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Left: Albany athlete Brianna Dahl became the Albany Lady Comets all-time career scoring leader with her 16-point performance on Jan. 8 during a game against Rio. Dahl surpassed the previous leader, Amy Golz, who had 1,166 career points. Dahl now has 1,171 career points with a half of a season to go. She was formally recognized during Tuesday's game vs. Barneveld. Above: Dahl makes a shot during a previous game against Brodhead. Albany athletics recently recognized four others who were inducted into the school's athletic Hall of Fame. See the story on page 3.

Who's on the ballot?

A look at who's running for local seats, school boards

Village of Orfordville

There are five running for three seats on the Orfordville Village Board.

Incumbents Terry Gerber and Jason Knox are seeking re-election to their trustees seats.

Trustee Tina Suiter filed a non-candidacy form and will not seek re-election.

Newcomers Dennis Burtness, Chuck Boyce and Donald Cox will also be on the ballot.

Trustees earn \$20 per meeting.

Judge Russell Rucker is also seeking another term and is running unopposed. The municipal judge earns \$1,420 annually.

A primary is not necessary to narrow down the candidates, according to Village Clerk Sherri Waege.

Albany held caucus Monday

The Village of Albany held its caucus at Monday's Village

Board meeting. Results were unavailable prior to deadline.

Incumbents up for re-election are trustees Bert Hefty, Tonya Stephan and Dana Fred Johnson and Municipal Judge Alvin "Abe" Runaas. Trustees earn \$30 per board meeting and the municipal judge earns \$86.67 monthly.

School boards will see race in Albany

Brodhead School Board members Al Schneider and Jodi Kail will run for re-election for their three-year term.

Schneider was elected in 2010 and Kail in 2016, according to District Administrative Assistant Tonya Buttko.

Brodhead School District residents will also decide at the polls whether the district should exceed its spending to maintain services via referendum.

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ADELLA COULTHARD

Adella Jean Coulthard, age 61, died unexpectedly on Jan. 4, 2022 at her home.

She was born on Jan. 4, 1961 in Darlington, Wisconsin to the late Delbert Coulthard and Sylvia Lynda DuVal-Wentz.

She graduated from Albany High School in 1979.

She worked for 20 years at Advance Transformer in Monroe before gaining her CDL license.

She started working for US Express for a year then started to run long-haul routes with R&R Transportation where she met her husband,



Essential Oils.

She is survived by her husband, Robert Powell; four step children, Samuel Powell, Erica Lee, Dorothy (Delmar) Terrell and James (Amber) Powell; six siblings, Delvin (Nancy) Coulthard, Alice (Bob) Bechtolt, John (Brenda) Coulthard, Da-

Robert.

Eventually Adella and Robert made team runs together. She was also a product rep for Young Living

vid (Lisa) Coulthard, Craig Coulthard and Heather Coulthard; three step siblings, Melody (Dan) Judkins, Waynette (Eryc) Rydz and Jenny (Fritz) Sandlin; two aunts, Juanita Lancaster and Betty Howard; a special friend, Barb Krattiger; her grandma, Marlene Johnson and many special nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends.

She was further preceded in death by siblings, Diane Coulthard, Vivian Coulthard, Rose Werner and Joseph Coulthard; step parents, Bruce and Edith Couthard-Templeton and

Edward Wentz; paternal grandparents, Lola and Milo Coulthard and maternal grandparents, Irene and Edward DuVal.

In lieu of flowers, memorials to the family are suggested.

Funeral services will be held at the DL Newcomer Funeral Home in Brodhead on Saturday, Jan. 15, 2022 at noon.

A visitation will also be held at the funeral home on Saturday from 10 a.m. until the time of services.

Burial will conclude at the Greenwood Cemetery in Brodhead.

DENNIS WEICHELT

Dennis Richard Weichelt, age 74, died on Dec. 25, 2021 while at Mercyhealth Hospital and Trauma Center in Janesville.

He was born on Jan. 23, 1947 in Marshfield, Wisconsin to the late Clemmont and Lorraine (Seidel) Weichelt.

He married Karen Pratt on Aug. 29, 1970.

He was always known as a loving family man who enjoyed spending time with all of his family.

He was kind and was always helping others. He worked in the construction industry for many years and also assisted Amish families with work and driving.

He was a member of the Believers Fellowship Church and later attended Hope Church in Monroe.

He is survived by his wife, Karen; three children, Denise (Fritz) Hanson, Nancy (Jim-



Saisamorn Luangaram; three great grandchildren, Henry Barnett, Lukas Last and Rosie Last and one sister, Carol Kalsow.

He was further preceded in death one brother, Ronald Weichelt.

In lieu of flowers, memorials to the family are suggested.

A memorial service will be held at the DL Newcomer Funeral Home in Brodhead on Saturday, Jan. 22, 2022 at 1 p.m. Visitation will be held at the funeral home on Saturday from 10 a.m. until the time of service.

my) Stewart and Gleason Weichelt; four grandchildren, John Hanson, Justin Luangaram, Kristin Hanson and

SALLY JO ROCKEY

Sally Jo Rockey, age 77, of Davis, Illinois died on Jan. 5, 2022 at the Freeport Memorial Hospital.

She was born on Sept. 27, 1944 in Freeport, Illinois to the late Edward and Ruth (Bohanon) Neberman. She married Richard "Dick" Rockey on April 18, 1964 in Rock Grove, Illinois.

She enjoyed reading and retired after 30 years at the Dakota High School librarian. She was a founding mem-



Rockford Rescue Mission.

Most of all, she enjoyed spending time with her family, especially watching her children and grandchildren

ber of Faith Community Church in Davis, where she attended various Bible studies and was very active in volunteering for the pregnancy center for the

play sports and attending all of those sporting events for Dakota High School.

She is survived by her husband, Dick Rockey; three children, Brian (Brenda) Rockey, John (Rikki) Rockey and Mark Rockey; five grandchildren, Callina (Zachary) Updike, Kendalynn Rockey (Kendall Cox), Wyatt Rockey, Case Rockey and Taylor Rockey; one sister, Kay Kunkle and numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

In lieu of flowers, memorials to the family are suggested.

Funeral services and visitation were held at the Faith Community Church, in Davis, Illinois on Jan. 10, 2022. The family requested that everyone be dressed casual or in favorite sports attire or Dakota sports attire for her services.

Burial concluded at the Rock Grove Cemetery.

The DL Newcomer Funeral Home in Brodhead is assisting the family.

NANCY JOANNE YOUNG

Nancy Joanne Young, 75, died on January 3, 2022 at Monroe Clinic Hospital.

She was born on Dec. 26, 1946 in Aledo, Illinois, to the late Hoyt and Ruth (Regenold) Nichols.

When she was younger she moved and lived in Arkansas for several years before moving to Wisconsin, where she met her husband.

She married Robert Young on June 15, 1968 in Janesville.

She loved tending to her garden and her flowers, bird watching, doing needle point and she taught herself to knit and make blankets for all the family.

She also enjoyed listening to country music, singing and teaching the grandkids and playing "500" with them. But most of all, she enjoyed helping to raise and babysit for all of her grandchildren. She loved to spend time with all of her family.

She is survived by her hus-



Wurster, Daniel and Jacob

Mahlkuch and Dustin Tyson Young; two great grandchildren, Cohen and Dalton Wurster; three brothers; three sisters; a special niece, Cindy Galston and many nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends.

She was further preceded in death by one son, Hoyt Young in 2000, three sisters and one brother.

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

Memorial services and visitation were held at the DL Newcomer Funeral Home in Brodhead Jan. 8, 2022.

Burial of cremated remains will be held at a later date at Greenwood Cemetery.

Robert Young; a daughter, Penny (Steve) Mahlkeuch; five grandchildren, Bobbie (Adam)

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Green County seeks residents to serve on ARPA committee

Deadline for applicants is Jan. 24

Applications are now open for the Green County American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Ad Hoc Committee.

The Green County Board is seeking eight county residents to serve on a Green County ARPA Ad Hoc Committee.

This committee will analyze proposals for the spending of the funds that Green County will receive and make recommendations to the Green County Board.

The eight appointed committee members will be voting members alongside Jerry Guth, chair of the Green County Finance and Auditing Committee.

It is anticipated that the group will meet once or twice a month from February through June with some work to be completed outside of meetings.

The Green County Finance and Auditing Committee will have the final decision on will be appointed.

Applications are available online at the Green County Government ARPA webpage

under the Green County Ad Hoc Committee tab and must be completed by 8 a.m. on Monday, Jan. 24.

After completing the form, send it to the Green County Clerk's office at clerk@greencountywi.org or by mail at Green County Clerk, 1016 16th Avenue, Green County Courthouse, Monroe, WI 53566.

Virtual informational meeting set Jan. 17

Residents interested in learning more about ARPA and the Green County ARPA Ad Hoc Committee can attend a county-hosted virtual community educational program Monday, Jan. 17 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

This will be an opportunity to learn more about ARPA and the decision-making process in Green County.

To register for the session, contact Victoria Solomon, Community Resource Development Educator, Extension Green County at 608-328-9440 or victoria.solomon@wisc.edu.

Commemorating Comets

Four inducted into Albany Athletic Hall of Fame

Three athletes and a significant contributor were honored late last month on the Comets home court during the boys basketball game against Parkview High School.

Athletes Kari (Dallman) Marquardt, Brandon Bayrholder and Tiffany (Blumer) Broughton and contributor Harvey L. Kopp were inducted into the 2021 Albany Athletic Hall of Fame Dec. 30.

"Each inductee has had a significant impact on Albany athletics and we can't be more proud of their accomplishments," Albany Athletic Director Derik Doescher said in a press release. "Congratulations to each person on their induction."



Brandon Bayrholder

Brandon Bayrholder, record-maker and all-around athlete

Bayrholder graduated from Albany High School in 2007, earning 11 varsity athletic letters in football, basketball, and baseball throughout his high school career from 2003-07.

His time in the fall was spent on the gridiron as a Wildcat for the Belleville-Albany football team. He was the starting quarterback and was a varsity letter-winner as a sophomore, junior and senior. He was a three-time, all-conference player including 1st team all-conference as a junior and senior. He was named to the all-area football team during his junior and senior seasons.

As of the start of the 2021 football season, he held the single season passing record, single game passing record, and career record for passing yardage at Belleville High School.

During the winter, he played for the Comets basketball squad.

Today, he still holds strong in the top 10 of many boys' basketball categories at Albany: fourth all-time in scoring, fifth all-time in rebounds, and seventh in all-time assists.

He was on his way to over the 1,000-point total until a torn ACL prevented him from that accomplishment and he finished his career with 915 total points.

He earned all-conference honors in basketball all four years including being named to the 1st team as a junior and senior. He was also named to the Wisconsin State Journal All-Area Team as a junior and senior.

In the spring, Bayrholder would take to the baseball diamond. His torn ACL from

basketball season forced him to miss his senior year of baseball, but what three years of success it was prior to his senior season.

He was a three-year starter as a shortstop/pitcher. All three years he finished with all-conference accolades, including 1st team all-conference as a junior, playing shortstop, while batting .438 for the season.

One of his proudest baseball moments was when Albany won the team conference championship in 2006 during his junior season, for the first time in school history.

He is currently a senior claims specialist with Madison National Life. Recently he became a first-time father to a little girl named Myka. He lives in the Albany area with his girlfriend CJ Dunwiddie.



Kari Marquardt

Kari (Dallman) Marquardt, MVP for life

Marquardt's Albany High School career was from 1988-1992.

During her high school years, she was a four-year letter winner in cross country and track & field, while earning three varsity letters in basketball.

She spent the fall season running for the Comets. She was a four-year varsity letter winner, earning MVP team honors as a sophomore, junior and senior.

The Albany Running Lady Comets qualified for the state meet as a team all four of her high school years. As a team, the Comets finished third overall in 1988 before winning three straight team WIAA State Championships during her sophomore, junior, and senior years.

She was a three-time individual conference champion in 1989, 1990 and 1991. In 1988, she finished eighth overall at the WIAA State Meet, followed by fifth in 1989, sixth in 1990, and third place in 1991.

She played varsity basketball as a sophomore, junior, and senior and was named to the State Line League All-Conference team as junior and senior.

She helped guide the Lady Comets to the 1992 regional championship which, at the time, was their first in school history.

During the spring, Kari was on the track and was a four-time varsity letter winner in track & field. She was team MVP in 1990 and 1991. She qualified for the WIAA State

Meet as a senior and she finished in fifth place individually in the open 800 race.

Kari has been a special education teacher in the Sauk Prairie District for 24 years. She stays busy coaching middle school cross country and high school track and is also a certified WIAA basketball official. She is married to Robert Marquardt and they have three children - Kassia 17, Brendan 13 and Kelsey 10.



Tiffany Broughton

Tiffany (Blumer) Broughton, all-conference all the time

Broughton left her mark at Albany High School from 1997-2001.

During that time, she earned a total of 12 varsity letters while participating in four different sports - cross country, basketball, softball and track & field.

In cross country, she was a 1st team all-conference runner as a junior and senior and also team MVP during the 1999 and 2000 seasons.

She was also a two-time WIAA individual state meet qualifier, finishing 40th overall in 1999 and 10th overall in 2000.

The 10th-place finish in 2000 helped lead the Albany Running Lady Comets to the D3 WIAA State Team Championship.

In the winter, she played a major part in the Albany girls basketball program having historical success over her four-year span. She was a three-time team MVP for the Lady Comets as well as a three-time, all-conference player named honorable mention as a sophomore, 2nd team as a junior, and 1st team all-conference as a senior. During her senior season, she helped lead the Lady Comets to a regional championship in 2001.

In the spring, she took the softball diamond and hit the track, doubling up on her competition.

As a softball player, she was named honorable mention all-conference as a sophomore and 1st team all-conference as a junior and senior. She earned team MVP Defense in 1999, MVP Offense in 2000 and MVP of the team in 2001.

In her spare time, she excelled on the track and was a two-time state qualifier. Her 3,200-meter relay took 5th at the WIAA state meet and her 1,600-meter relay took ninth at the WIAA state meet.

Broughton is a registered nurse at SSM Monroe Clinic Hospital in the endoscopy unit where she has worked the past 14 years.

She lives in Brodhead with her husband Bryce and their three children - Liam, Charleigh and Sloane.

Harvey Kopp, a 'significant contributor' to Albany athletics, the community

Kopp was a graduate of Albany High School in 1958 and attended from 1954-1958.

His contributions to Albany athletics is best summed up with the following quote: "Giving is not just about giving a donation. It is about making a difference."

Kopp grew up in Albany as the second oldest of 11 children.

At a very young age he was forced into learning about having a good work ethic and helping out the younger siblings.

His childhood experiences weren't all work though, as he still found time to have plenty of fun in Albany and the surrounding areas.

However, his unselfish attitude and strong work ethic proved to be engraved in him for a lifetime.

Kopp spent 46 years as an agent at New York Life Insurance Company in sales and financial planning.

He was voted Agent of the Year in 1976, 1987 and 1988.

In 1992, he semi-retired from New York Life and started farming at age 52.

"My friends thought I was crazy to start farming at 52 years old, but here I am still farming at 81 and enjoying it," he said.

Along with being an agent, he has spent most of his adult life developing real estate in the southern Wisconsin area.

His entrepreneurial drive has led to a great deal of financial success for Kopp.

His goal in life is to help his family and communities that have been good to him, he said, and he has given more than \$230,000 since 2017 to projects that benefit Albany schools and Albany athletics.

In 2017, Kopp donated \$100,000 to the Harvey L. Kopp Community Ballpark that is located downtown, next to the Sugar River.

In 2021, he donated \$66,000 to Albany schools for new bleachers in the high school gymnasium.

Most recently, Kopp donated \$71,000 to Albany schools for a brand-new, state-of-the-art weight room and fitness center equipment, free-weights and mirrors.

This project will be completed this summer and will be huge upgrade for athletes and community members that utilize the fitness facilities, according to the athletic director.

He is married to Sharon and they have two children - Jeff and Julie, and one grandson, Austin.



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Comets alum Harvey Kopp (right) was welcomed late last month by Albany High School athletic director Derik Doescher into the athletic Hall of Fame, for his generosity and influence in enhancing the school's sports facilities.

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THURSDAY, JAN. 13

-Albertson Memorial Library open, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

FRIDAY, JAN. 14

-Albertson Memorial Library open from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.
*Varsity girls basketball vs. Juda, 7 p.m.

SATURDAY, JAN. 15

*Wrestling match at Hillsboro High School, 9 a.m.
*Varsity boys basketball at Palmyra-Eagle, 5:45 p.m.
-Albertson Memorial Library open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

SUNDAY, JAN. 16

-Albany American Legion breakfast, 8 a.m. to noon
*Zumba in the Cafeteria, School District, 6 p.m.

MONDAY, JAN. 17

-No school
-Albany Village Parks Commission meets, 6:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, JAN. 18

-Albertson Memorial Library open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
-Albertson Memorial Library's Children's Storytime 10 a.m. on Facebook
*Wrestling match at Johnson Creek High School, 5 p.m.
*Boys basketball at Argyle High School, 6 p.m.

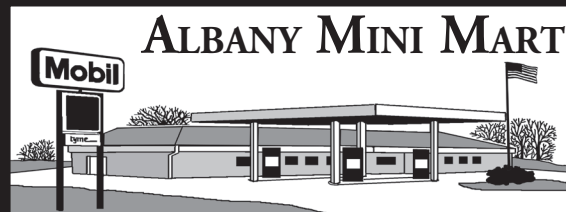
WEDNESDAY, JAN. 19

-Albertson Memorial Library open 1 p.m. to 7 p.m.
*Albany School District, early release, 2:37 p.m.
*Zumba in the Cafeteria, School District, 6 p.m.
*Adult Open Gym, School District, 7 p.m.
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Wisconsin Optometric Association promotes glaucoma awareness

Early detection, treatment of glaucoma is crucial in saving vision

Glaucoma impacts an estimated 3 million plus Americans, according to the Glaucoma Research Foundation.

Yet, understanding and awareness of this detrimental disease remains low in the public eye.

Because of a lack of early onset symptoms, many who are affected by glaucoma are unaware that they even have the disease.

This is especially concerning, given the consequences of uncontrolled and untreated glaucoma. According to the American Optometric Association (AOA), glaucoma is the second leading cause of blindness in the United States and, therefore requires a heightened level of public awareness.

Glaucoma – “The Sneak Thief of Sight”

Frequently, glaucoma attacks an individual’s eyesight without the presence of early warning signs.

“Glaucoma is often referred to as the ‘sneak thief of sight,’”

explains Dr. Tessa Sokol, 2022 Wisconsin Optometric Association (WOA) President and Madison-area optometrist. “By the time symptoms do appear, it may be too late to save those affected from suffering permanent vision loss.”

“Vision lost cannot be regained, which is why it is so important to protect your sight by receiving a comprehensive, dilated exam performed by a licensed eye doctor, during which glaucoma can be diagnosed early.”

Although glaucoma is not preventable and has no current cure, it can be controlled if diagnosed and treated early by a licensed eye doctor, according to experts.

Glaucoma is a group of eye disorders that lead to progressive damage to the optic nerve. People with glaucoma can lose nerve tissue, resulting in vision loss.

The most common form of the disease is primary open-angle glaucoma, which develops slowly and usually without

symptoms.

In primary open-angle glaucoma, the fluid pressure inside the eye increases.

This increase in pressure may result in progressive damage to the optic nerve and loss of nerve fibers, causing possible vision loss.

Untreated, glaucoma can cause significant vision loss and even blindness. The disease can accelerate quickly, and can affect patients at different stages of life.

“A common misperception is that glaucoma only affects older adults when, in reality, it can happen at any age. In fact, it’s most commonly detected in people in their 40s,” Sokol said.

Risk Factors and Treatment

As is the case with many diseases, factors such as age and race can increase an individual’s risk for developing glaucoma. According to the Glaucoma Research Foundation, glaucoma is six to eight times more common in African Americans than in

Caucasians

In addition, at greater risk for glaucoma include those who have a family history of the disease, existing medical conditions, and adults older than 60.

Treatment for glaucoma includes prescription eye drops and medication to reduce pressure in the eyes.

In certain cases, surgery may be effective in reducing pressure. Diagnosis is the first step in preserving one’s vision, and the only way to guarantee detection of this condition is through a comprehensive eye exam with a licensed eye doctor.

The WOA recommends annual comprehensive eye exams for adults and children. Visit www.woa-eyes.org/members for a list of local, licensed eye doctors.

About the Wisconsin Optometric Association

The Wisconsin Optometric Association (WOA) is a non-profit affiliation of licensed doctors of optometry and associated businesses dedicated to

the preservation and enhancement of the vision welfare of the people of Wisconsin. The WOA accomplishes its goals through: education and dissemination of information, organized governmental activity, legislation and regulation, mediation with consumer and public interest groups, and provi-

sion of collective benefits to its members. Approximately 630 doctors of optometry are currently members of the WOA, located in nearly every county in the state. All members must be licensed to practice optometry by the State of Wisconsin.

For more information, visit www.woa-eyes.org.

Why Race Matters: Martin Luther King Jr. Day special to air on PBS

PBS Wisconsin will celebrate Martin Luther King Jr. Day with a special presentation of its series Why Race Matters, at 8 p.m. Monday, Jan. 17, on PBS Wisconsin.

Why Race Matters is a digital series elevating issues of importance affecting Wisconsin’s Black communities. Host and producer Angela Fitzgerald connects in conversation with everyday people whose work and commitments center on race, identity and achieving racial equity in the state. The series explores topics simultaneously historic and urgent, while offering hope, guidance and resources to thrive.

The discussions featured in Why Race Matters: Martin Luther King Jr. Day Special will center around civic engagement and representation; mental health, trauma and Black communities; and Black farming and land ownership. These conversations recognize the unique challenges Black people face in the United States today and celebrate the resilience of those fighting for social justice.

Fitzgerald first talks to activist Tatiyana Benson to explore representation in government, policy reform and the hurdles

to political participation.

She then discusses mental health challenges facing Black communities with Myra McNair, a licensed therapist. They talk about how media coverage and racism are provoking a public health crisis for Black people, and how finding joy can be a revolutionary act.

Fitzgerald also sits down with Robert Pierce, a farmer who works to address food insecurity in Black neighborhoods. They discuss organic foods, the importance of land ownership and the stereotypes Black farmers face.

Watch Why Race Matters anytime, anywhere at pbswisconsin.org/why-race-matters and on the free PBS Video App on Roku, other streaming devices, phones, tablets and Smart TVs.

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Blackhawk named Forward Janesville's Business of the Year

College to be formally honored at Jan. 27 awards luncheon

Forward Janesville will recognize Blackhawk Technical College as its 2021 Large Business of the Year at the organization's annual awards luncheon on Thursday, Jan. 27.

This award is presented each year to a business of 50 or more employees that recognizes business success and community involvement as two vital components of its business strategy.

Jenny Tschudy, Forward Janesville's Membership Development, Marketing and Events Director, shared the news last week with Dr. Tracy Pierner, president of Blackhawk.

"This award recognizes Blackhawk Technical College's support of policies, practices and attitudes for the advancement of women, social justice and racial equality and diversity throughout the community and a strong cor-

porate culture of volunteering to improve the quality of life in our community and professionalism that makes BTC a success and an asset to our local community and economy," Tschudy said.

Blackhawk Technical College has been a leader in making education accessible to all students regardless of their location.

Using state-of-the-art learning and learning technologies, students can attend classes online or through hybrid instruction.

These teaching and learning modalities allowed Blackhawk to pivot seamlessly in March 2020 after the state shut-down of on-campus instruction and has continued to allow flexibility to meet student needs.

In addition, the college has focused on community health needs over the past year.

In February 2021, Blackhawk partnered with the Rock County Public Health Department, Wisconsin Department of Health Services, and AMI Expeditionary Healthcare to host the state's first community vaccination clinic.

"We are honored to be rec-



Blackhawk Technical College President Dr. Tracy Pierner (front row and center) and staff were honored for the college being named last week Large Business of the Year by Forward Janesville, which will formally present the award at its Jan. 27 awards luncheon.

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ognized by Forward Janesville for the college's focus on meeting community needs," said Pierner. "It's been a team effort, and I'm so thankful for all staff, students and supporters of Blackhawk. We are pleased that we can provide quality education to our students during this pandemic. We're also honored that we have been able to partner with community organizations to provide additional

health, safety, and protective measures to our entire community through testing, vaccinations, and training first responders that will serve our state for years to come."

The College also continues to serve as a critical resource in the region's workforce.

The first phase of construction for BTC's new Public Safety + Transportation Center

is near completion.

This state-of-the-art, comprehensive facility will enhance training for the region's first responders and transportation workers.

ADRC workshop

The ADRC of Rock County - Aging Unit (formerly Council on Aging) is offering an online Living Well workshop series on six consecutive Tuesdays, from Feb. 22 to March 29, from 1:30 to 4 p.m.

Participants will need a computer or tablet with microphone/camera and internet access.

Registration deadline is Tuesday, Feb. 8. Class size is limited to 10 people. There is a \$10 suggested donation for those 60 and older, to cover the cost of materials.

For more information, participate in a short, virtual question/answer session and meet the leaders on Tuesday, Jan. 25 at 1:30 p.m. by contacting the ADRC of Rock County - Aging Unit at 608-757-5309 or emailing Lisa.Messer@co.rock.wi.us. Online registration is at www.co.rock.wi.us/aging.

Ballot

(Continued from front page)

Parkview School Board incumbents Zach Knutson and Jennie Krajeck are running unopposed for an additional three-year term.

Knutson is completing his first term on the board and Krajeck was appointed in 2018 then elected in 2019.

Albany School Board president Steven Elliott filed notice of non-candidacy papers last month for his three-year term. There are three seats up for election.

Vice President Sherry Gertsch and Treasurer Justin Monson will be on the ballot to secure their current seats.

Newcomers Jeremy Flood, Amy Hollis and David Patchen have filed declaration of candidacy papers, creating a race on the April 5 ballot.

Green and Rock counties election information will run in the Jan. 19 issue of the Brodhead Shopper.

Polls

The spring election will take place on Tuesday, April 5. Polls open at 7 a.m. and close at 8 p.m.

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News from Parkview in Orfordville:
Viking Times

THURSDAY, JAN. 13

- Orfordville Public Library open 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- Parkview Elementary School spelling bee, 10 a.m.
- Eighth-grade girls basketball vs. Brodhead, 4 p.m.
- JV girls basketball vs. Dodgeland, 6 p.m.
- Orfordville Police Committee meets, 6 p.m.
- Orfordville Public Works Committee meets, 7 p.m.
- Varsity girls basketball vs. Dodgeland, 7:15 p.m.

FRIDAY, JAN. 14

- Orfordville Public Library open from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Children's Storytime, 11 a.m.
- JV boys basketball game vs. Cambridge, 5:30 p.m.
- Varsity boys basketball vs. Cambridge, 7 p.m.

SATURDAY, JAN. 15

- Wrestling invitational Hillsboro, 9 a.m.
- Orfordville Public Library open from 9 a.m. to noon
- Varsity girls basketball Trailways Midseason Crossover, Central

SUNDAY, JAN. 16

- Orfordville Public Library closed

MONDAY, JAN. 17

- Eighth-grade girls basketball vs. J.C. McKenna, 4 p.m.
- JV girls basketball vs. Burlington, 5:30 p.m.
- School Board meets at elementary school LMC, 6 p.m.
- Varsity girls basketball vs. Shullsburg/Benton, 7 p.m.
- Orfordville Public Library open 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- Varsity boys basketball at Waterloo, 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, JAN. 18

- Varsity wrestling triangular at Johnson Creek, 5 p.m.
- JV boys basketball at New Glarus, 5:30 p.m.
- Orfordville Public Library open, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 19

- Orfordville library open, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Wisconsin Christian School, Waupun, 4 p.m.

Legal Notices

STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
GREEN COUNTY
Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. as Trustee for Mortgage Assets Management Series I Trust

Plaintiff,
v.
Estate of Barry A. Olson, et al.
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
Case No. 2021CV000121
By virtue of a judgment of foreclosure made in the above-entitled action on October 26, 2021 in the amount of \$154,613.41, I will sell at public auction, located at the Green County Justice Center, Ground Floor Conference Room, 2841 6th Street, Monroe, WI 53566, on

January 27, 2022
At 9:00 AM, all of the following described premises, to wit:

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
Sealed bids will be received by Mead & Hunt, Inc. at 2440 Deming Way, Middleton, WI 53562 until 2:00 PM January 28, 2022
For: Village of Albany Wastewater Treatment Facility Pond Mixer

The project consists of the following:
Providing, installing, and start-up of one (1) Pond Circulation Mixer.
The contract documents are on file and may be examined at the following locations:
Mead & Hunt, Inc.
2440 Deming Way
Middleton, WI 53562

Albany Village Hall
206 N. Water Street
Albany, WI 53502
Contract documents may be obtained from the office of Mead & Hunt, Inc. at 2440 Deming Way, Middleton, Wisconsin, telephone 608-273-6380 upon payment of \$50.

Prequalification of bidders will not be required and bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.
Government funding for this project requires this project be subject to the requirements of the Davis Bacon and Related Acts, American Iron and Steel Requirement, and the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Environmental Improvement Fund.

The successful bidder will be required to conform to the wage requirements prescribed by the federal Davis-Bacon and Related Acts which requires that all laborers and mechanics employed by contractors and sub-contractors performing on contracts funded in whole or in part with federal funds in excess of \$2,000 pay their laborers and mechanics not less than the prevailing wage rates and fringe benefits, as determined by the Secretary of Labor, for corresponding classes of laborers and mechanics employed on similar project in the area. Bidders shall provide certification with their bid agreeing to comply with Davis-Bacon requirements.
Disadvantaged business enterprises (DBEs), including minority business enterprises (MBEs) and women business enterprises (WBEs) are encouraged to submit bid proposals.
Before awarding the contract, the OWNER reserves the right to request proof of responsibility and qualifications, and a letter from the CONTRACTOR stating he or she is an equal opportunity employer.
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ter the opening of bids without the consent of the OWNER for a period of sixty (60) days after the scheduled time of receiving bids.
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AGENDA
BRODHEAD SCHOOL DISTRICT
Building & Grounds Committee Meeting
Thursday, January 13, 2022
DISTRICT OFFICE BOARD ROOM
6:00 P.M.

AGENDA
I. PRESENTATION OF LONG-TERM FACILITY PLANNING PROPOSAL FROM:
a. 6:00 p.m. - Bray Architects
b. 7:00 p.m. - Nexus Solutions
II. DISCUSSION OF PROPOSALS AND POTENTIAL RECOMMENDATION TO THE SCHOOL BOARD FOR APPROVAL
III. ADJOURN
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TOWN OF DECATUR
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
Tuesday, January 18 2022
6:00PM
Town Hall - 1408 14th Street, Brodhead, WI

AGENDA:
1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
3. Additions/Corrections to Agenda
4. Approval of Minutes
5. Treasurer's Report
6. Payment of Bills
7. Citizen Concerns
8. Review Badgerland Contract
9. Acquisition of Private Road
10. Property Violations
11. Conifer Court Snow Ordinance
12. Dogley Court Water Issue
13. Road Signage for Three Waters Reserve
14. Ford F450
15. Roadwork Report
16. Review Status of Website (Change from .com to .gov)
17. Registration Request for 2022 Wisconsin Towns Convention
18. Adjourn to Executive Session to discuss Personnel Matters (WI Statute 19.85(1)(c))
19. Reconvene to Open Session
20. Sharing of Information/Correspondence
21. Future Agenda Items
22. Set dates for future meetings
26. Adjournment
Sandra K. McManus
Clerk/Treasurer
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UW to host organic grain conference Jan. 28-29

Registration deadline is Jan. 20

With organic soybean prices reaching \$30 per bushel, organic production continues to provide a strong opportunity for farmers of all scales to capture the higher prices associated with organic products and build financial resiliency along with expanded sales.

A conference offered by the University of Wisconsin-Madison's Organic Grain Resources and Information Network (OGRAIN) will provide farmers with the knowledge and networks necessary to succeed in growing and marketing organic grains in the Upper Midwest.

The 2022 OGRAIN Organic

Grain Winter Conference will be held Friday and Saturday Jan. 28-29 on the UW-Madison campus.

Participants will benefit from two full days of organic expert presentations, engaging panels, productive discussions, and opportunities to meet other farmers interested in organic grain production in the Upper Midwest.

The conference will cover all aspects of organic grain production, including weed, fertility and disease management; state-of-the-art equipment for organic farmers; marketing and financial planning; organic certification; variety selection; and cover crops, rotations, and soil health.

The workshop will include engaging presentations, panels, and discussions led by experienced organic farmers, researchers, agency personnel

and industry representatives.

Organic farmer Rick Clark, recipient of the 2022 No-Till Innovator award, will discuss his experiences with organic production in a presentation titled "Organic with No-Tillage."

"The workshops over the two days will span production and marketing issues that transitioning, beginning, and experienced organic grain farmers of all sizes wrestle with," says OGRAIN program leader Erin Silva, associate professor and extension organic agriculture specialist in the UW-Madison Department of Plant Pathology. "Organic grain still offers a strong domestic market for farmers with prices that allow farms of all scales to make a living."

The event will provide valuable information for many individuals, including conventional

producers interested in exploring the transition to organic grain production, livestock farmers interested in growing their own feed, produce growers curious about adding grain to their system, and anyone considering or currently growing organic grain.

Ahead of the conference, there will be a Thursday evening roundtable event to facilitate farmer-to-farmer dialogue on experiences with organic no-till production.

This special session requires an additional registration and fee. Exhibitors will be available throughout the event to high-

light products and resources available to organic producers.

"A strong demand for domestically-produced organic wheat, barley, oats, specialty grains, corn, beans and forage provides a wide variety of opportunities for the aspiring organic grower and those who are looking to diversify their operations, says Silva.

"Transitioning to organic, as well as improving organic farming systems, is a key focus of this conference, which will provide valuable tips and techniques for any type of farmer who wants to have less reliance on chemical inputs, improve

soil health and their bottom line."

For more information and to register, visit ograin.cals.wisc.edu/events/2022-ograin-winter-conference.

Registration costs \$60 for a single day (Friday or Saturday) or \$100 for the full conference, with registration closing on Thursday, Jan. 20.

Masking will be required throughout the event, per local guidelines. The event will move to a virtual format in the case of changes necessitated by the COVID-19 pandemic. For more information, email Silva at emsilva@wisc.edu.

Green County meetings

Wednesday, Jan. 12

Green County Broadband Ad Hoc Committee, Green County Historic Courthouse, County Board Room, 1016 16th Ave., Monroe, 1:30 p.m.

N3152 State Road 81, Monroe, multipurpose rooms 2 and 3, 1 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 14

Green County Auditing, Bonding & Claims Committee, Green County Courthouse, 1016 16th Ave., Monroe, Finance Conference Room, 10:30 a.m.

Thursday, Jan. 13

Green County Aging & Disability Advisory Committee, Government Services Building,

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In brief

Gempeler's Supermarket recalls summer sausages

The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection announced Jan. 7 that Gempeler's Supermarket in Monticello is voluntarily recalling summer sausage.

The supermarket, located at 219 N. Main St., issued a voluntary Class II recall for packaged summer sausage sold from its store. The recalled product is Original Summer Sausage, lot code 323, packaged Nov. 19, 2021.

This is a Class II recall, initiated based on evidence collected during a routine inspection conducted by state inspectors.

Evidence shows that summer sausage from Gempeler's Supermarket was produced without the benefit of inspection by state officials as required by law for meat products. No illnesses have been reported as a result of consuming these products. Anyone with signs or symptoms of a foodborne illness should contact their doctor. Consumers who have any of these products can return them to the original place of purchase or discard them.

More information on the

U.S. Department of Agriculture recall classifications is available in the table below and on the USDA website at www.fsis.usda.gov.

Consumers with questions can contact Ken Gempeler, owner, at 608-938-4927.

Green County HCE announces scholarships for local students

Members of the Green County Home and Community Education, Inc. (HCE) organization will be awarding two scholarships, in the amount of \$500 each, available to a graduating senior of a Green County-based high school, a relative of a Green County HCE member or a member of a Green County 4-H Club, FFA or FCCLA chapter.

The purpose of this scholarship is to encourage individuals to take advantage of continuing education opportunities.

Applicants may attend a four-year public or private college or a technical college.

The scholarship will be awarded when the applicant has completed one semester of a four-year college or is at least halfway through the technical college course.

The application can be accessed from the Extension Green County website at green.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/scholarships.

A hard copy of the scholarship application is due no later than Friday, March 11.

For more information, contact Beth Campbell, chair of the HCE Scholarship Committee, at 608-424-6030.

Kids can learn proper use of 911, meet local heroes

The Green County Sheriff's Office is hosting a Learning to Call 911 workshop for kids Saturday, Jan. 29, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. for kids ages 4 to 10.

The workshop, set up in two-hour increments for three different age groups, is designed to give children an interactive experience calling 911 and speaking with a dispatcher. Children will meet sheriff's deputies, police officers, EMTs and fire fighters.

For more information, or to sign up, email bethhausern@greensheriff.com and provide the name of parent, children attending and their ages, as well as parent contact information.

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Brodhead School District has an opening for a full-time year around custodian at Albrecht Elementary School. Advanced knowledge and work related experience required in: floor care, carpet care, and general knowledge in all aspects of sanitation and cleaning of buildings. Ability to lift 50 pounds, climb and work on ladders, and set up for various events is required.

Hours are 2:00 p.m. - 10:30 p.m. Monday thru Friday. Occasional overtime and weekend work may be required. **This position begins immediately.**

Apply to Brian Kammerer, Building & Grounds Supervisor, Brodhead School District, 2501 W. Fifth Avenue, Brodhead, WI 53520, or call (608) 897-2141 Ext. 171.

Job description available upon request and application forms are available on the District website at www.brodhead.k12.wi.us.

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Brodhead School District has an opening for a full-time school-year custodial position at Brodhead Middle School. Advanced knowledge and work related experience required in: floor care, carpet care, and general knowledge in all aspects of sanitation and cleaning of buildings.

This is a half-year position starting immediately through June 3, 2022. Hours are 2:00 p.m. - 10:30 p.m. Monday thru Friday. Occasional overtime and weekend work may be required.

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PART TIME CUSTODIAN Needed! The Albany School District is seeking an individual to work a 4 hour, part time Custodial position. Hours will be in the afternoon from 3:30pm - 7:30pm. Please note, this is a 4 hour, part time position with the possibility of extra hours. Please visit www.albany.k12.wi.us for an application, or contact Jim Briggs at jim.briggs@albany.k12.wi.us

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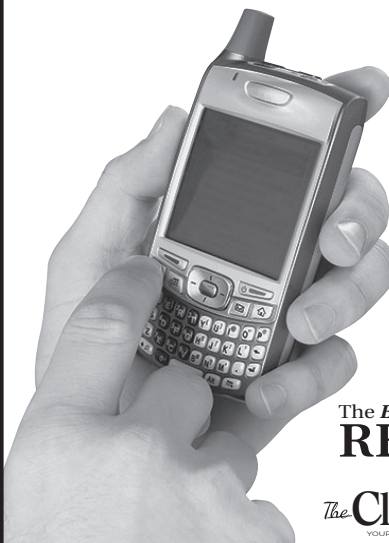
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