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Programs link farmers, schools, businesses

Register today for Thursday webinar

By Tony Ends
CORRESPONDENT
Help restoring local food chains – for schools, businesses, and producers – is the focus of a pair of webinars held yesterday. Wisconsin Farmers Union and Wisconsin Department of Agriculture and Consumer Protection hosted “Bridging the Gap: Connecting Farm to School” at noon Tuesday.

Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction staff joined in to share how school food service staff can connect with local food growers. The program provided information on Wisconsin School Procurement Methods, including new policies and waivers that emerged as schools faced supply chain disruptions, according to a joint press release.

USDA Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) is also holding a webinar at 2 p.m. Thursday on its Local Food Purchase Assistance Cooperative Agreement Program.

Eligible state and tribal governments have until Tuesday, April 5, 2022, under this program, which will award up to \$400 million for emergency food assistance purchases of domestic local foods.

AMS is holding this webinar via ZOOM. Registration is re-

quired. Participants will receive an email confirmation after registering at www.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJIsdO6vqj0qGvV3Pn-QDbeQ-13FG8fRQ4U. Participants can read about the program at the AMS website, www.ams.usda.gov, and submit questions about LFPA by email in advance to LFPA@USDA.gov.

“Wisconsin local food producers help feed their communities,” said DATCP Farm to School and Institution Program Specialist April Yancer, in a release on the event. “Many schools are turning to our local food system partners because of their reliability and resilience.

“Our goal is to support these systems and collaborations between Wisconsin schools and producers in developing farm to school supply chains to provide nutrition through school meal programs,” Yancer stated.

Chinks in the global supply chain the past two years of pandemic have revealed how vulnerable to disruptions international food supply has become.

Port congestion, shipping container shortages, factory and processing closures, delivery delays, and a severe truck driver shortage have persisted through the COVID19 outbreak.

Local agencies awarded nearly \$200K for COVID outreach

Funds still available, application deadline is Jan. 14

The Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) last week announced \$8.1 million in grants has been awarded to organizations across the state to promote health equity in COVID-19 vaccination throughout the state, including two in Green and Rock counties.

The investment aims to increase vaccinations by supporting organizations to serve as trusted messengers within their communities and reduce barriers that hinder vaccine access for marginalized or underserved populations.

“Ensuring every Wisconsinite has access to quality, affordable healthcare is an essential part of our response to this pandemic and building strong, healthy communities,” said Gov. Evers in a press release. “We also know we must work to address disparities in access to healthcare services and providers both for the duration of this pandemic

and beyond it. These funds will be critically important in our ongoing efforts to make sure every Wisconsin can access the safe, effective, and free vaccine.”

Through funding from the Centers for Diseases Control and Prevention (CDC), DHS was able to offer an additional \$13 million dollars for the Vaccination Community Outreach (VCO) Grant program, which originally distributed \$6.2 million to organizations in early 2021. Each applicant was required to submit a plan that included the geographic area or target population they serve and a strategy to help overcome barriers to vaccination.

Awardees will use culturally-relevant information and engage in outreach to promote vaccine acceptance.

St. Mary’s Foundation, Inc., which serves Rock and Green

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Festive flora

Albany Area Chamber of Commerce supporters, including Gwen Bartelt, Renae Abbott and Jay Daily, browse dozens of poinsettia at the Center Tavern in Albany for the Chamber’s annual poinsettia sale held Dec. 5. The Chamber sold 112 plants that are native to Mexico. Poinsettia are popular Christmas plants because of the star-shaped flower and vibrant red petals and green leaves.



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Optimist club hosting essay, oratorical contests for students

The Brodhead Optimist Club is holding its annual essay and oratorical contests for middle school and high school seniors.

Each local contest provides \$125 to the top winners, \$75 to the second-place winners and \$50 to the third placers. The top winners go on to compete in the district contests for a chance to win a \$2,500 scholarship.

The oratorical contest winner will advance for a chance to win a \$5,000 scholarship at the regional

level and another \$15,000 scholarship at the international level.

Students who participate learn to express themselves about matters that are so prevalent today.

This year’s topic is “How Does an Optimistic Mindset Change My Tomorrow?” and should be written using 700 to 800 words. These essays will be due by Thursday, Feb. 10 to essay chair Denessa Jones, 905 10th St., Brodhead, WI, 53520.

Young speakers will be

challenged to present four to five-minute speeches on “Staying Optimistic in Challenging Times.” When approaching the topic, students are encouraged to think about a plan to remain optimistic in the mist of the pandemic, school shootings, racial injustice, threats of war or any of the hundreds of events you might choose.

The local contest will be held the beginning of March. More information will be released in the coming weeks. The Optimist International

motto is “Bringing Out the Best in Kids” and it’s goal is to encourage young people to participate in their communities and to be the best that they can be, now and in the future.

Applications for both contests are available at Brodhead Middle School, 2100 W. Ninth Ave., and high school, 2501 W. Fifth Avenue, main offices or by contacting Club President Christine Dieckhoff by emailing christidee@litewire.net or by calling 608-558-5828.

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In brief

New Glarus retailer appointed to bank board

Brenda Siegenthaler was voted onto a board seat for both The Bank of New Glarus and Bancorp of New Glarus, Inc., at the November 2021 Board Meeting. She is filling a seat vacated by former director Faun Phillipson, who resigned in July to focus primarily on her position as the newly-elected Green County Circuit Court Judge.



Brenda Siegenthaler

She is most notably known as the owner and operator of Brenda's Blumenladen, a successful home goods store located in downtown New Glarus.

Blumenladen opened in 1996 and, since then, not only has she built strong relationships in the community, but she expanded her business as well.

In 2013, she opened the Kinderladen toy store, also in New Glarus, and in 2017, she opened the Railroad St. Boutique right next to the Blumenladen, selling top-quality apparel and accessories.

The Bank of New Glarus is headquartered in New Glarus and has branch offices in New Glarus, Belleville, Monroe, Juda and Brodhead, with a loan production office in Madison.

Circuit Court judges reappoint commissioners

Monroe County Circuit judges Hon. Thomas J. Vale and Hon. Faun M. Phillipson announced last week that Joseph Ripp and Richard Maliszewski, both of Monroe, have been reappointed to a three-year term as Condemnation Commissioners which was effective on Oct. 1.

Other members serving on the committee include Donald Amacher and Ron Spielman, both of Monroe.

Holiday Stock up Market returns Sunday

The New Glarus Farmers Market is hosting its Holiday

Stock up Market Sunday at the New Glarus Village Community Room, 319 2nd St., New Glarus, from 1-4 p.m.

Seasonal produce, meat, eggs, baked goods, jams, fibers, crafts and more will be sold.

For more information, call 608-290-3905 or email newglaruswifarmersmarket@gmail.com.

'Sounds of the Holiday' concludes Monroe City Band season

The Monroe City Band will conclude its 2021 season with a traditional holiday concert on Sunday, Dec. 19 at 3 p.m. in the Monroe United Methodist Church sanctuary, 2227 4th St.

The band will perform a collection of traditional and contemporary holiday music, classic band literature, and a sing-a-long. This concert is free to attend but guests are asked to bring non-perishable or personal hygiene items for the Green County Food Pantry.

The Monroe City Band is always open to new members. Rehearsals for the 2022 summer season will begin in April.

For more information, contact Monroe City Band Director Brian Bruggeman at citybandmonroe@gmail.com or 608-328-7447.

DNR seeks public input on state ATV, UTV trails

The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is seeking public input on the draft ATV and UTV trail guidelines that are intended to promote statewide consistency in how trails are planned, designed and constructed.

Department staff created the guidelines in consultation with a variety of stakeholders and trail users in order to establish common language for developing recreational trails that are physically sustainable, protect natural resources and ensure trail users have an enjoyable and safe experience.

The final guidelines will serve as a comprehensive reference for the DNR and other public trail providers such as

local units of government, trail advocates and volunteers, advisory councils and others as they consider trail development and funding.

The draft guidance is available on the DNR's public input opportunities webpage.

The public is encouraged to submit comments regarding the draft ATV and UTV trail guidelines by emailing: DNRFWP-PRGuidance@wisconsin.gov, no later than Thursday, Dec. 23.

'Miracle on 34th Street' continues Thursday

The Monroe Theatre Guild will continue its performances of Miracle on 34th Street, the Play tomorrow through the weekend at the MTC venue, 910 16th Avenue.

Performances are scheduled Thursday Dec. 16 through Saturday, Dec. 18 at 7 p.m. and the Sunday matinee is at 2 p.m.

For tickets, visit monroetheatre.com or call 608-325-1111.

Rock County Job Center to host job fair Jan. 12

The first Job Fair in 2022 for Rock County will be offered on Wednesday, Jan. 12 at the new Rock County Job Center, 1717

Center Avenue, in Janesville from 2 to 4 p.m.

The event is limited to 20 employers, due to social distancing protocols. Masks are required.

Fair-goers may update and print resumes in the Resource Room prior to the event.

For more information, email DETWDA11BusinessServices@dwd.wisconsin.gov.

Go Green and give the gift of nature

The Rock County Land Conservation Department is taking orders for its yearly tree and shrub sale.

Trees and shrubs are bare root seedlings in single species units of 10 for \$20, bundles of 25 for \$30, or 50 for \$55 plus tax.

Stock includes black walnut, 18 to 24-inch seedlings; Fraser fir, 12 to 16-inch seedlings, red oak, 18 to 24-inch seedlings; swamp white oak, 18 to 24-inch seedlings and white pine, 7 to 15-inch seedlings. Shrubs are sold out. Distribution is typically in mid-April.

Tree protectors and root dip planting gel also available. To order, visit www.co.rock.wi.us/land-conservation-tree-shrub-sale or call 608-754-6617 ext. 3.

District seeks input on how to spend funds

The Albany School District is seeking input on spending of its third allocation of the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief program (ESSER III).

The district received \$345,432 and these funds are designated for one-time or short-term expenditures to address the ongoing impact of the pandemic.

This program will last for three years, and it is intended to help safely reopen and sustain safe operation of schools.

District and community stakeholders are encouraged to help determine how best to utilize these resources for student learning and ongoing COVID-19 recovery by completing a brief survey at forms.gle/FC2MLTC9skk7hZfV6.

Green County meetings

Wednesday, Dec. 15

- Green County Auditing, Bonding & Claims Committee, Green County Historical Courthouse Finance Conference Room, 1016 16th Avenue, Monroe, 9 a.m.

Historical Courthouse, 1016 16th Avenue, Monroe, 7 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 20

- Green County Land Information Council, Green County Historical Courthouse, County Board Room, 1016 16th Avenue, Monroe, 8:30 a.m.

• Outreach

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counties, among six others, will receive \$100,000 for its SSM Health facilities to extend mobile vaccine operations that provide educational efforts connected to vaccination opportunities-including booster doses and outreach for vaccination of children ages 5 to 11.

As a health care provider, SSM Health is in a unique position to continue to make vaccines available in convenient and linguistically/culturally competent ways.

Wisconsin Community Health Empowerment Fund, Inc. will receive \$95,000 for Green County outreach.

The local fund will use the grant for project management, design and support for Covid-19 vaccination outreach targeting populations of color within the rural county. Project activities include development and sharing of vaccination promotion materials, vaccination incentives, vaccination education and outreach from a community health worker and an outreach coordinator, four community health dialogue sessions and the building of multi-sector community health empowerment fund team infrastructure.

"We are committed to making sure that Wisconsinites who have been impacted the most by COVID-19 have every opportunity to get vaccinated," said DHS Secretary-designee Karen Timberlake. "By providing

funding to community-based organizations, we are partnering with trusted messengers who are in the best position to share accurate information, build confidence in vaccines, and close the gaps that remain in vaccination rates across our state."

Funding is still available for qualifying organizations, and DHS encourages organizations that engage in work to reduce socioeconomic or health inequities to apply. Application deadline is Friday, Jan. 14, 2022.

Applicants that demonstrate a commitment to addressing COVID-19 vaccine hesitancy and minimizing accessibility issues will be prioritized.

Due to various social factors and systemic barriers, communities of color have experienced higher rates of infection, hospitalizations, and death during this pandemic. In Wisconsin, as well as nationwide, COVID-19 vaccine data shows rates of vaccinations have been disproportionately lower for Black, Indigenous, Hispanic, and other underserved populations.

DHS will continue to work to ensure everyone in Wisconsin can get vaccinated against COVID-19. We remain committed to protecting and promoting the health and safety of all Wisconsinites.

For information, resources, and data related to Wisconsin's COVID-19 vaccination program, visit www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/resources.htm.

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Obituary

CHRISTY BARNES

Christy Dianne Barnes, 52, died on Dec. 6, 2021 at the Fort Atkinson Hospital in Fort Atkinson.

She was born on Feb. 18, 1969 in Monroe, to Richard and Kathryn (Schoepfer) Olin. She was a Brodhead High School graduate in 1987.

She enjoyed taking trips and traveling, watching sports including the Packers, Brewers and Bucks, and her black lab, Benelli.

She was always known as a loving, caring and unselfish person who always put family and friends ahead of herself and loved spending time with her family and friends.

She is survived by her son, Chase Barnes (Natalie Rice); her soul mate, Todd Kraus; her father, Richard Olin; two sisters, Michelle (Glenn)



Marquette and Dawn (Chad) Dix; four nieces and nephews, Malachi and Samantha Marquette and Abbie

and Jordan Dix and many other cousins, aunts, uncles and other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by both maternal and paternal grandparents and her mother Kathryn Olin on September 19, 2010.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be directed to the family in her memory.

Funeral services were held at the DL Newcomer Funeral Home in Brodhead on Dec. 11. Burial is at the Greenwood Cemetery.

Death notice

Judith "Judy" Ainsworth-Gilmore, age 83, died on Dec. 12, 2021 while at her home surrounded by her family.

Memorial services are pending at the DL Newcomer Funeral Home in Brodhead.



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WEDNESDAY, DEC. 15

- *Zumba in the Cafeteria, School District, 6 p.m.
- *Adult Open Gym, School District, 7 p.m.
- *Adult volleyball, elementary school gym, 7 p.m.
- Albertson Memorial Library open 1 to 7 p.m.

THURSDAY, DEC. 16

- *Boys basketball game at Barneveld, 6 p.m.
- *Wrestling match at Hustisford High School, 7 p.m.
- Albertson Memorial Library open, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

FRIDAY, DEC. 17

- Albertson Memorial Library open from 1 to p.m.
- *Girls basketball game vs Pecatonica, 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, DEC. 18

- Albertson Memorial Library open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

SUNDAY, DEC. 19

- *Zumba in the Cafeteria, School District, 6 p.m.

MONDAY, DEC. 20

- Parks Commission meets, 6 p.m.
- Joint Recycle Committee meets, 6:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, DEC. 21

- Albertson Memorial Library open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Albertson Memorial Library's Children's Storytime 10 a.m. on Facebook
- *Boys basketball game at Pecatonica, 6 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 22

- Albertson Memorial Library open 1 p.m. to 7 p.m.
- *Zumba in the Cafeteria, School District, 6 p.m.
- *Adult Open Gym, School District, 7 p.m.

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Preliminary deer hunt totals show harvest down

According to final numbers from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, the total nine-day firearm deer harvest was down 7.9% statewide compared to 2020.

Buck harvest was down 1.3%, while antlerless harvest was down 13.2%.

Preliminary figures show that hunters registered 175,667 deer during the 2021 nine-day gun deer hunt – including 84,952 antlered and 90,715 antlerless deer. Since archery seasons opened Sept. 18, hunters have registered 270,046 deer statewide, showing the growing influence of earlier seasons on cumulative harvest.

The Northern Forest management zone showed harvest increases from 2020 for both antlered and antlerless kills, while the other three zones showed declines in harvest. The Central Forest (-3.0%) and Central Farmland (-8.9%) had similar declines in total harvest from 2020 levels, while the Southern Farmland showed a larger decline in total harvest of 17.0%.

Adams County's Central Farmland led the state with over nine deer registered per square mile. Vernon County led the Southern Farmland Zone with almost six deer registered per square mile. Oneida registered the most per square mile in the Northern Forest Zone at 4.5, and Eau Claire's Central Forest registered almost 3.5 deer per square mile.

While opening weekend saw mild temperatures throughout the state with some snow in the north, DNR staff across the state reported good weather throughout the season. Snow cover and frozen wetlands would have improved visibility and access for hunters.

Statewide statistics

Total deer harvest numbers by zone include:
 • Northern Forest Zone – 19,602 antlered (up 14.9%), 12,595 antlerless (up 1.7%).
 • Central Forest Zone – 3,307 antlered (down 1.7%), 2,460 antlerless (down 4.7%).
 • Central Farmland Zone – 44,610 antlered (down 1.8%), 54,909 antlerless (down 14%).
 • Southern Farmland Zone – 17,433 antlered (down 1.8%), 20,751 antlerless (down 19.5%).
 • Total – 84,952 antlered (down 1.3%), 90,715 antlerless (down 13.2%).
 As of 11:59 p.m., Sunday,



The numbers for the state of Wisconsin deer hunt show a drop in numbers of deer harvested, at about 8%.

Nov. 28, sales for gun, bow, crossbow, sports and patron licenses reached 808,224. Of that total, 564,440 were for gun privileges, including gun, patron and sports licenses.

The year-to-date sales for all deer licenses are down 1.5% from the same time last year.

Of the licenses sold to date, 60% of licenses were purchased online. The remaining 40% were sold in-person through transactions at DNR license agents locations. Deer hunting license and harvest authorization sales will continue throughout the remaining deer hunting seasons.

Harvest numbers are expected to climb as the statewide muzzleloader hunt lasts through Wednesday and the statewide four-day, antlerless-only hunt takes place Dec. Thursday through Saturday.

There will also be the Dec. 24-Jan. 1 antlerless-only hunt in select farmland zones, the remaining archery and crossbow season through Jan. 9 and the extended archery and crossbow seasons from Jan. 10-31. Hunters may use any un-filled antlerless harvest authorization during any of these hunts, but they must be used in the zone, county and land type designated on the harvest authorization.

Local counties

Deer totals for area counties – all part of the Southern

Farmland Zone – show:

- In Green County, 1,150 antlered deer were taken, while 1,116 antlerless deer were taken.
- In Rock County, 1,020 antlered deer were harvested, while 927 antlerless deer were taken.

Safety

In Iron County's Town of Saxon, two 65-year-old males were hunting together. The second male was moving and knocked over his firearm, causing the firearm to hit the ground and discharge. The victim was pronounced dead at the scene.

Hunters encouraged to submit deer for CWD testing

Hunters can find CWD sampling options throughout the remaining deer hunting seasons at dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/WildlifeHabitat/register/sample.html.

Thanks to contributions from numerous partners, the Adopt-a-Kiosk and Adopt-a-Dumpster programs gave hunters additional options to submit their harvested deer for CWD sampling and safely dispose of carcasses.

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Tapping into the paranormal



Left: Brodhead Police Association members Kathy Hammon (from left) and Mary Wells presented a \$500 check to Lost Souls in the Shadows paranormal team members Travis Cook, Tiffney Cook and Ariel Pribble last month. The BPA opted to host the Saturday-night ghost tours with the expert paranormal team after the group's annual dodgeball fundraiser got cancelled due to COVID. Above: Kathy Hammon dressed the part of an 1800s-era woman for her role as tour guide on Oct. 30.

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Overhead at Orfordville Village Hall

Orfordville Police Committee met Dec. 9. According to the unofficial minutes, the following items were discussed:

Day-to-day operations

Orfordville Police Chief Brian Raupp updated the committee on the department's recent activity.

- Officer O'Malley Lomax attended a county-wide alert training earlier this month.
- The price for three body

cameras is \$6,975.

- The department assisted with the lighted Christmas parade.
- Village of Footville hours for year to the time of the meeting totaled 1,047.
- The department had Shop with a Cop scheduled for Dec. 11. Five families were invited to participate.
- The required Crime Information Bureau training was completed.
- Raupp would like to pur-

chase dress hats with badges for the department.

In other business, Raupp explained that the department's phone budget went over this year. Chairman Gary Phillips stated that he has unused funds in other categories to cover the overage.

Raupp reviewed information on a food truck ordinance and will be ready with a draft ordinance for next month's meeting.

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation advised the village that it cannot adhere ATV/UTV signs to posts of existing state signs. Trustee Jason Knox said signs will be put on separate posts.

Lomax gave a tour of police headquarters to a local Boy Scouts troop, which was well-received according to officials. A local radio host was also present on the tour and gave the tour positive reviews on the air.

Local Legion serving spaghetti with Santa

The Orfordville American Post 209 District 1 Riders is hosting a free spaghetti dinner with Santa on Thursday, Dec. 23 from 5-8 p.m. at the Legion Hall, 3913 State Highway 213.

Hot chocolate, warm apple cider and juice boxes will be served. Santa will be available for pictures. "Leave your money at home and enjoy the season of giving with your local Legion Riders and Santa," volunteers say.



News from Parkview in Orfordville: Viking Times

THURSDAY, DEC. 16

- Girls JV basketball vs. Palmyra-Eagle, 6 p.m.
- Girls Varsity basketball, vs. Palmyra-Eagle, 7:15 p.m.
- Wrestling meet at Hustisford, 7 p.m.
- Orfordville Public Library Book Club, 6 p.m.
- Orfordville Public Library open 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

FRIDAY, DEC. 17

- Boys JV basketball vs. Deerfield, 6 p.m.
- Boys Varsity basketball vs. Deerfield, 7:15 p.m.
- Orfordville Public Library Storytime, 11 a.m., library open until 5 p.m.

SATURDAY, DEC. 18

- Orfordville library open, 9 a.m. to noon
- Girls Varsity ice hockey vs. Onalaska, at Omni Center, 1 p.m.

SUNDAY, DEC. 19

- Orfordville library closed

MONDAY, DEC. 20

- Board of Education meeting, District Conference Room, 6 p.m.
- Girls Varsity basketball at Madison Country Day School, 7 p.m.
- Orfordville library open 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

TUESDAY, DEC. 21

- Boys JV basketball at Poynette, 6 p.m.
- Boys Varsity basketball at Poynette, 7:30 p.m.
- High school choir concert, 7 p.m.
- Girls Varsity ice hockey at Edgerton, 7 p.m.
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WEDNESDAY, DEC. 22

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BRODHEAD SCHOOL DISTRICT
High School Auditoria
2501 W. 5th Avenue, Brodhead, WI****Wednesday, November 10, 2021
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, November 3, 2021 edition of the Independent Register.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**ROLL CALL**

Present: Mike Krupke, Michael Oellerich, Al Schneider, Jim Wahl, Elizabeth Kempel, Jodi Kail, and Don Buchanan [virtually]

Absent: None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Jim Wahl, second by Al Schneider, to approve the agenda. Motion carried, 7-0.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTESRegular Meeting: October 13, 2021
Annual Meeting: October 25, 2021
Regular Meeting: October 25, 2021

Regular and Annual School Board Meeting Minutes were declared approved as printed.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion by Elizabeth Kempel, second by Jim Wahl, to approve payment of the bills as presented. Motion carried, 7-0.

INFORMATION REPORTS

The Administrative Team presented reports. In honor of National School Psychology Week, Pupil Service Director Sarah Wadsworth gave a big shout out and thank you to DeAnne Larson for all of the work she does for the school.

Building and Grounds Director Brian Kammerer reported on the State safety audit which went really well. He also gave a shout-out to the athletes and coaches for their successful Fall sports seasons.

High School Principal Jim Matthys recapped events at the High School since the last meeting, including the Leadership Summit that High School students attended at UW-Whitewater, the Halloween costume contest for students and staff, and the FFA Leadership teams' trip to the FFA Convention at the end of October, among many other events.

Middle School Principal Lisa Semrow reported on the fall fundraiser that was a big success at the Middle School. The funds were used for the door wraps at the front of the Middle School.

Elementary School Principal Kelly Knox reported on a positive inservice day that was held in October focusing on Math curriculum and improvement. Mrs. Knox also thanked Kid Connection for hosting the Trunk or Treat event which had an estimated 550 children in attendance and it was a huge success.

Information and Technology Director Kevin Buxton thanked the 4K through 2nd grade teachers for accepting newer computers for their classrooms, which allowed for additional Chromebooks to be redistributed in other parts of the Elementary School.

Superintendent David Novy echoed many of the items already presented by other Administrators. He also touched on the Book Fair that is ongoing at the Elementary School, the modified Veterans Day program that will be occurring on November 11, and extended a thank you to Comptroller Cathy Pfeuti for all of the work she does with the budget forecast models, especially in this referendum year.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

The following individuals were signed in and provided public comment to the Board:

- Tom Keyser on the topic of masks
- Kyle Johnson on the topic of COVID-19
- Tyler McKay on the topic of masks
- Brandon Wollin on the topic of COVID-19

AGENDA ITEMS**APPROVAL OF MIDDLE SCHOOL WASHINGTON D.C. TRIP**

Motion by Al Schneider, second by Jodi Kail, to approve the request for an 8th Grade trip to Washington D.C. in the Fall of 2022. Motion carried, 7-0.

APPROVAL OF INCREASES TO ADULT LUNCH AND BREAKFAST PRICES

Motion by Michael Oellerich, second by Al Schneider, to approve the increase in adult lunch prices to \$4.65 and breakfast prices to \$2.56, effective immediately, per USDA and WI DPI guidelines. Motion carried, 7-0.

REFERENDUM UPDATE

Superintendent Novy presented information in preparation for the November 17, 2021 community referendum meeting. Superintendent Novy and Comptroller Pfeuti presented the BAIRD model and the Board discussed various potential proposals on the amount to ask for in a referendum and whether it should be recurring or non-recurring.

1ST READING OF NEW POLICY BEAA

[REMOTE PARTICIPATION IN MEETINGS BY BOARD MEMBERS]

Motion by Michael Oellerich, second by Elizabeth Kempel, to approve the first reading of new Policy BEAA [Remote Participation in Meetings by Board Members] as modified. Motion carried, 7-0.

COVID-19 UPDATE

Superintendent Novy presented information on the state of Covid-19 within the District. A Board discussion was held regarding the current District matrix, masks, and quarantine process.

Motion by Jim Wahl, second by Jodi Kail, to remove masks within the School District effective immediately and leave the parents the discretion to mask their child. Motion failed, 3-4 [D. Buchanan, A. Schneider, M. Oellerich, M. Krupke - No].

Motion by Elizabeth Kempel, second by Jodi Kail, to eliminate the requirement to quarantine close contacts at school per the current matrix. Motion passed, 6-1 [M. Oellerich - No].

Motion by Elizabeth Kempel, second by Jodi Kail, to remove masks for participants in all Middle School and High School athletics within the District during all practices and games. Motion carried, 7-0.

ACCEPT DONATION(S)

Motion by Jim Wahl, second by Jodi Kail, to accept the following donation(s):

- \$100.00 monetary donation from Larry and Karen Ayres to the Brodhead Middle School TOOL Team
- Batting Cage for Softball Diamond [\$4,940] and Coach Bus for Cross Country Sectionals [\$721.06] donated by the Brodhead Booster Club to the Athletic Department
- \$511.50 monetary donation from the Brodhead Optimist Club to the Brodhead School District to be used for the Brodhead Backpack Program
- Maple Tree donated by the Class of 1954 planted in front of the High School
- Flute and Music from the Kaden Hoff family to the Brodhead Band Department
- Memorial Bench donated by the Family of Marilyn Saunders placed at the concession area of the Football Stadium
- \$3,000.00 monetary donation from Gary Saunders in honor of Marilyn Saunders, to Albrecht Elementary School to be used for student furniture in the LMC

RESIGNATION(S)

None at this time.

EMPLOYMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

Motion by Jodi Kail, second by Al Schneider, to approve the hiring of Sheryl Beyer as a Full-Time Substitute Teacher for the 2021-22 school year, effective October 25, 2021, at a starting salary of \$35,568.00 [\$27,529.00 pro-rated @ 145.5 days]. Motion carried, 7-0.

Motion by Jim Wahl, second by Elizabeth Kempel, to approve the hiring of Amy Gerber as an Elementary School Special Education Para-Educator, at the rate of \$13.00/hour, beginning October 25, 2021.

Motion carried, 7-0.

Motion by Elizabeth Kempel, second by Al Schneider, to approve the hiring of DJ McGowan as JV2 Girls Basketball Coach, at the rate of \$2,756 [7-10 years], beginning November 8, 2021. Motion carried, 7-0.

Motion by Jim Wahl, second by Elizabeth Kempel, to approve the hiring of Skyler Stuckey as 8th Grade Boys Basketball Coach, at the rate of \$1,333 [0-3 years], beginning November 1, 2021. Motion carried, 7-0.

Motion by Jim Wahl, second by Elizabeth Kempel, to approve the increase in hours of Melissa Landphier, Elementary School Special Education Para-Educator, from 801 hours/year to 1,173 hours/year, beginning October 4, 2021 and continuing indefinitely. Motion carried, 7-0.

VOLUNTEER RECOMMENDATION(S)

None at this time.

FUTURE AGENDA [December 8, 2021]

- Trauma Sensitive Schools Presentation
- State Report Card Presentation
- Approval of High School Program of Studies for 2022-23
- 2nd Reading of New Policy BEAA [Remote Participation in Meetings by Board Members]

- Referendum Update
- COVID-19 Update
- 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) (f)

Motion by Jodi Kail, to go into Closed Session under WI. STS. 19.85 (1) (c) (f) at 9:35 p.m. for the discussion of:

- a. Personal Leave Requests
- b. Approval of Expulsion Minutes

Roll Call vote: All ayes [7-0].

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Motion by Michael Oellerich, second by Jodi Kail, to return to open session at 9:51 p.m.

Motion carried, 6-0 [D. Buchanan did not attend the closed session].

ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

Clerk reported out of Closed Session that the Minutes of an Expulsion Hearing were approved as presented.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Jim Wahl, second by Elizabeth Kempel, to adjourn the meeting at 9:52 p.m. Motion carried, 6-0.

Date: 11/10/21 \$100 Bill List

GORDON FOOD SERVICE	\$907.43
SYMMETRY ENERGY SOLUTIONS	\$3,379.38
NAPA AUTO PARTS	\$142.99
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CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	\$1,168.24
VISA	\$1,312.25
CITY OF BRODHEAD	\$1,517.51
HPS	\$1,548.00
SYMMETRY ENERGY SOLUTIONS, LLC	\$3,379.38
HELM SERVICE, INC	\$3,618.20
KOBUSSEN BUSES LTD	\$66,657.82
BMO, HARRIS	\$15,460.70
CDW GOVERNMENT INC	\$354.28
RHYME BUSINESS PRODUCTS	\$2,182.18
AIRGAS USA, LLC	\$106.34
BR BLEACHERS	\$1,871.00
IPEVO INC	\$929.52
KANKAKEE HIGH SCHOOL	\$325.00
KAPLAN EARLY LEARNING COMPANY	\$1,712.14
PIGGLY WIGGLY	\$308.35
REGISTER PRINT CENTER	\$362.00
WIL-KIL PEST CONTROL	\$126.50
ACCIDENT FUND	\$449.00
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS CORPORATION	\$159.25
ROCK VALLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL	\$100.00
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WASDA	\$1,500.00
BADGER SPORTING GOODS	\$2,077.50
FOLLETT SCHOOL SOLUTIONS, INC	\$2,919.43
OFFICE PRO	\$3,911.95
CDW GOVERNMENT INC	\$4,146.17
SCHOOL SPECIALTY	\$5,727.84
CESA #2	\$5,944.94
PRAIRIE FARMS DAIRY INC	\$7,815.69
GORDON FOOD SERVICE INC	\$10,305.54
BRODHEAD WATER & LIGHT COMM	\$12,863.29
SYSCO FOOD SERVICES OF BARABOO	\$20,067.49
SCHOUT, KRISTIN	\$100.00
BRODHEAD SIGN CO.	\$120.00
VISGER, KATHERINE M	\$127.67
FARGO, ELIZABETH	\$261.62
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SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BRODHEAD	\$118.33
COUNTRY MEATS	\$178.00
BRODHEAD SIGN CO.	\$198.30
SUBWAY	\$199.95
BADGER SPORTING GOODS	\$202.00

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PRAIRIE FARMS DAIRY INC	\$489.46
RBS ACTIVEWEAR	\$1,379.05
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SCHALLER, MICHAEL	\$105.15
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SCHWARTZLOW, SAVANNA	\$536.04
SIEGEL, SABRINA	\$536.04
HOLIDAY WHOLESALE	\$540.84
KOCH, ALYSSA	\$600.00
AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY	\$788.85
RBS ACTIVEWEAR	\$911.96
EVANSVILLE FFA	\$1,358.66
DECATUR DAIRY INC	\$1,497.95
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BRODHEAD	\$1,563.74
BYRD, JAMES	\$105.20
BYRD, TERRI	\$105.20
WAHL, NICK	\$125.00
ZITTLLOW, STEPHEN A	\$140.00
HELGESTAD, KELLY J	\$201.79
KRUPKE, STEVE	\$210.00
JARVIS, NICHOLAS L	\$215.00
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BRODHEAD	\$297.51
BSN SPORTS, LLC	\$4,092.00
GROTH MUSIC	\$159.00
GUILBAULT, AARON	\$175.00
PARKVIEW HIGH SCHOOL	\$187.68
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BRODHEAD	\$193.63
RBS ACTIVEWEAR	\$324.48
NATIONAL FFA ORGANIZATION	\$378.50
PARKER FFA	\$801.15
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**SPECIAL REFERENDUM MEETING
BRODHEAD SCHOOL DISTRICT
High School LMC
2501 W. 5th Avenue, Brodhead, WI****Wednesday, November 17, 2021
6:00 P.M.
Minutes**

The meeting was called to order by Board President Mike Krupke at 6:05 p.m. The meeting notice was published in the Wednesday, November 10, 2021 edition of the Independent Register.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**ROLL CALL**

Present: Mike Krupke, Michael Oellerich, Al Schneider, Jim Wahl, Elizabeth Kempel, and Jodi Kail

Absent: Don Buchanan

AGENDA ITEMS**OVERVIEW OF THE CURRENT REFERENDUM AND HAND-DISCUSSION ITEM**

Superintendent Novy presented information and a presentation.

REVIEW TWO DIFFERENT SCENARIOS FROM THE BAIRD MODEL

Superintendent Novy presented information and a presentation.

OPEN FLOOR FOR DISCUSSION

Public Comment was made by Paul Donovan and Chuck Deery.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Elizabeth Kempel, second by Jim Wahl, to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 p.m.

Motion carried, 6-0.

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**Legal Notices****STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
GREEN COUNTY**

IN THE MATTER OF THE

ESTATE OF

Janet L. Albertson

Deceased

**Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)**

Case No. 2021PR000096

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

An application for informal administration was filed.

The decedent, with date of birth February 16, 1942 and date of death October 20, 2021, was domiciled in Green County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W2409 Swann Street, Albany, Wisconsin 53502.

All interested persons waived notice.

The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is 03-14-2022.

A claim may be filed at the Green County Justice Center County Courthouse, 2841 6th Street, Monroe, Wisconsin.

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 608-328-9567 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation. Please check with person named below for exact time and date.

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WNAXLP 409243**STATE OF WISCONSIN,
CIRCUIT COURT,
GREEN COUNTY**

IN THE MATTER

OF THE ESTATE OF

BRADLEY J. KADERLY

Deceased

**NOTICE OF SETTING TIME
TO HEAR APPLICATION
AND DEADLINE FOR FILING
CLAIMS****(Informal Administration)**
Case No. 21 PR 97**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:**

1. An application for informal

administration was filed.

2. The decedent, with date of birth 10/27/1982 and date of death 11/11/2021 was domiciled in Green County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W702 Town Center Road, Brodhead, WI 53520.

3. The application will be heard at the Green County Justice Center County Courthouse, 2841 6th Street, Monroe, Wisconsin, before Gloria Baertschi, Probate Registrar, on 01-03-2022 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 03-14-2022.

5. A claim may be filed at the Green County Justice Center County Courthouse, 2841 6th Street, Monroe, Wisconsin.

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 608-328-9567 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation. Please check with person named below for exact time and date.

DATE SIGNED:

December 3, 2021

Electronically signed by
Gloria A. Baertschi
Probate RegistrarForm completed by:
Attorney Amanda M. Fields
Schluesche Fields S.C.,
250 N. 18th Avenue, Suite 106
Monroe, WI 53566
608-325-2500
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Evansville State Wildlife restoration project near completion



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The Evansville site in Rock County is being restored as part of Wisconsin Wetland Conservation Trust, a wetland mitigation program administered by the Wisconsin DNR. The black lines seen here show broken drain tiles and filled drainage ditches completed to restore wetland hydrology.

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) will complete three wetland mitigation projects to restore wetland hydrology and vegetation to more than 150 acres in Sheboygan, Portage and Rock counties by the end of the year.

These restoration projects are funded by selling wetland mitigation credits through the Wisconsin Wetland Conservation Trust – a DNR wetland mitigation program in place since 2014. The credits are sold to developers to offset permitted wetland impacts resulting from development projects.

The Wisconsin Wetland Conservation Trust then partners with a diverse group of landowners, including farmers, municipalities and conservation groups to initiate projects in the same watershed where the development projects are taking place to prevent a net loss of wetlands. Credit fees are used to restore and enhance wetlands within the same watershed being impacted.

The Te Stroete project includes 31 acres owned by Sheboygan County near the Lake Michigan shoreline.

“Sheboygan County is excited to partner with the Wisconsin Wetland Conservation Trust to restore our Te Stroete project and expand on existing county conservation projects already on the ground in the area,” said Aaron Brault, Planning and Conservation Director for Sheboygan County. “Projects like these help reduce flooding, improve water quality and create wildlife habitat for our Lake Michigan watershed.”

The Wisconsin Wetland Conservation Trust is also working on restoring 74 acres at the DNR-owned Evansville State Wildlife Area in Rock County, and a third project in Portage County on privately owned farmland.

After the sites are restored and given time to establish, they are opened to the public for nature-based outdoor activities such as hiking.

To date, the Wisconsin Wetland Conservation Trust has allocated \$18 million to 14 different mitigation projects and has completed over 800 acres of restoration since 2019.

“The Wisconsin Wetland Conservation Trust is a great example of different landowners and the DNR working together. The program benefits developers, conservation and municipalities because development projects can be implemented while still protecting watersheds,” said Josh Brown, DNR Wisconsin Wetland Conservation Trust Program Coordinator.

The wetland mitigation projects in Sheboygan, Portage and Rock counties began in 2019 and are the result of extensive site planning, data collection and regulatory review.

All Wisconsin Wetland Conservation Trust projects are protected by a conservation easement to ensure they remain as wetlands in perpetuity.

Long-term management of Wisconsin Wetland Conservation Trust sites are funded through an endowment managed by the Natural Resources Foundation of Wisconsin.

Dairy processor grant applications

The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection invites Wisconsin dairy processors to apply for dairy processor grants through Jan. 7, 2022. These grants aim to foster innovation, improve profitability, and sustain the long-term viability of Wisconsin’s dairy processing facilities.

Eligible applicants must operate a licensed dairy processing plant in Wisconsin that is engaged in pasteurizing, processing, or manufacturing milk or dairy products. Projects must increase harvest capacity or production. Funding from these grants can be used to address a wide range of dairy business needs such as food safety, staff training, plant expansion or

modernization, and professional consulting services.

“Wisconsin’s dairy industry has been remarkably resilient throughout the pandemic, underscoring that America’s Dairyland isn’t going anywhere. Wisconsin’s dairy industry is our past and our present, and it’s our future, too,” Gov. Evers said. “Through these investments, we will continue to invest in industry innovation, bolster our economy, and support Wisconsin dairy farmers and producers, all while strengthening the future of Wisconsin dairy.”

“Since this program began in 2014, demands for grants have outpaced available funding,” said DATCP Secretary Randy Romanski. “Our dairy processors here in America’s Dairyland have a healthy appetite to modernize and innovate. Governor Evers recognized this, and in the biennial budget, doubled the funding for the dairy processor grants from \$200,000 to \$400,000 annually.”

Grants will be awarded for projects up to \$50,000 and two years in duration. Processors are required to provide a match of 20 percent of the grant amount. Recipients will be chosen through a competitive selection process.

The grant application is available at datcp.wi.gov. Applications are due to DATCP Grants Manager Ryan Dunn at ryandunn@wisconsin.gov by 5 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 7, 2022. Grant recipients will be announced in February 2022.

In 2021, 15 companies received a total of \$200,000 in grants. Since its inception in 2014, DATCP has received 118 grant proposals requesting more than \$4.57 million. DATCP has funded 66 of those proposals totaling \$1.3 million.

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MEETING NOTICE
 The Town of Spring Grove monthly Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 21, 2021 at 5:00 P.M. at the Town Hall, N2475 County Hwy GG, Brodhead, WI
MEETING AGENDA:
 1. Call to Order
 2. Pledge of Allegiance
 3. Approval of Agenda and/or Changes
 4. Reading of November Meeting Minutes
 5. Treasurers Report
 6. Public Input
 7. Paser Rating
 8. Approval of Election Workers
 9. Employee Review
 10. Road Projects
 11. New Equipment Updates
 12. Plow Truck Repairs Updates
 13. Snowplow Driver Updates
 14. Driveway Permits
 15. Building Permits
 16. Tax Collection Update
 17. Review of Monthly Bills
 18. Adjournment
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