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Dusty Kubly running for Decatur Town Board

My name is Dusty Kubly, and I wanted to introduce myself and inform you that I will be running for Decatur Town Board, Supervisor No. 2 position, during the April 4 election, running against Bob Gadow.

I am a lifelong resident of Brodhead and Decatur Township, which is a great place to grow up, raise a family, and run my current business of 23 years. I own Kubly's Automotive and have two locations, the Auto Repair facility on TenEyck Road in Decatur Township and the Auto Sales facil-

ity located on First Center Avenue in the City of Brodhead.

In October of 2016, I received a Masters of Shop Management award for outstanding business management. This has a lot to do with having a great staff, including my wife of 23 years, Roxy Kubly.

I am an active member of the Brodhead Optimist Club, State-line Trailblazers Snowmobile Club, Green County ATV Club, Wheels to Prosper, and Brodhead Sports Boosters, and I am a Director on the Brod-

head Chamber of Commerce.

The small-town upbringing from this area has really made me who I am today with values of hard work, honesty, giving, and supporting local people and business. These values are what I live by, along with a strong background in business and communication.

During the course of 2016, I have attended many Town of Decatur monthly meetings to better educate myself on what goes on in our township. There are many topics going on

all of the time, such as finances, budgeting, roadwork, citizens' concerns, building issues, and different types of complaints. The list goes on and on.

I have witnessed that the position of being on the Town of Decatur board can be a lot of work but also satisfying by making the right decisions or by simply listening to the residents. This is where I feel my background in business and communication would be very beneficial.

I have a great interest in the Town

of Decatur and would love to be able to help our area thrive.

We live in a beautiful township with a river, lake, state trail system, businesses, and family farms. What more could a resident want beside good structure and leadership within the township?

The election is Tuesday, April 4, at the Decatur Town Hall. Your vote decides who your town decision-makers are. Let your voice be heard, and I would appreciate your vote. Thank you.

Hidden Valleys of Southwest Wisconsin celebrates 40th anniversary

'Hidden Valleys of Southwest Wisconsin' is distributing its 40th annual visitor guide featuring nine counties in Southwest Wisconsin--Crawford, Lafayette, Richland, Monroe, Vernon, Juneau, Green, Grant and Iowa. The Great River Road and the Wisconsin

River Byway are also highlighted.

Our comprehensive tourism resource showcases accommodations, attractions, cultural venues, dining options, festivals, events, outdoor recreation, motorcycle travel, and much more. Several driving tours, including

one on area wineries and a cheese tour, are in the book.

In honor of the 40th year, a celebration will be held in Richland Center on May 17 at the Country Kitchen Restaurant in the White House Ramada to honor all the people who have served

on the board, sold ads, or in any way contributed to the magazine's success.

We are trying to find contact information for people who have served with the organization during these 40 years. If you have been on the board, sold ads, or contributed in any manner, please contact the Hidden Valleys office at 608-562-6450 or e-mail us at hv@mwt.net. Please share any memorabilia with us at this gathering.

Destinations (motorcycling), the Wisconsin Agriculture Tourism Association and Tri-State Tourism to better network regionally. The guides are also distributed at numerous travel, sport and home shows.

The guide has a large four-page pull-out map of the Hidden valleys region, as well as individual county maps showing the location of trout streams, bike trails, and ATV/snowmobile trails.

Brodhead UMC to host Maker Fun Factory training event

An upcoming vacation Bible School training and networking event called VBS FunShop is being hosted at Brodhead United Methodist Church on Mar. 18, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Area churches that are planning to

present Group Publishing's Maker Fun Factory VBS this summer will receive hands-on training from a group VBS expert to maximize the impact of their VBS program.

In addition to tons of fun and help-

ful information, participants can network and share ideas, resources, and decorations.

To register, go to www.group.com/vbsfunshop, or for more information, call Danielle at 608-897-2515.

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For more information about Hidden Valleys, visit our website, www.hiddenvalleys.com, or contact the Hidden Valleys office at 608-562-6450 or e-mail hv@mwt.net.



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(Above) Fourth- and fifth-graders participating in Math 24 this year are pictured here. Front row: Caleb Smith, Blake Finley, Allison Rhyner; back row: Cody Pryce, Aiden Brewer, Brayden Bakken, Cooper S., Ava Ahnen, and Maiya O'Bel.

Albany Math 24 teams compete

Last week, the fourth-, fifth-, and sixth-grade Math 24 teams competed in the South Region Competition at the Union South in Madison. They competed against teams from Belleville, Evansville, New Glarus, Parkview, and Stoughton.

Math 24 is a fast-paced mathematics program that builds strong mental mathematics and problem-solving skills.

The challenge is to create equations that total 24 by using all numbers on each given card and any combination of addition, subtraction, multiplication, or division.

Fourth-grade competitors use the double-digit cards, fifth-graders use variable cards, and sixth-graders use positive/negative integers.

Students take part in four rounds, in which they can earn first, second or third place. How each student does for the first three rounds decides what table and who he or she competes against in the fourth round.

After all four rounds, awards are given to students in places first through sixth. One student in each school group is also awarded the highest score for their school.

Blake Finley had the most points for Albany fourth graders. Ava Ahnen placed second and had the highest points for the Albany fifth graders. Linsey Mueller placed fifth and had the most points for Albany sixth graders.

The fourth-grade team consisted of Blake Finley, Cody Pryce, and Caleb Smith. This year, fifth grade had two teams that competed; they consisted of Ava Ahnen, Brayden Bakken, Aiden Brewer, Maiya O'Bel, Allison Rhyner, and Cooper S. The sixth-grade team consisted of Ethan Koss, Linsey Mueller, and Peyton Pendergrass.



(Right) The sixth-grade Math 24 team at Albany Elementary is made up of Peyton Pendergrass, Linsey Mueller, and Ethan Koss.



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Next Generation 4-H meets

The Next Generation 4-H Club meeting was held on Feb. 12 at 1:30 p.m. at the Methodist Church in Juda. In attendance were 56 members and 21 guests. The club held no meeting in December or January.

The meeting started at 1:35 p.m. The Flag Salute and club Pledge was done by all. Roll call was completed by Bella Andrews and Harley Mandel. Attendance sheets were placed on every table to collect signatures. Our activity leader Mitch Grossen announced member birthdays with each getting a gift. They were Chad Mans-

field, Blake Drafall, Jackie Nusbaum, Maggie Paul, and Autumn Wolfe. Members also received Christmas presents.

Cloverbuds were excused from the meeting to work on Valentine activities and coloring.

Secretary minutes were read by Harley Mandel and were approved.

The treasurer's report was read by Maggie Paul and was approved after a correction was made.

A correspondence report was given by Bella Andrews. A thank-you card was available for signing to "show ap-

preciation" to Santa for coming to our Christmas Party.

The community and fundraiser report was given by Bella Andrews regarding: Papa Murphy's fundraising amount and a report on baby baskets, caps, and blankets that were delivered to the Monroe Hospital/Clinic on Dec. 29.

Project reports were handled by Bella Andrews with committee reports given by David Mansfield on the goat project and Briget Nusbaum on poultry and photography.

Signup sheets for upcoming events were discussed by Briget Nusbaum.

Old business was addressed but not discussed. New business included a request for a monetary trip scholarship for one of our members to attend the eighth-grade DC trip this summer. The motion to approve was made by Abbi Andrews and seconded by Ayden Bergemann; the vote passed.

Discussion on forming a planning committee for the CATP food stand fundraiser in Brooklyn this May was introduced, and a signup sheet was available to those who were interested in the event.

Finally, the idea of our club developing our own club record book was

introduced.

Awards were handed out in two categories: Harley Mandel received a Green County 4H award for being our club secretary and turning in a secretary's book in 2016, and a Certificate of Appreciation was given to the Snelson family for their contributions to a community service event also in 2016.

There were no talks or demonstrations this month, and the club meeting adjourned at 2:01 p.m. with a motion made from Briget Nusbaum and seconded by Miah Roth.

The club held a Cloverbud/Explorer, first-year woodworking workshop

where 14 youth completed wooden birdhouses and bird feeders as one of their fair projects this year. Everyone seemed to enjoy this workshop, and more are planned for the next few months in order to assist our youth/parents in any way we can with their projects.

The next meeting is March 19 at 1:30 p.m. at the Zion United Methodist Church basement, Juda Wis.

This month, members and families participated in 4H events that involved: Green County Adult Leaders, executive board meeting, committee meetings, and project meetings.

Angels Among Us 5K coming Apr. 22

The 4th Annual Angels Among Us 5K Family Fun Run/Walk hosted by Tyler's TEAM Foundation, Inc. and Jacob's SWAG Foundation, Inc. will be held Saturday, Apr. 22, at SLICE Arena in Monroe.

All of the proceeds stay within the Green County area to help promote Suicide Awareness and Mental Health with youth programs for 10 area middle and high schools within the county and their staff.

The cost is \$30 per person (includes long-sleeve event shirt or

\$100 for a team (includes four long-sleeve event shirts). Additional shirts may be purchased for \$20/each. Register online at JacobsSWAG.org.

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New Horizons meets

New Horizons 4-H Club met on Sunday, Feb. 12. The meeting was brought to order by President Royce Brauer. The thought for the day was, "The only one who never makes mistakes is the one who never does anything." Justin Moore led the flag salute. Royce led the club pledge. Roll call was answered by giving a safety rule.

The minutes of the January meeting were read and approved with a motion by Shannon Day and second-

ed by Chance Ace. The treasurer's report was given by Maylee Brauer.

Chance moved to approve the report. Shannon seconded it. Both motions carried. Reports were given for adult and junior leaders.

Unfinished business was discussed. Members continue to help across the horizons as the major emphasis. Several activities and events were attended by members. We are working on updating club bylaws. Plans continue to be made for upcoming events. Our club foods fair will be in March. We will be holding our Cabin Fever Day in April. We will sponsor a small pets workshop in May. Members were reminded of county upcoming events.

New business was brought up. Our next meeting is March 5. Our educational moment was spent discussing how members use their head as it applies to managing in 4-H. We manage money, time, paperwork, and much more. We talked about doing road clean up and whether to promote the fair by making a sign.

Announcements were read. Maylee moved to adjourn the business part of the meeting. Chance seconded it.

Talks and demonstrations were given. The Cloverbuds and explorer talked about the importance of washing hands before working with food. Jaena LeGault showed us displays and talked about Boer Goats, the Arctic eco-system, and doing a business plan.

Everyone went to wash up so we could do tasting of the three cakes we made at our cake workshop on Saturday. Members tasted a cake made by following regular directions. The second cake was made by substituting applesauce. For the third cake, we used rootbeer. It was fun learning how to do things in a different way.

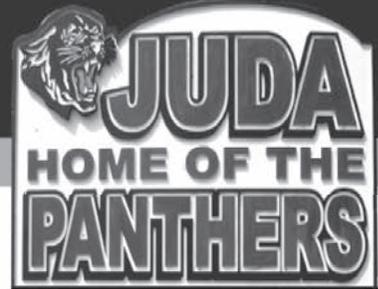
Our club arts festival followed the meeting. Members exhibited over 30 art-related projects. They talked about and shared what they had done.



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Tyler's TEAM Foundation donates to area elementary schools

Tyler's TEAM Foundation would like to thank the Monroe Fund and the Darlington Area Community Fund for the grants that our foundation received. With the help of these grants, we were able to donate a series of children's conflict/resolution books to 13 Green County area elementary schools. The books focus on the areas of selfishness, discrimination, feeling left out, dealing with rules, listening, secrets, being different, and losing a loved one. The schools receiving this donation are Albany, Argyle, Blackhawk, Brodhead, Darlington, Juda, Monticello, Monroe, New Glarus, Pecatonica, and St. Victors. The books will be presented at school board meetings or school visits within the next few weeks. Pictured here are the Juda School Board members with John and Kathy Pierce, directors of Tyler's TEAM Foundation, Inc. For more information on Tyler's TEAM Foundation, please contact Kathy Pierce 608-214-4652.



Panthers on the Prowl

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

BLOOD DRIVE

Juda will be hosting a blood drive on March 20 from 2 to 6 p.m. You may schedule an appointment or walk in.

BOYS' BASKETBALL

The Juda Panthers finished their season on Friday, March 3, against Pecatonica. The Vikings edged the Panthers by a final score of 54-51. Matt Schmitt led the Panthers with 20 points and 13 rebounds. Keagan Haffe had a strong second half and finished with 11 points. Joe Rackow also contributed 13 points for the Panthers. Juda finished their season with a 15-9 record and 6-6 in conference.

GIRLS' SOFTBALL

This week starts the first week of softball season. The first scrimmage will be home on March 24 at 4:30 p.m. against Beloit Memorial. The first game will be away against Lena-Winslow on March 27 at 4:30

p.m.

BOWLING FUNDRAISER

The Juda-Albany Softball Team is having a bowling fundraiser at Leisure Lanes in Monroe on Saturday, March 25. Check in is at 1:30 p.m., and bowling starts at 2 p.m. There is a fee of \$25 per couple for three games. If you are interested, please contact any Juda/Albany softball player, the Juda School Office (608-934-5251), or Bill Davis at (608)558-8020 to sign up. Walk-ins are also welcomed.

FORENSICS

The forensics team competed at their subdistrict contest in Monticello last Thursday. The whole team did a great job and will be moving on to the district competition in Belleville tomorrow, Thursday, March 16. Members of this year's forensics team are Nick Baum, Trent Davis, Hailey Kammerer, and Quinton Kammerer (play acting); Logan Geisking and Samantha Anderson (play acting); Nicki Becker, Courtney Fortney, and Brooke Kamholz (group interpretation); Jacob Mahlkuch

(storytelling); and Aurora Daniels and Mariah Riese (play acting). We would like to wish them all the best of luck and hope they all advance to the state competition in Madison.

JUDA FOREFATHERS

The Juda ForeFathers will be hosting their annual road clean-up on Saturday, April 8, at 1 p.m. The clean-up lasts approximately three hours. The event is open to all Juda High School students and Juda residents. Safety vests and rubber gloves will be provided for all participants. There will be soda and pizza provided afterward, as well. If you have any questions, contact Darci Steinmann at (608)558-7447.

FFA

Juda had several members participate in the Section V Speaking Contest in Clinton. The middle school quiz bowl team consisted of Aaron Makos, Katie Nusbaum, Jocelyn Anderson, Jocelyn Rufer, and Hanna Swedlund. Emily Makos also participated in Creed Speaking.

The consignment auction will be

held on April 1. If you wish to donate any items, please contact Mr. Johnson.

SPANISH CLUB

The Butter Braid fundraiser will be delivered on March 22.

JUDA ELEMENTARY

The fifth-grade States Fair will be held in the cafeteria on March 23 at 1:30 p.m.

Early childhood screening will be held on Wednesday, April 5, from noon to 6 p.m. If you would like more information, please call the school office at 608-934-5251, ext. 221.

REC DISTRICT

Zumba will be starting a new session on March 14. It will be held every Tuesday and Thursday. They are also offering daycare for anyone who needs it.

JFAB

The Evening of Jazz is on Friday, March 17, at 7 p.m. JFAB will be serving cupcakes and punch during intermission.

ART DEPARTMENT

The kindergarten through third grade had a Super Fun Art Day

this week. The fourth-grade is having a catch-up day to work on their monochromatic pieces. The fifth grade is working on finishing up their printmaking projects. The sixth grade is working on their mosaic projects. The AS class has just started and is covering rules and expectations. The high school classes are starting a clay unit.

LUNCH

On Thursday, March 16, breakfast will be Mini Cinnis; lunch will be pizza, peas, and pears.

On Friday, March 17, breakfast will be long johns; lunch will be chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, and mandarin oranges.

On Monday, March 20, breakfast will be breakfast pizza; lunch will be chicken fajitas, soft shells, corn, and peaches.

On Tuesday, March 21, breakfast will be muffins; lunch will be shredded BBQ pork, potato wedges, and applesauce.

On Wednesday, March 22, breakfast will be breakfast bar; lunch will be chicken patties, au gratin potatoes, and mandarin oranges.

Green County Board Updates

By Erica Roth
BOARD SUPERVISOR

The Land and Water Conservation Committee meeting on March 2 was standing room only, if you were even able to get in the door. The meeting was packed. There was an update on the proposed Pinnacle Dairy project, discussion on modifying the manure storage ordinance, reports from the departments, an update on the hydro-geological study, and a great water/soil health demonstration.

For me, a highlight of the Land and Water meeting each month is the educational component. There is almost always a demonstration. This

time, it was a demonstration about aquifers, ground water recharge, contamination, and the effect of contamination on wells. It was cleverly done with ice cream, soda, ice, straws, and food coloring.

The visual impact and clarity of the demonstration was such that I recreated it at home for my kids with great success, both educationally and gastronomically.

The committee discussed modifications to the manure storage ordinance, and their recommendations went to the entire county board for a vote at the March 14 meeting.

Robb Sommers, Green County

Land Information Officer, gave a report on the progress of the hydro-geologic survey: it is underway and on schedule.

Todd Jenson, County Conservationist, gave an update on the proposed Pinnacle Dairy's permit status. The proposed factory farm is still awaiting permits from Green County; Jenson and his team found areas of question in the permit applications and have asked for more and clarified information from the corporation.

At the County Board meeting on March 14, the modification to the manure storage ordinance was put forward for a vote, a discussion about

the animal siting ordinance took place, and a presentation demonstrated the progress of the government services building.

You can see what meetings are coming up and the agendas for the meetings at the county website at www.co.green.wi.gov. The upcoming meetings are listed at the lower right side of the main page under the heading "Upcoming Meetings." All county board and committee meetings are open to the public, and you are welcomed to attend.

I was fortunate enough to visit the capitol on Feb. 28 as part of the Wisconsin Farmers Union Farm and Rural Lobby Day. With other concerned residents, I was able to talk with Senator Ringhand and Representative Sprietzer about our roads, water, schools, food, broadband, and farms in our area. It was a productive and inspiring day at the capitol.

Stay in touch with your county board supervisor. If you have questions or concerns, it is important that we hear from you. You can find your supervisor's contact information on the county website at www.co.green.wi.gov. I represent District 24 (the Town of Albany and a little bit of Brooklyn), and can be reached at EricaRothGreenCountyBoard@gmail.com or 608-371-9074.

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Students of the Month at Albany Elementary

Pictured are the Students of the Month at Albany Elementary for February. The students pictured participated in Twin Dress-Up Day (Pride in our Friends). Front row: Kade Turner, Colton Niemeyer, Kaydra Cleasby, Abby French, and Aidan Huffman Anderson; back row: Carson Detra, Lilly Clason, Jordan Levin, and Allison Rhyner. Missing from photo are Harper Hartwig and Oliver Celaya.

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Albany Comet News

By Stacey Torstenson

THURSDAY, MARCH 16

- *Middle school boys' basketball home vs. Black Hawk, 5 to 7 p.m.
- *District high school forensics festival at Belleville, 4:30 to 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, MARCH 17

- *PTO kids vs. parents dodgeball and basketball in both gyms, 6 to 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 18

No events scheduled

SUNDAY, MARCH 19

- *High school baseball open gym in the high school gym, noon to 2 p.m.

MONDAY, MARCH 20

- *High school baseball practice begins

TUESDAY, MARCH 21

- *Middle school boys; basketball at New Glarus, 5 to 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22

- *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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Albany Police Report

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

Thursday, March 2

Cited for Operation after Revocation was Eric L. Runaas, 26, of Albany.

Friday, March 3

Cited for Speeding and Operating

a Motor Vehicle without Insurance was Tanisha K. Gilmore, 21, of Evansville.

Sunday, March 5

Arrested for a probation violation was Derrick P. Nipple, 28, of Belleville.

Cited for Operating After Suspension was Tyler J. Swedlund, 19, of Juda.

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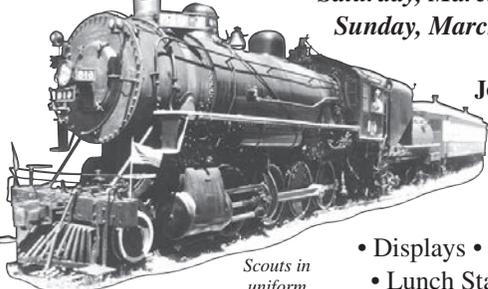
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PROPOSAL (Continued from front page)

Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources approved Pinnacle's plans and specifications for a concentrated animal feeding operation west of Broadhead with conditions Dec. 28, 2016. This DNR decision marked a turning point from its rejection of the 5,800-cow dairy's previous plans a year ago January.

Thick, water-bearing layers of soil — as much as 7 to 23 feet thick — were found at many locations on the 127 acres of cropland. The bare land site is south of State Highway 59, where Decatur Sylvester Road intersects with County Highway FF.

These wet conditions made the DNR cautious about considering shallow water saturation there a perched geological condition, something Pinnacle's engineer believes he can remediate.

DNR Water Resources Engineer

Gretchen Wheat also questioned feasibility of draining the wet site on a permanent basis using only gravity drainage to maintain a safe separation from four huge manure lagoons to be built at the site.

However, in a 4-page letter and 6-page engineering report made public earlier this year, Wheat recommended new plans and specifications with water monitoring and lists of conditions be approved.

DNR Waste Water Engineer Mark Cain reached by phone last week told the Independent Register the agency will not be commenting on the Green County Land Conservationist's March 2 report.

"That is between the permit applicant and the local authority," Cain said. "I'm not going to comment on that."

"There are many steps in the DNR's

approval process, and we still have a long way to go with this," he said.

Cain told the Register in January the DNR's next steps in its approval process for Pinnacle Dairy would be "general permits for which coverage is normally granted within about 2 weeks: a Construction Site Storm Water Runoff General Permit, and a Pit/Trench De-watering General Permit."

Cain directed the public to the DNR's topic webpage for additional information about the general permits it requires of large livestock feeding operations. He also underscored that DNR approval for Pinnacle Dairy comes with stipulations.

"Perched conditions and drainable extent must continue to be borne out," Cain said in January. "The Conditions of Approval include monitoring and reporting to DNR related to ground-

water levels, volumes of perched water removed, and demonstration that the perched saturation can be sufficiently removed to provide the required minimum separation distance (2 feet) between saturation and the elevation of the manure storage impoundment floors."

DNR staff are also reviewing Pinnacle's updated Nutrient Management Plan, which the DNR received from the applicant, the Tuls family in December 2016. The family operates two large dairy confinement operations in Nebraska, one in Rock County and a fourth near Hudson, Wis.

DNR review included study of the land area available for Pinnacle's manure application, for which Green County has cited discrepancies in more than half its parcels. Administrative codes also require the DNR to com-

plete an "Integrated Analysis," which is an environmental review, Cain said in January.

When the DNR's nutrient management review and the Integrated Analysis are complete, staff will draft a CAFO Waste Pollution Discharge Elimination System Permit for Pinnacle Dairy. DNR staff will also craft a fact sheet describing the proposed livestock facilities in plain language. "Within the next 30-60 days, the DNR anticipates the draft CAFO WPDES Permit may be issued for public comment," Cain told the Register in January.

Updates about DNR's review of Pinnacle Dairy's CAFO WPDES Permit are on a specific webpage for this permit application, at <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/AgBusiness/CAFO/pinnacle.html>.

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Protect personal, financial, tax, computer information

The Internal Revenue Service has reminded taxpayers to be cautious and protect personal, financial and tax information, particularly at tax time.

The IRS urges taxpayers to be safe online and reminds them to take steps to help protect personal information and guard against identity theft. This is true all year long, but particularly at tax time, when taxpayers may anticipate hearing about a tax refund or the status of their return.

"The IRS works year-round to protect taxpayers against scams and identity theft," said John Koskinen, IRS Commissioner. "But we can't do this alone. Taxpayers can do their part by taking certain precautions to stay ahead of these would-be con artists."

Treat personal information like cash — don't hand it out to just anyone. Social Security numbers, credit card numbers, bank and utility account numbers can be used to

steal money or open new accounts. Every time a taxpayer receives a request for personal information, he or she should think about whether the request is truly necessary. Scammers will do everything they can to appear trustworthy and legitimate.

Avoid phishing scams

The easiest way for criminals to steal sensitive data is simply to ask for it.

Taxpayers should learn to recognize phishing emails, calls, or texts that pose as familiar organizations such as banks, credit card companies, or even the IRS. These ruses generally urge taxpayers to give up sensitive data such as passwords, Social Security numbers, and bank account or credit card numbers. They are called phishing scams because they attempt to lure the receiver into taking the bait. The subject line may suggest the recipient just won a free cruise or that he or she must immediately update

an account. Never open a link or an attachment from a suspicious email. It may contain malware.

Also, don't assume internet advertisements, pop-up ads, or emails are from reputable companies. Check out companies to find out if they are legitimate. When online, a little research can save money and reduce security risks. If an ad or offer looks too good to be true, take a moment to check out the company behind it. Type the company or product name into a search engine with terms like "review," "complaint," or "scam."

Never download "security" software from a pop-up ad. A pervasive ploy is a pop-up ad that indicates it has detected a virus on the computer. It urges users to download a security software package. Don't fall for it. It most likely will install some type of malware. Reputable security software companies do not advertise in this manner.

Protect personal data

Taxpayers should not carry Social Security cards with them or any documents that may include this number. Provide Social Security numbers only when necessary. Occasionally, businesses will request it when it is not essential.

Give personal information over encrypted websites only. Shopping or banking online should be done only on sites that use encryption. To determine if a website is encrypted, look for "https" at the beginning of the web address

(the "s" stands for secure). Some websites use encryption only on the sign-in page. If any part of the session isn't encrypted, the entire account and the included financial information could be vulnerable. Look for "https" on every page of the site.

Use strong passwords

The longer the password, the tougher it is to crack. Use at least 10 characters; 12 is ideal for most home users. Mix letters, numbers, and special characters. Try to be unpredictable — don't use names, birthdates, or common words. Don't use the same password for many accounts. If the password is stolen — it can be used to take over multiple accounts. Don't share passwords on the phone, in texts, or by email. Legitimate companies will not send messages asking for passwords. Receiving such a message probably means it's a scam. Keep passwords in a secure place.

Set password and encryption protections for wireless networks. If a home or business Wi-Fi is unsecured, it also allows any computer within range to access the wireless network and potentially steal information from connected devices.

Use security software

Make sure you have security software installed on all of your devices that connect to the internet. Many computers come pre-installed with firewall and anti-virus protections. A good broad-based anti-malware

program should provide protection from viruses, Trojans, spyware and adware.

Set security software to update automatically so it can be upgraded as threats emerge. Also, make sure the security software is "on" at all times. If retaining important financial documents, such as prior-year tax returns, consider investing in encryption software to prevent unauthorized access by hackers or identity thieves.

Make sure security software has parental control options to protect children from malicious websites. Educate children about the threats of opening suspicious web pages, emails, or documents.

Back up files

No system is completely secure. Copy important files, including federal and state tax returns, onto a removable disc or a back-up drive, and store it in a safe place. Save tax returns and records.

Federal and state tax returns are important financial documents that a taxpayer may need for many reasons, ranging from home mortgages to college financial aid applications. Print out a copy and keep it in a safe place. Make an electronic copy in a safe spot, as well.

These steps also can help taxpayers more easily prepare next year's tax return.

If storing sensitive tax and financial records on a personal computer, use a file encryption program to add an additional layer of security.

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March activities at the Orfordville Public Library

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Storytimes: Fridays at 11 a.m.

Storytimes feature books, movement, and activities for children 5 and under.

Quilts on display through April 1

Wall hangings and table runners made by area residents will be displayed throughout the library.

Coloring for adults:

Thursday, March 16, 1 to 3 p.m.

Looking for a way to reduce some stress and unwind? Join us for an afternoon of fun and coloring. Grab a friend, bring a beverage, sit back, and have a good time. Supplies and cookies will be provided.

The Manhattan Project:
Saturday, March 25, 1:30 p.m.

This is a special presentation given by Dennis R. Hafemann, Ph.D. Hafemann will talk about material that was previously secret information and is now declassified that helps paint a clearer picture of the Manhattan Project. The program will be held at the Village of Orfordville Municipal Building Board Room.

Adult book clubs

Third Thursday Book Group:

March 16, 7 p.m.

This group meets at the Foot-

ville Church of Christ. This month's book is *The Homesman* by Glendon Swathout.

Book to Movie Group

This group meets at the library. This month's book is *The Ninth Life of Louis Drax* by Liz Jensen. The movie stars Jamie Dornan, Aiden

Longworth, and Sarah Gadon. The story is about a psychologist who begins working with a young boy who has suffered a near-fatal fall who finds himself drawn into a mystery that tests the boundaries of fantasy and reality.

For more information, visit the

library website, www.als.lib.wi.us/OPL, or contact the library at 608-879-9229. The library is on Facebook.

Library hours: Monday through Thursday from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Friday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon.

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Interest rates remain the same for second quarter

The Internal Revenue Service announced that interest rates will remain the same for the calendar quarter beginning April 1, 2017. The rates will be:

- four percent for overpayments [three percent in the case of a corporation];
- one and one half percent for

the portion of a corporate overpayment exceeding \$10,000;

- four percent for underpayments; and
- six percent for large corporate underpayments.

Under the Internal Revenue Code, the rate of interest is determined on a quarterly basis. For

taxpayers other than corporations, the overpayment and underpayment rate is the federal short-term rate plus three percentage points.

Generally, in the case of a corporation, the underpayment rate is the federal short-term rate plus three percentage points and the overpayment rate is the federal

short-term rate plus two percentage points. The rate for large corporate underpayments is the federal short-term rate plus five percentage points.

The rate on the portion of a corporate overpayment of tax exceeding \$10,000 for a taxable period

is the federal short-term rate plus one-half (0.5) of a percentage point.

The interest rates are computed from the federal short-term rate determined during January 2017 to take effect Feb. 1, 2017, based on daily compounding.

IRS reports refunds totaling \$1 billion for unfiled 2013 tax returns

Unclaimed federal income tax refunds totaling more than \$1 billion may be waiting for an estimated 1 million taxpayers who did not file a 2013 federal income tax return.

To collect the money, taxpayers must file a 2013 tax return with the IRS no later than this year's tax deadline, Tuesday, April 18.

"We're trying to connect a million people with their share of 1 billion dollars in unclaimed refunds for the 2013 tax year," said IRS Commissioner John Koskinen. "People across the nation haven't filed tax returns to claim these refunds, and their window of opportunity is closing soon. Students and many others may not realize they're due a tax refund. Remember, there's no penalty for filing a late return if you're due a refund."

The IRS estimates the midpoint for potential refunds for 2013 to be \$763; half of the refunds are more than \$763 and half are less.

In cases where a tax return was not filed, the law provides most taxpayers with a three-year window of opportunity for claiming a refund. If they do not file a return within three years, the money becomes the property of the U.S. Treasury.

The IRS reminds taxpayers seeking a 2013 refund that their checks may be held if they have not filed tax returns for 2014 and 2015. In addition, the refund will be applied to any amounts still owed to the IRS or a state tax agency and may be used to offset unpaid child support or past due federal debts, such as student loans.

By failing to file a tax return, people stand to lose more than

just their refund of taxes withheld or paid during 2013. Many low-and-moderate income workers may have been eligible for the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC). For 2013, the credit was worth as much as \$6,044. The EITC helps individuals and families whose incomes are below certain thresholds.

Taxpayers who are unable to get missing forms from their employer or other payer should go to IRS.gov and use the "Get Transcript Online" tool to obtain a Wage and Income transcript. Taxpayers can also file Form 4506-T to request a transcript of their 2013 income. A Wage and Income transcript shows data from information returns we receive such as Forms W-2, 1099, 1098 and Form 5498, IRA Contribution Information. Taxpayers can use the information on the transcript to file their tax return.

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Entries now being accepted for the Wisconsin Regional Arts Program competition

For the 30th consecutive year, the Monroe Arts Center (MAC) will sponsor the Wisconsin Regional Arts Program (WRAP) Competition and Exhibit. All artwork submitted for competition will be on exhibit from April 7 through June 9, 2017, in Monroe Arts Center's Frehner Gallery. This event is co-sponsored by the Monroe Arts Center and the University of Wisconsin-Madison Continuing Studies.

The Wisconsin Regional Art Program encourages non-professional, student, and emerging artists to create and exhibit their work in WRAP competitions and artist

workshops held in various regions of Wisconsin throughout the year. This competition is open to all area non-professional artists who are at least fourteen years of age.

Work must be original; no molds or patterns from another artist may be used. Up to two entries per artist are allowed, and all media are accepted such as oil, acrylic, watercolor, photography, sculpture, fiber, metal, glass, wood, prints, pastel, digital, etc. All work must have been completed within the past two years (after January 2015).

The entry fee to compete, exhibit art-

work, and attend the June 10 artist workshop in Monroe is \$30 per artist. Two pieces of artwork per artist are allowed. The entry form and the \$30 registration fee are due at Monroe Arts Center by 5 p.m. on Friday, March 24. Artwork for the exhibit may only be delivered from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday, March 31, or Saturday, April 1.

Monroe Arts Center will hold an artist workshop day scheduled for Saturday, June 10, from 9:30 a.m. to noon. A demonstration and/or lecture by professional artist Jonathan Wilde will be the focus of the

workshop. Wilde will also serve as the judge for this competition.

Both State and Honorable Mention Awards will be given at the WRAP in Monroe. State Award winners selected from all 2017 WRAP competitions held throughout Wisconsin will be on display at the University of Wisconsin-Madison from Aug. 18 through Sept. 23. At the Saturday, Sept. 23 State Conference Day in Madison, additional awards and prizes will be given.

For information, call Monroe Arts Center at 608-325-5700, 888-596-1249, or visit www.monroeartscenter.com.



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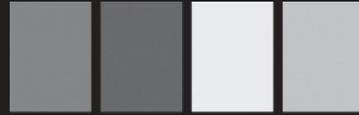
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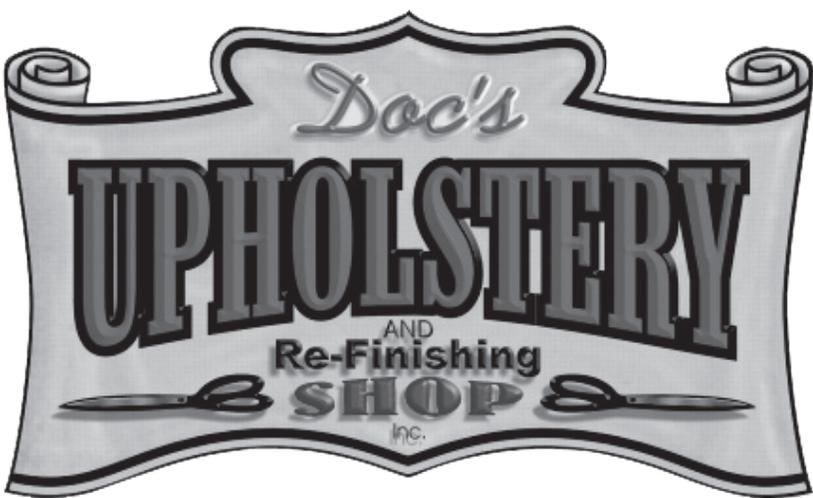


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Destination Imagination teams to compete March 18

Parkview has seven Destination Imagination (DI) teams this year. The teams will compete in the South Central Regional Tournament on March 18 at Badger High School in Lake Geneva.

According to their website, "Our Challenge program is our most popular offering. At the start of the season, teams choose one of seven Challenges. After weeks spent creating, developing and practicing their solutions, they go to a local tournament. Top-scoring teams advance to state or country tournaments. The top level of the tournament is our Global Finals—the world's largest celebration of creativity."

Destination Imagination's mission statement reads, "The Destination Imagination program encourages teams of learners to have fun, take risks, focus, and frame challenges while incorporating STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics), the arts, and service learning. Our participants learn patience, flexibility, persistence, ethics, respect for others and their ideas, and the collaborative problem solving process. Teams may showcase their solutions at tournaments. All of our programs are project-based, and they teach the creative process from imagination to innovation. Our goal is to help student teams learn to be creative in every aspect of their lives."

This year's challenges are: Technical Challenge: Show & Tech; Scientific Challenge: Top Secret; Improvisational Challenge: 3-Peat; Service Learning Challenge: Ready Willing and Fable; Engineering Challenge: In It Together; Fine Arts Challenge: Vanished; and Early Learning/Rising Stars.

Additionally, teams must do an Instant Challenge. Instant Challenges require teams to engage in quick, creative, and critical thinking. At a tournament, a team will receive an Instant Challenge and the materials with which to solve it. The team members must think on their feet by applying appropriate skills to produce a solution in a period of just five to eight minutes.

Parkview Eggheads is a middle-level team doing the Engineering Challenge, "In it Together." The Parkview Eggheads are coached by Andrea Marcellus. The team members are: Olivia Marcellus, Brooke Boyd, Lucas Vonderhaar, Sarah Task, Emily Kjelland, Bryson Kjelland, and Isaiah Myhre.

The group's challenge requires them to build at least two structures of only balsa wood and glue that weigh no less than 12 grams and no more than 50 grams. They must add weight to the structures to see how much weight they can hold, all in the context of a story they have to create and act out.

The team's challenge is to solve a global issue. The Eggheads' global



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The Knuckleheads, left to right: Justin Granberg, Sam Schwengels, Lily Gestrich, Abigail Rudnitzki, and Cole McMahon.

issue is the disappearance of all chickens. According to their story line, Dr. Albert Eggstein sent out an "eggstomic bomb" that he said would make chickens larger, but in reality, it killed all the chickens in the world. The team works to bring back chickens, and as they work on their solution, they add weight to their structure.

Psycho Bananas is a middle-level team doing the Fine Arts Challenge "Vanished." The Psycho Bananas are coached by Ellen Paulson. Team members are: Olivia Paulson, Samantha Stefanczyk, Caden Cleasby, Paul McCarthy, Owen Knox and Ben Jackson. Their challenge is to make a color disappear using different theatrical methods and make it reappear. The requirements are very specific on the methods the team can use.

Team Name is Parkview's third middle-level team. They are doing the Improvisational Challenge "3-Peat." The team is coached by Darcy Toberman and Laurie Valley. Team members are: Will Toberman, Henry Krajeck, Brooklyn Carratt, Gabriela Mendez, Nick Reigle, Ethan Diddens, and Paige Valley.

In Improv., the team has to come up with the skit at the event after being given the topic. They choose ten possible scenarios before the event. Once they are given their topic, they must create three three-minute skits on that topic. The team must be able to work together well.

The Knuckleheads is an elemen-

tary-level team. They are doing the Improvisational Challenge "3-Peat." The Knuckleheads are coached by Nikki Lutzke. Team members are: Abigail Rudnitzki, Cole McMahon, Sam Schwengels, Lily Gestrich and Justin Granberg. They will have to create three three-minute skits on a topic given at the event.

The team practices doing different creative activities to be able to create in a short time such as "On the Bus." One student is the bus driver, and as each passenger gets on he or she exhibits a personality and the bus driver and each passenger already on the bus must communicate with the new person in that personality.

The Best Sausages is an elementary-level team. They are doing the Technical Challenge "Show and Tech." The team is coached by Christina Brown and Debbie Johnson. Team members are: Sydney Brown, Allison Johnson, Collin Borntrager, Ian Soderstrom, Cheyenne Stefanczyk, and Malachi Wendt. The team has to create a show with an opening act and a headlining

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The Best Sausages, left to right: Sydney Brown, Cheyenne Stefanczyk, Ian Soderstrom, Collin Borntrager, and Malachi Wendt. Missing from photo is Allison Johnson.



The Gang of 7 Hobos, left to right: Milo Jackson, Mathias Treinen, Michael Sanders, Slater Valley, Trevor Haugen, Alex Johnson, and Davis Borntrager.

News from Parkview High School

Viking Times

THURSDAY, MAR. 16

- Child Dev. Day and 4K Registration (No 4K & EC Classes), 9:30 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.
- Referendum Informational Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, MAR. 17

- Child Dev. Day and 4K Registration (No 4K Classes), 8 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.
- Senior Lock-In, 7 p.m. to 7 a.m.

SATURDAY, MAR. 18

- Referendum Informational Meeting, 10 a.m.

MONDAY, MAR. 20

- Zumba, 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.
- Board Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, MAR. 21

- Just Say No, 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.
- Make-Up ACT Test
- Referendum Informational Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MAR. 22

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The expanded distribution includes Senior Courier and will be inserted in twelve daily and weekly newspapers in Boone, Winnebago, McHenry, Ogle, Stephenson, Rock & Green Counties.



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(Above) The Psycho Bananas, left to right: Samantha Stefanczyk, Paul McCarthy, Ben Jackson, Owen Knox, Caden Cleasby, and Olivia Paulson.

(Right) Parkview Eggheads, front row: Isaiah Myhre, Bryson Kjelland, and Emily Kjelland; back row: Lucas Vonderhaar, Olivia Marcelus, Sara Task, and Brooke Boyd.



Emoji Squad, front row: Sahara Boers-Augustine, Sophie Valley, and Nora Stefanczyk; back row: Lacy Blazier, Chloe Cleasby, and Olivia Reigle.

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act and design and build a stage that will move a team member from place to place.

The Gang of 7 Hobos is an elementary level team. They are doing the Engineering Challenge "In it Together." The team is coached by Agnes Jackson. Team members are: Milo Jackson, Davis Borntreger, Alex Johnson, Michael Sanders, Slater Valley, Trevor Haugen, and Mathias Treinen. They must build at least two structures of only balsa wood and glue that they add increasing amounts of weight to during their skit.

The Emoji Squad is an elementary-level team. They are doing the Scientific Challenge "Top Secret." The team is

coached by Robin Nelson. Team members are Olivia Reigle, Chloe Cleasby, Sahara Boers-Augustine, Sophie Valley, Nora Stefanczyk a Lacy Blazier. Their challenge requires them to design and create a gadget that appears to be an everyday item. They must also create a secret code and have a message in code. They will be given another message at the event that they must put into their code.

Parkview is able to have seven teams due to the parents and teachers giving their time to serve as coaches. The school also has to provide people to help the day of the event. Several teachers have already volunteered to help out at the event.



Team Name, front row, left to right: Henry Krajeck, Brooklyn Carratt, and Gabriela Mendez; back row: Ethan Diddens, Paige Valley, Will Toberman, and Nick Reigle.

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Albany Historical Society to meet

At its general meeting March 21, the Albany Historical Society will host Christie Strait of Monroe. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. at the Albany Historical Museum, 119 North Water Street, Albany. The public is invited to attend. Refreshments will be served.

Strait will be telling how the Blair Dolls were made by Doris Blair of Monroe. Blair made the doll bodies, and her husband Edwin Blair made the heads. Several dolls are on display at the Green County Historical Museum in Monroe.

The story behind how the dolls were found and how they came to Monroe is interesting in itself. Please join us.

All Albany Historical Society meetings and programs are free to the community. We hope to see you there.

Letters to the Editor

“What is the difference between small dairy operations and large-scale dairy operations in Wisconsin?” That was the title of a one-page advertisement in the Monroe Times that cost a businessman from Nebraska \$1,200. Tuls, touting that his business model is the way of the future, infers that it is somehow OK for family farms to be lost.

It is shameful that a businessman from Nebraska is allowed to move in; upset the current supply chain; drive down the price of milk; put local farmers out of business; and proudly advertise about it in the paper.

It is shameful that the State of Wisconsin tries to limit local government say in whether or not these operations move in.

It is time that the Green County supervisors stand up to outside business interests and stand with their constituents who don't want to see the landscape of Green County change. Stand up for the small-dairy farmers who are struggling to stay in business because of an influx of cheap milk.

My answer to Tuls' question is this: The difference between small and large-scale operations like his proposed 5,800-cow dairy is the

people; their relationship with local markets; their place at the table of our restaurants and churches; their children in our schools; their past, present and future in our community.

Kind regards,
Bethany Emond Storm
Postville

Having attended their meetings lately, I am aware that the Land and Conservation Committee of the Green County Board has grave concerns about the design for manure storage at the proposed Tulls Pinnacle Dairy. Their fears are about the potential for pollution of surface and ground water, and for that reason, they have not yet granted Tulls a permit.

The DNR, which bases their decisions on what is safe for large areas of the state, has found no prob-

lems with the plan.

An important distinction is that Green County officials are looking at the specific conditions on the actual site where the lagoons would be built.

I urge supervisors on the Land and Water Committee to stand firm in protecting the citizens of Green County from the water and well pollution concerns experienced by other counties in Wisconsin where large factory farms have multiplied.

Due to budget cuts, the DNR will not be enforcing regulations regarding the spreading of manure. We are depending on our local elected representatives to protect us and our water.

Meg Pokorny
Green County

There are many Trump supporters who say the Liberal Democrats

should get over it. Trump won; he won the Electoral College vote, but not the vote of the people by about three million votes.

Without the help of a Socialist Democrat, Dictator Putin of Russia, and FBI Director Comey, we would have a president we could be proud of.

I do not understand the Right to Life thinking when they want to save the baby but let the mother die. On top of that, they vote Republican. Taking away health care and support programs, taking the care away from babies, and maybe letting them die – is that the Christian way?

Are you comfortable that the Trump administration is so cozy with Putin and the Russians?

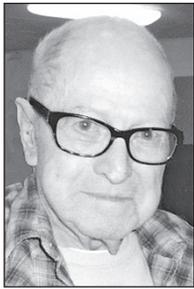
These opinions are mine only.

Gerald L. Bork
Mt. Carroll, Ill.

Obituary

VERNON L. MURRAY

Vernon L. Murray, 89, of Brodhead, passed away on Tuesday, March 7, 2017, at Premier Rehab, Beloit, Wis. He was born in a log cabin on Sept. 6, 1927, in Pickwick, Minn., the son of Curtis and Bessie (Griffin) Murray. He married Lois I. Brosier on April 17, 1946, in Beloit.



Vern started working at the age of 15 and entered the military, serving in the U.S. Army during WWII. He started Murray's Auto Salvage with his brother Earl and operated the salvage yard for 31 years. Vern also worked at the Beloit Foundry prior to the salvage yard.

Vern liked to hunt, fish, go Las Vegas, and gamble with his family,

but he especially loved time spent at the family cabin in Boulder Junction, Wis.

He is survived by his wife, Lois; a daughter, Maxine Ast, of Brodhead; three sons, Curtis (Susan), of Edgerton, Wis., Vernon (Sylvia) and Robert, both of Brodhead; two sisters, Rosemary Amundson and Doris Murray, both of Beloit; nine grandchildren; and fifteen great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Earl and Cecil, and a brother-in-law, Virgil Amundson.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. on Monday, March 13, at the D.L. Newcomer Funeral Home, Brodhead, Wis., with Chaplain Mark Maxted officiating. Burial was in Greenwood Cemetery, Brodhead. Visitation was on Sunday, March 12, from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. at the funeral home.

Online condolences may be made at www.dlnewcomerfuneralhome.com.

Greenwood Cemetery notice

It is time to prepare the cemetery for spring. Please remove any flowers and decorations you wish to save by Monday, April 3, to allow adequate time to clean up. Do not place spring or summer items until May 1. Thank you.

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There will be a public hearing before the Green County Board of Adjustment ("Board") to consider if matters submitted to it for appeal and review were filed in a timely manner and are within the jurisdiction of the Board. Those matters are a notice of appeal filed on behalf of Jim Weber and others regarding complaints filed with the Zoning Department on August 2, 2016 in regards to Bytec Resource Management, Inc. on the property situated at W7512 County C, Argyle, Wisconsin. The Board is also asked in that Notice of Appeal to review the issuance of and compliance with Conditional Use Permit that was issued on October 26, 2016 to Bytec Resource Management, Inc./Gordyle Valley, LLC pertaining to that property. The public hearing will be held in the County Board Room at the Green County Courthouse, 1016 16th Avenue, Monroe, Wisconsin on Wednesday, March 29, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. All those who are concerned or affected by such action are urged to attend.

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There will be a public hearing before the Green County Board of Adjustment ("Board") to consider if matters submitted to it for appeal and review were filed in a timely manner and are within the jurisdiction of the Board. Those matters are a notice of appeal filed on behalf of Todd Knutson regarding complaints he made concerning the operation of a hog facility located at N7068 Vinger Road, Argyle, Wisconsin, and the suspension or rescission of a Zoning Permit issued to that facility. The public hearing will be held in the County Board Room at the Green County Courthouse, 1016 16th Avenue, Monroe, Wisconsin

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on Wednesday, March 29, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. All those who are concerned or affected by such action are urged to attend.
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LEGAL NOTICE:

There will be a public hearing before the Green County Board of Adjustment to consider an application for a conditional use permit from Caleb & Sara Matzke, landowner: for the operation of a diesel repair shop. The land is zoned agricultural, and is located at N715 Clarno Road, Section 27, T1N-R7E, Town of Clarno. The public hearing will be held in the County Board Room at the Green County Courthouse, 1016 16th Avenue, Monroe, Wisconsin on Wednesday, March 29, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. All those who are concerned or affected by such action are urged to attend.

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LEGAL NOTICE:

There will be a public hearing before the Green County Board of Adjustment to consider an application for a conditional use permit from Ruchti Enterprises LLC, landowner: to amend an existing conditional use permit for the operation of a custom fabrication, welding and machining business. The land is zoned agricultural, and is located at W6027 Melvin Road, Section 15, T1N-R7E, Town of Clarno. The public hearing will be held in the County Board Room at the Green County Courthouse, 1016 16th Avenue, Monroe, Wisconsin on Wednesday, March 29, 2017 at 8:00 p.m.

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LEGAL NOTICE:

There will be a public hearing before the Green County Board of Adjustment to consider a variance from Steven & Jean Geiger, landowner; for the construction of a garage, 47' from the pond (navigable waters) -vs.-county code minimum of 75' from the ordinary high-water mark of any navigable waters. The land is zoned agricultural, and is located at N3809 County N, Section 16, T2N-R7E, Town of Monroe. The public hearing will be held in the County Board Room at the Green County Courthouse, 1016 16th Avenue, Monroe, Wisconsin on Wednesday, March 29, 2017, at 8:30 p.m. All those who are concerned or affected by such action are urged to attend.

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STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT GREEN COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM EVERETT WELCH
Notice Setting Time to Hear Application and Deadline for Filing Claims (Informal Administration) Case No. 17PR14

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
 1. An application for informal administration was filed.
 2. The decedent, with date of birth July 18, 1945 and date of

death January 27, 2017 was domiciled in Green County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W5220 Malcove Lane, Brodhead, WI 53520.

3. The application will be heard at the Green County Justice Center, 2841 - 6th Street, Monroe, WI 53566, before the presiding Probate Registrar, on 03-23-2017 at 8:30 a.m.

You do not need to appear unless you object. The application may be granted if there is no objection.

4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is 05-26-2017.

5. A claim may be filed at the Green County Justice Center, 2841 - 6th Street, Monroe, WI 53566.

6. This publication is notice to any persons whose names or address are unknown.

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 608-328-9433 at least 10 working days prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

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be registered in order to receive an absentee ballot. Proof of identification must be provided before an absentee ballot may be issued.

You must make a request for an absentee ballot in writing.

Contact your municipal clerk and request that an application for an absentee ballot be sent to you for the primary or election or both. You may also submit a written request in the form of a letter. Your written request must list your voting address within the municipality where you wish to vote, the address where the absentee ballot should be sent, if different, and your signature. You may make application for an absentee ballot by mail, email or in person.

Making application to receive an absentee ballot by mail

The deadline for making application to receive an absentee ballot by mail is: Thursday, March 30, 2017

Note: Special absentee voting application provisions apply to electors who are indefinitely confined to home or a care facility, in the military, hospitalized, or serving as a sequestered juror. If this applies to you, contact the municipal clerk regarding deadlines for requesting and submitting an absentee ballot.

Voting an absentee ballot in person

You may also request and vote an absentee ballot in the clerk's office or other specified location during the days and hours specified for casting an absentee ballot in person.

Sherri Waege Village Clerk 608-879-2004

Orfordville Village Hall 303 E. Beloit Street, Orfordville, WI 53576 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The first day to vote an absentee ballot in the clerk's office is: March 14, 2017

The last day to vote an absentee ballot in the clerk's office: Friday, March 31, 2017 5:00 P.M.

No in-person absentee voting may occur on the day before the election.

The municipal clerk will deliver voted ballots returned on or before Election Day to the proper polling place or counting location before the polls close on April 4, 2017. Any ballots received after the polls close will not be counted.

Sherri Waege Village of Orfordville Village Clerk
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TOWN OF DECATUR NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

Notice is hereby given that the Public Test of the voting equipment to be used at the General Election on April 4, 2017, for the Town of Decatur will be conducted at the Town Hall, 1408 14th Street, Brodhead, on Wednesday, March 29, 2017 at 10:00 A.M.

Ann L. Schwartz Clerk/Treasurer
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TOWN OF AVON AVON TOWN HALL MARCH 22, 2017 7:00 P.M.

NOTICE IS HERBY GIVEN that the Board of Audit will be held at the Avon Town Hall on Wednesday, March 22, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of auditing the Treasurer's books.

Teresa A. Peters Avon Town Clerk
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AGENDA SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BRODHEAD SPECIAL MEETING AND NOTICE OF POSSIBLE QUORUM [NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN] Jada, Albany, Monticello, Blackhawk, Brodhead Wednesday, March 22, 2017 MONTICELLO HIGH SCHOOL 6:30 P.M.

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**REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
 SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BRODHEAD
 District Office Board Room
 Monday, February 27, 2017
 7:00 P.M.
 Minutes**

The meeting was called to order by Board President Mike Krupke at 7:00 p.m. The meeting Agenda was published in the Wednesday, February 22, 2017 edition of the Independent Register.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present: Mike Krupke, Jim Wahl, Michael Oellerich, Dan Calhoon, Abbey Wellemeyer, and Jodi Kail
 Absent: Al Schneider

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Jodi Kail, second by Jim Wahl, to approve the agenda. Motion carried, 6-0.

ACTION ITEM

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Regular Meeting: February 8, 2017
 Regular School Board Meeting Minutes were declared approved as printed.

ACTION ITEM

INFORMATION REPORTS

The Administrative Team presented information reports.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

No one signed in to address the Board.

AGENDA ITEMS

PROGRAM PRESENTATION - MIDDLE SCHOOL

PRESENTATION ITEM

Dr. Semrow, Mrs. Tresemer, and seventh grade students presented information on an enrichment program called TECS (Technology, Engineering, Creativity, and Students). This program takes place on Tuesday mornings in Mrs. Tresemer's classroom during STAR (Study, Think, Advise, and Read).

PUPIL NONDISCRIMINATION SELF-EVALUATION REPORT

ACTION ITEM

Motion by Jim Wahl, second by Dan Calhoon, to approve the 5-year Pupil Nondiscrimination Self-Evaluation Report as presented. Motion carried, 6-0.

APPROVE SUMMER SCHOOL TIMELINES & GUIDELINES

ACTION ITEM

Motion by Michael Oellerich, second by Abbey Wellemeyer, to approve the 2017 Summer School start date of June 5, 2017, end date of June 30, 2017, and daily schedule as presented. Motion carried, 6-0.

2ND READING OF POLICY SECTION I

ACTION ITEM

Motion by Abbey Wellemeyer, second by Jim Wahl, to approve the second reading of Policy Section I as presented. Motion carried, 6-0.

ACCEPT DONATION(S)

ACTION ITEM

Motion by Michael Oellerich, second by Jodi Kail, to accept the following donation(s):

- \$450.00 donated by Pearl City Elevator, Inc. to the High School FFA Department
- \$450.00 donated by Land O'Lakes, Inc. to the High School FFA De-

partment

- Bench donated by the Optimist Club to the Middle School
- Bench donated in memory of LaVerne "Ernie" Lederman to the Middle School

Motion carried, 6-0.

RESIGNATION(S)

None at this time.

EMPLOYMENT RECOMMENDATION(S)

Motion by Michael Oellerich, second by Dan Calhoon, to approve the hiring of Megan Jacobson as M.S. Special Education Paraprofessional at the rate of \$10.00/hour, beginning February 23, 2017.

Motion carried, 6-0.

Motion by Jim Wahl, second by Jodi Kail, to approve the hiring of Tyson Young as H.S. Night Custodian at the rate of \$11.00/hour, beginning, February 27, 2017. Motion carried, 6-0.

Motion by Michael Oellerich, second by Abbey Wellemeyer, to approve the hiring of Paul Hufferman as Assistant Boys' Track Coach, beginning March 6, 2017, at Extra-Curricular Salary Schedule Placement (Step 2, 4-6 years, \$1,600.07). Motion carried, 6-0.

VOLUNTEER RECOMMENDATION(S)

None at this time.

FUTURE AGENDA [March 8, 2017]

- Approval of Student Handbooks
- Approval of Contracted & Volunteer Coaches
- Discussion of District Van
- Discussion of Middle School Bleachers
- 1st Reading of Policy Sections K & L
- Staffing for 2017-18
- Presentation of YRBS Information
- Accept Donation(s)
- Resignation(s)
- Employment Recommendation(s)
- Volunteer Recommendation(s)

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

ACTION ITEM

Motion by Jim Wahl, second by Jodi Kail, to go into Closed Session under WI. STS. 19.85, (1), (c) at 8:05 p.m. for the discussion of:

- a. Staffing

Motion carried, 6-0.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

ACTION ITEM

Motion by Jim Wahl, second by Jodi Kail, to return to open session at 8:21 p.m. Motion carried, 6-0.

ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS (if any)

ACTION ITEM

None.

ADJOURNMENT

ACTION ITEM

Motion by Michael Oellerich, second by Jodi Kail, to adjourn the meeting at 8:22 p.m.

Motion carried, 6-0.

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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, March 2 Motor vehicle vs. deer

Donna A. Hamilton in the North 4800 block of State Highway 104.

Domestic abuse

At 8:01 p.m. deputies and the Belleville Police Department responded to the North 9100 block of Dohm Drive in Exeter Township for a reported Domestic Disturbance. As a result of the investigation, Jesse A. Elver, 33, of Belleville, Wis., was arrested for Disorderly Conduct under the Domestic Abuse Law. Elver was transported to the Green County Jail to await bond or his court hearing.

Friday, March 3

No newsworthy incidents.

Saturday, March 4 Motor vehicle crash

At 3:08 a.m., deputies responded to the North 8800 block of State Highway 69 in the Town of New Glarus for a single-vehicle crash. An investigation revealed that Benjamin N. McRoberts, 20, of New Glarus, was northbound on State Highway 69 when he lost control of his vehicle on the snow-covered roadway and struck a stop sign and road sign and entered the ditch. McRoberts reported no injuries and was wearing a seatbelt. The vehicle received minor damage and was towed out of the ditch and then driven from the scene.

Motor vehicle crash

At 5:19 a.m., deputies responded to a single-vehicle crash in the North 6400 block of State Highway 69 in the Town of Mt. Pleasant. An investigation revealed that Brittany C. Sandlin, 32, of Monticello, was northbound on State Highway 69 when she lost control of her vehicle and slid into a guard rail. Sandlin was not injured and was wearing her seatbelt. The airbags did not deploy. The vehicle received moderate damage and was towed from the scene.

Motor vehicle crash

At 12:32 p.m., deputies responded to the North 1500 block of Jeffery Road in the Town of Clarno for a property damage crash. An investigation revealed that Melvin P. Troxell, 81, of Lena, Ill., was backing up onto the west shoulder of the road and struck an unoccupied vehicle parked along the road-

way. Troxell was not injured, he was wearing a seatbelt, and there was no airbag deployment. There was no damage to Troxell's truck. The vehicle that was parked along the road sustained very minor damage with no airbag deployment. Both vehicles were driven from the scene.

Motor vehicle crash

At 2:36 p.m., deputies, along with Belleville Police, Fire and EMS, responded to a one-vehicle crash in the North 7900 block of County Highway X in the Town of Exeter. An investigation revealed that a motorcycle operated by a minor was southbound on County Highway X when the driver lost control and entered the ditch. He then traveled through a barbed wire fence and then overturned in a field. He was wearing a helmet and protective riding gear. He was injured in the crash and was flown to UW-Hospital by Med Flight. The motorcycle sustained severe damage and was towed from the scene. The driver was cited for Failure to Maintain Control of a Motor Vehicle and was released pending court. It appears that speed was a contributing factor in the crash.

Traffic offense

At 5:01 p.m., deputies stopped a vehicle for speeding in the North 4400 block of County Highway N in the Town of Monroe. Matthew D. Smith, 33, of Hamler, Ohio, was cited for Operating without a Valid Driver's License. Smith was released pending court.

Sunday, March 5 Traffic crime

At 5:51 a.m., deputies stopped a vehicle for speeding in the North 9100 block of State Highway 69 in the Town of New Glarus. Jeffrey G. Harris, 35, of Sun Prairie, was cited for Speeding and Operating after Revocation (Crime). Harris was released pending court.

Traffic offense

At 10:58 a.m., deputies stopped a vehicle for speeding in the North 6900 block of State Highway 69 in the Town of Washington. Jon G. Frame, 29, of Blue Mounds, Wis., was cited for Operating after Suspension. Frame was released pending court.

Traffic offense

At 2:15 p.m., deputies stopped a vehicle for speeding in the North 4900 block of County Highway N in the Town of Washington. Kryshawna L. Komar, 29, of Monticello, was cited for Speeding, Operating after Suspension, and Operating a Motor Vehicle without Insurance.

Komar was released pending court.

Lost and found

At 2:45 p.m., deputies located a wayward drone/quadracopter near the Sheriff's Office. If anyone recently lost one, and you can properly identify it and tell us when and where it was lost from, it can be claimed at the Sheriff's Department.

Domestic abuse

At 6:27 p.m., deputies responded to a residence in the 200 block of North Street in the Village of Brooklyn for a Domestic Disturbance. An investigation resulted in Kenneth J. Gilmour, 48, of Brooklyn, being arrested for Domestic Abuse Disorderly Conduct. Gilmour was jailed pending bond or court.

Motor vehicle crash

At 8:34 p.m., deputies responded to the North 4100 block of Golf Course Road in the Town of Decatur for a one-vehicle crash. An investigation revealed that a minor was traveling north on Golf Course Road when she attempted to turn her vehicle around in the roadway and struck a culvert. She reported that she was not injured and was wearing her seatbelt. The airbags did not deploy. The vehicle sustained moderate front-end damage and was towed from the scene. The driver was cited for Failure to Keep Vehicle Under Control and was released pending court.

Motor vehicle vs. deer

Paul F. Wegner in the West 300 block of State Highway 81 in the Town of Spring Grove.

Monday, March 6

No newsworthy incidents.

Tuesday, March 7 Motor vehicle crash

At 11:38 a.m., deputies responded to a one-vehicle crash that occurred in the West 2300 block of County Highway C in the Town of Brooklyn. Cody J. Putnam, 33, of Evansville, reported that he was traveling west on County Highway C when a strong gust of wind forced his pickup truck off the north side of the road and into the end of a guard rail. Putnam was injured in the crash but declined medical attention at the scene. Putnam was wearing a seatbelt. The airbags did not deploy in his truck. Putnam's truck sustained minor damage and was driven from the scene.

Wednesday, March 8 Motor vehicle crash

At 10:59 a.m., deputies were advised of a two-vehicle crash that occurred on March 7, 2017. An investigation revealed that at about 4:15 p.m. on March 7, a truck operated by Curtis D. Berget, 57, of Monroe, was northbound in the

North 4300 block of Golf Course Road in the Town of Decatur when it sideswiped a southbound vehicle operated by Anndre Maynard, 61, of Brodhead. Neither Berget nor Maynard were injured in the crash, and both were wearing seatbelts. The airbags did not deploy in either vehicle. Berget did not have any damage to his truck. Maynard had minor damage to her vehicle. Both vehicles were driven from the scene.

Traffic offense

At 1:54 p.m., deputies stopped a vehicle on Towncenter Road at Five Corner Road in the Town of Jefferson. Tyler J. Swedlund, 19, of Juda, was cited for Operating a Motor Vehicle without a Valid Driver's License and Failure to Stop at a Stop Sign. Swedlund was released pending court.

Thursday, March 9 Motor vehicle crash

At 6:23 a.m., deputies responded to a two-vehicle crash in the North 7700 block of State Highway 69 in the Town of New Glarus. Ashley A. Siegel, 27, of Monroe, was traveling north when she moved into the right lane of the three lanes to allow another vehicle to pass. Jonathan T. Wilson, 29, of Monroe, was traveling north when he began to overtake Siegel's vehicle on the left. Siegel lost control of her vehicle on the ice- and snow-covered road and collided with Wilson's vehicle.

Siegel reported wearing her seatbelt and was not injured in the crash. The airbags did not deploy in Siegel's truck. Siegel's truck sustained no damage and was driven from the scene. Wilson reported wearing a seatbelt and was not injured in the crash. The airbags did not deploy in Wilson's vehicle. Wilson's vehicle sustained moderate damage and was driven from the scene.

Motor vehicle crash

At 6:26 a.m., deputies responded to the West 500 block of State Highway 59 in the Town of Albany for a one-vehicle crash. Michael D. Wolfe, 25, of Monroe, was eastbound on State Highway 59 when, due to slippery road conditions, he lost control of his truck, and his truck left the road and overturned. Wolfe was not injured and was wearing his seatbelt. The airbags did not deploy. There was moderate damage to the truck, and it was towed from the scene.

Motor vehicle crash

At 7:34 a.m., deputies, along with New Glarus Fire Department and New Glarus EMS, responded to the West 7000 block of County Highway H in the Town of New

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MEETING NOTICE

The Town of Spring Grove Monthly Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 21, 2017 at 6:00 P.M. at the Town Hall, N2475 Cty Rd GG, Brodhead, WI.

Meeting Agenda:

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Agenda and/or changes
3. Reading of February Meeting Minutes
4. Treasurers Report
5. Review of Monthly Bills
6. Public Input
7. Green Co Development Corp - Discuss Broadband Grant
8. Road Projects:
 - a. Set Spring Road Tour
 - b. Alliant Energy Rebuilding Lines on Kaderly Road
9. Driveway Permits
10. Upcoming Election
11. Set Annual Meeting Date
12. Set Open Book & Board of Review Dates
13. Appoint Township Weed Commissioner
14. Review of WTA District Meeting
15. Adjournment

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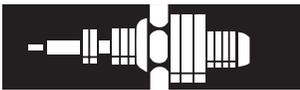
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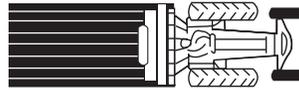
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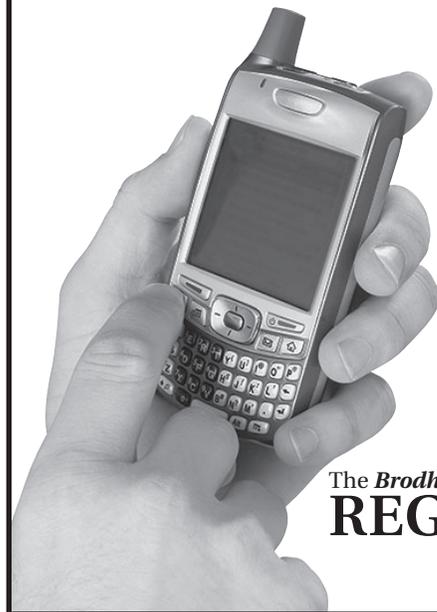
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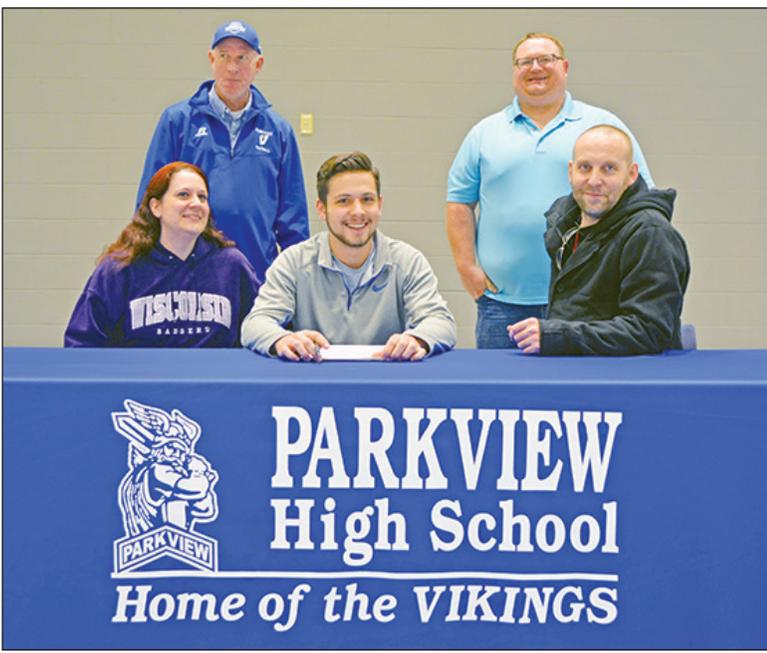
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Two Parkview football players sign letters of intent with Wisconsin Lutheran

Sam Mohns recently signed a letter of intent to play football with D3 Wisconsin Lutheran. He plans to pursue a career in science. Pictured with him are coaches Bob Meyers and Dave Luety (back row) and parents Robin Mohns and Steven Mohns.



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Parkview's Josh Ponkauskas also signed a letter of intent with Wisconsin Lutheran. He plans to study pre-law with a focus on business. Coach Bob Meyers and assistant coach Dave Luety joined him, along with his parents, Michelle and James.

Pastor's Corner

By Krystal Goodger
BRODHEAD UNITED METHODIST

We are now two weeks in to Lent. How is your personal Lenten challenge going? What did you give up? What did you take on? If you choose not to participate in Lent this way, how are you preparing for your mind, body, and soul for Christ's death on the cross? How are you preparing for your mind, body, and soul for God's great gift of Easter?

During Lent, we are working ourselves in order to present a better person, more loving heart, and more open mind to Christ when He returns.

Ask:

Was there a time this week that you denied knowing Christ, whether during a single road rage experience or a time when you denied helping a person in need? How can you in your daily life

live so people will recognize you as a disciple of Christ?

Have you ever sensed that the Lord was urging you to do something for His sake, but then you chickened out because you were afraid? Have you known what it's like to downplay the significance of your faith in some conversation because you were afraid of what people might think of you? Have you ever let fear keep you from experiencing the fullness of life in Christ?

Lent is all about being introspective. This is the time of year to really reflect on who you are and who you want to be. What is keeping you from being the Christian that you want to be? How can you step up your game? How might you do better in your spiritual disciplines? Who can you become if you have a better relationship with Christ?

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Glarus for a multiple-vehicle crash.

An investigation revealed that a minor was eastbound on County Highway H when he lost control of his truck due to the icy road, and his truck overturned.

A second eastbound vehicle operated by Julie M. Nimtze, 47, of Monticello, stopped along the road to check on the minor. A third vehicle operated by Judy E. Riley, 59, of Monticello, was also eastbound when she lost control of her vehicle and struck an embankment and then slid into Nimtze's vehicle.

The minor was injured in the crash but declined to be transported by EMS. The airbags did not deploy in his truck. His truck sustained severe damage and was towed from the scene.

Nimtze was wearing her seatbelt and was not injured in the crash. The airbags did not deploy

in Nimtze's vehicle. There was no damage to Nimtze's vehicle, and it was driven from the scene.

Riley was wearing her seatbelt. Riley was injured in the crash but declined to be transported by EMS. The airbags did not deploy in Riley's vehicle. Riley's vehicle sustained moderate damage and was towed from the scene.

Drug violation

At 5:32 p.m., deputies stopped a vehicle for speeding in the West 1600 block of State Highway 11 in the Town of Spring Grove. Alec W. Heinz, 20, of Davis, Ill., was cited for Speeding and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. Heinz was released pending court.

Motor vehicle vs. deer

Adam L. Burkhalter in the North 7100 block of County Highway A in the Town of Adams.

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