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## City Council Local Vaping Ordinance to be Enforced

By Grace Kufahl

Officer O'Malley Lomax has accepted a position as School Liaison Officer in Durand, Illinois. Due to his skills in field and firearm training, the council approved Chief Brian Raupp's request to retain him as a part-time officer and post his full-time position.

Alder Nick Burkhalter reported he had relayed concerns to Chief Raupp about vaping in local establishments despite the fact there is a city ordinance that forbids it. Because there may be confusion with the state statute, which does not explicitly refer to vaping, the chief will speak to the establishments in question to make sure they understand the ordinance.

Alder Troy Nyman resigned his position on the City Council. His spot will remain vacant until the spring election. Alders Nick Burkhalter and Emily Sauer are up for re-election in April. Zach Woodford will be running to fill the vacancy left by Troy Nyman's resignation.

Ordinance 001-2025 was passed rezoning the old Brodhead Veterinary Service building from R2 to R3. This would allow for a third apartment to be constructed in the basement of that building.

### In Other Business:

The Council approved MSA to perform a background review regarding new construction in the Crosswinds Development.

Water Quality Implementation Contracts were approved.

It was approved to pave the gravel service road from the bleachers to the restrooms in Putnam Park using previously allocated Park and Rec funds that had been returned to the General Fund.

Chief Raupp reported Capital Improvement projects have begun at the Police Department with work on the HVAC system and the replacement of ceiling tiles underway.

The next meeting was moved to Monday, February 24th at 6 p.m. due to the next month's upcoming election.

## Dueling Pianos Splash Pad Fund-raiser Set For March 2025

The Brodhead Jaycees are once again partnering with Piano Fondue of Madison for a dueling pianos show and silent auction on Saturday, March 8th from 7-10 p.m. at Ludlow Mansion in Monroe. All proceeds will benefit the Jaycee Park splash pad. Plan a date night or gather a group of friends for an evening you won't forget! Tickets are \$75 each and include one drink and a hot and cold Hors-d'œuvre buffet, and are available for sale through Jaycee members or by contacting Katie at [brodheadjaycees@gmail.com](mailto:brodheadjaycees@gmail.com).

They are also seeking donations for the silent auction, and have multiple sponsorship levels available, including:

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Silent Auction Sponsor (no limit): \$100. Recognition on social media pages and signage on silent auction tables.

Follow the event on [facebook.com/BrodheadJaycees](https://facebook.com/BrodheadJaycees) for updates!

## GCDC Annual Business Awards Open for Nominations

Green County Development Corporation (GCDC) is now accepting nominations for special awards to honor businesses and individuals who have made outstanding contributions to Green County. Nominations are due Monday, March 2.

Awards will be given in the following categories:

- Outstanding Business of the Year, which honors a business that has demonstrated an exemplary commitment to Green County's economic growth. This business will have made a significant improvement to strengthen its market position or have overcome an obstacle affecting the company's ability to grow.

- Entrepreneurial Spirit Award, which honors an entrepreneur with a hunger for opportunity, a growth mindset, a willingness to learn, a willingness to find solutions to challenges and problems, and a strongwork ethic.

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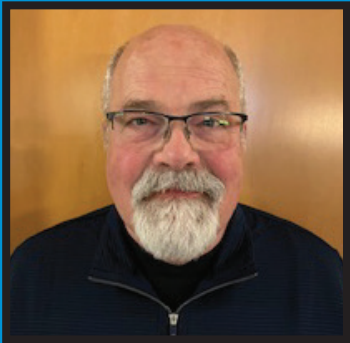


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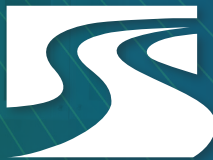
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Bethany Lutheran Church, 1652 West Church Road, Brodhead. 608-897-4158. Pastor position currently open. Interested candidates may reach out via Facebook or call Bethany Lutheran Church directly. Sunday school 8:45 a.m.; Sunday worship service 10 a.m.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

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 405 E. 9th Ave, Brodhead. Phone: 608-897-2341 Pastor Callie Arendt. Email: [office@bethlehembrodhead.org](mailto:office@bethlehembrodhead.org). Website: [www.bethlehembrodhead.org](http://www.bethlehembrodhead.org). Sunday in-person worship with Communion at 9 a.m. On-line 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, from 8:45-9:45 a.m. 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.

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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, 608-934-5551. Pastor Jady N 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](http://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 Facebook.

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1/26—Standings: I'd Smack That won 37 lost 2, The Goon Squad 34-5, Victorious Secret 32-7, That's What She Set 24-15, The Youngins 20-19, Valued Volleyers 16-23, One Hit Wonders 16-23, Chewblocka 14-25, All Sets Are Off 13-26, Killer Serves 12-27, Net Ninjas 12-27, Super Soy 7-32.

OBITUARY



Cheryl L. Johnson

Cheryl L. Johnson, age 65, of Juda, died unexpectedly on Saturday, January 25, 2025 at SSM Monroe Hospital. Cheri was born on January 30, 1959 in Portage, Wisconsin, the daughter of Stephen and Virginia (Halvorson) Eldred. She graduated from Brodhead High School in 1977 and was united in marriage to Roger Johnson on May 6, 1978 in Brodhead. Cheri enjoyed bowling in leagues at Leisure Lanes and golfing leagues at Windy Acres.

She was an avid reader, great cook, and loved to fish with her family especially at Avon Bottoms. Cheri always looked forward to the annual family camping trip to Devil's Lake State Park and the winter trips to Florida with Roger. Her passion for family was evident as she helped run the family dairy farm in rural Juda.

She will be dearly missed by her husband of 46 years, Roger Johnson of Juda; her children: Greg Johnson of Brodhead, Amy Johnson (Matthew Wendelschafer) of Brodhead, and Aaron Johnson of Juda; eight grandchildren: Grace, Casey, Evan, Lilly, Henry, Ava, Rori, and Emma; daughter-in-law, Kari Johnson of Juda; brother, Randy Eldred of Brodhead; two sisters, Debora Burkheimer of Beloit, and Barb (Brian) Fish of Burlington; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; father and mother-in-law, Arnold and Joan Johnson; and three brothers: Steve, Gary, and David Eldred.

A celebration of Cheri's life will be held at a later date. A memorial fund will be established in her name. The Newcomer Funeral Home, Monroe, is assisting the family. Condolences may be shared at [www.newcomer-funeralhome.net](http://www.newcomer-funeralhome.net).



By Sarah Carpentier  
February at the Brodhead Memorial Public Library

Friends of the Library Meeting: Show your support for the library! We'll be discussing the upcoming Trivia Night, Book Sale, and Buy-A-Book Fund-raiser. New and prospective members welcome. Monday, February 3rd at 5:30 p.m.

Preschool Story Time: Stories, songs, activities, and more for children ages zero-five and their caregivers. Wednesdays at 10 a.m. (February 5th, 12th, 19th, and 26th)

Community Puzzle Night: Bring a puzzle, snack to share, or just yourself for our monthly puzzle night. Youth aged 16 and under welcome with an accompanying adult. Friday, February 7th, 6-8 p.m.

Steps to Healthy Living: Community Health Worker Cheryl Updike of SSM Health will share tips and advice on living healthier lives. We will discuss healthy diet, exercise, weight loss, smoking cessation, stress management, and more; play a trivia game and give out "prizes"; administer blood pressure screenings; have printed resources and info sheets for you to take home, and enjoy light refreshments. Tuesday, February 11th at 5:30 p.m.

Books and Brews: Yellowface by R. F. Kuang, copies available at the library including Large Print and Book on CD. Held at Bridges Bar and Grill on Wednesday, February 19th at 6:30 p.m. Find us in the back!

Library Board Meeting: Thursday, February 20th at 4 p.m.

Friends of the Library Trivia Night: Join the Friends of Brodhead Memorial Public Library for trivia night- back by popular demand! It's been 25 years since the turn of the millennium. How much do you remember? Topics will include sports, entertainment, world events, and more. Please call the library at 608-897-4070 to register. Space is limited. Trivia will begin at 6:30 p.m. There is a suggested donation of \$5 per participant. Funds collected will be used to support the library. Participants under age 21 must attend with an adult. No cell phones or other devices that can access the Internet may be used during game play.


Brodhead Book Club: The Book of Lost Names by Kristin Harmel, copies available at the library including Large Print and Book on CD. Thursday, February 20th at 7 p.m.

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So, thank you for ALL the great memories! Love sent to everyone!

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The second trip is to Branson, Missouri, for their Holiday Extraganza. From November 10-15, 2025 there will be five nights lodging, eight meals and admission to seven shows.

For more information or to sign up for these trips, contact Sue Schmelzer, email is [sschmelzer@charter.net](mailto:sschmelzer@charter.net), phone or text 608-558-8797.

## It's Brodhead Optimists Essay Contest Time!

Calling all high school and middle school students! Grab your pen, pencil or keyboard to express yourself and have an opportunity to earn a cash award. Applications for the essay contest will be available at the Brodhead Public Library, and both the middle school and high school offices, or through the Brodhead Optimist Club. The Optimist Club of Brodhead is encouraging all Brodhead and surrounding area youth, including home-schooled scholars, to write an essay 700 to 800 words long on the topic "How Optimism Has Paved My Road to Success"

The Brodhead Optimist Club will judge the local students' essays, based on the theme of "How Optimism Has Paved My Road to Success" along with organization, creativity, clarity, structure and adherence to contest rules to determine the top winners. The winning essay at the club level will be sent to the district level where the student will compete for a chance at a \$2500 scholarship.

The Brodhead Optimist Essay Chair Wendy Backes said, "It is our goal to encourage young people to take part in this activity and do what we can to bring out the best in each of them. This experience gives them a wonderful opportunity to tap into their creativity and pursue possible scholarships at the same time."

The Optimist Club of Brodhead has been participating in the Optimist Essay Contest for many years and has been active in the community since 2002. Other programs and service projects that the Club is involved in include Christmas gifts for families in need The Mitten Tree Project, Tri-Star Basketball competition, a fishing derby, pumpkin decorating, and an art contest, just to name a few. The Club also makes donations to numerous school departments, the public library, childhood cancer patients and pediatric cancer research.

Students wishing to participate in the essay contest can find out more about the contest by contacting the club chair Wendy Backes at [wendybackes1966@gmail.com](mailto:wendybackes1966@gmail.com) or getting an application from their school counselor at either the middle school or high school, or at the Brodhead Public Library.

Finally, completed applications and essays can be dropped off at the Middle or High School offices, Brodhead Public Library or email them to [wendybackes1966@gmail.com](mailto:wendybackes1966@gmail.com) before Monday, February 10th, 2025.

## "Show and Share"

The Green County Genealogical Society will hold its Saturday, February 1 meeting at 10 a.m. at the Monroe Public Library meeting room.

Attendees will have the opportunity to share with other genealogists. You may bring examples of your family histories, heirlooms or projects. Share your stories about how your ancestors met, lived their lives or your recollection of a winter storm, first car or favorite comfort food.

For any questions about the meeting or presentation, call Donna at 608-921-1537. The GCGS Research Center (located in the lower level of the Monroe Public Library) is open to the public for research Tuesdays 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Other times available by appointment. The phone number is 608-328-7436 and the website is [www.greencogenealogywi.org](http://www.greencogenealogywi.org).

## Albany Sr. High Youth Fund-raising Luncheon Sunday, February 2nd

Sr. High Youth of the Albany United Methodist Church will be sponsoring a fund-raising lunch in the church fellowship hall on Sunday, February 2, from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. The meal consists of a grilled cheese sandwich, bowl of chili, beverage, and dessert. Cost of the meal is by donation. Donations are appreciated as the group is raising money for a mission trip to Pewaukee, Wisconsin, this summer to help with deck and wheelchair ramp construction and house painting projects for residents who need the assistance. The church is located at 500 S. Park Street in Albany.

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## BHS Wall of Fame seeks nominations

Do you know someone that has achieved great accomplishments? Brodhead High School is seeking nominations for its "Wall of Fame." The Wall of Fame was started several years ago to recognize the graduates of Brodhead High school that have gone on to accomplish great things. Not only does the wall recognize great people, it also demonstrates to the students at BHS what can be achieved with hard work. The people that are selected for this award get honored at the BHS National Honor Society banquet. The honoree gets to speak to future graduates about what it took to become a success.

Many past graduates have been nominated over the years. This number has decreased substantially over the last couple of years though. Although there is still a great list of possible choices, BHS is hoping to receive more nominees. Even if the person is not chosen, it is still an honor to be nominated. After the NHS ceremony, an article is placed in the newspaper about the year's choices.

There are some people that have graduated from BHS that are deserving of this honor. Please take the time to nominate them. Nomination forms are located at the high school, Free Press or in the Independent Register.

## 2024 Tax Assistance Appointments

Appointments are now available for free income tax preparation services for low to moderate income, elderly and disabled persons through the AARP Foundation/Tax-Aide program. Assistance provided includes the preparation of federal and state (including homestead) income taxes. Appointments are available on Mondays and Wednesdays beginning Monday, February 3rd through Wednesday, April 9th. Appointments start at 8:30 a.m. with the last appointment at 11:30 a.m. at the Green County Government Services Building, N3152 State Rd 81, Monroe. Please call the ADRC at 608-328-9499 to schedule an appointment.

## Basketball contest

The highest scoring game was the boys' Edgerton vs. Whitewater, 91-35. The winner of this week's basketball contest was Eric VonAllmen, Albany, with one incorrect game and 92 points. The following each had one incorrect game: Lynette VonAllmen, Albany—86 points, Tom Brewer, Albany—86 points; Curt Elmer, Albany—89 points; Doug Rezner, Brodhead—85 points; and Brian Malkow, Brodhead—86 points.

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## Albrecht Elementary School 4K Enrollment

Albrecht Elementary School is now accepting new four and five-year-old kindergarten applications for the 2025-2026 school year. If you have a child who will be turning four (4) by Monday, September 1st of this year, he/she will be eligible to attend school in the fall.

You and your child are invited to participate in a special night set aside for incoming 4K children and their families. This year 4K Enrollment and Information Night will be held on Thursday, March 20th between 4 and 7 p.m. They are asking that you and your child sign up to attend one one-hour session that evening.

The 4K Team will keep your child company while engaging them in a playbased environment in the 4K classrooms. The parent information portion will be for parents to hear about our program and answer any questions you may have.

If you are interested in enrolling your child, or wish to learn more about our program, please call Albrecht Elementary School at 608-897-2146 or you can email Ashley Smith at [ashleysmith@brodhead.k12.wi.us](mailto:ashleysmith@brodhead.k12.wi.us). They are looking forward to hearing from you!

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The Cardinal bench rallies as they take an eight-point lead towards the end of the second period. It came down to the points earned at the stripe with the Cheesemakers shooting 50% to 38% for the Cards. (Free Press photo by Teresa Earleywine)



Brodhead's Josh Blum and Brody Riese scramble for a loose ball. This week the team will have a non-conference game on Tuesday against St Ambrose Academy and host Cambridge on Saturday with an 11 a.m. game time. (Free Press photo by Teresa Earleywine)



Feliz Paffel-175 (file photo) competed at the Monroe Invite last Saturday. He lost to Ellis Parker, Janesville Parker, and then Sam Vogt, Parkview/Albany. Thomas Lohmar took first and TJ Hall finished in third place. Sixteen schools competed at the invite. This week the Cards will host a triangular meet on Thursday with Edgerton and Delavan Darian participating. (Free Press photo by Teresa Earleywine)



Annaelise Bethke looks to pass in the game against Deerfield. The Demons were hot while the Cardinals were cold, giving up two games last week with Deerfield High School topping out with a 68-40 win. Brodhead struggled from long range but did score 65% from the stripe. Cambridge took an early lead in the matchup on Saturday. Brodhead would fall short in their comeback attempt losing 56-42. This week the Cards will be on the road to East Troy on Tuesday and host Jefferson on Friday. (Free Press photo by Teresa Earleywine)

## SSM Health in Wisconsin launches first-in-state post-birth alert program

Alert bracelets can help medical providers identify potential post-birth complications

According to the CDC, 817 women died in 2022 from maternal health related causes. More than two thirds of these deaths are considered preventable.

Knowing the first few weeks following childbirth come with many potential life-threatening health risks, SSM Health in Wisconsin launched a first-in-Wisconsin post-birth alert program on Wednesday, January 1. Through this program, all mothers who deliver at SSM Health Monroe Hospital and other SSM Health hospitals in Wisconsin are given an orange bracelet to wear for at least six weeks after they give birth. The bracelet serves as a visual identifier to medical teams that the patient recently gave birth and they could be experiencing a post-pregnancy complication like blood clots, hemorrhaging, sepsis, or cardiomyopathy.

Michele Schiess, Acute Care and Emergency Services Director at SSM Health in Monroe, lead the way in implementing the program at SSM Health's hospitals in Baraboo, Fond du Lac, Janesville, Madison, Monroe and Waupun.

"Many postpartum deaths could be avoided if post-pregnancy and delivery complications were considered earlier in medical emergencies," says Schiess. "These bracelets could save lives by making emergency responders and clinicians aware of potential complications earlier in an emergency, leading to better care for women in this critical post-partum time."

To fully implement this program, SSM Health is working to educate area EMS service partners and other community health systems to ensure women wearing a post-birth alert bracelet receive prompt emer-

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Robbie Price and some of his race crew and fellow racers came to talk to the Albrecht Elementary kids during their book swap Thursday night. It was great listening to him discuss his experiences and hear the great questions the kids had for him! Robbie also handed out Hot Wheels Race Cars to each kid there! Thanks again Robbie!!



## Collinwood Memory Care sold

Collinwood Memory Care in Brodhead has been sold. Sam Siddiqui is the new owner. Sam took over ownership on Tuesday, January 21st at 3 p.m. in the afternoon. Sam has Assisted Living homes east of Madison, closer to Milwaukee so he is familiar with the assisted living world. This will be his first Memory Care facility. He is a young family man who seems to have his heart in the right place. The name Collinwood Memory Care will not change. The staff and management

will remain. Sam's plan is to run the business as usual. Collinwood Elderly Care was initially opened on May 4, 1996. We underwent a full renovation in 2017 and re-opened in February of 2018 as a Memory Care Facility.

This is a roller coaster of emotions for me! Collinwood has been my place of employment for 29 years! My heart has been in Assisted Living since 1988. It is my second home and the final home for both of my parents. It is the place that made

me smile, made me cry, feel on top of the world, and defeated at times! But my heart will always be there!

What's next for me? I will be staying part time as a consultant for Sam and his team. I plan to be up north in the summer to enjoy our cabin as much as possible. I want to spend more time with my family, grandchildren, nieces and nephews. Beyond that I'm not sure, but I'm excited for the next chapter!!

Truly yours,  
~LouAnn Collins, Disch, Harmel



## Brodhead Middle School is honoring “Savvy” Sixth-Graders for the second quarter!

The “SAVVY” Sixth-Graders are Owen Larson, Easton Clark, Victoria Schneider, Kaitlyn Mills, Jaxson Demrow and Patrick Matt!

These students were chosen for their positive leadership at school. Thank you for being kind and working hard at BMS!



From left to right: MyKenna Jordan, Kaitlyn Mills, Grant McCullough, Jaxton Riese, Cydney Piecuch, and Isabella Bennett.

These students won the DESIGN portion of the Thermal Insulating Cup project in Mrs. Corbit's sixth grade science class! They were chosen for using exemplary materials, having multiple layers to their cups, and/or making it look and feel like a real thermos.

Thank you parents for all the help at home too!



Easton Clark, Macallister Wand, Cristiana Baldazzi

The testing results are in! These three students' cups lost the least amount of thermal energy...in the second annual “Homemade Thermal Insulating Cup Challenge.” Easton Clark came in first losing 7.3 degrees Celsius, Macallister Wand a close second, losing 7.4 degrees and in third with cellulose fiber insulation was Cristiana Baldazzi, losing 7.8 degrees Celsius. Super job students. Perhaps you will design the next Owala/Yeti/Stanley/Hydro-flask :)

Thanks to all students and parents who made sure the cup was made at home and brought in to school by the due date!

## ACADEMICS

### UW-STEVENS POINT UNDERGRADUATES HONORED FOR SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENT

The University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point honored more than 2,600 undergraduate students for attaining high grade point averages during the fall semester of the 2024-2025 academic year.

Full-time undergraduates who earned grade points of 3.90 to 4.0 (4.0 equals straight A) are given the highest honors designation. High honor citations go to those with grade point averages from 3.75 to 3.89 and honor recognition is accorded to those with grade point averages from 3.50 to 3.74.

Personalized certificates of scholastic achievement are sent to those who earned highest honors distinction.

Students who received honors include: Mackenzie Castellucci, Highest Honors, of Albany; Gracyn Bolton, High Honors and Dawson

McGinty, Honors, both of Brodhead; and Mhairi Robertson, Highest Honors, of Durand, Illinois.

### HOPE COLLEGE DEAN'S LIST

Eliana Riemer, Juda High School Class of 2022, has been named to the Hope College, Holland, Michigan, Dean's List for the fall 2024 semester for excellence in academics.

## SSM Health


(Continued from page 4)

gency care for potential post-pregnancy complications. Additionally, patients receive education about potential health complications at their 36-week checkup and after delivery. Before they leave the hospital, they receive the bracelet and instructions for wearing it.

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By Cindy Clint,  
Outreach Librarian

Here's what's happening during the month of February at the Alb-ertson Memorial Library:

February is 'Blind Date with a Book' all month long at the library. The library will feature wrapped books by genre, allowing you to check out one from your favorite category. Take home your selection, unwrap it like a present and enjoy a literary adventure!

February's Preschool Story Time will be all about 'Things that Go!' Enjoy stories and crafts every Tues-day at 10 a.m. with our Children's Programming Specialist, Miss Lau-ra. This month's stories will rev up your curiosity, pump up your heart rate, and deliver a full-on truckload of fun! Hop on board for a wild ride!

The Albany Joint Library Board Meeting will be held at the library on Tuesday, February 4th at 6:30 p.m. This meeting is open to the public.

Join us for Craft Night with Di-ane, Wednesday, February 5th at 6:30 p.m. to make your own 'Per-sonalized Glass Gem Magnets'. Bring a picture to the library to have copied and reduced, at no charge, for this craft. No photo? No wor-ries! The library's got your back with

some fabulous images to choose from. Let the crafting fun begin!

Ready to roll the dice? Join us Saturday, February 15th at 3 p.m. for an epic adventure in our one-shot Dungeons and Dragons game! Will you escape the dungeon or roll a crit fail? Let's find out!

Swing by on Friday, February 21st from 6 to 7:30 p.m. for Creative Capers, the ultimate adult craft bash! Grab the craft you're working on and join the crafting party for some chit-chat and mouthwatering snacks! Let's get crafty and snack happy!

Join us for our monthly book club, All Booked Up, on Monday, February 24th at 6:30 p.m. This month we will be discussing 'This Tender Land' by William Kent Krueger, the unforgettable story of four orphans who travel the Missis-sippi River on a life-changing odys-sey during the Great Depression.

Whether you're a word wizard or just starting out, everyone's invited to join the fun on Thursday, Febru-ary 27th at 6:30 p.m. to share and be inspired while working on their writing projects with the Sugar Riv-er Writers.

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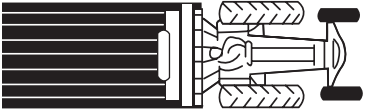
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POLICE

Green County Sheriff's Department January 20-26, 2025

On Monday, January 20, at 9:38 a.m. the Sheriff's Office Communication Center received a 911 call reporting a two-vehicle crash in the N2200 block of Richland Road in the Town of Jefferson. The crash location is approximately two miles east of Monroe. Deputies immediately responded to the scene along with Juda Fire Department and Green County EMS. Preliminary investigation determined a semi tractor trailer unit was parked on Richland Road due to a mechanical problem. The semi unit had flasher lights activated. A northbound pickup truck collided with the semi trailer. The pickup truck driver was identified as an 84-year old rural Juda man, he was not wearing a seat belt at the time of the crash. He was transported to SSM-Monroe Emergency Department where he was pronounced deceased. The operator of the semi unit was identified as a 66-year old Waukee, IA man, he was not injured. The semi trailer sustained moderate damage and was removed from the scene. The pickup truck sustained severe front-end damage, with no airbag deployment and was towed from the scene. The semi unit operator was identified as Richard Waters, 66, of Waukee, IA. Waters was not injured during the crash. The operator of the northbound pickup truck was identified as Randall Whitney, 84, of rural Juda. Whitney was pro-

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nounced deceased at SSM-Monroe Hospital. The crash remains under investigation at this time.

At 10:15 p.m., Monday, deputies and Brodhead PD responded to a vehicle parked in the middle of the roadway, causing a traffic hazard, in the N600 block of CTH G, Town of Spring Grove. After an investigation, Nichole R. Tobler, 31, Davis, IL, was arrested for OWI first offense-alcohol. She was cited for OWI first and operating left of center. She was released to a responsible party pending a court date.

At 11:24 a.m., Tuesday, deputies along with Browntown FD and Green County EMS responded to a two-vehicle crash with possible injuries in the N2300 block of Ullom Road, in the Town of Cadiz. Elijah D. West, 20, Browntown, was stopped on the roadway when a northbound vehicle operated by Laura J. Zeal, 68, Juda, collided with the stopped vehicle. Zeal reported wearing her seat belt and was uninjured. Her vehicle had multiple airbag deployments. Zeal's passenger, Debra J. Smothers, 69, Janesville, reported wearing her seat belt and suffered suspected minor injuries. Zeal's vehicle sustained disabling damage and was towed from the scene. West also reported wearing his seat belt and was uninjured. There was no airbag deployment. West's vehicle sustained functional damage and was driven from the scene. West was cited for improper parking/standing of vehicle, and was released pending a non-mandatory court date.

At 10:07 a.m., Friday, deputies responded to the Probation and Parole office, 2841 6th Street, to take custody of Adrian M. Heydn, 32, of Brodhead, for a violation. Haydn was transported to the Green County Jail and was turned over to the jail staff.

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Empowering Community Health is a unique and exciting community health Learning Collaborative that will advance avenues and possibilities for health equity, access to nutrition for families with young children and the building of innovative long standing community health resource infrastructure in four primarily rural communities throughout Wisconsin—Green, Fond du Lac, La Crosse, and Marshfield service areas.

The four rural communities are guided by innovative local United Way led teams with partners from a variety of sectors including business, health system, government, and philanthropy with the goal of improving nutrition access to over 350 families vulnerable to poverty.

The Empowering Community Health Project is part of a portfolio of projects that GCDC participates in to advance community health, economic prosperity, and the greater engagement of business in health. GCDC is honored to be a part of this important work and looks forward to sharing its learning throughout Green County, with the state of Wisconsin and with other national partners. Business engagement = better health!

More information on the project and other awards for the AHW seed grants can be found on GCDC's website at <https://greencountydevelopment.com/news-events/>

For more information about this project please Rebecca R. Thompson, Wisconsin Community Health Empowerment Fund, Inc. at [rebeca.wchf@gmail.com](mailto:rebeca.wchf@gmail.com)

Advertising Deadline: Friday, 5 p.m.

Monday Night Mixed League

1/20—High series: Robert Murray 742, Denny Schultz 688, Ty Powell 672. High games: D. Schultz 299, R. Murray 265, Jason Shrier 257. Fosters Gaming-high team game 1,040. Bartelt-high team series 3,023. **Standings:** Bartelt won 44 lost 26, Center Tavern 40-30, Broughton's Bar 38-32, Fosters Gaming 35-35, Beloit Chiropractic 33-37, Albany Lanes 20-50.

Thursday Night Mixed

1/23—High series: Brandon Bayrhofer 703, Tim Golz 658, Chad Malcook 642, Cory Ritschard 600. High games: B. Bayrhofer 278, T. Golz 252, Ryan Flood 233, C. Ritschard 232. Albany Lanes-high team game 987 and series 2,881. **Standings:** Albany Lanes won 48 lost 22, Attica Bar 39-31, Glenn Ann Holsteins 33-37, Golz Electric 31-39, Broughton's Corner Bar 1 30-40, Broughton's Corner Bar 2 27-43.

Brodhead Juniors

1/18—High series—boys: Parker VanderPal 491, Tristan Modaff 397, Alexander Ramirez-Vogel 352, Casey Johnson 319, Evan Johnson 304. High games—boys: P. VanderPal 192, T. Modaff 137, A. Ramirez-Vogel 130, E. Johnson 116, C. Johnson 111. **High series—girls:** Harper Krattiger 457, Kelsee Brugger 357, Emma Welbig 275, Lilly Johnson 265, Ryan Stevens 231. High games—girls: H. Krattiger 169, K. Brugger 146, E. Welbig 112, L. Johnson 97, R. Stevens 88.

1/25—High series—boys: Aashton Hale 535, Parker VanderPal 530, Casey Johnson 433, Evan Johnson 384, Alexander Ramirez-Vogel 333, Tristan Modaff 289. High games—boys: P. VanderPal 217, A. Hale 201, C. Johnson 175, E. Johnson 148, A. Ramirez-Vogel 119, T. Modaff 102. **High series—girls:** Kylee Wahler 439, Taylor Sauer 369, Aubrie Bartelt 331, Kelsee Brugger 283, Emma Welbig 265, Lilly Johnson 220. High games—girls: K. Wahler 157, T. Sauer 128, A. Bartelt 126, E. Welbig 111, K. Brugger 104, L. Johnson 97.

Brodhead Youth

1/18—High series: Jack Norris 299, Carter Fenwick 177, Henry Johnson 158, Jaxson Brewer 87, Thorin Perrin 73, Ayla Brugger 159, Keira Shrader 109, Amelia Fenwick 85, Stella Brugger 77, Kinslee Brewer 41. High games: J. Norris 127, C. Fenwick 101, H. Johnson 90, J. Brewer 48, T. Perrin 43, A. Brugger 81, K. Shrader 58, S. Brugger 54, A. Fenwick 50, K. Brewer 22.

1/25—High series: Jack Norris 236, Carter Fenwick 223, Jayse Bennett 185, Jaxson Brewer 127, Thorin Perrin 73, Ayla Brugger 164, Keira Shrader 144, Amelia Fenwick 70, Kinslee Brewer 64, Stella Brugger 55. High games: J. Norris 134, C. Fenwick 112, J. Bennett 99, J. Brewer 66, T. Perrin 45, A. Brugger 84, K. Shrader 83, S. Brugger 49, A. Fenwick 42, K. Brewer 40.

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•Past Entrepreneur Spirit (Dan and Ashley Wegmueler, Chris Schindler and Ryan Wild, David Parr, Joey and Jordyn VanMatre)

•Past Leadership Legacy (Ron Buholzer, Doug Pinnow, Mike Sanders, Bob Erb, Chad Kundert)

To nominate a business or individual, visit [greencountydevelopment.com/news-events](http://greencountydevelopment.com/news-events). If you need a paper application, please contact GCDC at [gcdc@greencountydevelopment.com](mailto:gcdc@greencountydevelopment.com) or call 608-328-9452. Applications completed online will be sent automatically to

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Awards will be presented at GCDC's Annual Dinner and Awards, on March 20 at Turner Hall in Monroe. Details on this event and ticket sales can be found at [greencountydevelopment.com/news-events/](http://greencountydevelopment.com/news-events/)

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Mark Peterson (left) points out to Frank Flores land controlled by the French until 1763

## Saturday Mornings at the Durand Library

From New France to the Shaping of the Midwestern States

**Submitted by  
Barbara Flores, President,  
Friends of the Durand  
Library**

The Saturday, January 25 program told the story of the French who had settled in a vast area stretching from what would be Pennsylvania to the Mississippi River and extending from their port at the mouth of the Saint Lawrence River to an entry point at New Orleans. The French first explored in 1624 and retained control until 1763.

The program began with discussion of the multiple Native American tribes inhabiting this large area and how they interacted with each other and the French. Speaker Mark Peterson, as in his previous two presentations at the library, enriched his talk with great illustrations and maps.

For the French who learned to associate and work with the Native Americans, their control of the land is the story of killing beavers for their valued pelts and fighting off the English. After many battles and much bloodshed, in 1763 the French King Louis XV decided it was no longer worth their while to try to control the extensive area and they

yielded to the English.

The Story Continues with a look at The Shapes of the States Part 2, covering the Midwestern States.

Saturday, February 8 speaker Brad Keyes will continue the story and discuss how the Midwestern states were carved out of the “new” land. Following the American Revolution, the area, which had long been controlled by the French and then by the English, became part of the fledgling United States.

With the 1783 Treaty of Paris, the English ceded the land west of the Appalachian Mountains and north of the Ohio River to the United States. The Northwest Ordinance, which was passed by Congress on July 13, 1787, established governance of the Northwest Territory and outlined the process for admitting new states to the United States. But where were those lines to be drawn in order to form first the separate territories and thus prepare them for statehood? Please join us Saturday, February 8 at 10 a.m. to learn about the tricky business of deciding state lines. Many factors were at play: the desire for access to waterways, faulty surveying, territories jockeying with each other for

more land as well as quirks of geology and moving riverbeds.

### About the Library

The Durand Library is a collaboration between Durand School and the Friends of the Durand Library. We are more than happy to deliver books to those who are physically unable to get to the library and volunteers can meet at other times with those who can't make public hours.

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