,000 depending on the size of the unit. The deposit is 80% refundable

They have many residents that are very satisfied with their living arrangement at Woodsview Duplexes. Call Casey, today, for more information, scheduling a walk through or to be placed on the waiting list. His number is 602-315-9191.



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Albany United Methodist Church, 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 position currenlty open. Interested candidates may reach out via Facebook or call Bethany Lutheran Church directly. Sunday school 8:45 a.m.; Sunday worship service 10 a.m. Holy Communion first Sunday of each month.

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

Congregational United Church of Christ, E201 23rd Street, Brodhead. 608-897-2917. Pastor Shawn Stapleton. Sundays: 10 a.m. worship. Sunday school every other Sunday thru May. Nursery 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.

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.

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Kelly Jahn, Pastor. Sunday school 9:15 a.m.; worship service 10:30 a.m.

Living Word Church, 3825 S. County Road T, Brodhead. 608-897-8246. Pastor Russ Doebler. Web site: livingwordwi. org. E-mail: ptl@livingwordwi.org. Adult Sunday school 9 a.m.; Sunday service at 10 a.m. worship at church and also via live stream at livingwordwi.org/media; Sunday evening Impact Youth 4-5:30 p.m.

Magnolia Christian Church, located on County A just off Hwy. 213. Services are Saturday night at 6:30 p.m. and can be viewed on their Facebook page. Call 608-449-6510 for more information.

Oakley-Union United Methodist Church, W2388 Gerber Road, Juda, 608-293-4232. Pastor Jadyn Manjrekar. Worship 9 a.m. Children's Sunday school September-May 9 a.m.

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

St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church, 1005 W. 2nd Avenue, Brodhead, part of Pastorate 11, Madison Diocese. 608-325-9506. Father David, Paochial Administrator. Mass at 8:15 a.m. Wednesday and on the first Sunday of the month at noon.

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

Chad Heins

Chad Heins, age 45, of Albany, passed away on Saturday, April 26, 2025 at the UW Hospital in Madison. He was born the son of Paul and Debra (Notter) Heins on March 3, 1980. Chad attended Brodhead High School.

A skilled welder, Chad worked at Burchard Welding in Juda and was happy to return to one of his earliest trades. He loved being outdoors and could often be found riding dirt bikes, hunting, fishing, or enjoying time on the water with boats or jetskis. Chad also enjoyed shooting pool and trap. More than anything, Chad cherished time spent with his family and friends. He loved his kids and being Papa to his grandchil-

Chad is survived by his significant other. Brenda Huffman of Albany; children: Kassi Heins of Albany, Kloie Huffman-Heins of Albany, Tori Everson of West Allis, and Aidan Huffman-Anderson of Albany; grandchildren: Kade, Kasin, and Kye; parents: Paul Heins and Debra Heins; and siblings: Brandi Heins and Jonathan Heins, all of Brodhead.

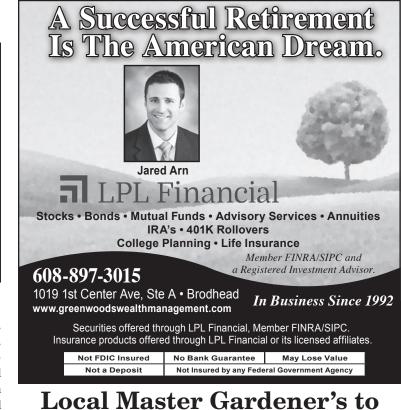
A visitation was held Tuesday, May 6, from 3 until 7 p.m. at Everson Funeral Home in Brodhead.

A Celebration of Chad's Life will be held on Saturday, May 10, at Deb's Bar in Brodhead, starting at 5 p.m. Condolences may be sent to the family at: shgfuneralhome.net.

Green County Sheriff's Department April 28-May 4, 2025

At 9:23 p.m., Monday, deputies were requested by the WI Department of Corrections to respond to a residence in the 200 block of N. Summit Street, in the Village of Albany for a DOC violation. Donald Tiberius David Pitman, 26, was taken into custody on a WI DOC warrant. He was jailed. Brodhead PD assisted at the scene.

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



Hold Plant Sale Fund-raiser— Saturday, May 10th

The Green County Master Gardeners Association (GCMGA) is excited to be holding their annual plant sale! Perennial plants are from member's gardens, along with vegetables and annuals, that members have started, seeds and even a "garage sale" section with gardening items.

They will also be helping children, pot up a flower for "Mom", for Mother's Day, until supplies run out. Funds raised go to provide scholarships to local students.

This is a one-day event, on Saturday, May 10th from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Bloomin Pickets Farm, W7270 Melvin Road, Monroe.

Stateline Women's Connection luncheon

The Stateline Women's Connection cordially invite you to their "Branching Out" luncheon on Wednesday, May 21, at noon. The cost is \$15. The luncheon will be held at Hope Evangelical Free Church, 2902 13th Street, Monroe.

The guest speaker is Barbara Hoffner of Madison. House on Fire! Which door to choose? Barbara shares about her house fire experience. There was loss, clean up and restoration. The Local Spotlight will feature Kathy King, local artist.

Reservations are due by Friday, May 16, by calling Marcia at 815-821-4270 or Kim at 608-214-2157 or emailing: statelinewomensconnection@gmail.com.



Green County Breakfast on the Farm Seeking **Volunteers on** Saturday, May 31st

Heaven View Dairy— N303 County Rd. HK Monroe, WI 53566

•Two shift opportunities available: 5:30 to 8:30 a.m. and 8:30 to

•Variety of volunteer positions needed - from food and coffee servers to helping guests and farm

•All volunteers receive a complimentary breakfast.

•Volunteers may drive to the farm or take the bus from WalMart Supercenter in Monroe.

•All help with clean-up after the breakfast is greatly appreciated.

Sign up can be reached using the following link: https:// www.signupgenius.com/ go/10C0C49A4A72FA0FECF8-55853213-breakfast#/

Classifieds: \$5 for 20 words (10 cents per word, thereafter)

Date Oakley Union UMC Singalong

The Oakley Union UMC Singalong will be held Sunday, May 18, from 1-2 p.m. Music will be by Ernie Saunders and Friends. The Church is located at W2388 Gerber Road. Juda. The event will be followed by free refreshments and fellowshp.

Monroe **Balloon** and **Blues Festival**

The ARC-Green County will present the Monroe Balloon and Blues Festival on Friday, June 13 and Saturday, June 14. Admission and parking are \$3. They will have food trucks both days along with hot air balloon flight, bands, balloon glow, craft fair, car show, carnival, pancake breakfast more. The event will be held at the Green County Fair

For times and updates follow them in Facebook or their web site www.monroeballoonandblues.

Save the Date and Spread the Word

The Congregational UCC Women's Guild is hosting a Spring Community Luncheon and Concert on Wednesday, May 14, featuring Shekinah King. The luncheon is open to all women and will start at 11:30 a.m. with the concert to start at 12:45 p.m.

Shekinah is a singer, songwriter, keyboardist; lead vocals for Madison based Blues band Alpha Romeo and lead vocals for Waunakee Project Brave Band. She works closely with the non-profit "Project Brave" to fight the negative stigma associated with mental illness.

Shekinah released "I Got It From My Mom" in May of 2022 on all major streaming platforms and a music video to go with it and won the 2022 Madison Area Music Awards pop song of the year.

Growing up in church cultivated a deep love for music and a passion for what she does. You can find her singing and pursuing what she loves throughout Wisconsin, Iowa, Illinois and Florida.

The church is located at E201 23rd Street Brodhead. Come and enjoy the concert. Please call the church at 608-897-2917 to reserve your spot.

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ACTIVITIES AROUND TOWN

BRODHEAD COMMUNITY BAND

The Brodhead Community Band will perform on Saturday, June 28 at 1 p.m. at Family Fest and Sunday, August 10, at 6 p.m. at Twilight In The Park.

Rehearsals will be held at the Brodhead High School from 6-7:30 pm. on Tuesdays: May 27, June 3, June 10, June 17, June 24, July 8, July 15, July 29 and August 5.

For more information call 608-897-2155 ext. 253 or email jriesterer@brodhead.k12.wi.us.

BRODHEAD MIDDLE SCHOOL SEEKS MULTICULTURAL MORNING SPEAKERS

Brodhead Middle School is looking for speakers to participate in its annual Multicultural Morning event on Wednesday, May 21. If you have traveled outside the USA for vacation, work, military service, or any other reason, you are invited to share your experiences with seventh-grade students. You will have 30 minutes to present photos, souvenirs, and memories of your time abroad.

Students will be divided into small groups and travel with a "passport" to listen and learn about different cultures, cuisines, tourist attractions, physical landscapes, holidays, and more. If you like, you can bring souvenirs or snacks to share, and you can organize a formal or informal presentation. Students will arrive at their first destination at 8:20 a.m. and another at 8:55 a.m. After a mid-morning break to sample international snacks, students will travel to another destination at 10:10 a.m., with a final stop at 10:45 a.m. They hope you can join them for two or more sessions.

Participating in this event offers numerous benefits, including inspiring young students, sharing your passion for travel, and forming meaningful connections within our community. Please respond to Stephanie Tresemer at (stresemer@brodhead.k12.wi.us) by Wednesday, May 14, to be added to the morning's travel itinerary.

FOOD TRUCK TUESDAY ROLLS INTO **BRODHEAD THIS SUMMER**

Mark your calendars, don't delay-Food Truck Tuesday is on its way! From May through October, the second Tuesday is the date. With food, fun, and friends—it's sure to be great! Each month from 3 to 8 p.m., they'll gather and eat, with trucks on the street serving savory treats. The Brodhead Chamber invites one and all, To enjoy tasty bites and have a ball!

2025 Food Truck Tuesday Schedule:

May 13—Brodhead Memorial Public Library, 1207 25th Street

June 10—Kobussen Buses

July 8—Exit Realty at Putnam Park

August 12—Dick's Repair & KC Lawn Care

September 9—Bank of Brodhead

October 14—Gasser True Value

Kickoff Lineup—Tuesday, May 13:

- •Pop N Kettle Delight
- •Culinary Nirvana
- •Steve's Deli Dog House
- •Ben's Pretzels
- Press Box

The Brodhead Chamber of Commerce is proud to support our members and bring the community together with this fun, flavorful new tradition. Admission is free, and all are welcome—so bring your appetite, your friends, and your love for good eats!

Saturday Mornings at the **Durand Library**

Good Books are Always a Good Read Submitted by Barbara Flores, President, Friends of the Durand Library

Already this little article is in trouble. What indeed, is a "good book"? That can certainly be a matter of personal opinion. But it may be safe to say that books and authors whose names are familiar to most people most likely deserve the recognition they enjoy. That doesn't mean, of course, that everyone will enjoy a certain book. Even those whose job it is to critically evaluate books will disagree on their merits.

However, human nature hasn't changed much since words were first recorded on clay tablets or carved in stone. So fiction books, which touch on the human condition, will speak to us throughout the years. An Agatha Christie novel may sound "like old stuff" but the quality of the writing hasn't changed. Each title, all 66 of them, is as good today as it was when written several decades ago. So too is the Iliad, which is more than 2000 years old.

There is a value in reading fictional works from decades and indeed centuries ago. We get a lesson in how people lived, received news, traveled and communicated. Social mores have changed too and older books inform us of those changes. Change for the better, change for the worse, that's up to the reader to decide.

Indeed, whether a book was written last year or last century, stories set in another time and another place transport us from the present to that place and time. That is a pretty nice relief in itself.

So, the next time you visit the Durand Library pick out a book by an author you may have never read. Or, perhaps, a book or author you have never heard of. Books are free to borrow and easy to return, so try something new,

School Board

(Continued from page 1) In Other Business:

Board Meeting Agendas will be published in the Brodhead Free Press going forward.

The Wednesday, May 14th Board meeting has been moved to Monday, May 19th due to a conflict with Class Night.

CESA 2 Service Contracts were approved.

Thank you

The residents of Brodhead Senior Village would like to thank the Brodhead Middle School seventh grade TOOL Team for the paper flowers they gave them. It was much appreciated.

Taco Night

They will be hosting Taco Night on Monday, May 12, from 4 to 7 p.m., or while supplies last, at the Juda Ball Park. They will have a large meal for \$8 which includes three soft or hard tacos, choice of soda, water, Gatorade or small slush puppie. The small meal is \$5 and includes 2 soft or hard tacos and choice of can of soda or water.

Come cheer on the Juda/Albany softball team as they host Barneveld and Durand. All proceeds will go to the Juda Park. Carry outs available.

2025 Albany Alumni Banquet

The Albany Alumni Banquet is Saturday, May 24th at the Albany Lions Building, 402 N Cincinnati Street. Social starts at 6 p.m., dinner 7 p.m., program 8 p.m., and is over at 9 p.m. The \$20 roast beef dinner is served family style.

Send money and reservations to Dan Weber, N5926 Marie Ct, Albany WI 53502. Make checks payable to Albany Alumni Association. Any questions call Dan at 608-862-3260.



even though it may be old. About the Library

The Durand Library is a collaboration with the school. Entry is at the east, or playground, end of the building. The library is open Saturday mornings from 9 a.m. to noon, Tuesday evenings from 6 to 8 p.m. Check out privileges are free to all Durand School District residents.

Special times can be arranged, and we gladly deliver books to those who can't get to the library. Interlibrary loan puts the collection of 135 libraries in northern Illinois at your fingertips and that includes a large selection of audio books. Come visit the library-we'll be delighted to

UCC Women's Guild cordially invites all ladies of the community to their Spring Christian Women's Luncheon

Wednesday, May 14 at 11:30 a.m. Shekinah King will present a concert starting at 12:45 p.m.



RSVP by Monday, May 12 by calling 608-897-2917. Leave message with name and number of guests.

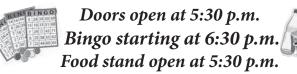
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Josh and Liz Steiner of **Heaven View Dairy to Host** 45th Annual Green County Breakfast on the Farm

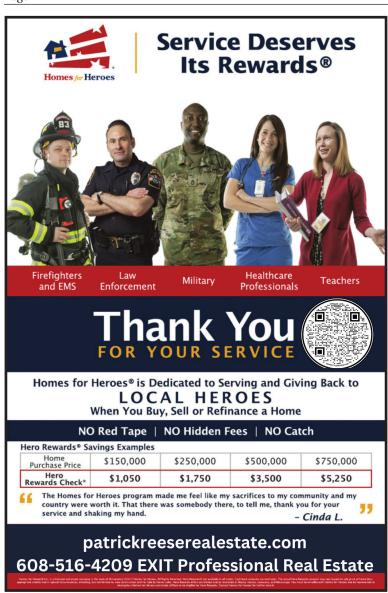
The Green County Ag Chest is eager to announce the return of the 45th Annual Breakfast on the Farm event. On Saturday, May 31st, Josh and Liz Steiner and family of Heaven View Dairy graciously invite you to join them at the farm for a hearty breakfast of scrambled eggs, sausage, cheese, homemade coffee cake, milk, coffee and orange juice, along with strawberry ice cream sundaes. Breakfast will be served from 6 to 10 a.m. The farm is located at N303 County Road HK, Monroe. Parking will be available on-site, weather permitting, however, transportation provided via bussing from WalMart Supercenter in Monroe from 5:30-9:30 a.m. is highly encouraged as space is limited. The cost of the breakfast is \$10 for adults (ages 11 and older), \$5 for youth (ages five-10) and free for children (ages four and under). Entertainment during the breakfast will consist of the State Line Play Boys band from 7 to 10 a.m., an antique tractor display and petting zoo, as well as agricultural education stations and various craft vendors. The Ag Chest looks forward to seeing you back on the farm for breakfast on May 31st!



Family members pictured in the attached photo: Joshua and Liz Steiner, daughters Natalie and Breann, son Jonathon and his fiancé Kyley with their two children, Leland and Sophia.

Breakfast to Benefit Badger Honor Flight

The Monroe Moose Lodge will hold a Breakfast to Benefit Badger Honor Flight on Sunday, June 1, from 8 a.m. to noon. The Lodge is located at 639 3rd Avenue, Monroe. Help send our veterans to Washington, DC, to see the memorials built in their honor. The cost of the buffet style meal is adults \$11; children five years to 10 \$6 and children four and under are free.



Baseball Comeback Falls Short

By Teresa Earleywine

Brodhead found themselves in a 5-1 hole after the first inning against Edgerton last Tuesday. Brooks Malkow started on the hill, he would pitch 4.1 innings, striking out two, allowing eight hits and three errors. The Cardinals were diligent in playing the game and closed the gap being down by one, 7-6 at the end of four innings. David Masloske singles with a hit to right field. Clayton Elliott, singles, Masloske advances to third. Sam Searls hits to right field, scoring Masloske. Brody Riese, he too sends the ball to right field. The bases are loaded with Elliott in scoring position. He gets his feet in high gear as Malkow grounds out but is credited with an RBI when Elliott scores.

The Tiders load the bases in the top of the fifth. Stepping to the plate is Logan Hanson who connects to send the ball over the left field fence for a grand slam and an 11–6 lead. Searls is brought in as pitcher for Brodhead to shutdown Edgerton. Cardinal player, Riese would score, 11–7, at the bottom of the inning, Brodhead down by four. Searls takes out the Tide with three up and three down at the plate. The Cards know time is running out and hits are needed. Masloske singles. Bockhop steps to the plate.

On the first pitch he connects hard to send the ball over the left field fence. Brodhead now down by two runs with no outs. With runners on, the Cardinals are unable to complete the comeback. Edgerton with the 11–9 score are the victors. Searls finished with five strikeouts, three errors and four hits. Masloske and Elliott each were 3-for 4 at the plate. As a team, Brodhead tallied 14 hits to 12 for Edgerton.

The team finished the week with a loss at East Troy, 0–2 with Seth Lingford recording 16 strikeouts for the Trojan. Searls was on the bump for Brodhead for five innings with Hess pitching the final inning.

On Saturday, it was a game against Stoughton with Parker Vanderpal on the rubber. Malkow collected the save in the 3–1 final score. Bockhop was 3-for-3 at the plate.

Brodhead traveled to Evansville on Tuesday and host the Blue Devils on Thursday. Friday, Jefferson comes to town and the team travels to Mineral Point on Saturday.

Brodhead fourth at Track and Field Badger Invite

By Teresa Earleywine

Both boys and girls finished with fourth place finish with eight

schools participating. Mavrik Plummer earned top spot in both the 400m and 800m, as did Tegan Pinnow in the high jump and he long jumped to second place. Other second place standings went to Grayson Arn-200m, and Nolan Bump—300m hurdles. The men's relay teams of the 4x100 and 4x800 had stellar performances for first place.

For the women, Stella Arn had top finishes in the 100m and 200m, with Madi Brown being tops in high jump. Elianna Shank was second in the 100m hurdles. The 4x100 relay the women took fourth, while the 4x800 relay was third. Field events had Brynn Riesterer placing third in discus.

Tuesday was the Rock Valley Division Meet at Big Foot. The annual Beloit Daily News Invite will be happening on Friday.

Softball Earns Shutout Against Evansville

By Teresa Earleywine

Leah Rear went 4-for-4 at the plate and accounted for three RBIs to help lead the Cardinals to a 6–0 victory at home last Tuesday. Karlie Krumwiede and Ava Risum also had multiple hits in the game. Risum went the distance from the mound striking out 17, allowed one hit and had zero walks against the Blue Devils.

Playing Dodgeville, Rear and Madi Henning were a one-two punch with each collecting an RBI to help lead Brodhead past the Dodgers with a 6–1 final score. Risum was again on the rubber as she struck out 10, surrendered three hits, walking none.

East Troy put up a challenge with a 5-3 lead in the bottom of the second but after that Brodhead shut down the Trojans. The Cardinals flipped the game around scoring five runs in the fifth inning. Henning had a double that scored three RBIs. Risum pitched 5.2 innings, struck out 10. Henning came in to close out the game striking out two. Brodhead prevailed with an 11–5 win

The game of the week happened on Thursday facing Beloit Turner for the second time this season. The first meeting resulted a tough 2—3 loss for the Cards

This game at the end of the seventh was knotted at three apiece. Risum for Brodhead and Olyvia Piranio battled on the mound. Risum would strike out nine, no walks but surrendered eight hits and four scores while hurling 145 total pitches. Piranio thew a complete game with 135 total pitches, 10 strikeouts,



Parker Vanderpahl slides to third base in the Cardinal comeback attempt in the game against Edgerton. (Free Press photo by Teresa Earleywine)



Gabe Bockhop has been catcher for Cardinal baseball for four years. (Free Press photo by Teresa Earleywine)



Leah Rear was 4-for-4 at the plate against Evansville. (Free Press photo by Teresa Earleywine)



Natalie Pierce celebrates with Madi Henning as the Cardinals shutout Evansville 6-0 last Tuesday. (Free Press photo by Teresa Earleywine)

three walks, six hits, and three runs. In the 11th inning, the Trojans at bat with two outs, a runner on third base, Emma Bue connected for a single to right field. Maddy Hoenig scores the go ahead run. Brodhead's final at bat resulted in a three and out giving the Trojans a 4–3 victory. Conference record for the Cards

stands at 9–3, Beloit Turner leads the conference with an 8–2 record.

Tuesday Brodhead played at Clinton, Thursday they host Edgerton and Friday welcome Jefferson. Saturday the team will travel to Belmont



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March Madness reading challenge

The fifth grade team at Albrecht Elementary School held a March Madness reading challenge throughout the month of March. Each classroom competed by logging the minutes that they read each day. Prizes were awarded for the top team within each classroom and the top individual (MVP) in each classroom. All students that participated earned the opportunity to shoot baskets for extra recess minutes. Overall, the grade level read over 45,200 minutes in March!



Mrs. Marchant's Winning Team: Liam, Leyla, Gannon



Mrs. Ubersox's Winning Team: Iris, Fay, Adan



Mrs. Rear's Winning team: Aubree, Gabby, Ava



Miss Pinnow's Winning Team: Carter, Leah, Rosalee, Claire



Rear Top Reader(s): Helen, Eliza, Gabby



While learning about Africa in Mrs. Tresemer's seventh-grade geography class, students were introduced to Beatrice from Uganda, whose family received a goat from Heifer International.

For over 20 years, BMS philanthropy has provided livestock and training to families worldwide. This year, students raised \$63.25 and chose to purchase chicks, honeybees, and a "share" of a goat.

Everyone who has donated a quarter or more since 2002 has signed their name on this tarp



Marchant Top Reader: Jocelyn



By Cindy Clint, Outreach Librarian

"Check out" the latest offerings at the Albertson Memorial Library.

Adult Non-Fiction: The Next Day: Transitions, Change, And Moving Forward by Melinda Gates.

Adult Fiction: Summer in the City by Alex Aster, Strangers in Time by David Baldacci, Great Big Beautiful Life by Emily Henry, The Unlucky Ones by Hannah Morrissey, Hello, Transcriber (Black Harbor Book 1) by Hannah Morrissey, When I'm Dead (Black Harbor Book 3) by Hannah Morrissey, 2 Sisters Murder Investigations (2 Sisters Detective Agency Mystery Book 2) by



Ubersox Top Reader: Iris

James Patterson and Candice Fox, The Maid's Secret (Book 2) by Nita Prose, The Perfect Divorce by Jeneva Rose, Fun for the Whole Family by Jennifer Smith, Summer Light on Nantucket by Nancy Thayer, One Death at a Time by Abbi Waxman, and The Griffin Sisters' Greatest Hits by Jennifer Weiner.

Large Print: The Big Empty (Elvis Cole and Joe Pike Book 20) by Robert Crais, Overkill (Ali Reynolds Book 18) by J.A. Jance, and The Crash by Freida McFadden.

DVD: Green and Gold (NR), Sonic the Hedgehog 3 (PG), and Dog Man (PG)

For more details on each title, be sure to visit the Albertson Memorial Library's Facebook page at https:// www.facebook.com/AlbertsonMemorialLibrary.

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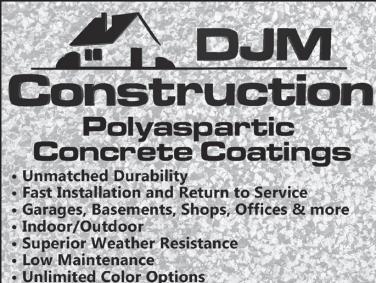
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By Laura Roth, Children's Librarian

It was the end of the "April Showers Bring May Flowers" at Albertson Memorial Library's Preschool Story Time, (The Merry Month of May will be all about celebrating mothers and fathers.) which meant reading books about flowers: Splish Splash Spring, Planting a Rainbow, and Grow Flowers Grow. Then using markers and their own fingers, the preschooler made fingerprint flowers, which they taped to a pipe cleaner. Lots of flower seed packets helped give examples of flowers and everyone got to plant a flower seed (or two or three).

Next week is a celebration of fathers reading stories like "Your Daddy was Just Like You! Walking in Dad's footprints literally, the preschoolers will make footprint art letting Dad know they might turn out to be just like their father! Hopefully it will be a warm on Tuesday so the bare feet won't get too chilly when the foot printing is done.

Albertson Memorial Library Preschool Story Time is rapidly coming to the end of this session. (We'll take a break during the summer to make room for the Summer Library Program: Color Our World.) Our last day is Tuesday, May 20th. Won't you come see what our story time is like? We'd love to meet some new friends.









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Garage Sales



W881 Golf Course Road, Yard Sale! Fri., May 9 and Sat., May 10, 8 a.m. to ? Lots of cross stitch and needlepoint supplies; lots of fabric and sewing supplies. Many knickknacks and household items; some gardening items, some furniture. Rain or Shine!

607 9th Street, Thurs., May 8, Fri., May 9 and Sat., May 10, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Glassware, collectibles, tools, lots of books, new 36x80 interior door, garden tiller used one time, some furniture, JI Case plow no handles, 10x20 tent, oil lamps, linen.

Help Wanted



Public Safety Dispatcher-Part-time

Brodhead Police Department Brodhead, WI

Reason for Announcement: Part-time (mostly weekend shifts Friday, Saturday, Sunday 8 a.m.-6

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HOW TO APPLY:

Submit DJ-LE-330 Resume to: bhpd@brodheadpolice. com (link to DJ-LE-330: https:// wilenet.widoj.gov/.../dj-le-330_ application_for...)

 Applications may also be picked up at the Brodhead Police Department, 1004 W Exchange St., Brodhead WI 53520

Notes: Written exam; Typing test: Oral interviews; Medical examination; Vision examination; Drug screening; Background investigation.

> Advertising **Deadline:** Friday, o p.m.

TOWN OF SPRING GROVE PATROLMAN JOB OPENING

Town of Spring Grove, Green County, WI seeks qualified applicants for a full-time town patrolman. Experience in road repair, snowplowing, and equipment maintenance is desired. The position will work Monday-Friday, 40 hours per week, and will need to be available 24 hours per day in case of emergencies.

Applicants must be self-motivated, be able to work independently, and be reliable. This position requires a valid Wisconsin driver's license and minimum of a CDL-B.

Salary and benefits based on experience, ability, and qualifications. Applications can be obtained online at: townofspringgrove.

Application and references need to be received by Tuesday, May 13, 2025 and may be submitted to the Town Clerk at tsgrove.clerk@ gmail.com or by mailing to the town clerk at N2475 County Road GG, Brodhead, WI 53520.

04/30/25 & 05/07/25

Tony Mendes, Clerk

REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING **BRODHEAD SCHOOL DISTRICT** Wednesday, April 9, 2025, 7:00 p.m. DISTRICT OFFICE BOARD ROOM 2501 W. 5th Avenue, Brodhead, WI Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Board President Mike Krupke at 7:00 p.m. The meeting agenda was published in the Wednesday, April 2, 2025, edition of the Independent Register.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present: Mike Krupke, Michael Oellerich, Al Schneider, Don Buchanan, session at 9:03 p.m. Jodi Kail, Jenny Flory and Elizabeth Kempel (virtually)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA Motion by Al Schneider, second by Jenny Flory, to approve the agenda. Motion carried, 6-0 (Elizabeth Kempel temporarily left meeting).

INFORMAITON REPORTS

The Administrative Team presented information reports on their respective buildings and departments. District Administrator Novy recognized Jodi Kail as tonight was her final meeting and thanked her

for her 9 years of service to the School Board.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

No one was present to give public comments AGENDA ITEMS

CONSENT AGENDA 1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

a. Regular Meeting: March 12, 2025 b. Special Meeting: March 17, 2025

c. Policy Committee Meeting: March 19, 2025

2. APPROVAL OF BILLS 3. ACCEPT DONATION(S)

a. \$2,000.00 monetary donation from Kid Connection to support

field trip costs for Albrecht Elementary

4. RESIGNATION(S) a.Ethan Anderson, Elementary School Counselor b.Kevin Buxton, Middle School Boys Basketball Coach

c.Mike Goecks, High School Social Studies Teacher d.Tiffany Kramer, High School Special Education Paraprofessional e.Rae Tompson, High School Counselor [amended] f.Steve Zittlow, High School Math Team Advisor

5. EMPLOYMENT RECOMMENDATION(S) a.Sharon Malone, High School Counselor

6. VOLUNTEER RECOMMENDATION(S)

a.MacKenzie Bishop Buchanan, Elementary School Classrooms Motion by Don Buchanan, second by Jodi Kail, to approve the consent agenda items as presented.

Motion carried, 7-0. PRESENTATION ITEM ACT 20 PRESENTATION -ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Principal Kelly Knox presented and provided information regarding the new Act 20 requirements at the Elementary School and implementation of said requirements at the Elementary School.

REPORT ON ELECTION RESULTS REPORT ITEM Board Clerk Michael Oellerich reported the April 1, 2025 Board Member and Referendum election results. The Operational Referendum passed and Al Schneider and Paul Donovan were elected as School

REFERENDUM UPDATE **DISCUSSION ITEM** District Administrator Novy provided an update on the ongoing Facilities Referendum and the construction progress.

APPROVAL OF STUDENT HANDBOOKS ACTION ITEM Motion by Al Schneider, second by Don Buchanan, to approve the

2025-26 student handbooks as presented. Motion carried, 7-0.

CONSIDERATION TO MAKE FRIDAY, JUNE 6 A NON-STUDENT DAY

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM In order to accommodate the ongoing construction and upcoming Summer School classroom locations, a discussion was had to see if June 6 should be a non-student day and staff preparation date for the Summer and for preparation of Summer construction projects

Motion by Michael Oellerich, second by Don Buchanan, to make June 6, 2025, a non-student day. Motion carried, 7-0.

CONSIDERATION OF CHANGES TO DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM THE DISTRICT HEALTH PLAN District Administrator Novy presented information and proposals

related to modifying the District's Health Plan for employees. Motion by Don Buchanan, second by Al Schneider, to approve a reduction to the District's HSA contribution for each staff member to

Motion passed, 5-0 (Michael Oellerich, Jenny Flory abstained). Motion by Don Buchanan, second by Al Schneider, to approve buying

into the clinic model for the 2025-2026 school year. Motion passed, 5-0 (Michael Oellerich, Jenny Flory abstained). CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE

BUILDING AND GROUNDS PROJECT RECOMMENDATIONS No action was taken. Information regarding upcoming projects is still

CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM 34.1 POLICY UPDATES

information regarding Board Policy updates. Motion by Michael Oellerich, second by Jenny Flory, to approve 34.1

CONSIDERATION OF BUDGET CUTS

Administrator Novy budget cuts for the 2025-2026 school year.

bus route for the 2025-2026 school year. Motion carried, 7-0.

FUTURE AGENDA [April 28, 2025]

Approval of the Minutes Accept Donation(s)

Employment Recommendation(s)

Volunteer Recommendation(s)

Board Reorganization

B. Board Meeting Dates and Times for 2025-2026

C. Official Depository

E. Appointment of Board Member Representative for 2025 CESA 2

Approval of Teacher Contracts

Approve Building and Grounds Committee Recommendations for Long-Term Facility Plan

Approve Building and Grounds Projects **ROLL CALL VOTE TO CONVENE**

DRASCH, ASHLEY E

\$4,000 for family plans and \$2,000 for single plans.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM

being compiled.

District Administrator Novy and the Policy Committee presented

policy updates and technical corrections, as presented. Motion carried, 7-0.

FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM

Motion by Don Buchanan, second by Michael Oellerich, to eliminate a INSTRUMENTALIST AWARDS LLC

Resignation(s)

High School Band Presentation - New York City Trip

A. Election of School Board Officials

D. Approval of Authorized Signatures

Delegate Assembly F. Discuss Board Committees

Approval of CESA 2 Service Contracts

ACTION ITEM

IN CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT

TO WI, STS, 19.85 (1)(c)(f)

Motion by Michael Oellerich, second by Al Schneider, to go into closed session, under WI. STS. 19.85 (1)(c)(f) at 8:25 p.m., for the discussion of:

a. Teacher Negotiations

b. Support Staff Negotiations

c. Administrator Negotiations d. Staffing Considerations

Roll Call vote: All ayes (7-0). RETURN TO OPEN SESSION **ACTION ITEM** Motion by Michael Oellerich, second by Al Schneider, to return to open

Motion carried, 7-0.

e. Bus Contract

ACTION ITEM

ADJOURNMENT ACTION ITEM Motion by Michael Oellerich, second by Don Buchanan, to adjourn the meeting at 9:04 p.m. Motion carried, 7-0.

Date: 04-09-25 \$100 Bill List

Check Amount BRUGGER, ROBERT M 150.00 1,218.40 FOLLETT CONTENT SOLUTIONS LLC 1.915.37 GARDIPEE, JESSICA M 150.00 MIDAMERICA ADMIN & RETIREMENT SOLUTIONS 276.00 MIDWEST SCHOLASTIC 469.95 ACTION ITEM OFFICE PRO PIEPER POWER 135.00 RIESTERER, BETH A 150.00 SMITH, ANNETTE TRESEMER, STEPHANIE 150.00 VOIGT MUSIC CENTER 108.00 BAYREUTHER, DAN 140.00 BLACKHAWK TECHNICAL COLLEGE 6,168.00 **BRODHEAD WATER & LIGHT COMM** 10.466.17 CEDAR CREEK LANDSCAPING 1,700.00 CESA 2/DCTS
CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS 3,068.40 584.99 COLE, KYLEE 150.00 FENRICK, CRAIG 140.00 GASSER TRUE VALUE HARDWARE 102.17 GREEN COUNTY SOLID WASTE 117.00 KAMMERER, ERIN C 150.00 75.00 METALPRO CORPORATION 2,783.68 PIGGLY WIGGLY 543.20 PLAYAWAY PRODUCTS LLC 14,196.72 SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BRODHEAD 825.00 SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BRODHEAD SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BRODHEAD 328.75 SSM HEALTH MEDICAL GROUP 517.00 TRITON SENSORS WAAE 465.00 WASTE MANAGEMENT 1,067.22 WE ENERGIES 4,457.97 WIL-KIL PEST CONTROL 142.54 AMERICAN DEPOSIT MANAGEMENT 245,899.76 AMERICAN DEPOSIT MANAGEMENT 651.00 AMERICAN DEPOSIT MANAGEMENT 10,059.00 AIRGAS USA, LLC 216.12 CESA #2 9,450.00 FOLLETT CONTENT SOLUTIONS LLC 1,224.89 MARTENSON, LAUREL B 250.00 SYMMETRY ENERGY SOLUTIONS, LLC 13,133.66 VOIGT MUSIC CENTER 879.77 **BOARDMAN & CLARK LLP** 231.00 DYNAMIC FITNESS & STRENGTH 4,697.00 FLINN SCIENTIFIC INC 251.32 GREEN COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPT 843.06 PLATFORM ATHLETICS, LLC 1,000.00 ROLLI WORX 348.45 SSM HEALTH - MONROE CLINIC MEDICAL GROUP 6,039.66 U.S. CELLULAR 123.72 ALDRICH, TINA GASSER TRUE VALUE HARDWARE 330.02 HEGGE, JON PEPSI-COLA 310.59 ROCK VALLEY PUBLISHING LLC 790.53 SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BRODHEAD TIFFANY, TOM 105.00 WIL-KIL PEST CONTROL 142.54 BADGER SPORTING GOODS 200.00 **BURTON & MAYER INC** 974.00 CDW GOVERNMENT INC 10,908.21 1.000.00 FOLLETT CONTENT SOLUTIONS LLC 2,025.00 KINTZLE, BROOKE E 1,000.00 KOBUSSEN BUSES LTD 57,779.21 OFFICE PRO 1,945.24 SCHEIDEGGER, BROOKE E 1,000.00 ALLTEAM SPORTSWEAR BOB ROGERS TRAVEL 3,388.00 DEPPLER WOOD SUPPLY NATIONAL FFA ORGANIZATION 521.00 PIGGLY WIGGLY 116.90 SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BRODHEAD SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BRODHEAD 249.78 SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BRODHEAD 273.74 SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BRODHEAD SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BRODHEAD 913.25 WIAA 405.12 AHRENS ACRES 180.00 BADGER SPORTING GOODS 25,600.00 BADGER SPORTING GOODS 317.00 BADGER SPORTING GOODS 195.00 168.00 JANESVILLE PERFORMING ARTS CENTER 395.00 RIESTERER, JASON 220.00 SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BRODHEAD 266.02 SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BRODHEAD 1,062.91 SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BRODHEAD 226.66 SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BRODHEAD 3,104.84 266.86 SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BRODHEAD BADGER SPORTING GOODS 572.94 BFG SUPPLY CO. BODELL, PAUL 128.00 DEPPLER WOOD SUPPLY 990.00 HEARTLAND GRAPHICS 784.00 INSTRUMENTALIST AWARDS LLC MAKE-A-WISH WISCONSIN 3.269.75 MALKOW, JILLIAN R 334.00 MARTENSON, LAUREL B 100.00 PIGGLY WIGGLY 114.44 PINNACLE FUNDRAISING SERVICES RISUM, CHAD 174.95 RUDIS 6,911.20 SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BRODHEAD SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BRODHEAD 168.91 VOIGT MUSIC CENTER 05/07/25

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Laurie Exum technician (left), Kari Grossen, Practice Manager (right)

Kari Grossen recognized

The Brodhead Veterinary Medical Center is proud to recognize, Kari Grossen, for her recent nomination and winner of the Wisconsin Veterinary Practice Management Association's Practice Manager of the year award. Kari received the award in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin on April 28, 2025.

Kari was nominated by the late Ray Pawlisch, who wanted to recognize Kari for her dedication and long time exemplary service to the clinic. And was also nominated by long time veterinary technician, Laurie Exum.

Kari has served the Brodhead Veterinary clinic for 25 years. Through those years, Kari has demonstrated an exceptional work ethic, a remarkable dedication to the veterinary team and an unbreakable commitment to the veterinary profession. When asked what has driven her to this level of excellence in running this large clinic of over 50 employees, she happily states that her purpose has always been to serve others and make a positive difference through compassionate care and continued support of her team.

The veterinarians and staff at the Brodhead Veterinary Medical Centers cannot say enough about her efforts and leadership and are honored to have her serving at both clinics.

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