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## Albany Students of the Month announced

Pictured here are the Students of the Month at Albany Elementary for October. Front row: Zaelynn P., Emma K., Wyatt C., Alexa J., Tatum D., and Lydia A.; back row: Hannah G., Alana D., Kaden Z., Justin O., and Isabelle B.

## Green County Board Updates

By Erica Roth  
COUNTY BOARD SUPERVISOR

It's a busy time of year with budgets, elections, holidays, sports, farming, and everything else that keeps us and our communities running. I am writing this at an odd time; the general election is in four days, the public hearing and county board meeting for the 2017 budget is in five days, and you won't be reading this until after all of that is done. So, I can't urge you to cast your vote on Tuesday or come to the County Board meeting on Wednesday because they will have already happened. I can only hope that you DID vote and that you DID attend the County Board meeting. I am anxious to see how it all turns out!

I attended a public hearing and site visit this past week at Hickory Hills Dairy in Juda. The dairy is looking to expand and is seeking a permit; the Land and Water Conservation Committee met at the site and toured it. I took advantage of the opportunity to ask a lot of questions. I did not grow up in a farming or rural community, so I look at these opportunities to ask questions and learn. It is also one of the reasons I value conversation and communication so much - it is how I learn about the individual residents of Green County, different perspectives, repercussions, and how to best represent those I have been elected to represent.

Most of the focus right now is on

the budget and the election, and I suspect that will change a bit after the general election is over and the budget has been passed. I remind you, once again, that you can see which committees are meeting, when, where, and their agenda on the Green County website at [www.co.green.wi.gov](http://www.co.green.wi.gov).

Please continue to call and email me. I welcome it! I represent District 24 (the Town of Albany and a small portion of Brooklyn). If you don't know who your County Board Supervisor is, you can find out at [www.co.green.wi.gov](http://www.co.green.wi.gov). You can reach me at [EricaRothGreenCountyBoard@gmail.com](mailto:EricaRothGreenCountyBoard@gmail.com) or 608-371-9074.

## Conservation practices signup deadline approaching

The Green County Land and Water Conservation Department is accepting applications for soil conservation and water quality practices.

Practices approved for the Land and Water Conservation Department are paid on a 70% cost-share per practice basis. The exception to this rule is for nutrient management. This practice is paid on a flat rate of up to \$28 per acre. The signup will continue until Dec. 30,

2016.

A few examples of offered practices are well decommissioning, grassed waterways, manure storage, barnyard runoff control systems, roof gutters, and diversions.

For a complete list of available practices or to apply, stop by the USDA Service Center at 1627 4th Avenue West in Monroe. If you have questions, please contact Todd Jensen at 325-4195, ext. 119.

## Albany Police Report

All charges reported here are merely accusations. A defendant is presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law. The Albany Police reported the following incidents:

### Monday, Oct. 24

Cited for Operating After Revocation was David B. Lyons, 57, of Milwaukee.

## Letters to the Editor

Something stinks here in Albany, and it's not the garbage piling up in our garages!

Like, who is this "mysterious" panel making decisions behind closed doors, and why are their identities being withheld from public knowledge?

And whatever happened to Chief Jim Placek? Last I heard, he was being escorted out of the building. And if the incident was supposed to be under wraps, then who tipped off the media so they could get live coverage of it?

I wasn't even aware former Chief Levitt had retired. I saw him behind the desk at the clerk's office in plain clothes and figured he was just off duty, when, in fact, he was no longer an employee of the town. (Are citizens even allowed back there?)

Chief Placek followed the letter of the law down to the last detail with an attitude of kindness, professionalism, and respectable authority; he was nobody's puppet. Our town deserves an honest, dependable, trustworthy man like Jim Placek as Chief. Where is he? And why was he escorted out like some criminal? And *who* could have written these alleged "complaints" against him? What did he *ever* do to *anyone* to deserve this kind of treatment?

On that note, does anyone else have complaints that have gone unheard by the Committee? Where did those complaints go? According to the Committee, they have never seen any of the complaints I personally have submitted. And if my complaints never got addressed, then how did all these alleged complaints about Chief Placek suddenly pile up all within the four months he was in office?

I'm hearing a lot of "I know nothing," but *somebody* knows *something* about all this, and it's the citizens' right to know what's going on in our town, one would think.

If the squeaky wheel gets the grease, then it's time for concerned citizens to start squeaking.

Where did Chief Placek go? Where did our complaints go? *Who's running this town, anyway???*

This citizen, for one, is not going to stand idly by and watch an innocent man be treated this way. It's time to ask questions and demand answers.

Let's start by coming to Chief

Placek's trial at Village Hall at 9 a.m. on Monday, Nov. 14.

Tom Wright  
Albany

I strongly support national rules requiring higher fuel efficiency in passenger vehicles. As an owner/operator at Union Cab Cooperative for over 10 years, I have seen the remarkable improvement a fuel-efficient fleet makes for our business and by extension, our larger community. Our conversion from Ford Crown Victorias to Toyota Priuses combined with fuel-saving practices, has saved customers money and reduced our carbon footprint to a third of what it once was. We were the first cab company in the area to use hybrids and are proud to have been trend setters.

However, the taxi industry has undergone major changes over the last few years, which emphasizes the need for further fuel-saving progress. Transit Network Companies like Uber and Lyft now deliver a large portion of the livery service that taxis formally provided. These corporations do not strive to save fuel. They employ a wide range of vehicles - many of which are luxury sedans and SUVs - and enlist as many drivers as possible, which can increase traffic congestion and emissions. Given this new situation and the expectation that the transportation sector will continue to grow, strong federal fuel efficiency standards are more important than ever.

Within eight years, the average fleetwide fuel economy of new cars sold in the United States will be required to achieve just under 55 miles per gallon. The federal agencies responsible for crafting these rules are currently determining whether or not to maintain the current requirements. These new rules will require car companies to invest more in developing advanced vehicle technologies and bring more of these products to the market, making the type of cars I want to use much more affordable.

These new rules are a real win-win for my customers, my business, and our world. I hope they maintain strong standards that, through 2025, would achieve the benefits originally envisioned.

Sincerely,  
David Rossing  
Madison, Wis.



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State runners received a lot of support from their community, especially their student-fans, pictured here. Shown left to right: Trevor Muel-ler, Jacob Elmer, Aaron Johnson, Logun Parker, Garrett Hlavacheck, Connor Trow, Isaac Halverson, Hunter Georgeson, and Travis Oliver.

## Albany cross country team sends members to state competition

By Larisa Stauffacher  
CORRESPONDENT

After a successful day for the Albany cross country team at section-als, the girls' varsity team and indi-

vidual qualifier, Joshua Dahl, had to opportunity to run at the 2016 state meet in Wisconsin Rapids on Satur-day, Oct. 29. This was the girls' team second year in a row making it for

state.

"We've worked really hard to prepare for this, and we're going to go out there and show them what a small school can do," said Ciara Kaderly, the girls' team's first runner, before the meet.

"Josh is going to focus on running his best race of the season and gain-ing valuable experience, so next sea-son, he will be ready to go after a top

10 finish," coach Tony Brewer said before the state competition.

Albany ended their cross country season on a great note. Dahl com-pleted his race in 39th place out of 151 individual runners, and the girls' team proudly finished in fifth place out of 16 teams.

Next year, the boys' and girls' teams hope to compete at state to-gether.

## Lunch & Learn event coming this month

Many times, as we age, the words "home care" are used. People use home care in different ways to as-sist them in continuing to live longer, but there are still a lot of unanswered questions.

Fortunately, Albany EMS has teamed up with SSM Health in Janes-ville and Home Health United to of-fer a lunch and learn program just for you on Monday, Nov. 28 at the Al-bany EMS building at 11 a.m. They will

cover the basics home care, how you can use it, why you should consider it, and what a home care worker can do. The presenters will also be avail-able to answer any questions you might have. Following the presenta-tion and lunch, the Albany Nutrition Site will be playing bingo.

To RSVP for lunch or the pre-sentation, please call the ADRC at 608-328-9499 by Friday, Nov. 25, at noon.

## Pie sale happening now

The Albany United Methodist Church is holding their annual Home-made Thanksgiving Pie Sale, going on now.

Fresh, nine-inch, pumpkin, apple, cherry, pecan, and mincemeat pies are available. Apple and cherry pies may be purchased frozen, as well. Prices are as follows: pumpkin-\$8, apple-\$10, cherry-\$10, pecan-\$12,

and mincemeat-\$15.

The sale is operating by way of pre-orders only, and the church is tak-ing orders now through Sunday, Nov. 20. Please contact Linda at 862-3260 or Diane at 214-4405 with your order.

Pies may be picked up on Wednes-day, Nov. 23, at the Albany Lions building, 402 N. Cincinnati Street, from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30.

## Benefit for Kyle Myhre family coming Nov. 12

Join in on a benefit to honor the memory of Kyle Myhre on Saturday, Nov. 12, at the Albany Lions Building, 402 N. Cincinnati Street.

The event will include a meal, musical entertainment, and a 50/50 raffle, along with a silent auction. Dinner will be served between 4 p.m. and 7 p.m., and the music is sched-

uled for 7 p.m. to 11. Silent auction winners will be an-nounced at 10 p.m.

Tickets cost \$15, which in-cludes food, entertainment, and tap beer. All proceeds will go to Lindsey, Lincoln, and Kay-dence Myhre, who lost a won-derful husband and father on Sept. 8. Please consider attend-ing to help us remember Kyle.

## Albany Historical Society to meet

The Albany Historical Society's November general meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 15, at the Albany Historical Museum, lo-cated at 119 North Water Street.

After a short business meeting, the program will be "Along in the Wilder-ness." This is a story about Alaska, where a man named Richard Proen-neke found a place, cut trees, and built a log cabin. Proenneke was a self-sufficient craftsman, making what was necessary from the materials that were available to him. This will be on video provided by Wisconsin Public Televi-sion.

As always, this program is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served.

The Albany Historical Society has scheduled its annual Christmas Din-ner for Thursday, Dec. 8, at the Albany Lions Club building. Reservations

should be made by Dec. 1 to Doro-thy Schlapbach. Please call 862-3573 to reach her. Albany Lutheran Ladies will be providing the roast pork meal. The dinner is open to members and guests. Payment in advance would be appreciated; cost on request. Reser-vations will also be taken at the Nov. 15 general meeting.

## Blood pressure screenings available soon

Albany's Faith Community Parish Nurse, Carole LaPointe, will be at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Albany every Tuesday morning from 9 a.m. to noon, beginning Nov. 15 for blood pressure screenings.

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## Albany Comet News

By Stacey Torstenson

**THURSDAY, NOV. 10**

- \*No school for 4K
- \*Book fair during school hours
- \*Veteran's Day assembly in the high school gym, 8 to 9 a.m.
- \*Parent-teacher conferences

**FRIDAY, NOV. 11**

- \*No school
- \*Parent-teacher conferences.
- \*Book fair, 8 a.m. to noon

**SATURDAY, NOV. 12**

- \*Junior Comet League basketball, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- \*High school girls' basketball scrimmage at Benton, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**SUNDAY, NOV. 13**

- \*No events scheduled

**MONDAY, NOV. 14**

- \*High school boys' basketball practice begins
- \*High school wrestling practice begins
- \*School board meeting in the media room, 7 p.m.

**TUESDAY, NOV. 15**

- \*High school girls' basketball at Parkview, 7:15 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY, NOV. 16**

- \*Adult open gym, 7 to 9 p.m.

\* Denotes an Albany School program. For more information, please call 608-862-3225.  
- Denotes an Albany Community Center event. For more information, please visit the Albany Community Center page on Facebook or call 608-862-2488.

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A group of student actors and actresses perform the finale, "Footloose."



Aurora Daniels (Vi Moore) comforts Trent Anderson (Rev. Shaw Moore).



(Left) Sara Jordan, portraying Ariel Moore in the musical Footloose, sings a solo.



(Right) Nick Baum (Ren McCormack) shows that dancing is not a crime during Friday night's performance of Footloose at Juda High School.



# Panthers on the Prowl

Written by Riley Adkins, Nick Baum, Chelsea Burkhalter, Aurora Daniels, Jared Hansen, Sara Jordan, Matthew Schmitt, and Sklyer Stuckey

### REFERENDUM

There will be a referendum update meeting on Nov. 10 during parent-teacher conferences. The meeting will be in the south computer lab near the palace gym. It will begin at 7 p.m.

### SCALLOPED POTATOES AND HAM DINNER

The Juda Booster Club is holding their annual Scalloped Potatoes and Ham Dinner on Thursday, Nov. 10, the night of parent-teacher conferences. The dinner will also include bread, butter, green beans, apple crisp, and milk. The cost is \$6 for adults at the door and \$3 for children under 10. Tickets are for sale at the Bank of Juda and the school office. Adult tickets are \$5 if bought before the night of the dinner.

### SENIOR OF THE WEEK

The senior of the week is Mackenzie

Frie. After graduation, she plans on attending Blackhawk Technical College to be a radiology technician. Her favorite memory in high school was the powderpuff games during junior year for homecoming. Mackenzie's advice for underclassmen: "Don't make Mr. Johnson mad. Keep up on notes and study." Her main role model is Mrs. Einbeck. Sewing and cooking are her favorite classes in high school.

### PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

Parent-teacher conferences will be held on Nov. 10 from 4 to 8 p.m. and Nov. 11 from 8:00 a.m. to noon. High school conferences on Friday will begin at 9 a.m. so that teachers can attend a meeting from 8 a.m. to 9.

### LINDSEY (LINCOLN) MYHRE FUNDRAISER

There will be a co-ed volleyball tournament open to all adults, a bake sale, and a silent auction held at Juda High School on Saturday, Nov. 12. If

you would like to participate in the volleyball tournament, send an email to: cwunschel@royalcontainer.com or call Connie Wunschel at (608) 938-4034. This fundraiser is for Lindsey (Lincoln) Myhre and her baby twins, who recently lost their husband/father at the age of 31. Anyone who is interested in making a monetary donation, donating an item for the silent auction, or donating bake sale items should contact Wunschel. Thank you!

### FFA

Juda FFA's annual fruit sale started on Nov. 1, and packets went out to FFA members that day. The sale will end on Nov. 14. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the school at (608) 934-5251 or e-mail FFA advisor Ralph Johnson at rj@judaschool.com. Fruit will be delivered in the second week of December.

### MATH TEAM

The Juda math team participated in the UW-Platteville Math Meet on

Wednesday, Nov. 2. Taylor Adkins, Nicole Kamholz, and Trent Anderson earned individual honors in the event. The Juda Team Alpha placed third overall in division 4 out of 19 teams competing.

### JFAB

The Juda Fine Arts Booster Club would like to congratulate the cast and crew of Footloose. Your hard work and dedication showed during all three performances. Congratulations on a job well done!

### JUDA ELEMENTARY

There will be no school on Friday, Nov. 11, due to conferences. Please remember to call the office to schedule your conference. The 4K and 5K students will once again perform their annual Thanksgiving play on Tuesday, Nov. 22.

### VETERANS DAY CEREMONY

On Nov. 10 at 8 a.m., all Juda students will be attending a Veterans Day

service held in the palace and hosted by Julene Elmer.

### BASKETBALL

On Friday, Nov. 11, the girls' basketball team plays their first scrimmage in New Glarus. They will be playing New Glarus and Parkview. The first game will start at approximately 5:30.

### LUNCH

On Thursday, Nov. 10, breakfast will be long johns; lunch will be chili and cornbread, grilled cheese, cooked carrots, and pineapple.

On Monday, Nov. 14, breakfast will be breakfast scrambler; lunch will be chicken alfredo, breadsticks, cooked broccoli, and peaches.

On Tuesday, Nov. 15, breakfast will be muffins; lunch will be chicken fajitas, corn, and pineapple.

On Wednesday, Nov. 16, breakfast will be breakfast bar; lunch will be chicken nuggets, mac-n-cheese, peas, and mandarin oranges.

# 'The King and I' coming to Parkview

The Parkview School Musical Department will present *The King and I* on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, Nov. 11, 12, and 13. Show times on Friday and Saturday are 7 p.m., and Sunday is a matinee performance at 2 p.m. Friday night all seats are \$10. Saturday and Sunday adults are \$15, and students and senior citizens are \$10. The musical will be presented in the Parkview Elementary School gym.

The cast includes students in all grade levels. The main characters are as follows:

• Anna Leonowens: Lauren

- Hammes
- The King: Josh Soderstrom
  - Lady Thiang: Maggie Fullmer
  - Tuptim: Norma Rodriguez-Perkins
  - Lun Tha: Lane Hubanks
  - Kralahome: Aaron Myhre
  - Captain Orton: Mason Spencer
  - Sir Edward Ramsey: Jaycob Flynn
  - Interpreter: Lacy Broetzmann
  - Phra Alack: Zach Draeving

Some songs you may remember from *The King and I* include: "Getting to Know You," "Shall We Dance," and "I Whistle a Happy Tune."

## Orfordville Public Library celebrates National Picture Book Month

Orfordville Public Library joins the rest of the Rock County public libraries in celebrating National Picture Book Month. Throughout November, Orfordville has several activities planned to celebrate the importance and the joy of picture books. On Saturday, Nov. 12, from 9 a.m. to noon, all ages are invited to create their own picture books. All supplies will be provided by the library.

All the libraries in the county are encouraging kids, teens, and adults to take a selfie "bookface." To do a "bookface" photo, find a picture book with part of a face on it. Hold the book up to your face to complete the image and take your picture. Upload your bookface photo to Instagram, Twitter or Facebook using hashtag: #picture-bookfaceALS. Visit the Arrowhead

Library System's Facebook page (Arrowhead Library System Wisconsin) to see some fun examples!

The Rock County Picture Book Celebration is sponsored by the Arrowhead Library System and the public libraries of Rock County. Picture Book Month is an international literacy initiative that celebrates the print picture book during the month of November. Find out more about this initiative at <http://picturebook-month.com/>.

For more information about library activities for all ages, call 608-879-9229, stop at the library at 519 E. Beloit Street, or visit the library website: [www.als.lib.wi.us/OPL](http://www.als.lib.wi.us/OPL). Library hours are: Monday through Thursday 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., Friday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Saturday 9 a.m. to noon.



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Lauren Hammes and Maggie Fullmer rehearse their roles as Anna Leonowens and Lady Thiang, respectively, in the "Getting to Know You" segment of the musical.

## Upcoming events at Albertson Memorial Library

Following is a schedule of events for the month of November. Events are held at the library unless otherwise noted.

**Wednesday, Nov. 16, 9:30 a.m.**

Children's Storytime (ages 0-5)

**Friday, Nov. 18, 5 p.m.**

Family Movie Night

**Saturday, Dec. 3, 10 a.m. to 1**

Library Snack with Santa fundraiser

Albany Lions Building, 402 North Cincinnati Street

**Wednesday, Dec. 7, 9:30 a.m.**

Children's Storytime (ages 0-5)

**Tuesday, Dec. 13, 7 p.m.**

Albany Library Book Club discusses *Two from Galilee* by Marjorie Holmes

**Wednesday, Dec. 21, 9:30 a.m.**

Children's Storytime (ages 0-5)

## Parkview High School's Class of 1991 to hold 25th reunion

The Class of 1991 will be reuniting at Villa Pizza in Orfordville on Saturday, Nov. 19. A cocktail hour will begin at 5 p.m., and dinner will be served at 6. At 9 p.m., the reunion will travel to Knutes to see Tim Speich's band, Slap Happy.

Cocktails and dinner will be at

each attendee's own expense. A limited menu will be available.

Donations are greatly appreciated to help offset reunion planning expenses.

Anyone with questions should contact Teena at 608-295-3345 or [tgerber5@hotmail.com](mailto:tgerber5@hotmail.com).

## Middle school basketball season ends

The Albany Comets girls' middle school basketball season concluded Thursday, Nov. 3, with a thrilling come-from-behind victory over Argyle. The seventh- and eighth-graders finished the season with a combined record of six wins and four losses.

Albany improved in every practice and competed hard in every game. The future looks bright for

these Lady Comets.

The team included eighth-graders Lily B., Jada F., Ashley L., and Megan P. The seventh-graders included Brianna D., Emileigh D., Bryanna R., Payton W., and Kaiya Z.

## Lighted parade coming Dec. 3

Orfordville will be having their annual Lighted Holiday Parade on Saturday, Dec. 3. The parade starts at 5 p.m.; line up is at the Village Hall at 4:30 p.m. Please consider bringing a float to our parade.

The parade route starts at the Village Hall and ends at the high school.

The Lions Club and Orfordville Fire Department will be at Purdy Park after the parade to serve hot chocolate. Santa Clause will also be at the Park!

Please email Sherri at [clerk@orfordville.org](mailto:clerk@orfordville.org), or call the Village Hall at 608-879-2004 by Dec. 1 to register for the parade.



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Rachel and Lauren Hammes.

## Hammes sisters chosen for honors choirs

Sisters Lauren and Rachel Hammes both auditioned and made it into the State Honors Choirs. Lauren, a sophomore, performed Thursday, Oct. 27, with the Wisconsin State Honors High School Choir at the Overture Center in Madison. Rachel, an eighth-grader, performed Saturday, Oct. 29, with the Wisconsin State Honors Mid-

dle-Level Choir in Waunakee.

Anyone can try out for the choir. Tryouts for the High School Honors Choir were in February. The Middle-Level tryouts were in April. Each of the sisters found out about a month after their try-out that they had been chosen to be part of their respective choir.

The high school level had a five-day camp over the summer to work together with the director to learn the music they would be singing. According to Lauren, the high school group is an all-woman choir.

Rachel received the music for the younger group and practiced it with Mrs. Schuler at school. The group also met before their performance to practice together.

## Democrats and Progressives to meet

The monthly meeting of the Green County Democrats & Progressives will meet on Sunday, Nov. 13, at Leisure Lanes, 2308 6th Avenue, in Monroe. Social and dining time will begin at 5 p.m., and the meeting will begin

at 6 p.m. Matt Rothschild, Executive Director of the Wisconsin Democracy Campaign, will be the guest speaker. There will also be special recognition of 2016's campaign volunteers and the election of party officers.



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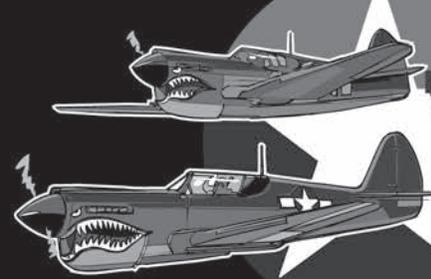
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## Class of 2008 graduate now Corporal in Marine Corps

By Siara Schwartzlow  
EDITOR

Paul Brandenburg, a 2008 graduate of Brodhead High School, now a Corporal in the United States Marine Corps, has been serving the country for over six years.

His desire to join the military originated back in 2001, when he was only in sixth grade and witnessed the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11. After the event, he "felt the need to do something and knew at that time that there wasn't much I could do." Within a few years, though, he was certain that the military was in his future. "Ever since middle school, I wanted to be in the Marine Corps and knew that was the only option for me, mainly because of the rich history and the reputation of the Marine Corps," he said.

Only two months after high school graduation, Brandenburg left for a 13-week basic training program. "It was the most physically demanding thing I had ever done with my life," he said. Following basic training,

he entered combat training and later Military Occupational Specialty (MOS) training.

"My job in the Marine Corps was to be a Motor Transportation Operator," he said. "During my time in active duty, I served with the 5th Battalion 11th Marines out of Camp Pendleton, Calif." There, he operated tactical vehicles like seven-ton trucks, MRAPs (mine-resistant ambush protected vehicles), and MATVs (all terrain vehicles). He said he also became a "member of the artillery family."

Brandenburg's artillery unit, Tango Battery, was deployed to Afghanistan in 2010 for eight months. "We split up into four platoons and spread out across the Helmand and Nimruz provinces," he said. "My platoon was assigned to a small outpost in Nimruz, where we ran daily artillery and security operations for the area."

"After deployment, I was assigned to the 1st Marine Division's Licensing Company, where I was in charge of training Marines to operate various tactical vehicles used in combat."

Like many veterans, Brandenburg struggled with a transition to civilian life upon returning from his deployment. "Everything wasn't sunshine and roses when I got out," he said. "I became so enthralled by the Marine Corps and how it operates that leaving the structured format of it made me feel rather lost and without purpose for short time." Shortly after rejoining civilian life, he enrolled in the Pennsylvania State University. "I found that the students



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**Paul Brandenburg, Corporal, United States Marine Corps.**

were younger, less disciplined, and self-entitled, which was a drastic change from the life I had just left."

He credits a group of colleagues at the university with helping him adjust. "What saved me was a group of fellow veterans who were attending Penn State along with me," he said. "We gathered weekly and reminisced about

our time in the military and spoke about various plans for the future and how we intend on helping others with the transition back to civilian life." He and the others formed the Penn State Veterans Organization and ran a co-ed fraternity for veterans and military personnel who were attending the university. Brandenburg was also the president of the Dear Hero Program, a student-led program. The members of the Dear Hero Program sent care packages to deployed military personnel and held events to help veterans become active in their communities.

Brandenburg reflected on the way that his time in the Marine Corps has affected him. He said that it has shaped his life. "The discipline, leadership, and outright stubbornness to succeed was instilled in me," he said. "We, as Marines, do not accept defeat be it on the battlefield or in the classroom. Defeat is simply never an option. We learn from day one of basic training that leadership is key and we are all expected to be leaders at some point."

In addition to the drive and leadership, Brandenburg noted discipline as one of the traits that the Marine Corps has built in him. "These traits have stayed and will likely always stay with me throughout my life."

Brandenburg and his wife, Jesse, currently reside in Nevada, where he works as a wildlife educator. "Part of my job is angler education," he said. "My supervisor and I are working to set up a monthly event that would allow veterans to obtain their fishing licenses free of charge, gather at a location to learn how to fly fish -- or even help teach fly fishing -- and then hit the waters and do some fishing."

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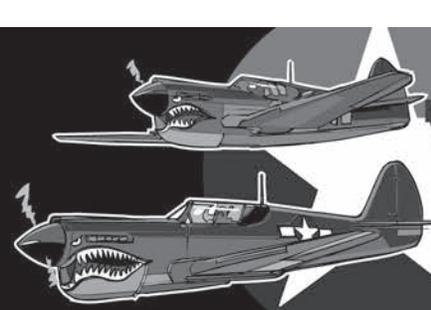
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## Retired Navy Captain helps families, churches care for vets

By Tony Ends  
CORRESPONDENT

Veterans have been returning from service in conflicts involving the “global war on terror” for 15 years. That’s one of the longest military engagements in U.S. history.

Retired Navy Capt. Connie Walker has been working hard in this state and nation to help them, their families, and their communities cope with the scars many carry from those wars.

About 15 people from several churches and communities in Rock County gathered to hear Walker speak this past September. They were there to learn how to better care for and provide outreach to these veterans.

Orfordville Lutheran, one of more than 140 churches in the South-Central Synod of the Evangelical Church in America, hosted Walker’s talk. The synod adopted seven resolutions in support of military personnel and their families at their 2016 Assembly.

“I heard about Walker and a speaker’s bureau the synod has sponsored on its website at the assembly this year,” said Pastor Andrew Twiton, who scheduled Walker’s presentation locally and emailed invitations to clergy and the public to attend.

Walker’s mental health advocacy on behalf of veterans and families focuses on access-to-care challenges facing veterans of the global conflicts that ensued after the 2001 terrorist at-

tacks on the World Trade Center in New York City.

Her presentation in western Rock County this past Sept. 18 included an entire packet of information on post-traumatic stress disorder, military sexual trauma, moral injury, and resources and contact numbers to help vets and their families deal with these problems.

She cited a 46-page suicide analysis the Department of Veterans Affairs released last month that reveals just how serious the issues affecting young men and women returned from conflict have become during the long engagement in the Middle East.

“A veteran is choosing death every 72 minutes, and the VA could be doing more to keep that person alive,” read material Walker provided in her recent talk.

“The statistics tell the tragic story. Veterans in 2014 were killing themselves at three times the rate of civilians and at a quickening pace, up by a third from 2001 to 2014.

“Most self-destructive are young male veterans in their 20s, who are dying at four times the rate of their civilian peers. Female veterans were 2.4 times more likely to choose suicide than civilian counterparts,” the fact sheet stated.

“In one narrow category — 18 to 24-year-old male veterans who served in Iraq or Afghanistan and were VA patients -- the suicide rate was 10 times the national average for



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**Retired Navy Capt. Connie Walker.**

all people.”

Walker’s handouts helped participants understand and identify the symptoms of PTSD. They explained the injuries associated with the long period of conflict so many millions of American service men and women have endured in the Middle East. They also outlined the therapy necessary to help these veterans and described the connection and role clergy and family can offer to help recovery.

Perhaps most important of all were the contact lists and resources available to help vets and their families get help dealing with trauma from these conflicts.

All wars have left scars on our veterans of the conflicts. Yet despite the ever-growing population of the Unit-

ed States across centuries that have witnessed its wars, the percentage engaged in these wars has shrunk drastically.

During the four years the U.S. military deployed in the Second World War, 11.5 percent of the nation served in the armed forces. The entire population at home engaged as well in a united effort to defeat the nation’s enemies.

Since 2001, Walker’s material presentation pointed out, only 0.45 percent of the U.S. population has served in the “Global War on Terror.” Veterans describe a great gap in understanding of a broad population at home about the circumstances and conditions of battle in Afghanistan and Iraq.

Walker has drawn professional attention to the veterans of these conflicts living in rural and frontier areas across the nation.

Federal, state, and regional audiences she has addressed on these issues have included Veterans Administration Transition Patient Advocates in Washington, D.C.; faculty, administration, and counseling staff in the UW System and College of Southern Maryland; Crisis Intervention Team/Partners (CIT/CIP) training for law enforcement and first responders; and pastoral leaders throughout the Central, South-Central Synod of Wisconsin.

Walker has testified to the Senate Committee on Veterans Affairs.

She has also served on the National Council on Social Work Education’s Joint Task Force on Veterans Affairs.

In these capacities, she helped recommend improved, standardized social work curriculum at the bachelor’s, master’s, and doctoral levels to include military cultural competency and service-related mental health and substance use disorders.

She retired from naval service in 2005 after a 23-year career specializing in human resources leadership, executive support, and staff management; policy and program development; and personnel recruiting and retention.

Her Naval Inspector General experience includes administrative investigations and reporting, and quality assurance surveillance planning and evaluation.

In community education, outreach, and advocacy work since naval retiring from the Navy, Walker has focused on recovery and community reintegration challenges facing the post-Sept. 11 terrorist attack combat and combat support for veterans and their families. This work also addresses issues facing families and caregivers of disabled veterans.

Walker has had extensive experience in community outreach and education; program development; and individual and family advocacy.

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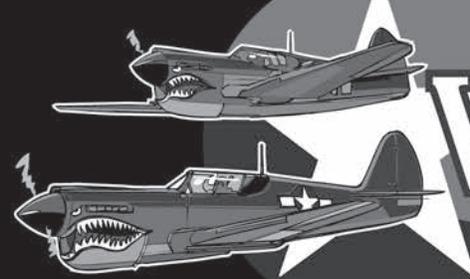
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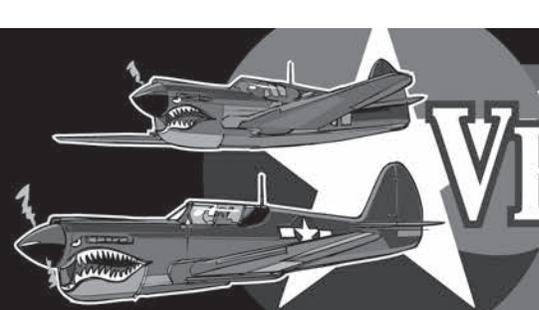
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## Albany area veterans reflect on service



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**Fay Briggs; Nov. 20, 1968 through Nov. 11, 1971; Germany; Rank: SPC-5; Briggs was in a survey group that surveyed church steeples for artillery. His most memorable experience in the army was enjoying comradeship among the people around him.**



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**Mike Alexander; 1969-1971; Army; Vietnam; Rank: Sergeant E-5; Alexander was in the 101st Airborne Division. His most memorable experiences included a firefight and combat assaults from helicopters.**

NOT PICTURED:  
 John Briggs; 1957 through 1961.



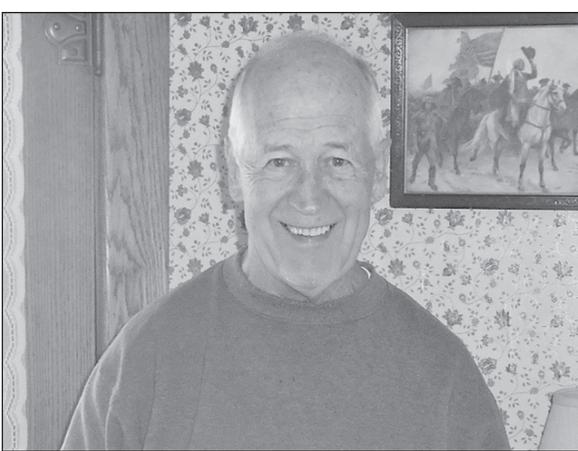
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**Phil Ringhand; Jan. 1966 through Jan. 1992.**



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**Larry Omodt; Sept. 1969 through Sept. 1971; Army; United States; Rank: SPEC-4.**



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**Gordon Klossner; Nov. 1971 through Oct. 1992; Air Force; Rank: Master Sergeant; Klossner was a weather forecaster. His most memorable experience was visiting the Demilitarized Zone in Korea.**



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**Jim Graves; 1965-1967; Army; Vietnam; Rank: E4; Graves was a combat military policeman. He says his most memorable experience in the military was coming home.**



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**Ray Laughridge; 1943 through 1946; Navy; Rank: First Fireman. His most memorable experience was surviving a typhoon. "We were in that storm for three days and three nights," he said. "Three destroyers went down in that storm."**



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**Wilbur McCreedy; Nov. 1950 through 1952; United States and Germany; Army; Rank: PFC. His most memorable experience involved standing guard over prisoners.**

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### Albany School to hold Veterans Day assembly

By Larisa Stauffacher  
 CORRESPONDENT

The Albany High School civics class will be holding an assembly to celebrate our veterans on Thursday, Nov. 10, at 8 a.m. in the Albany High School gym. The assembly will include traditional ceremonies, written works about our veterans, music by Albany's chorus and band, visits from community veterans, and more. Parents and other community members are welcomed to come. We hope to see you there to share in the celebration and help us honor our veterans!

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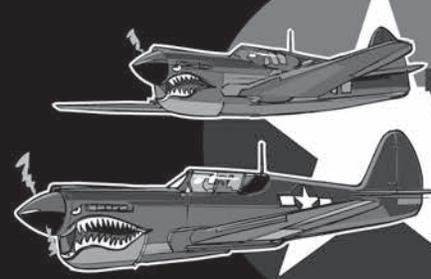
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## Veterans gifted with Quilts of Valor in Juda



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Four veterans were given Quilts of Valor during the Juda Forefathers celebration in late July. Pictured left to right are: Keith Helland, Joel Steinmann, Paul Matzke, and Kurt Jordan.

## Public invited to Veterans Day celebration at Juda School

By Aurora Daniels  
CORRESPONDENT

On Thursday, Nov. 10, Juda School will be holding a Veterans Day Service. The public is invited to join the students that day to honor of our veterans. The service will be held

at 8 a.m. in Juda School's Pit Gym. The students and staff would like to recognize the veterans of this area, and all are welcomed to participate in this ceremony.

A special thank you goes out to Julene Elmer and Curtis Brown for organizing this service.

Juda Boy Scouts Troop 105 will be posting the Colors to start the ceremony. This presentation will be followed by Juda School's Middle School Choir singing the song We Honor You, arranged by Roger Emerson. This powerful piece of music will be performed in salute to those who

serve. Freshman Emily Makos will sing The Star-Spangled Banner.

Taps will be performed by Nicole Kamholz, a Juda School sophomore who plays trumpet. Taps, the National Song of Remembrance, is a 24-note salute often played on a trumpet or bugle. This song will be played in honor and respect of those who have fallen.

The high school band will perform America the Beautiful, composed by Samuel A. Ward. This historical work of music contains harmonic beauty that stirs the emotions of all who hear it. The patriotic tune of America the Beautiful signifies the respect and admiration the public has for veterans. Juda School is honored to host a service for all who have contributed to this country's safety.

Several poems and tributes will be read at this ceremony, as well. The fifth-grade students of Juda School will be contributing their voices in honoring veterans by participating in these readings. High school students Riley Adkins, Aurora Daniels, and Hailey Kammerer will also read several pieces out of respect for the veterans of America.

This service will take place the day before Veterans Day. Juda School will not be in session on Veterans Day, so be sure to come on the Nov. 10 rather than Nov. 11.

We hope to see you there!



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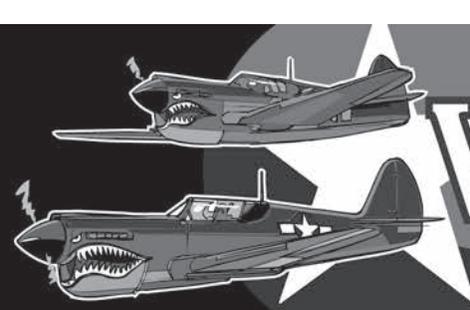
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## Navy vet's service keeps alive after her passing

By Tony Ends  
CORRESPONDENT

World War II veteran Barbara "Bobbe" Stuvengen, who died at 91 last May in Brodhead, filled her life with service long after she left the military. Stuvengen's inspiring model found hands and hearts on a national day of service this past Sept. 11, continuing to give to veterans in need through her community and church.

"Bobbe was a long-time member of Orfordville Lutheran Church," said Pastor Andy Twiton in a recent interview, "A Navy veteran of World War II, her whole family — husband, two sons, a grandson — were all involved in the Navy.

"She had a passion for caring for veterans. Her passing got me to thinking about how for a small town, Orfordville has a large population connected to the military," Twiton said. "Only about 1 percent of the national population bore the burden of these post-9-11 conflicts in the Middle East. Yet I know five families in our church who have someone who served in Iraq or Afghanistan."

Evangelical Lutheran Church of America leaders call on their nearly 10,000 churches to join in a national day of service each year. They call it "God's work. Our hands."

This year, the day of service fell on the 15th anniversary of the tragic terrorist attack on the World Trade Center towers in New York City in 2001.

"This congregation in Orfordville hadn't participated in the national service day in the past," said Twiton, who saw a way for his people to build on Stuvengen's legacy at an important time in the life of the nation.

With members of the local church, Twiton organized a cookout for residents of "Housing 4 our Vets." About

14 church members then took the meal with him this past Sept. 11 to a Rock Valley Community Programs (RVCP) facility for homeless veterans. The complex is east of U.S. Highway 51 in a quiet country setting between Janesville and Beloit. RVCP renovated 24 studio apartments on the grounds of the facility into a transitional housing and support service for homeless veterans.

"I felt this service project we undertook was something that cut across the spectrum today, something that could bring people together when there is so much division about so many things tearing our nation apart," Twiton said.

In their "9/11" commemorative cookout for residents of Housing 4 Our Vets, the 15 members of Orfordville Lutheran served hamburgers from meat that Ken and Carol Heller donated from their farm. Another church member, Kathy Demrow, donated brats. Two additional church members helped prepared the food for the others to take to the picnic.

Church member Greg Manthey led an effort to engage the help of local businesses in the meal. Burtness Chevrolet, Drevdahl Auto Body, Finnegans RV, Old Fashion Bakery of Beloit, Daniels' Sentry Foods, Perkins, Pick 'n Save, Target, and Festival Foods all responded with donations. Fifteen members, including the pastor, helped take the foods to the veterans and enjoyed the picnic with them.

"We are especially grateful to the veterans who came to the cookout," Twiton said. "We are grateful for their service to our country and for the fellowship we shared on the 15th anniversary of 9/11." Veterans, who live at the facility as they get training through Blackhawk Technical College and assistance getting back



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**Navy veteran Barbara "Bobbe" Stuvengen.**

into civilian life, were free to attend the picnic or not to do so.

About 25 of them did fellowship with the Orfordville Lutheran members. "We had a good time," Twiton said. "Our church members really enjoyed eating and conversing with the vets. It was just a cookout together on a nice day.

"The Packers had played that day, and one of the vets was a Bears fan who was sad they'd lost but a good sport about it. There was some good-hearted teasing going on. Army vets were also teasing Marines," Twiton said.

"It was a chance to be light and not heavy about the veterans' individual situations. Some of them have had a very rough time, and some opened up a little bit about their circumstances."

It is estimated that more than 144,000 veterans use homeless programs across the nation every year. Some 40 percent of them live in unsheltered locations, according to Rock Valley Community Programs.

More than one-fifth of homeless vets are over 60 years of age. More than one-fourth of them suffer from a combination of mental illness, physical illness, and substance abuse.

The transitional living program in Rock County tackles all the problems its homeless veterans face with the help of partner organizations. It employs therapy sessions and life skills classes. The vets get technical training through Blackhawk Tech and are offered one-on-one money management sessions. The program encourages them to set aside savings during the up to 24 months they stay at Housing 4 our Vets to aid in their transition to permanent homes.

Orfordville Lutheran Church is studying whether their volunteer service this year can evolve into additional help to homeless vets in the future.

Anyone who'd also like to help with the project can contact Marcia Galvan, Community Development Director with Rock Valley Community Programs, 608-741-4500 ext. 6514, 203 W. Sunny Lane Road in Janesville (<http://Housing4OurVets.org>).

Stuvengen was born Barbara Louise Poole on Dec. 7, 1924, in North Brook-

field, Mass. She graduated from Major Beal High School, Shrewsbury, Mass., and then attended Salter Secretarial School.

She enlisted in the Navy WAVES during WWII. The United States Naval Reserve (Women's Reserve), better known under the acronym WAVES for Women Accepted for Volunteer Emergency Service, was the World War II women's branch of the United States Naval Reserve. She was active "for the duration plus 6 months" in accordance with the program and served as a Yeoman after boot camp. "My older brother by 10 years had joined the Navy when he graduated from high school and was unable to find a job because of the Great Depression," Stuvengen said in an interview recorded on a WAVES website.

"As a young child, I was very impressed with my 'sailor brother' and the friends he brought home with him on leave. That love of the Navy has not left me to this day," she told her interviewer.

"Dec. 7, 1941 (the day of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor) was my 17th birthday, and before the day was over, we knew in our hearts that it meant America would soon enter the war. I can vividly remember making the statement that if they ever started a branch of the Navy for women, I would enlist," Stuvengen said.

"Of course, they did just that in July 1942, but unfortunately made the ruling that you had to be 21, or 20 with a parent's permission, before you could join. At the earliest possible moment, three months before my 20th birthday, in September 1944, I took my physical and signed the papers to become a United States Navy WAVE."

She was released from active Navy service in June of 1947 after the war. She went back to her home in Massachusetts to visit family but soon returned to San Francisco, where she went to work for Standard Oil Company of California. She stayed in the Reserves until 1949 and then took her discharge.

In November 1956, she met the man who would become her husband. He was in the Naval Reserve, and he stayed in the military until he retired in 1986 as a Chief Boatswain's Mate, with 43 years of service.

After meeting her husband, Charles G. Stuvengen, she rejoined and they served in the same unit at Hunter's Point Naval Shipyard in San Francisco. They were married in 1957, and their first son was born in 1959. "In those days, of course,

we were automatically discharged when we became pregnant," she said in the WAVES profile online.

In 1965, the couple moved their family to Charles' hometown and made their long-time home in Orfordville. They both became active in the American Legion. Over the years, she served as Post Commander, State Historian for 10 years, and National Historian from 1996 to 1997.

"She was the consummate volunteer, having difficulty refusing any request to help in any activity involving the schools, church, community, and especially our military veterans," read her published obituary last May. The Janesville Gazette honored her as one of "50 Who Matter" in 2006.

She was a great believer of continuing education, including both learning and teaching a variety of subjects, such as fully drafting the plans for their house and teaching classes in estate planning, income tax preparation, and microwave cooking.

She was a life member of Wells-Davis-Young-Neal American Legion Post 209, serving as Post Commander, County and District Adjutant. She was a longtime Vice Chairman of the National Americanism Council. She was a life member of Legion Auxiliary Unit 209, the Twenty & Four Honor Society of Women Legionnaires, past President of the National Association of Department Historians of The American Legion, life member of ANAVICUS (Army, Navy and Air Force Veterans in Canada/US), WAVES NATIONAL, and past President of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association Unit 376.

She served on the Foundation Board of the Wisconsin Veterans Museum and on the Veterans and Service Academy Nomination Advisory Boards for Congressmen Mark Neuman and Paul Ryan.



Pastor Andrew Twiton, right, shares a big smile at a cookout members of Orfordville Lutheran Church held on Sept. 11 at a transitional housing and service project provided to about 48 military veterans in Rock County.

### Historical society to honor veterans

Luther Valley Historical Society will be hosting a Veterans Day observance at the final meeting of the year. The program will include music by the Magnolia choir and the reading of soldiers' letters from the Civil War and later. The meeting will take place at the Church of Christ, 117 Church Street in Footville, on Thursday, Nov. 10, at 7:30 p.m. Guests are welcomed to attend.

### Teacher creates Veterans Wall of Honor in Parkview

Sixth-grade teacher Sean Donagan wanted the elementary students to learn a little more about Veterans Day, so he came up with an idea to create a visual to help them realize that a Veteran is not just someone who was in a war or who died in a war.

"We should recognize and be proud of anyone who has put on the uniform," he said. He sent home a note with all PES students (and distributed it to staff members), asking for names to add to the wall. He reminded them that a veteran is anyone who has ever served in the military.

He put all of the names into a database. His son, Colin, helped him cut out stars, letters, and pictures. Wyatt Pestor, Nathan Muenchow, and Mrs. Patchen also cut out some of the stars. Kathy Schroeder and Connie Vogt wrote the names on the stars for him. Each branch of the military has a different colored star. Donagan and Colin then put everything up on the wall across from the teachers' lounge at PES. Please stop and see the wall if visit the school.

Thank you, Mr. Donagan, and thank you to all veterans!



Fifteen Orfordville Lutheran Church members cooked and served up a picnic for veterans in the Rock County transitional living facility south of Janesville this past Sept. 11.

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# Local vet recalls his WW II Army days

By Margaret Downing  
REPORTER

Ninety-four year old Robert “Bob” Paulson of Loves Park has some very vivid memories of his time in the Army during World War II (having served from Oct. 1940 to Oct. 1945).

Later in the war, Bob was part of the 5th Division, 3rd Army under General George S. Patton. Some memories are quite astounding but more on that in a bit.

Paulson was born and raised in the Town of Excelsior, Sauk County, Wis. and refers to himself as “a Wisconsin hillbilly.” His parents, Lewis “Lew” and Mabel Olive Paulson, were native Norwegians. Besides Bob, there were seven other siblings: brothers Harold, Donald, Roger, Merlin, Lewis Jr., Marvin and one sister, Dorothy.

Bob, and all six brothers, served during the war (all survived!) - Bob is the lone survivor today.

Lew, Bob’s dad, had a service garage with room for about 20 cars and he also sold some gas and vehicles, which Bob remembers quite well. Lew apparently was able to make a couple of extra bucks by storing a car at the station sometimes for a certain man he was friendly with, gangster John Dillinger, who made trips into Wisconsin during the early 1930s.

One day while hanging out at the station, Bob noticed Dillinger driving up accompanied by “several unsavory looking characters” in another car. Dillinger asked Lew if he could store his car for a couple of weeks, which Lew agreed to. The car would then be covered and kept inside the station.

Dillinger asked Bob, “What are you going to be when you grow up?” and Bob answered that he wanted to join the Army. Dillinger also shared some lemon drops with the boy.

By the time he was 14 years old Bob figured he had enough schooling and left home, sleeping in barns and getting by. At the age of 18, Bob and brother Roger both ended up joining the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) where they lived in a camp.

By the fall of 1940, Bob’s brother Roger was with him and on Oct. 9 of that year the two enlisted in the Army at Richland Center, Wis.

## In the Army – Oct. 1940

It was the first step on what would become an almost unbelievable journey, especially for Bob! That journey would include:

- Living and training at Fort Custer, Mich., Camp Grant, Ill., and Fort McCoy, Wis., plus in Iceland and Ireland.

- Training and serving in Iceland (“a second front should Britain fall to the Nazis - Iceland was full of trucks and artillery”), Norway (for a planned assignment to blow up a facility dealing with “heavy water”), Ireland, Scotland, England,



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**Sgt. Bob Paulson, Anti-tank Co. 5th Division, Third Army, pictured in 1945. The patch on his jacket identifies SHAEF Headquarters in Paris.**

France, Belgium, Luxembourg, and Germany.

- Arriving in France with the 5th Infantry Division on Utah Beach, June 9, 1944, three days after D-Day commenced.

- Along with other soldiers, sharing a cigar in France with General George Patton.

- Being knocked out of a pear tree when a shell hit nearby and then nearly being killed by a German “Nebelwerfer” rocket at Bitburg, Germany.

- Using a quarter pound of dynamite to blow holes in the ground under the frost line in order to dig fox holes during the Battle of the Bulge.

- Meeting and driving German General Alfred Jodl to Reims, France, to sign the unconditional terms of surrender in that city on May 7, 1945.

- Driving the Rolls Royce loaned to General Dwight Eisenhower by King George VI for use in Paris toward the end of the war.

- Becoming a close friend with singer/actress Jane Froman - as a driver and dispatcher in Paris for Froman, Paulson recalls how “we’d sing together while driving.”

Just to give an idea of the territory Paulson covered in his five years service in World War II, Paulson has in his possession a Pre-Pearl Harbor Medal; the European/African/Middle Eastern Theater Ribbon; the American Defense Ribbon with one Bronze Star; three Bronze Campaign Stars; Northern France and Normandy Campaign Ribbons; the Combat Infantryman Ribbon; the 5th Division Diamond; two Purple Hearts, one with an Oak Leaf Cluster; Victory/Army of Occupation Medal; a Good Conduct Medal; and the Croix de guerre, awarded to those in his unit by General Charles DeGaulle on behalf of France.\*

*\*(Note: The Croix de guerre military decoration was presented to military personnel who distinguished themselves through acts of heroism involving combat with enemy forces.)*

During the war Paulson recalls



**Shown is German General Alfred Jodl, center, signing the Unconditional Terms of Surrender in Reims, France – May 1945. Bob Paulson drove Jodl to Reims for the surrender.**

that he slept in ditches, foxholes (for five months in the Ardennes), manure piles, barns, and toward the end even a nice hotel for a short time in Paris.

Bob was not the only Paulson son to serve our country during the war – Harold was in the Air Corps (he serviced the Enola Gay at one point); Donald was in the artillery; Roger served in the Army with Bob, both being stationed in Iceland at one point; Merlin served with the infantry in Italy then went on into France with his unit; Marvin was with an intelligence unit in London; and Lewis was with the Air Corps in Panama before serving with the Merchant Marine hauling planes to Russia.

After the Sullivan brothers’ episode where all five brothers, sailors serving on the USS Juneau, were all killed in action in November of 1942 in the ship’s sinking - and the death two years later of the four Borgstrom brothers, the Armed Services had a rule to break up siblings from serving together.

While serving under Patton, Paulson was with an anti-tank company – 10th Infantry, 5th Regiment, 3rd Army. One day in France while covering an intersection an American tank came up, making it a dandy target. Paulson and his buddies started yelling at it “to get the h- out of the intersection,” when Patton popped up out of the tank wanting to know who was hollering those instructions. The men admitted they had done it by putting up their hands, whereby Patton said, “If you hadn’t put your hands up you’d all be going to jail.” They then had the honor of sharing a cigar with the general.

Other duties Bob had included: mule driver at Fort Custer, Mich., light truck driver, combat infantryman, sniper (he says, “I was a paid assassin for \$21 a month”), driver and dispatcher at the Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Force (SHAEF), which was where Eisenhower’s headquarters were located in Paris by the end of the war.

Paulson’s military training was extensive and covered truck driving and mechanic’s schools, auto and diesel maintenance, plumbing, anti-tank gunning (the first ones they had in training consisted of guns made out of logs), the Springfield rifle - in Europe, the M-1, and explosives training. He also had schooling in Iceland and Ireland.

He recalls maneuvers and how he was based not only at Fort Custer, but also Camp Grant in Rockford, and Camp McCoy in Wisconsin. At Camp Forrest in Tullahoma, Tenn. he remembers the narrow roads and how unsafe it was when tanks came

along and remembers five guys who didn’t “fall out” fast enough and all five lost their legs when a tank came along. He also remembers one of his buddies who pulled the trigger on his gun and unfortunately shot a guy dead in a pup tent.

In August of 1941, Bob recalls driving from Fort Custer to Fort Slocum at the Brooklyn (New York) Navy Yard where 10 days were spent on an island. However, “We could take a boat into the city from there,” he says. There were also dances in a dance hall.

In September the men were ordered “to put on khakis and then take off khakis for ODs (olive drabs).” They shipped out in the evening aboard the Born Queen, a World War I transport ship.

On the trip there was the worry of German subs trying to get the ships, “We could hear noise from the sub chasers,” Bob notes, especially along the coast of Greenland. On board Bob preferred the lowest level hammock and says there were two “messes” for eats – early and late mess.

•Iceland

On Sept. 18, 1941, they reached Iceland and lived on the ship but had meals in the harbor. They had to build a camp.

Men went on guard duty in the freezing cold of Iceland and some, Bob says, “froze to death. At first we had one on duty but then we had two together because of that.”

The Icelanders, Bob remembers, got along well with the Germans and in warm weather, would take their fishing boats with supplies out to the German submarines. “The Germans came in from the subs on dinghies and during the summer German planes would fly overhead. The Germans had even made a pipeline for heat from a volcano,” he notes.

The U.S. Marines drove the Icelanders out and occupied Iceland. After two years, Bob, by then a corporal, went to Scotland and also to Norway where he studied explosives for a planned attack to blow up a “heavy water” facility. It was at this time Bob received skis, snow shoes and a white outfit. “The Norwegians would bury the heavy water to hide it,” he recalls.\*

*\*(Note: During the war there was a series of actions undertaken by Norwegian saboteurs. The goal was to prevent the German’s nuclear energy project from getting heavy water - deuterium oxide - with which the Nazis could have produced nuclear weapons.)*

Blowing up bridges and taking down trees was something Bob did not believe was his “cup of tea.” He was in Norway just a short time.

When in Ireland he did study chemical warfare, however, that

was something he says, “I didn’t feel I was qualified for...”

He had anti-tank gun training in Ireland, about 60 miles from Belfast, and became an MP (Military Police) for a short time but at 145 pounds says, “I wasn’t really big enough.”

By June 1944 Bob was with the 5th Infantry Division, under the command of Major General Stafford Irwin, which landed on Omaha Beach under the “First Army” on June 9, 1944.



**Paulson in Paris in 1944 – Anti-tank, 2nd Infantry Regiment, 5th Division, 3rd Army.**

## June 1944 - France

Bob recalls the hedgerows they encountered and the wild dogs they came across on their way to Sainte Mère-Église, a town founded in Normandy in the 11th Century.

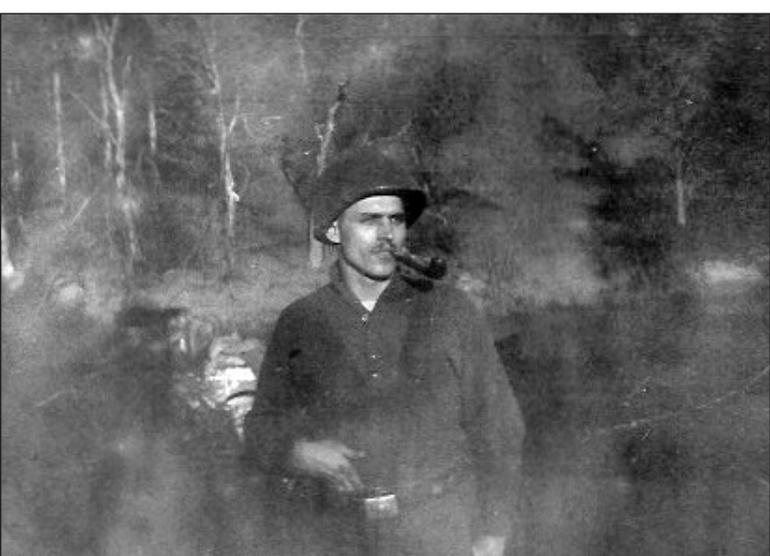
The town was at an important location for the landings in Normandy due to it being in the middle of a route the Germans would most likely have taken in a counterattack of the beaches (Utah and Omaha). It was occupied early on by men from the 82nd and 101st Airborne Divisions, and was considered the first liberated town in France.

*\*(Please note: The following paragraph is not for the squeamish.)*

The situation with the wild dogs is something that has haunted Paulson all these years since. “The dogs would chew the heads off dead bodies, Americans and Germans, and also the hands but would leave the bodies alone. They would pull the flesh off the skull and would eat the hands. The bodies would still have dog tags on. I believe a number of families did not receive their loved ones skulls with the bodies, who could tell which went where?”

*Information taken from the history of the 5th Division is as follows:*

“Four days after coming in at Utah Beach, the 5th took up defensive positions in the area of Caumont and launched a successful



**This picture was taken in France in the fall of 1944 – Bob Paulson calls it “smoking” the Moselle River. The smokescreen gave the Allies an advantage in blocking the view that the Germans had of the river.**



**Bob Paulson, back home after the war.**

attack July 26 at Vidouville. From there the division moved on to southeast of Saint-Lo then attacked and captured Angers on Aug. 9-10.”

Paulson remembers after San Lo was taken in the July 1944 offensive that his unit “raced across 75 miles to a highway and came across five miles of destroyed wagons, guns, and dead horses – our Air Corps had killed them all. The Americans had to take San Lo, as British troops were held up at Cannes and Bob recalls there were 500 bombers that took part.”

It was in this time period that Bob had taken a tank for ordnance and was waiting for repairs to be done that he climbed a pear tree at a chateau. “This was in the early fall of ’44. I was in the tree eating pears when a shell hit and I received hundreds of pieces of shrapnel in my body. I did receive a Purple Heart for that.”

#### To continue on:

“The 5th Division pushed on to Fontainebleau, crossed the Seine at Montereau on Aug. 24, crossed the Marne and seized Reims on Aug. 30, along with positions east of Verdun.”

As part of the Third Army commanded by Lt. General Patton, who had been called up from Italy, “the division took part in the Battle of Metz in France that went from late September of 1944 through mid-December. There was strong resistance from the Germans and heavy casualties on both sides.

#### ‘Smoking the Moselle River’

“On Nov. 22, U.S. forces captured Metz, ‘gateway to the Siegfried Line,’ which ended hostilities there. The last fort defending Metz by the Germans was surrendered Dec. 13.”

Bob recalls crossing what had been a major obstacle to the Allies, the Moselle River, which colored troops had to “smoke” (“Smoke Generator Operations”).

A smokescreen could help or not help a unit in battle. Smoke generators were able to provide a large and sustained smoke screen.

The 84th Smoke Generator Company was called in during Sept. 1944 to help the 20th Corps in its crossing of the Moselle near Arnaville (eastern France).

As noted in military records, “The site of the crossing in the narrow valley of the Moselle – a railroad, a canal, and the river roughly parallel each other in a 500-yard belt. East of the river lay a strip of open land occupied by the enemy. On clear days the Germans had observation of the Arnaville area from five or six miles down (north) of the river and from three or four miles up (west) of the valley.

“In quest of surprise, the artillery plan stipulated that there would be no preparatory fire preceding the crossing. Instead, smoke from the 84th Smoke Generator Company was expected to conceal the crossing sites as dawn broke on 10 September.

“LTC Cottingham, 5th Division Chemical Officer, arranged for a meteorological study of the area.

After a reconnaissance, LTC Cottingham and the company commander selected a line of positions some 2,300 yards west of the crossing sites. They expected the prevailing winds to carry the smoke down the valley and over the river. Generators were not placed closer to the crossing site because of the ‘unlikely’ of wind change and the inexperience of the soldiers of the 84th under fire...

“The Arnaville experience demonstrated that smoke generators could give effective support to an opposed river crossing. The experience also served notice to chemical troops that certain improvements were desirable. The lessons learned on leadership, detailed planning, logistical support, training and rehearsal carry their messages home to present day operations.”

#### The Battle of Metz: Paulson in an anti-tank company

*A synopsis of this time period for the 5th Infantry Division follows:*

“The division then prepared for the assault on Metz, 7 September. In mid-September a bridgehead was secured across the Moselle, south of Metz, at Dornot and Arnaville after two attempts. The first attempt at Dornot by the 11th Regiment failed. German-held Fort Driant played a role in repulsing this crossing.\*

*\*(Note: The Battle of Fort Driant was a “constituent battle” in the 1944 Battle of Metz during the Lorraine Campaign and the greater Siegfried Line Campaign. The battle was on occupied French territory between the forces of the Third Army under the command of General Patton and the forces of Nazi Germany under General Otto von Knobelsdorff. By October 9, Patton chose to bypass Driant. The men of the 5th Infantry Division were thought to be becoming battle fatigued, and other line correcting operations were taking place around Metz with much greater success. Major General S. Leroy Irwin was blamed for the failure at Fort Driant, he being stated as “moving too slow” and “removing the drive” of the battalion early during the initial attacks in September. When Metz fell in December 1944, Fort Driant capitulated to the 5th Infantry Division at 3:45 p.m. on Dec. 8, surrendering uncaptured.)*

#### Continuing on:

“A second crossing by the 10th Regiment at Arnaville was successful.. The division continued operations against Metz, Sept. 16-Oct. 16, 1944, withdrew, then returned to the assault on the ninth of November. Metz finally fell Nov. 22.

“The division crossed the German border, Dec. 4, captured Lauterbach (a suburb of Völklingen) on Dec.5, and elements reached the west bank of the Saar River Dec. 6 before the division moved to assembly areas.

On Dec. 16 the Germans launched their winter offensive, the Battle of the Bulge, and on Dec. 18, the 5th Infantry Division was thrown in against the southern flank



**Hazel Hermanson Paulson and Bob Paulson – wedding photo June 1949.**

of the Bulge, helping to reduce it by the end of January 1945.

In February and March, the division drove across and northeast of the Sauer, where it smashed through the Siegfried Line and later took part in the Western Allied invasion of Germany.”

#### Additional details from the 5th Infantry Division’s website notes:

“With Fort Driant’s surrender, the Moselle Operation had come to an end and the 5th Division, although having suffered heavy losses, had opened the road to the Saar River, the Siegfried Line and Germany. The Third Army plan was to attack the Siegfried Line along the Saar River and drive eastward through the Saar-Palatinate to the Rhine River. The 5th Division was now in position, in the Saarlautern area, for the attack.

“However, they were diverted from their planned attack.”

#### Battle of the Bulge

“At 5:30 a.m. on Dec. 16, 1944, the great concentration of German troops began their famous counteroffensive in the Ardennes Forest of Luxembourg. They struck in a sector known to be a quiet area with a very little military activity. The drive was on an 85-mile front from Echternach on the south to Monschau in the north.

“The Third Army received orders to send relief by attacking the southern flank of the newly formed salient. The 5th Division received orders to withdraw from their positions at Saarlautern and make the one-hundred mile move to the northwest on Dec. 20. Making the motors move in the cold and snow of winter, the division arrived in the Luxembourg City area within a 24-hour period and relieved the hard hit 4th Division.

“The Division was given the order to strike the south flank of the new ‘Bulge’ and hurl the Germans back across the Sauer River in the Echternach area. The division’s attack protected Luxembourg City and sent two German divisions into confusion. They recaptured a great quantity of American equipment, captured 830 prisoners and wiped out the enemy threat to the southern flank of the salient.

“Moving north, the Division made a surprise crossing of the Sauer River near Diekirch, Luxembourg, on Jan. 18. By the end of the Bulge campaign the Division had driven north to the

Our River. The next assignment for the 5th Division was to drive into Germany.”

Bob Paulson has vivid memories of the Battle of the Bulge. He recalls how tanks were used like bulldozers to clear roads. He talks about being wounded at Bitburg, Germany from where he was taken to a hospital in Luxembourg.

In reference to the Battle of the Bulge, he said, “We arrived in Bastogne in Nov. of ‘44 and didn’t leave until March of ‘45. I lived in a foxhole for five months. I recall the general telling us ‘to forget about Christmas.’ I was made a sergeant in Bastogne.”

During the Bulge, Paulson remembers how “the Germans shelled us with 88s. If we left our foxholes, we had to cover our tracks with a pine tree branch going to and from the foxhole. We used a quarter pound of dynamite in making a foxhole. We used our shovels as a pick to chop a hole, put the cap in, laid a rock over it and blew a hole – the deeper the hole, the better chance at survival. We would line the inside with pine tree branches and cover it with shelled tree limbs.

“With it being so cold we would take several army issued wool blankets and cut out our shape to wear as snow pants or leggings under our uniforms. One day a Major, newly arrived from the States, told me I was ‘out of uniform’ but nothing came of it.

“I remember one time we had no ammo – just a gun with a bayonet. At night the Germans would set off flares, which lit up the whole area so you did not want to move at all then. One night while I was in my fox hole with my bayonet at the ready, a flare went off and I saw what looked like a very large animal running very quickly toward me. I was ready to kill it when it – a wild boar – jumped right over my head and kept on running. In the morning it was misty, which was kind of unnerving – we didn’t know who was ‘out there.’

“On one patrol in the Argonne Forest, along a canal we walked across a ridge – Germans at an outpost apparently spotted us and shelled us for what seemed forever, at least 25 shells. My buddy, ‘Bo’ and I took shelter in some kind of domed cement building. Unfortunately there was a crack in the roof and Bo, who was next to me, took a piece of shrapnel to the head. He survived. Another guy in our company, we called him ‘Moon Mullins,’ was killed instantly during

an attack.

“It was at that time, I remember, we didn’t get our mail – as the truck was coming along it was shot off a ridge by an ‘88. There was only one road running through the Ardennes and the Germans had good sight of the road and any targets. We later saw the truck, the dead driver and all shoved off down the side of the road. Tanks were used to just push off anything on the road.

“Our group never fired its anti-tank guns in the five months we were there. We had five guns lined up in our approximately one-block long area. It had been a long stretch for us – for 10 months straight, there was no relief in our lines.”

Bob was most definitely a veteran soldier by this time – “We had four years of training by then! The draftees coming in, they had no training and were immediately thrown into combat.”

“I also remember the Germans and their tanks. One time on patrol I recall seeing the barrel of a German tank coming out of this garage and it shot at us, the shell hit right next to me. The tank flew a red, white and black flag. Other times, they would shoot right over our heads.

“We met up with Germans at Christmas in ‘no man’s land.’ They flew a white flag and I had a handkerchief. We traded cigarettes for Schnapps – the older veteran German soldiers would have a cigarette with us. They talked about how much they liked President Roosevelt and Joe E. Lewis, and how they would like to come to America.”

#### ‘Screaming Mimi’s’ and War in Europe Nears its End

In March ‘45 Paulson said his unit left France. At that time, he says, “We stopped by a big warehouse to get a rest, ammunition and grenades. After crossing the Moselle River into Germany, which we’d crossed several times while in that area, we were in Bitburg, Germany. I remember the Germans had anti-tank guns and that is where I heard the German Nebelwerfer, 8 Km, 5-rockets launcher nicknamed ‘Screaming Mimi.’

Paulson said it made a horrible sound, saying, “I remember the captain telling me to take my squad into a house with our gun and he placed the other squad outside.” They heard the rockets coming, “which would each explode into about five pieces when they hit. When the Nebelwerfer hit it tore up the guns, along with the six guys outside who were blown to pieces. Five to seven hit out in the street and the concussion from the explosions took down the wall of the house and the roof fell in.” Bob was knocked out and vaguely remembers being taken out of the destroyed house. He woke up at a hospital in Luxembourg where he had apparently been unconscious for some days as the nurses told him he was considered “a basket case.”

He was released after 10 days when an officer brought him orders to report to Eisenhower’s headquarters in Paris – Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Force (SHAEP).

#### Buchenwald

Paulson has memories too of being at the Buchenwald Concentration Camp in April of 1945 where the recently freed inmates were so happy to see the soldiers they would come up and hug them. “I know we didn’t care for that as the smells were pretty bad,” he says. “I remember the buckets of gold teeth and piles of hair. Patton and Eisenhower came later that day and I know it was filmed and that they brought people from the nearby town in to go through the camp to witness what had occurred there.”\*

*\*(Note: This camp had been constructed in 1937 at Ettersberg, which is about five miles from Weimar in east central Germany.)*

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**Paris and Surrender**

Upon his arrival at SHAEF, Bob was assigned to an office on the fourth floor of the motor pool where the Rolls Royce of King George VI was kept. "There were limos, Caddies, and fancy cars there. Half a dozen or so military drivers came in and I said, 'I guess I'm your new boss!'"

"I would drive the Rolls to the Excelsior Hotel to pick up Joyce Brooks, a tap dancer, and singer/actress Jane Froman. She had been in a plane accident and because of that was in a wheelchair. I recall her telling me, 'I sing - some people like me, some don't.' She was a great person. Jane had met Ike at a USO party and the entertainers would perform at the tent cities around Paris named after cigarette brands.

I remember one tent city was called Camp Lucky Strike. At the camps, Jane would sing songs and they would have to put her up against a pipe so she could stand and sing. Her last night in Paris she invited me to dinner. She then left for Germany.

One day Bob was the only soldier present in the motor pool when a call came in. "It was a colonel who asked me if anyone was available and I told him I was the only one there. He asked me if I could drive and I said I could. He then told me to look around for any medals laying around and to put them on my (Ike) jacket, which I did. I was told to follow two jeeps full of MPs, (who, none of them ever said a word or turned around), out to a small airport.

"When we arrived I saw a British sharpshooter standing off to the side of the field and a small airplane flew in. Off steps a German officer dressed to the nines and carrying, what looked to me like a walking stick but as he came closer I saw it was a sword in a walking stick."\*

*\*(Note: This was General Alfred Jodl, German Chief of the Operations Staff of the Armed Forces High Command - "Oberkommando der Wehrmacht" - also known as "the Butcher of Berlin.")*

"He came up before me, clicked his heels and saluted. He spoke good English and said, 'I see you are a decorated soldier. You

**"I'm 94 years old - time is running out and I need to tell my World War II story."**

**- Robert 'Bob' Paulson of Loves Park**

followed orders. I also followed orders but I know my fate.'

"I drove him to Reims, France, where he was to sign the Terms of Unconditional Surrender - in a 'little red brick school house' (actually not so little!) - for the Third Reich. We had a nice conversation on the drive and he told me about time that he had spent in Michigan. He said he would have liked to have had a beer and a brats with me in Berlin."

After the war, Jodl was indicted on the charges of conspiracy to commit crime against peace; planning, initiating and waging wars of aggression; war crimes; and crimes against humanity at the Allied-organized Nuremberg Trials. He signed the Unconditional Surrender of the Third Reich for then President Karl Dönitz in May of 1945.

Bob says Jodl met up with Eisenhower in the hallway of the school house, who asked Jodl if he agreed to the terms of surrender, to which Jodl responded, "Ja!" Eisenhower, however, did not go into the room where the surrender was signed.

Charges against Jodl related to his signature of the criminal Commando and Commissar Orders. Found guilty on all charges, he was sentenced to death. He asked to be shot but was hung and executed for war crimes in October of 1946.

Bob continues, "By July '45 most of our troops had left Paris. That is when I headed home by way of Antwerp, Belgium where the little staff car I had driven was left. I then spent about 10 days at Camp Top Hat there. I sailed aboard the USS Young for my voyage back to the States. We left Antwerp, our destination being Newport News, Virginia."

While in Europe Bob had promised three girls that he would marry them! German bombs in London killed one, Americans bombing Bitburg, Germany killed one, and the other girl lived in Ireland.

Then there was the girl in Paris who wanted to go home with Bob! He did have a nickname - "Hunky."

**Home and After the War**

Paulson has in his possession a letter sent to him after the war from a friend of the girl killed in Germany. In Bitburg, Bob had given the girl, Heidi, a letter with his mother's name and address in Milwaukee for her to get in touch with him later on. The letter is as follows:

"Sept. 1945, Bitburg Germany - Dear Sgt. Paulson, My name is Heelda Kroger. I was a dear friend of Heidi. She came to stay with me here in Bitburg. All she talked about was you, 'my American Sgt.' She knew you would bring her to America if you made it.

"She got a job in the Ball Bearing Factory here in town. She was saving her money to move to Milwaukee, Wisc. where a lot of Germans have gone to live. She hoped to be with you. And the letter you gave her she always kept in her shoe.

"Sadly, I must tell you, Heidi was killed when your Air Force bombed the Ball Bearing Factory in Bitburg. I got her body as she had no family here, and your letter with your address was still in her shoe.

"After the planes left, the Infantry and tanks destroyed Bitburg. It may have been your outfit but we forgive you. You were only fighting for your country.

"We hope one day there will be no more war and we will be friends again. Your friend, Heelda Kroger"



**Bob Paulson in his Ike jacket today.**

When Bob got home to the States, he, along with many other servicemen, expected to be sent to the Pacific.

"For a short time I was a prison guard in Milwaukee. After the A-bomb was dropped though we knew the war was over."

Bob Paulson received an honorable discharge at Madison, Wis. He then went to work for Oscar Mayer's and also Rayovac (batteries) but recalls, "I was no good at either job."

Next he drove his brother out to Washington State and also stopped at Yellowstone National Park to visit with his mom and sister, who were at that time working there. He ended up working there too for a while.

Because of winter, the job he had there ended so he returned to Excelsior and met up with a pal, Harley Bebe, who worked at Amerock's in Rockford. Harley suggested Bob meet him outside of Amerock's (on South Main St.) on a certain day at a certain time, which he did.

Harley offered to give his friend a tour of the area where he worked

and it was there that Bob laid eyes for the first time on Hazel Hermanson, who was working with half a dozen other girls "putting hinges on machines." That was it! Bob, who conceded up to that time he wasn't ready to get married, ended up working there and he and Hazel fell in love. She had grown up on a farm in Capron, Ill.

The couple were married in June 1949 at Concordia Lutheran Church in Rockford and were together 66 years before Hazel's death in 2015.

After traveling for the first five years of their marriage, they became parents to three girls: Patricia Snow, Jennie Faubach, and Sandra Hendricks, and then became grandparents and great-grandparents.

Bob went on to become chief engineer at River Bluff Nursing Home in Rockford, retiring after 25 years service in 1980.

Today he keeps active in veteran's activities and lives in his own home.

He said, "I'm 94 years old - time is running out and I need to tell my World War II story." He did just that.

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# Self-guided driving tour of aerially applied cover crops announced

As some cash crops are being harvested, another crop is more visible: the cover crop. Several thousand acres of cover crops were aerially applied in late August and early September in Green County. There has been a special focus for cover crops in the Spring Creek Watershed in Jefferson and Spring Grove Townships or the southeast portion of Green County. The emphasis for cover crops in this watershed is to reduce soil erosion and lessen the sediment being washed into Spring Creek. A tour of a variety of mixes has

been established in the Spring Creek Watershed. Nine sites have markers that describe the current cash crop, harvest date, what was planted for cover crops, when it was flown on, and the anticipated 2017 cash crop. Most sites' cash crops have already been harvested. There are four sites that had corn in 2016 and five that had soybeans. The cover crops that were flown on vary from winter rye to a three-way mix of radish, oats, and crimson clover. The self-guided driving tour was set up to allow farmers and

the public to see first-hand that aerial application is a feasible option to apply cover crops. It was also intended to be convenient; a person could see as many or few sites as his or her schedule allows. The stops are marked with a sign that gives the driver a good view of the field.

Brochures of the driving tour are available at the USDA Service Center at 1627 4th Avenue West in Monroe or the Green County Land and Water Conservation website at [www.co.green.wi.gov](http://www.co.green.wi.gov). Click on Departments and Land & Water Conservation. At the bottom of the page, under Events, click on "Spring Creek Cover Crop Driving Tour."



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Markers like this will be placed beside fields planted with cover crops along a self-guided driving tour in Green County.

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Registration is required. Visit [www.tryhockeyforfree.com/6728](http://www.tryhockeyforfree.com/6728) or contact Joel Fonseca at [hockeyfonz@gmail.com](mailto:hockeyfonz@gmail.com) or 815-541-0928.

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# Green County Sheriff's Report

All charges reported here are merely accusations. A defendant is presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law. Sheriff's deputies reported the following incidents occurred.

## Thursday, Oct. 27 Motor vehicle crash

At 10:19 a.m., deputies responded to the West 5200 block of County Highway C in the Town of Washington, for a two-vehicle crash.

An investigation revealed that Amy M. Holst, 27, of Monroe, was westbound on County Highway C when she passed a westbound truck towing a camper. Immediately after passing the truck and camper, Holst braked in order to turn into a driveway when she was rear-ended by the truck that she had just passed. The driver of the other truck was identified as Ronald S. Shell, 75, of Albany.

Holst was wearing her seatbelt and reported that she was injured in the crash but declined medical attention. A passenger in Holst's vehicle was identified as Desiree C. Holst, 26, of Monroe, who reported wearing her seatbelt and receiving and injury but declined medical attention. No airbags were deployed in the vehicle Holst was driving. Holst's vehicle sustained moderate damage and was driven from the scene.

Shell reported no injuries and was wearing his seatbelt. The airbags did not deploy in Shell's truck. Shell's truck sustained moderate damage and was driven from the scene.

## Domestic abuse

At 5:28 p.m., deputies, Albany

EMS, and the Brodhead Police Department responded to a residence in the North 4200 block of Park Road in the Town of Decatur for a domestic abuse case. An investigation resulted in Ryan M. Richardson, 32, of Brodhead, being arrested for Domestic Disorderly Conduct, Domestic Battery, two counts of felony Bail Jumping, and three counts of misdemeanor Bail Jumping. Richardson was jailed pending court.

## Domestic abuse

At 10:58 p.m., deputies responded to a residence in the West 7500 block of County Highway B in the Town of Cadiz for a domestic abuse case. An investigation resulted in a minor being arrested for domestic disorderly conduct. He posted bond and was released pending court.

## Motor vehicle vs. deer

Kristine L. Larson in the North 6600 block of County Highway A in the Town of Adams.

Patty J. Fosler in the West 5200 block of State Highway 11 in the Town of Monroe.

Deborah L. Egli in the North 7300 block of Marshall Bluff Road in the Town of Exeter.

Gerald D. Heider in the West 8700 block of State Highway 39 in the Town of York.

## Friday, Oct. 28

## Motor vehicle vs. deer

William A. Martin on State Highway 78 north of Sunnyside Road in the Town of York.

Carolyn R. Weiler in the North 4200 block of State Highway 69 in the Town of Monroe.

Brenda A. Stamstad, 43, of Evansville, in the West 5100 block

of County Highway W in the Town of New Glarus.

## Warrant

At 6:16 a.m., deputies arrested Steven J. Kolb, 32, of Monroe, at a residence on Five Corners Road in the Town of Clarno on a Juneau County warrant for Child Support. Kolb was jailed pending bond or transport to Juneau County.

## Warrant

At 9:04 a.m., deputies arrested Clark W. Schaller, 28, of Monroe, at the Green County Justice Center on a Department of Corrections Probation Warrant. Schaller was jailed.

## Saturday, Oct. 29

## OWI

At 12:41 a.m., deputies stopped Deanna M. Hoffman, 29, of Janesville, for Speeding in the West 1400 block of State Highway 11 in the Town of Spring Grove. Hoffman was arrested/cited for Speeding, Operating After Revocation, OWI Second Offense, Possession of THC, Possession of Drug Paraphilia, and Misdemeanor Bail Jumping. Hoffman was jailed pending bond or court.

## Motor vehicle vs. deer

Michael R. Kowsky on State Highway 69 in the North 7500 block in the Town of New Glarus.

Ashton T. Jelle in the North 9500 block of County Highway U in the Town of New Glarus.

## Motor vehicle crash

At 10:52 a.m., deputies received an anonymous complaint of a motor vehicle crash at the intersection of Bethel Road and Bloom Lane in the Town of Clarno. The motor vehicle had fled the scene. The

motor vehicle had been westbound on Bethel Road and attempted to turn southbound onto Bloom Lane when it entered the ditch and collided with a Charter Cable Junction Box. The offending motor vehicle was located and impounded. It was determined the driver was Tyler J. Swedlund, 18, of Juda. Swedlund stated that he was not injured and was wearing a seatbelt, and the motor vehicle sustained moderate damage. Swedlund was cited for Failure to Notify Police of an Accident, Operating a Motor Vehicle While Suspended, Operating a Motor Vehicle Without Insurance, Operating a Motor Vehicle with a Cracked or Damaged Windshield, and Hit and Run Property Adjacent to Highway. Swedlund was released pending court.

## Sunday, Oct. 30

## Motor vehicle vs. deer

Derek Vance Bahr in the West 3600 block of County Highway W in the Town of Exeter.

## OWI

At 6:17 a.m., deputies checked on a motor vehicle at the Clarence Bridge Park in the Town Spring Grove. The driver, Kurt C. Balles, 34, of Freeport, Ill., was arrested for Operating Under the Influence First Offense, and Operating with a Prohibited Alcohol Concentration. Balles was released pending court.

## Monday, Oct. 31

## Motor vehicle crash

Richard L. Seffrood in the West 4200 block of Exeter Crossing Road in the Town of Exeter.

Mallory J. Duerst in the West 4900 block of County Highway W in the Town of New Glarus.

## Warrant

At 9:19 a.m., deputies arrested Dirk Robert McCall, 36, of Brownstown, on a Columbia County Warrant for Failure to Appear on a Possession of Marijuana Charge at a residence on Smock Valley Road in the Town of Jordan. McCall was jailed pending transport to Columbia County.

## Motor vehicle crash

At 3:28 p.m., deputies responded to a motor vehicle crash on County Highway D at Carla Drive in the Town of Exeter. Chelsea A. Martinson, 23, of Brooklyn, was traveling south on County Highway D when a vehicle operated by Hailey C. Matteson, 18, of Belleville, was traveling east on Carla Drive and failed to stop at the stop sign. Matteson advised that the brakes on her vehicle failed and she was not able to stop. This caused the vehicles to collide. Martinson advised that she and her passenger were not injured and were wearing their seatbelts. There was no airbag deployment in the vehicle. The vehicle sustained moderate damage and was towed from the scene. Matteson advised that she was not injured and was wearing her seatbelt. There was no airbag deployment in the vehicle. The vehicle sustained moderate front-end damage and was driven from the scene.

## Motor vehicle crash

At 3:41 p.m., deputies responded to the West 5000 block of Holcomb Lane in the Town of Washington for a school bus vs. vehicle accident. A school bus for the Monticello

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# Pet of the Week

Kent is a one-year-old, neutered male. Kent is an all-around good cat. He's friendly and sociable, well-mannered, and talkative. This orange and white kitty loves to explore and will often make himself comfortable watching the birds outside. Kent will show any cat-toy who's boss, so make sure you have plenty of feather toys nearby. A friend to other cats, Kent would do well in almost any home environment. The shelter is closed on Mondays, Tuesdays, and all holidays, with afternoon hours only Wednesday through Sunday. See their website, [www.green-countyhumane.org](http://www.green-countyhumane.org), for new arrivals of cats and dogs, adoption fees, and upcoming events. The shelter's material needs include: For the Dogs: hot dogs, canned dog food,

Mounds Dog Power, rawhide retriever sticks, Kongs, Frisbees, tennis balls, and peanut butter. For the Cats: Kitten Milk (formula), Mounds Purrfect Cat, and canned cat food. Misc Supplies: laundry detergent, Dawn Dish Soap, Clorox Bleach, paper towels, stamps, copy paper, hand sanitizer, aluminum cans, and hand soap. The Green County Humane Society thanks those who donate.

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**Kent is waiting to paw around with some new toys in his forever home.**



## Legal Notices

### NOTICE OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING OF THE ELECTORS OF THE TOWN OF SPRING VALLEY

Notice is hereby given that on Monday, November 28, 2016, immediately following completion of the PUBLIC HEARING on the proposed 2017 budget, which begins at 6:00 p.m. at the Orfordville Fire Station meeting room, 173 North Wright Street, Orfordville, WI, a special town meeting of the electors will be held, called pursuant

to Section 60.12 (1) of Wisconsin Statutes by the Spring Valley Town Board, for the following purpose:

1. To adopt the 2016 tax levy to be paid in 2017 pursuant to Section 60.10 (1) (a) of Wisconsin Statutes. Dated this 9th day of November, 2016

Julie Gerke, Town Clerk  
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svclerk@ckhweb.com  
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### ADVERTISEMENT FOR EQUIPMENT BIDS

**PROJECT:** 2017 Wastewater Improvements  
WWTP Aeration Upgrade - Equipment Supply  
Orfordville, Wisconsin  
October 2016

**OWNER:** Village of Orfordville  
106 N. Center Street  
Orfordville, WI 53576

#### EQUIPMENT BID DEADLINE

Equipment bids for wastewater treatment equipment for the proposed Orfordville facility upgrade will be accepted at the Engineer's office until **2:00 p.m., local time on Thursday, November 17, 2016.** The proposals will then be evaluated by the Owner and Engineer.

Equipment for which bids are requested includes aeration blowers. The selected equipment will be incorporated into the contract documents for the City's wastewater treatment facility project, which has an estimated construction date starting in 2017.

#### SPECIAL CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

This project is expected to be funded in whole or in part with funds provided by the Wisconsin Clean Water Fund and will be subject to all the requirements of this program. Information on applicable federal requirements is available from the Engineer.

#### BID DOCUMENTS

The Bid Documents, consisting of Request for Equipment Bids, Applicable Technical Specifications, and Plan Sheets are available to qualified Manufacturers and Suppliers from the office of the Engineer with contact information as listed below. Bid documents will be available starting October 27, 2016. Engineer contact information is as follows:

Town & Country Engineering, Inc.  
2912 Marketplace Drive, Suite 103  
Madison, WI 53719  
(608) 273-3350  
Attention: Joe Thompson

#### BIDDER QUALIFICATIONS

Manufacturers or Suppliers submitting a bid for any equipment must complete a qualification statement unless already pre-qualified with the City. The qualification statement must demonstrate that the company has been manufacturing similar units for at least ten consecutive years; has at least twenty-five similar units in service, has completed installations in the U.S. during the past twelve months; and has service technicians on call who would be able to be on site within 24 hours.

#### RIGHTS RESERVED

The Village of Orfordville reserves the right to reject any and all proposals and to waive informalities in any proposal in the best interests of the Village.

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### STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT GREEN COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF KATHRYN J. SCHNEIDER Deceased

#### Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration) Case No. 16-PR-93

#### PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth October 1, 1932 and date of death October 9, 2016 was domiciled in Green County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 803 East 8th Avenue, Monroe, WI 53566.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is February 7, 2017.
5. A claim may be filed at the Green County Justice Center, 2841 6th Street, Monroe, Wisconsin.

THOMAS J. VALE  
Circuit Court Judge  
10/28/16

Attorney Charles R. Wellington  
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### STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT GREEN COUNTY

BANK OF BRODHEAD  
A Wisconsin Banking Corporation,  
Plaintiff,

-v- ...  
MICHAEL J. MCGOFF,  
DONNA M. MCGOFF,  
Defendants,

and  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
Internal Revenue Service,  
Involuntary Defendant.

#### NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE Case No.: 16 CV 112 Case Code: 30404

#### Foreclosure of Mortgage

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that under the provisions of a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above entitled action on the 26th day of October, 2016 in the amount of \$43,695.22, the Sheriff of Green County, Wisconsin, will sell the described premises at public auction as follows:

DATE/TIME: Thursday, December 22, 2016 at 9:00a.m.

TERMS: Pursuant to said Judgment, ten (10%) percent of the successful bid must be paid at time of sale in cash, cashier's check, certified check or money order payable to the Green County Clerk of Courts. Balance payable at confirmation of sale in cash, cashier's check, certified check, or money order no later than ten (10) days after the court's confirmation of the sale or else the 10% down payment is forfeited to the Plaintiff. Said property will not be sold in parcels. This sale is subject to any unpaid real estate taxes and also to any real estate transfer tax which may be due, as well as any unpaid special assessments, easements, building and use restrictions and covenants of record. Purchaser shall also pay for any title evidence and recording fees. The property is sold on an "as is" basis.

PLACE: Ground Floor Conference Room of the Green County Justice Center, 2841 6th Street, Monroe, Wisconsin.

PROPERTY DESCRIPTION: THE EAST SIXTY-SIX (66) FEET OF LOTS SIX (6) AND EIGHT (8) IN BLOCK SEVENTY-FOUR (74) OF THE ORIGINAL PLAT IN THE CITY OF BRODHEAD, GREEN COUNTY, WISCONSIN.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 505 10th Street, Brodhead, Wisconsin 53520

DATED: October 27, 2016  
CONSIGNY LAW FIRM, S.C.

By: Jamie E. Olson  
State Bar No. 1066188  
303 East Court Street  
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(608) 755-5050

Attorneys for Plaintiff

#### THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING TOWN OF SPRING VALLEY

Notice is hereby given that on Monday, November 28, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. at the Orfordville Fire Station meeting room, 173 North Wright Street, Orfordville, WI, a PUBLIC HEARING on the PROPOSED 2017 BUDGET of the Town of Spring Valley will be held. The proposed budget in detail is available for inspection at the town clerk's home or by email. The following is a summary of the proposed 2017 budget.

	2016	2017	% change
<b>BALANCE JANUARY 1 REVENUES</b>	\$ 140,886.00	\$ 106,015.00	
Taxes: General Levy	\$ 120,743.00	\$ 120,937.00	1%
Other Taxes	\$ 724.00	\$ 715.00	
Intergovernmental Revenues	\$ 144,018.00	\$ 142,403.00	
Licenses and Permits	\$ 1,965.00	\$ 4,415.00	
Misc. Revenues	\$ 400.00	\$ 500.00	
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$ 267,850.00</b>	<b>\$ 268,970.00</b>	<b>1%</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
General Government	\$ 49,075.00	\$ 50,510.00	
Public Safety	\$ 44,565.00	\$ 50,272.00	
Public Works	\$ 241,996.00	\$ 196,103.00	
Health & Human Services	\$ 2,600.00	\$ 2,400.00	
Capital Outlay	\$ 500.00	\$ 700.00	
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$ 338,736.00</b>	<b>\$ 299,985.00</b>	
Reserve for Contingencies	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	
<b>TOTAL EXPEND. AND RESERVE</b>	<b>\$ 343,736.00</b>	<b>\$ 304,985.00</b>	<b>(-12%)</b>
<b>BALANCE DECEMBER 31</b>	<b>\$ 140,886.00</b>	<b>\$ 106,015.00</b>	
Reserved for budget	\$ 75,886.00	\$ 36,015.00	
Unreserved	\$ 65,000.00	\$ 70,000.00	
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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING FOR THE TOWN OF ALBANY

Notice is hereby given that on Wednesday, November 9, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. at the Albany Town Hall a PUBLIC HEARING on the PROPOSED BUDGET will be held. The proposed budget in detail is available for inspection at the town clerk's home. The following is a summary of the proposed 2017 budget.

	2016 Budget	2017 Proposed	
<b>REVENUES</b>			
General Property Taxes	272,855.00	276,527.00	
State Highway Aids	83,610.00	83,610.00	
State Shared Tax	8,680.00	8,680.00	
DNR	1,463.00	1,448.00	
Other State	33.00	33.00	
Green County	6,000.00	6,000.00	
Ag Use Penalty	2,800.00	2,800.00	
Building Permits	5,000.00	1,000.00	
Driveway Permits	3,000.00	1,000.00	
Plan Commission	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Recycling	9,000.00	11,000.00	
Personal Property Tax	3,500.00	4,000.00	
State Fire Dues & Fire Calls	3,591.00	3,800.00	
TRIP Funds	15,000.00	15,000.00	
Interest	500.00	500.00	
Miscellaneous	2,000.00	2,000.00	
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>418,017.00</b>	<b>418,398.00</b>	
General Government	72,400.00	74,260.00	
Reassessment Fund	5,000.00	5,000.00	
Public Safety	51,185.00	52,188.00	
Transportation	198,800.00	206,800.00	
Road Side Mower	18,000.00	0	
Machinery Fund	7,000.00	15,000.00	
Building Fund	5,000.00	5,000.00	
Library	38,632.00	38,150.00	
Sanitation	22,000.00	22,000.00	
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>418,017.00</b>	<b>418,398.00</b>	
Building Account	71,084.72		
Machinery Account	17,518.32		
Reassessment Account	7,515.38		
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### TOWN OF DECATUR PROPOSED BUDGET HEARING SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

The Proposed Budget Hearing and Special Town Meeting for the Town of Decatur will be held on Monday, November 21, 2016, at 7:00 PM at the Town Hall, 1408 14th Street, Brodhead. A copy of the entire proposed budget and supporting documents are available on the Town Website at [www.townofdecatur.com](http://www.townofdecatur.com), upon request from the town Clerk by email: [clerktreasurer@townofdecatur.com](mailto:clerktreasurer@townofdecatur.com), phone 897-4965 (Town Hall), 897-2534 (Home), by writing P. O. Box 333, Brodhead, WI 53520, or by FAX 897-4965.

#### BUDGET SUMMARY

	2016 Budget	Prop. For 2017	%Change
<b>REVENUES:</b>			
Taxes			
General Property	\$276,522.00	\$278,896.00	0.858%
Other	\$2,650.00	\$2,800.00	
Intergovernmental Revenues	\$109,389.00	\$109,242.00	
Licenses and Permits	\$11,284.00	\$6,510.00	
Interest Earned	\$700.00	\$700.00	
	\$400,545.00	\$398,148.00	-0.006%
Cash applied	\$37,747.00	\$45,964.00	
	<b>\$438,292.00</b>	<b>\$444,112.00</b>	
<b>DISBURSEMENTS:</b>			
General Government	\$73,860.00	\$90,700.00	
Public Works	\$260,000.00	\$239,000.00	
Public Safety	\$88,177.00	\$97,067.00	
Health & Human Services	\$3,510.00	\$3,510.00	
Insurance	\$7,345.00	\$7,835.00	
Other	\$5,400.00	\$6,000.00	
	<b>\$438,292.00</b>	<b>\$444,112.00</b>	0.013%
Estimated Fund Balance 12/31/16	\$221,750.00		
	includes \$52,328.00		
	Designated New Equipment Fund		
Current Indebtedness of the Town	\$0.00		
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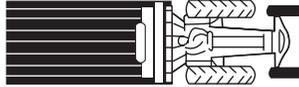
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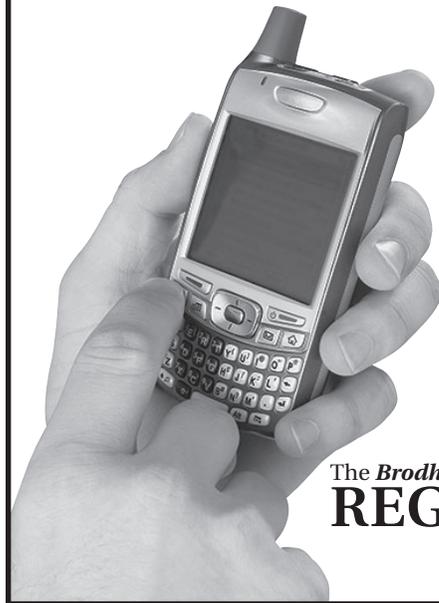
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# SHERIFF'S REPORT (Continued from page 16)

School District was being driven by Kim D. Tschudy, 70, of New Glarus, with 18 children on the bus was backed into by a vehicle driven by a minor. The minor reported that she was wearing her seatbelt and that she was not injured. The vehicle sustained minor rear-end damage, and the air bags did not deploy. Tschudy reported that he was wearing his seatbelt and was not injured. Tschudy advised that the 18 children on the school bus were not injured. The airbag did not deploy in the school bus. The school bus received minor front-end damage and was driven from the scene.

**Tuesday, Nov. 1  
Motor vehicle vs. deer**

Nicole M. McNeely in the West 8500 block of State Highway 39 in the Town of York.

**Wednesday, Nov. 2  
Motor vehicle vs. deer**

Paul B. Poppe in the North 2900 block of State Highway 59 in the Town of Sylvester.

Christopher D. Henderson in the West 8000 block of State Highway 59 in the Town of York.

Rachel R. Frye in the North 7800 block of County Highway N in the Town of New Glarus.

Timothy P. Baus in the West 7500 block of County Highway Y in the Town of Jordan.

Kevin L. Workinger in the West 7700 block of State Highway 11 in the Town of Cadiz.

Ann Marie Figi in the North 900 block of Clarno Road in the Town of Clarno.

**Warrant**

At 2:20 p.m., deputies arrested Taylor M. Watson, 22, of Monroe, at the Green County Justice Center on a Department of Corrections Probation Warrant. Watson was jailed.

**Thursday, Nov. 3  
Warrant**

At 8:13 p.m., Athena N. Peterson, 19, of Monticello, was arrested in the North 4900 block of Ringhand Road in the Town of Mt. Pleasant on a warrant through Lafayette County for Failure to Pay Forfeiture. Peterson was transported to the Green County Jail and was released after posting bond.

**Motor vehicle vs. deer**

Justin S. Anson in the North 2700 block of County Highway M in the Town of Jordan.

Eric A. Strothman in the North 3200 block of State Highway 81 in the Town of Monroe.

Debra A. Douglas in the North 9500 block of State Highway 69 in the Town of New Glarus.

William J. Hilliker in the North 4900 block of County Highway J in the Town of Washington.

Michael L. Vonderhaar in the West 8200 block of State Highway 11 in the Town of Cadiz.

Holly M. Wiegel in the North 1700 block of County Highway M in the Town of Cadiz.

**Special release**

At approximately 8:30 a.m., deputies were notified by management of the Juda Oasis that one of their gas pumps had been tampered with and a card skimmer device was suspected. Investigators found a device inside the pump attached to the credit card reader. The machine was disabled, and a State Petroleum Inspector was summoned. This led to an effort to have all area retailers inspect their pumps. No other such discoveries were made, and this is believed to be an extension of similar occurrences in adjacent counties. Suspicious transactions tend to support that the device had only been installed within the past 10 days.

Subsequent to news media reports of similar incidents in southern Wisconsin, gas station operators have been taking precautions to prevent the installation of skimming devices. Aside from regular inspections, some retailers have already purchased electronic deterrent features, rekeyed access panels, or installed tamperproof seals. Although safeguards are being taken to prevent the use of these devices, concerned customers still have the option to pay inside with the cashier, and credit card companies typically refund fraudulent purchases.

No arrests have been made, and investigative leads are being sought.

**Friday, Nov. 5  
Motor vehicle crash**

At 5:42 a.m., deputies, along with the Juda Fire Department, Monroe EMS, Wisconsin State Patrol Inspectors, and Green County Highway Department personnel, responded to the West 3300 block of State Highway 11/81 in Sylvester Township. Gayle S. Mammosser, 70, of Davis, Ill., was westbound on State Highway 11 when she attempted to pass a truck as she thought she was on a four-lane highway. An eastbound semi-tractor and trailer operated by Benjamin G. Meyer, 33, of New Vienna, Iowa, attempted to avoid the collision by swerving but was sideswiped by Mammosser's vehicle. Meyer's semi then overturned and came to rest on the road. Shawn D. Heidenreich, 40, of Monroe, was westbound operating the truck that Mammosser was attempting to pass. After Mammosser sideswiped the semi, her vehicle then collided with Heidenreich's truck. The fourth vehicle was eastbound on State Highway 11 and was operated by Ann M. McKinley, 50, of Warren, Ill. McKinley then struck Mammosser's vehicle. Mammosser was injured in the crash and was transported by EMS to Monroe Clinic Hospital for minor injuries. Mammosser was wearing a seatbelt, and the air bags deployed in her vehicle. Mammosser's vehicle had severe damage and was towed from the scene. Meyer was not injured in the crash and was wearing his seatbelt. The semi was not equipped with air bags. There was severe damage to the semi. The semi-trailer was full of bags of feed. The semi was towed from the scene after a post-crash inspection by the Wisconsin State Patrol. Heidenreich was not injured in the crash and was wearing his seatbelt. There was no airbag deployment. The truck had

moderate damage and remained on scene as Heidenreich does not have a valid license. Heidenreich was given a ride to Monroe from the Monroe Police Department. McKinley was not injured in the crash and was wearing her seatbelt. The airbags did not deploy. McKinley had moderate damage to her vehicle, and she drove it from the scene. Heidenreich will be cited for No Valid Driver's License. Mammosser will be cited for Unsafe Passing. The roadway was opened at 10:19 a.m.

**Motor vehicle crash**

At 11:07 p.m., Dillon M. Varner, 24, of Blanchardville, came to the Green County Sheriff's Office to report a motor vehicle crash that occurred on Nov. 3 in the North 1500 block of Bethel Road in the Town of Clarno. Varner advised that he was northbound when he swerved to miss a deer, entered the ditch, and struck the embankment and a barbed wire fence. Varner advised that he was wearing his seatbelt and was uninjured. There was no airbag deployment. Varner reported at first that the crash occurred around 6 a.m., but then later admitted that it occurred earlier. Varner had moderate damage to his vehicle, and he was able to drive it from the scene. Varner was cited for Too Fast for Conditions, Failure to Notify Police of an Accident, and Hit and Run Property Adjacent to Highway. Varner was released pending court.

**Traffic offense**

At 7 p.m., deputies stopped a vehicle for speeding in the West 500 block of State Highway 81 in the Town of Spring Grove. Ashley D. Volling, 22, of Burlington, was cited for Operating After Suspension. Volling was released pending court.

**Motor vehicle vs. deer**

Justin D. Monson in the North 5800 block of Tin Can Road in the Town of Albany.

Douglas L. Thayer in the North 8100 block of State Highway 69 in the Town of New Glarus.

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