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Youngster Brynlee Roelli shows off her royal Swiss look with Cheese Days volunteer Inge Brockman at the Cheese Days Prince and Princess Contest for the last festival in 2018.

Cheese Days seeks this year's prince and princess of festivities

Green County Cheese Days would like to invite local children to apply for the positions of Prince and Princess for the 2022 Cheese Days Festival.

The contest is open to youth ages 6-12, who are residents of Green County.

Applications are due Monday, May 23.

The interviews and award program for the Prince and Princess Contest will take place on Saturday, June 11, at the Historic Green County Courthouse in downtown Monroe.

The selection process for Cheese Days Prince and Princess involves completing the application plus participating in a scheduled interview with a panel of judges.

Judging is based on personality and speaking ability. Candidates are also asked to dress in Swiss costume that day and must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. All candidates receive a gift for participating.

The pair selected as Prince and Princess will join the Cheese Days "royal family" in making appearances and participating in various activities leading up to and through the festival. A parent or guardian is responsible for transportation to and from all events.

For more information and to apply, visit www.cheesedays.com/contests2.

To request an application form be mailed, leave a message at 608-325-7771 or email cheesedaysfestival@gmail.com

Albany School Board names new superintendent

By Tony Ends
CORRESPONDENT

Albany School District is getting a new superintendent, advertising for a principal and other staff, and seating new and incumbent board members.

St. Croix Central High School Principal Kurt Soderberg will take over for retiring Albany Superintendent William Trow on July 1.

Outgoing Albany School Board President Steve Elliott, who chose not to seek re-election, said the board took up a contract for Soderberg in a special meeting March 28. Elliott subsequently released a statement naming Soderberg to the post.

Trow, who became superintendent in 2018, said the decision to leave Albany School District had been difficult but it was right for him at this point in life.

"I really care about the district," Trow said in an interview. "I went to Albany schools; I graduated from Albany High School. My kids went to Albany, and my dad went to Albany."

"We did some really neat things the past four years. I be-



Kurt Soderberg



William Trow

lieve the district is better than when I came on board. We hired a lot of good people; we had some good donations from the community to improve the building, and we built the secure south side entrance with the eight-year, \$2.75 million referendum that passed," Trow said.

As all schools have struggled to deal with the COVID-19 virus since 2020, Trow said the pandemic had made recent years difficult for the Albany School District.

Additional personal challenges that Trow's extended family has faced factored into his decision to retire, too.

Trow said he has met twice with Soderberg and will continue to meet with him to ensure a smooth transition for the new superintendent and the district.

Soderberg has been high school principal for five years in the St. Croix Central School District that has 1,669 students across its three schools. The district serves the villages of Hammond and Roberts in St. Croix County about 25 minutes east of St. Paul, Minn.

Soderberg earned his B.S. in 1993 from UW Stevens Point and a master's in 1995 from South Dakota State University. He received his administrators license in 2008 from Marian University. He has a total of 15 years' experience in high school administration. He also taught health and physical education for six years and spent five years as head men's basketball coach with Northland and Olivet colleges.

Soderberg received the Herb Kohl Educational Foundation Principal Leader Award this year. He also presented on standards-based grading at the Association of Wisconsin School Administrators conference.

"My wife (Paula) and I are honored and excited to join the Albany School District," So-

derberg said in a press release on his appointment as superintendent, "and we look forward to becoming active members of the community."

The Soderbergs have three grown children.

District is currently seeking new principal

Albany School Principal Douglas Nowak is also leaving his position. The district is advertising for a replacement.

Applications are being accepted through the Wisconsin Education Career Access Network (WECAN), a 21-year-old nonprofit service with 500 school members around the state.

The Albany district of 300 students, in one building with 65 staff, is also seeking substitute teachers and an Extended



Douglas Nowak

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First in the series will be: *I Am Tired of the Pandemic. And It Is Not Over, Yet!* Pandemics happen, but the last major one was 100 years ago. This one has been confusing, scary, stressful, tiring, and more. We will talk about some of our own struggles. Roger will talk about a bit of science, a bit of pandemic history and a bit of psychology. We will end by talking about how each person can plan better for their life, until this ends.

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

Deadline for applications: Open until filled.

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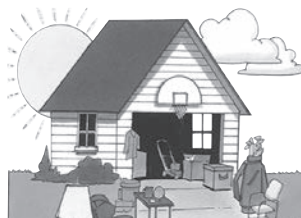
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The course's most well know attraction is the 7th hole which is a 100 yard par 3 that requires golfers to hit their shot over a giant ravine known by locals as the Pit. On the original course layout this played as the final hole, but today it is the 7th.

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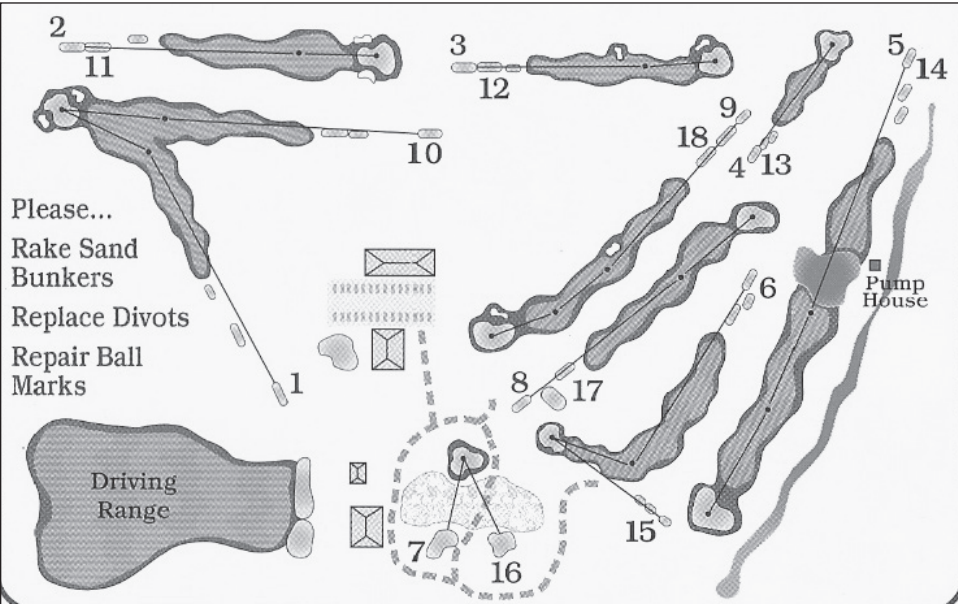


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THOMAS ANDERSON

Thomas Jackson Anderson, 54, died unexpectedly while at his home in Janesville.

He was born on Aug. 29, 1967 in Monroe, to the late Delmar and Kathleen (Hegi) Anderson.

He worked for Equifax in Madison in the past and most recently for the Lions Quick Mart in Janesville for several



years.

He is further preceded in death by one brother, Scott

years. He loved history and studied books on WWII battles and enjoyed playing cards, especially euchre and pinocle.

Anderson.

He is survived by his two children, Jared Anderson of Brooklyn and Logan (Elyse) Anderson of Grafton; four siblings, Dane (Betty) Anderson, Laura (Larry) Graber, Lisa (Frank) Lontz and Mary Paul and several nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends.

In lieu of flowers, memorials directed to the family are

appreciated.

Funeral services will be held at the DL Newcomer Funeral Home, 1105 E. 9th Avenue, in Brodhead on Monday, April 18 at 11 a.m. A visitation will also be held at the funeral home on Sunday, April 17, from 4 to 7 p.m. and also on Monday at 10 a.m. until the time of services.

Cremation rites will be accorded after the services.

ROBERT BECKER

Robert Manley Becker, 93, died peacefully at his home on Tuesday, April 5, 2022.

He was born April 20, 1928 and raised in Spring Grove township to the late Otto and Fern (Douglas) Becker.

He attended Oakley School and graduated from Brodhead High School in 1946.

Later that year, he enlisted in the Army Air Corp Occupational Services and served in Japan from 1946 to 1949.

He married Mildred Grenzow on Jan. 9, 1954 and they had three children, LuAnn, Susan and Richard.

He had farmed in Spring Grove township for several



until his retirement 20 years later. After his retirement he operated Bob's Small Engine Repair.

He had many interests and hobbies which included vintage airplanes, and as his family grew a strong interest in genealogy.

During the winter months he could often be found work-

ing a jigsaw puzzle or two.

With his wife, had also taken many bus tours around the country to national parks and especially enjoyed a trip to Hawaii. He also enjoyed the coffee get-togethers around the "Table of Knowledge" with many of his friends at the Country Gardens Cafe.

On May 17, 2017, he was honored to be part of the VetRoll trip to Washington D.C.

He was further preceded in death by his sister Helen Eyer, his brother Rodney Becker and his son Richard Becker.

He is survived by his wife of 68 years Mildred; a sister Sarah Busjahn, a brother Russell Becker; daughters

LuAnn (Daniel) Gruber and Susan (Jon) Condon; grandchildren: Dan (Melissa) Gruber, Neal Gruber, Randy (Lauren) Gruber, Kristina Barbknecht, Doug (Elsa) Condon, Bryan (Rachel) Condon; great-granddaughters Morgan, Sydney, and Eliza Gruber, Lexi Barbknecht and Nora Condon plus many nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, memorials directed to the family are appreciated to the DL Newcomer Funeral Home, PO Box 26, Brodhead WI 53520.

A private family gathering will be held at a later date. The DL Newcomer Funeral Home is assisting the family.

JEAN L. COMBS

Jean Louise Combs, 91, of Beloit, died peacefully surrounded by her family on Wednesday, April 6, 2022 at Beloit Memorial Hospital.

She was born on Dec. 21, 1930 at Mercy Hospital in Janesville, to the late James and Lillian Allen.

She graduated from Brodhead High School. She later attended Platteville Teachers College and Blackhawk Vocational School.

She married Dorman Combs in 1950. He predeceased her on Oct. 13, 1989.

She was a loving and de-



voted wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother, according to her family, whom she loved spending time with.

She enjoyed history, volunteering at the Beloit Historical Society and visiting many historical sites.

She also volunteered for RSVP and was involved in America Reads programs.

She was a Sunday school teacher, a talented pianist and

an understanding counselor for family and friends. She loved animals, bird watching and animals, especially the strays.

She was further preceded in death by a brother, Dr. James Allen; and nephew, John Allen.

Survivors include her sons, Mike Combs, Mark (Kim) Combs, John (Diane) Combs and Thomas Combs; grandchildren, Jaron (Carey), Rebekah (Brad) Dement, Robert Combs, Ashley (Anthony) Hoverson and Taylor Combs; great grandchildren, Malloory, Camden, Lacy, Lilliana,

Kayleigh and Wesley; sister-in-law, Katherine Allen; one nephew, David Allen; and her cat, "Zoey."

Services have been held. Burial was held in Greenwood Cemetery, Brodhead. Daley Murphy Wisch & Associates Funeral Home and Crematorium, 2355 Cranston Road, Beloit, assisted the family.

Memorials may be made in her name to Central Christian Church or to the Humane Society of Southern Wisconsin.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.davleymurphywisch.com.

ROBERT E. FRANCIS

Robert E. Francis, age 87, of Orfordville, died on Saturday, April 2, 2022, at Agrace Hospice in Janesville.

He was born on June 27, 1934, in Rockford, Illinois, to the late Philip and Carolyn (Mapes) Francis.

He married Maureen Reavis on Jan. 4, 1954.

He worked all of his life as an electrician and pastored a church for 16 years.

In 1971 he took his family to Madagascar to do electrical work on the mission field for 10 months.

In retirement, he enjoyed building furniture, toys, and



ornaments for the kids and grandkids. Family was always very important to him.

His favorite post-retirement job was driving cars for Burtness Chevrolet, seeing new places and meeting new people.

He enjoyed sports, watching the Packers, and reading. He was a good storyteller.

He is survived by his wife Maureen, their five children: Debbie (Mike) Spencer, Vickie (Brett) Condon, Rob-

ert (Mary) Francis, Dennis (Barbara) Francis, and Sara (Shawn) Nolan; 17 grandchildren: Jon Spencer, Jacob Spencer, Joshua Condon, Andrew Condon, Israel Condon, Elisha Condon, Abigail Condon, Nathaniel (Kari) Francis, Laura (Jeremiah) Borke, Marcus (Scarlett) Francis, Ethan (Stefanie) Francis, Garrett (Erica) Francis, Luke (Katherine) Francis, Rebecca (Timothy) Conley, Grant (Laura) Francis, Conner Nolan, and Catelyn Nolan; granddaughter-in-law Amber Condon; and 37 great grandchildren.

He is also survived by his

brothers Duke (Meme) and Phil (Betty) and sister Donna Kalson.

He was further preceded in death by a brother Ben; a brother-in-law Joe Kalson; one grandson Justin Condon; and twin great grandsons.

The family would like to thank Agrace Hospice and St. Croix Hospice for their care and compassion.

Memorial services were held April 10 at the DL Newcomer Funeral Home in Brodhead. Cremation rites have been accorded and burial of cremains will take place at the Greenwood Cemetery at a later date.

JACOB RILEY

Jacob "Jake" Riley, 25, of Brodhead, died March 31, 2022.

He was born on Dec. 29, 1996, in Darlington, Wis., to Jason and Kasa (Daly) Riley.

He was an amazing father, loving husband to-be, beloved son, loving brother, and friend to too many to list.

He worked alongside his dad, and they shared an everlasting bond that will live on forever.

Together, they enjoyed hunting and found a new love for the north where they would spend their time camping, fishing, and just enjoying the great outdoors.

He loved rebuilding and working on cars with his soon to be father-in-law Jason Wenger and the "Oldman" Terri Wenger.

According to his family, he could be wild, crazy, and always make people laugh no matter the situation.



with his children and fiancée.

He enjoyed showing and teaching them about things that he and his dad would do together such as fishing and hunting.

"Though he was taken too soon, he left us with many happy memories that will always be cherished," his family stated.

He is survived by his children Jameson Riley, Izac Casten, Athena Carreras, and fiancée Katie Wenger of Brodhead; his parents Jason and Kasa Riley of Argyle; and his two siblings McKenzie Riley and Mia Riley. He is also survived by his

siblings Jonathon Bailey, Jeremiah Bailey, Novalee Bailey, Aleathea Bailey, Xavier Bailey, Cecelia Bailey, and their mother Atoshia Bailey of Shullsburg. He is also survived by his grandparents: Mark and Ruby Butson of Argyle; Connie and Ted Henderson of Monroe.

He was preceded in death by his unborn daughter; his brother Aden Riley; grandparent Terri "Oldman" Wenger; and his great-grand-

parents: Margarite and Bill Riley, Sandy and Leroy Narveson.

A funeral service and visitation was held on April 8 at the Erickson Funeral Home in Argyle with Rev. Daniel Bohlman officiating.

Online condolences may be expressed to the family at www.ericksonfuneralhome.com.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial fund has been established in Jacob's name.

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-Albertson Memorial Library open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
*Track meet at Black Hawk, 4:15 p.m.
*Baseball game vs. Highland, 4:30 p.m.
*Softball game vs. Highland, 5 p.m.

FRIDAY, APRIL 15
*Good Friday - no school
-Albertson Memorial Library open 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 16
-Albertson Memorial Library open 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL 17
-Easter Sunday
-Albany American Legion breakfast, 8 a.m. to noon
*Zumba in the Cafeteria, School District, 6 p.m.

MONDAY, APRIL 18
-No school
-Albertson Memorial Library open 1 p.m. to 7 p.m.
-Village Parks Commission meets, Village Hall, 6:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, APRIL 19
-Albertson Memorial Library open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
-Children's Storytime hosted by the library on Facebook, 10 a.m.
*High school track meet at River Ridge, 4:15 p.m.
*Baseball and softball games at Argyle, 5 p.m.
-Albany Town Board annual meeting, 6:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20
-Albertson Memorial Library open 1 p.m. to 7 p.m.
*National Honor Society induction ceremony, 6 p.m.
*Albany School District, early release, 2:37 p.m.
*Zumba in the Cafeteria, School District, 6 p.m.

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Monroe among those awarded urban forestry matching grants

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) last week announced that it has recently awarded a total of \$90,000 to five Wisconsin communities, including the City of Monroe, to support urban forestry projects. These funds were made available through a United States Forest Service grant.

Like electricity and water, an urban tree canopy is an important part of a community's infrastructure. Well-managed urban forests provide services such as energy conservation, economic vitality, improved air quality, reduced stormwater runoff, carbon sequestration and enhanced beautification.

The Village of Grafton received \$25,000, the City of Greenfield received \$17,238.62, the City of Monroe received \$7,917.67, the Ozaukee County Planning & Parks Department received \$14,843.71 and the City of West Bend received \$25,000.

The communities that received these must match them dollar-for-dollar.

In Monroe, the grant dollars would be used for staff training, its terrace tree planting program and ash removal.

The DNR Urban Forestry Grant program funds projects that support state and national goals of increasing the number of trees in urban forests and their benefits. An urban forest encompasses trees on both public and private property. This is the second round of grants awarded in 2022 so far.

Priorities for the 2022 grant cycle included projects that:

- Increase the ability of local municipal partners to expand their urban forestry program
- Increase the ability of all local partners to provide ongoing urban forestry funding, services and markets
- Benefit multiple communities and put existing inventories of urban trees to use

More information about the DNR Urban Forestry Grant program is available on the urban forestry grants webpage.

In brief

COVID-19 testing site location changing

Beginning Monday, April 18, Green County Public Health is returning to the Green County Government Services Building, N3152 WI-81, Monroe, for COVID-19 testing.

Testing will be available Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. by appointment only by calling Green County Public Health at 608-328-9390. The last day of testing at the Bauer Education Center will be on Thursday, April 14.

Registration is suggested ahead of time at gcpubhealth.org. Those who do not have access to internet can register onsite.

Drive-through testing will take place under the over-hang in the front of the building. Follow the signs indicating where to go. Testing is open to anyone 12 months and older. Anyone 17 and younger will need a parent or guardian with them to get tested. Additional options for COVID-19 testing can be found on the Wisconsin Department of Health Services

website, COVID-19 testing webpage: www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/community-testing.htm.

Rock County park has hidden eggs and 'eggs-ercise' activity

Rock County Parks is hosting an I-Spy Egg Hunt & Eggs-ercise event at Beckman Mill Park now through Sunday, April 17.

Participants are invited to take a walk and be on the search for 19 eggs at Beckman Mill Park, 11450 S County Road H, Janesville

Each egg location will include an "eggs-ercise" challenge. Eggs are visible from the trail and should not be tampered with.

Snap a picture or selfie with an egg to be entered into a drawing for a prize basket. One winner will be drawn from all entries.

Photos can be sent to parcs@co.rock.wi.us or to Rock County Parks Facebook Messenger to be entered into the drawing. Submissions must be received no later than Friday, April 18 to be eligible.

Community Conversations: Tough Talks series begins April 19

The Aging and Disability Resource Center of Southwest Wisconsin will host a monthly virtual series tackling topics to help work on many tasks associated with legal, financial, health, mental health and emotional issues.

Living with a disability, living in an aging body, living with mental health struggles: all require 'Tough Talks,' according to the ARDC. Tough talks are not easy, but they are necessary.

The series is led by Roger Reynolds, who grew up on a farm in Crawford County and has lived in Southwestern Wisconsin most of his life.

He lives with civilian PTSD, depression and anxiety. He is a Mental Health Peer Leader and has participated in, designed and led mental health support groups and skills groups.

The series kicks off Tuesday, April 19 at 11 a.m. on Zoom with "I Am Tired of the Pandemic. And It is not Over, Yet!"

To register, call 608-328-9610 or email dhay-skattum@gchsd.org.

Brodhead Evening Garden Club offering scholarship

The Brodhead Evening Garden Club is offering a \$400 scholarship to local high schoolers seeking higher education in the agriculture field.

Since 2006, the club has awarded scholarships to graduating students in the area. As with previous years, the scholarship is available to current seniors who attend Brodhead, Juda, Albany or Parkview high schools and qualified home-schooled students who are pursuing degrees in agriculture, with a preference in horticulture, plant science, landscaping or turf science.

Students may attend a four- or two-year program and the scholarship will be awarded after completion of the recipient's first semester. Students can pick up applications in their school's guidance office. Applications, plus a two-page essay highlighting achievements, extra-curriculars, future goals and objectives is due no later than Friday, April 15 to Ronald Massen, E314 23rd St., Brodhead, WI, 53520.

Green County Master Gardener's offering scholarships

Green County Master Gardener Association (GCMGA) will present scholarships to qualifying youth who are enrolled in secondary education in a horticulture-related field of study.

Applicants may attend a four-year university or a technical college.

To qualify, applicants must be a graduate of a Green County area high school or resident continuing their education after high school. Scholarships will be awarded after the student has successfully completed one semester of study and has sent the scholarship committee proof of re-enrollment for the next semester.

Up to \$1,000 will be distributed annually at the discretion of the Green County Master Gardeners Association. Application deadline is Friday, April 30, and recipients will be announced in May.

For more information or to obtain an application contact Jackie McCarville, Ag Educator, at the Extension Green County Office at 608-328-9440. Applications are also available at green.extension.wisc.edu.

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Green County Public Health offering COVID boosters

Green County Public Health will be offering second COVID-19 booster doses of the vaccines Pfizer and Moderna, for those 50 and older.

The second booster dose must be given at least four months after the first booster dose.

Green County Public Health will host the following COVID-19 vaccine clinics for second boosters at N3152 WI-81, Monroe:

- Wednesday, April 13, noon to 2 p.m.
- Monday, April 18, from 10 a.m. to noon
- Friday, April 29, from 1 to 4 p.m.

Appointments are not necessary.

These clinics are also open to any community member needing to get their initial vaccine

series, or first booster dose.

The pediatric Pfizer (ages 5-11), Moderna, Pfizer and Johnson & Johnson are available.

Second booster doses to eligible individuals will also be available at pop-up COVID-19 vaccine clinics at RE Thrift Store, 1020 17th Avenue, Monroe, on Monday, May 2, from 3 to 4 p.m.

The CDC also expanded eligibility for another booster dose to those 18 and older who received the Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccine as both their primary series dose and initial booster dose.

These individuals may now receive a second booster dose using an mRNA COVID-19 vaccine.

People ages 12 years and older who have undergone

solid organ transplantation, or who are living with conditions that are considered to have an equivalent level of immunocompromise, may receive a second booster of the Pfizer vaccine.

Those ages 18 and older with the same condition may also receive the Moderna vaccine.

Booster doses are intended to help maintain the highest level of immune system protection.

Evidence suggests that immunity wanes over time for some people who were initially well-protected by the COVID-19 vaccine.

For those people, a booster dose will strengthen and extend their protection against infection, serious illness, hospitalization, and death from COVID-19, according to

health officials.

Anyone 12 and older who has not yet received their initial booster dose, and everyone eligible for a second booster dose are encouraged to get their booster.

Additionally, Green County Public Health encourages those 5 years and older who are not yet vaccinated to get the COVID-19 vaccine.

In addition, people can get vaccinated through their healthcare provider or pharmacy.

To find a vaccine provider, visit vaccines.gov. Individuals getting their booster dose should bring their CDC COVID-19 vaccination card. To stay up to date on the COVID-19 pandemic, follow Green County Public Health's website and Facebook page.

Behring Senior Center events

The Behring Senior Center is offering a number of events including, but not limited to the listing below, throughout the month for area residents 55 and older.

The center is located at 1113 10th St. in Monroe. Registration is required for all events, unless noted.

For more information or to register, call coordinator Elizabeth Sorn at 608-325-3173 or email esorn@cityofmonroe.org.

Movie matinee

The center will show "Mar-

ry Me," Tuesday, April 19; and "No Time for Sergeants" on Thursday, April 28. Movies are shown at 1:30 p.m. on the second floor.

Bowling with buddies

Join friends for a fun day of bowling at Leisure Lanes Monday, April 25 at 10:30 a.m. Cost is \$8 and includes two games, shoe rental, pizza and soda.

Medicare & Social Security 411

Nitza Pfaff will discuss Medicare and Social Security

basics Wednesdays April 20, May 4, 18, June 1, 15, 29 and July 13 and 27 at 10:30 a.m.

Tech time

Gain help and understanding on the latest devices and applications from students at Monroe High School, Friday, April 22 and Friday, May 20. Register for a 20-minute time slot between 2 to 4 p.m.

Spring Fling musical performance by Top Shelf

Enjoy an afternoon of live music on Monday, May 9,

starting at 1:30 p.m.

Tracy Jane Comer sings and plays the keyboard and guitar while her duo partner Alan Malowski sings and plays percussion. Together, they perform a lively mix of tunes including swing, jazz, country, rock 'n roll, and show tunes. Space is limited and cost is \$5.

Other activities and services offered throughout the month and into May, includes chair massages, foot care, senior center library, table tennis, pool, pickleball, cards and bingo among others.

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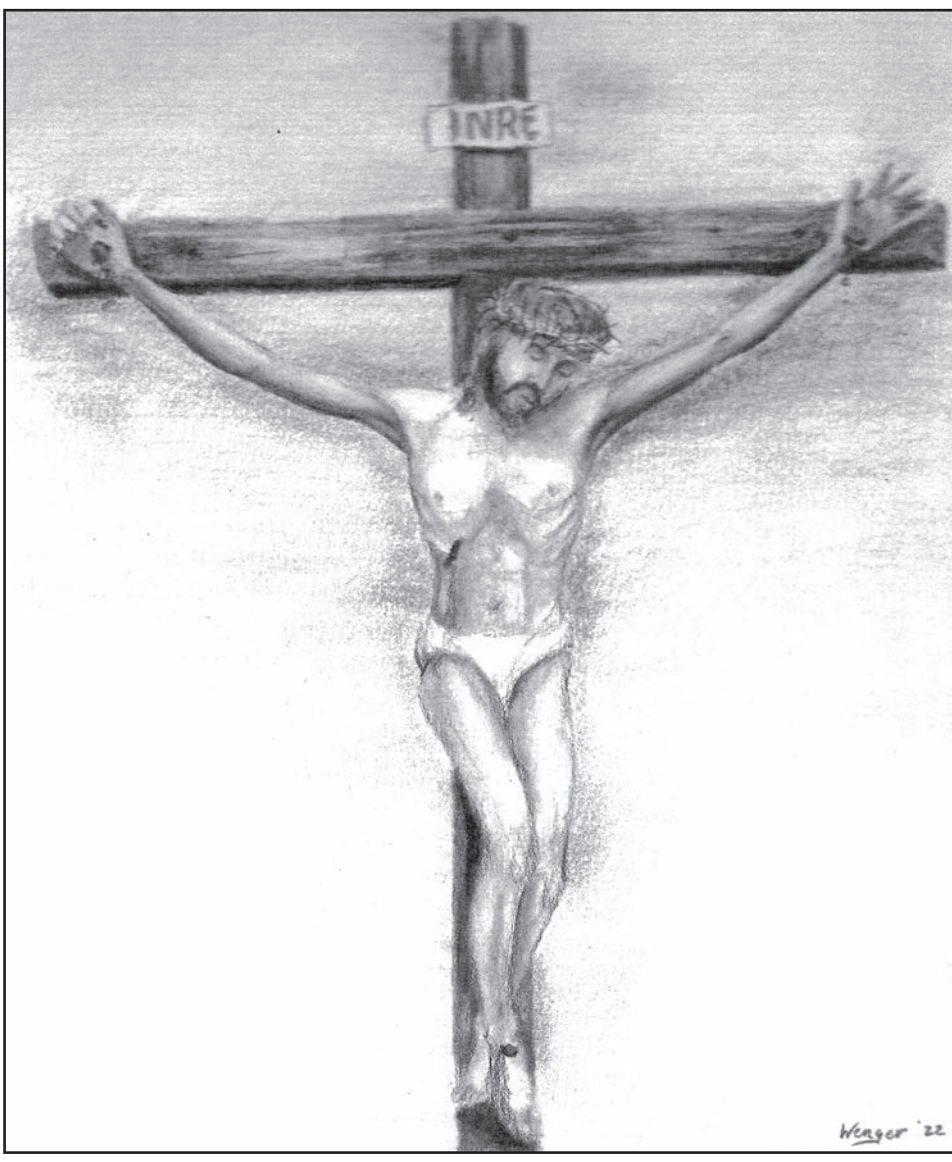
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Historical society, Fellowship group to host Lincoln lecture

Bestselling author will present April 23

The Lincoln Fellowship of Wisconsin and the Rock County Historical Society (RCHS) are hosting a lecture and discussion by author Ronald C. White on his newest book, *Lincoln in Private: What his Most Personal Reflections Tell Us About our Greatest President*.

The free event is set for 1 p.m. on Saturday, April 23 at the Tallman Carriage House, 450 N. Jackson Street in Janesville.

Published on May 4, 2021, *Lincoln in Private* is the recipient of the 2021 Baroness/Lincoln Award presented by the Civil War Round Table of New York for "the greater appreciation and the life and work of Abraham Lincoln."

The Wall Street Journal hailed it as "an intimate character portrait and fascinating inquiry into the basis of Lincoln's energetic, curious mind."

White is also the narrator of the Random House Audio Book.

White is the author of two New

York Times bestselling presidential biographies. *A. Lincoln: A Biography* was published by Random House in 2009. USA Today said, "If you read one book about Lincoln, make it A.LINCOLN." American Ulysses: *A Life of Ulysses S. Grant* won the 2017 William Henry Seward Award for "Excellence in Civil War Biography."

He has also written *Lincoln's Greatest Speech: The Second Inaugural*, a New York Times Notable Book; and *The Eloquent President: A Portrait of Lincoln Through His Words*, a Los Angeles Times bestseller.

White is a graduate of UCLA, Princeton Theological Seminary, with a Ph.D. in religion and history from Princeton University. He is a Senior Fellow at the Trinity Forum in Washington, D.C. He has taught at UCLA, Whitworth University, Colorado College, and Princeton Theological Seminary. He has lectured at the White House and been

interviewed on the PBS NewsHour. He has spoken about Lincoln in England, France, Germany, Italy, Mexico, and New Zealand.

Founded in 1940, the Lincoln Fellowship of Wisconsin was formed to unite admirers of Abraham Lincoln and to encourage further study into his life and to preserve Lincoln landmarks in Wisconsin.

The RCHS has been collecting, preserving and sharing the rich history of Rock County through innovative programming, exhibits, lectures, tours and events for nearly 75 years. Its campus includes six historic buildings: the Lincoln-Tallman House; the Museum & Visitor Center; the Tallman Carriage House; the Wilson-King Stone House; the Frances Willard Schoolhouse; and the RCHS Archives and Preservation Facility.

For more information, contact RCHS Timothy Maahs, executive director, at 608-756-4509 ext. 301 or email tmaahs@rchs.us.



Ronald C. White

Incumbent unseated in Orfordville village race

Voters who cast ballots in the race for Orfordville Village Board of Trustees elected newcomer Dennis Burtness, incumbent Jason Knox and former trustee Chuck Boyce to lead the village forward.

Dennis Burtness, 214 votes

Burtness, who ran on a pledge for "respectful, open communication," garnered the most votes - 214.



Jason Knox, 166 votes

Knox, who has been at odds with Village President Gary Phillips over the recent resignation of former Police Chief Brian Raupp, earned 166 votes.



Chuck Boyce, 143 votes

Boyce, who has also been vocally-opposed to Phillips' handing of the police department, had 143 votes cast in his favor.



Incumbent Terry Gerber received 114 votes, trailing behind Don Cox, who tallied 131 votes.

Trustee Tina Suiter filed a non-candidacy form back in December and will complete it officially with the annual organization meeting scheduled for Tuesday, April 19. Trustees earn \$20 per meeting. Judge Russell Rucker has also been re-elected to the bench. The municipal judge earns \$1,420 annually.

Information on the total ballots cast and number of registered voters in the village was not made available at time of publication.

DEFY Domestic Abuse tackles gun violence awareness

DEFY Domestic Abuse has been awarded a \$5,000 grant by the Women's Fund of the State-line Community Foundation to be used for a gun violence awareness campaign.

Working in partnership with Community Action, Inc (CAI) and the City of Beloit Police Department, the groups plan to kick off the campaign in June, in honor of Gun Violence Prevention Month.

The grant was awarded partially in response to recent gun violence in Beloit.

Because gun violence and domestic violence are closely linked, the gun violence awareness campaign aims to increase the safety of every domestic abuse survivor in Beloit by addressing the presence of guns in the community.

As part of the campaign, DEFY will work with Community Action Inc. and the Beloit Police Department to identify men who are positive role models for youth.

The men's messages about anti-gun violence will be shared

with the community.

"We believe it is important for local men to talk about why they choose not to use guns and set a positive example for local youth," Kelsey Hood, director of Survivor Empowerment Services at DEFY, stated in a press release.

Funding for the gun violence campaign will be used to support 10 billboards throughout the City of Beloit and Town of Beloit. While the billboards will remain in place for four weeks, Hood said the impact of the

project will last far longer.

"DEFY hopes to use the billboards to inspire conversations and increase programming around gun violence prevention," she said.

As part of Family Services of Southern Wisconsin and Northern Illinois, Inc., DEFY Domestic Abuse Beloit extends to survivors of domestic abuse all the support offered by Family Services. This includes parenting support; therapy and counseling; legal advocacy; and community outreach.

In addition to DEFY Domestic Abuse Beloit, Family Services includes the following: Individual & Family Counseling Program; Sexual Assault Recovery Program; Praxis Employee Assistance Program; Youth2Youth 4 Change; and The Neighborhood Resilience Project.

Family Services is a funded partner of United Way Blackhawk Region, United Way of Green County, and the Community Foundation of Southern Wisconsin.

Extension to host talk on community and small space gardens

Gardening in community gardens or small spaces can have challenges in addition to those that every gardener faces.

In the upcoming program that every gardener can benefit from, experts from UW-Extension, Rock Coun-

ty will talk about soil health, proper planting techniques, and weed control to help improve the health and productivity of garden plots for the upcoming growing season.

Then, save the date for the June program when presenters will tackle insect and dis-

ease issues.

Each program is free and in-person. Registration is not required.

Gardening in Community Gardens

• Get Ready and Grow will be presented Tuesday, April

19, at 5:30 p.m. at the Daniel Hale Williams Resource Center, 1717 Center Avenue, Janesville. The discussion will include proper planting techniques, weed control and soil health.

• Insect and Disease Management will take place Tuesday, June 14, at 5:30 p.m. at Rock County Community Garden, Hwy 14, in Janesville. Learn how you can help reduce insect and disease

problems without chemicals.

Julie Hill, Horticulture Outreach Specialist from UW-Madison Division of Extension Rock County, will lead the programs in collaboration with the Rock County Land Conservation Department.

For more information, contact Julie Hill at julie.hill@wisc.edu or Ashley Roscoe at ashley.roscoe@co.rock.wi.us.

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News from Parkview in Orfordville: Viking Times

THURSDAY, APRIL 14

- Spring break - no school
- Orfordville Library open 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- High school track invitational at Cambridge, 4 p.m.
- Varsity baseball at Hustisford, 5 p.m.
- Varsity softball vs. Hustisford/Dodgeland, 5 p.m.
- Police Committee meets, 6 p.m.
- Public Works Committee meets, 7 p.m.

FRIDAY, APRIL 15

- Spring break - no school
- Orfordville Library open 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Children's Storytime 11 a.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 16

- Orfordville Library open 9 a.m. to noon

SUNDAY, APRIL 17

- Easter Sunday

MONDAY, APRIL 18

- Orfordville Library open 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- Middle school track meet at Clinton Middle School, 4 p.m.
- High school track meet at Palmyra-Eagle High School, 4:30 p.m.
- Varsity baseball vs. Horicon at Discher Park, 5 p.m.
- Varsity softball at Horicon, 5 p.m.
- Board of Education meets at elementary school, 6 p.m.

TUESDAY, APRIL 19

- Orfordville Public Library open 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., Teen Tuesdays 3:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20

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

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BTC ag students clinch multiple state, national awards

Students in Blackhawk Technical College's agricultural program at the Monroe campus competed in two conferences over the last two months, bringing home a record number of awards.

The Wisconsin Professional Agricultural Students (PAS) Competitive Events Conference was a state-wide virtual conference that ran from Feb. 22-24. More than 200 students and advisors from technical colleges across the state competed.

The National Professional Agricultural Students Conference was held from March 16-19 in Minneapolis with more than 400 students and advisors from technical colleges all over the country in attendance.

Dustin Williams, Agribusiness and Farm Management instructor, said in a press release he's proud of the accomplishments of his students, especially over the last two years.

"I'm especially proud of the students that stepped up to serve as local and state officers during the pandemic," he said. "It's been challenging, but we were able to keep students engaged in this organization during the pandemic."

BTC also has three students serving as state officers on the six-member team this year.

Trinity Dyreson, McKenna Pfeuti, and Ashley Letcher are all currently serving as officers. Dyreson was also just elected to serve as one of the 2022-2023 National PAS Vice Presidents.

The National PAS Organization has more than 6,000 members from 57 chapters located in 18 states. PAS is available to students in Post-Secondary Agriculture, Agribusiness, and Natural

Resource Programs in 550 technical colleges in all 50 states.

The PAS mission is to provide opportunities for individual growth, leadership and career planning through participation in employment experience programs, course work and PAS activities.

Wisconsin PAS Conference award winners

- Trevor Bausch, 1st, Employment Interviewing: Crop Production
- Casey Bennett, 1st, Employment Interviewing: Forestry and Natural Resources
- Issa Conombo, 1st, Employment Interviewing: Fruit and Vegetable Production
- Kalee Schaefer, 1st, Employment Interviewing: Fertilizers and Agricultural Chemicals
- Avery Caley, 2nd, Employment Interviewing: Forestry and Natural Resources
- Trinity Dyreson, 2nd, Employment Interviewing: Livestock Production
- Jason Hunt, 2nd, Agriculture Sales Specialist
- Ashley Letcher, 2nd, Employment Interviewing: Agricultural Education
- McKenna Pfeuti, 2nd, Employment Interviewing: Fertilizers and Agricultural Chemicals
- Heidi Reed, 2nd, Employment Interviewing: Crop Production
- Trevor Bausch & Casey Bennett, 2nd, Crops and Soils Specialist: Teams
- Trinity Dyreson, McKenna Pfeuti & Jordan Lersch, 2nd, Equine Specialist: Teams
- Ashley Letcher, 3rd, AG Education Specialist
- Leslie Reinke, 3rd, Employment Interviewing: Livestock Production
- Kalee Schaefer, 3rd, Im-



BTC ag students Trevor Bausch (from left), Heidi Reed, Issa Conombo, Jason Hunt, Leslie Reinke, Gavin Jensen, Trinity Dyreson, Bryce Montgomery, McKenna Pfeuti, Troy Nickels, Luke Grocholl, Casey Bennett and Kalee Schaefer were honored. Ashley Letcher, who is not pictured, was also honored.



BTC ag students Trinity Dyreson (from left), Trevor Bausch, Kalee Schaefer, Casey Bennett, Ashley Letcher, Issa Conombo, Leslie Reinke, and Dustin Williams were national conference award winners. Virtual participant Heidi Reed, who is not pictured, was also a winner.

- Casey Bennett, 4th, Career Progress: Ag Management and Marketing Systems
- Casey Bennett, 4th, Career Planning: Horticulture, Environmental and Natural Resource Systems
- Casey Bennett, 2nd, Career Progress: Ag Management and Marketing Systems
- Kalee Schaefer, 2nd, Employment Interviewing: Fertilizers and Agricultural Chemicals
- Trevor Bausch, 3rd, Employment Interviewing: Crop Production
- Casey Bennett, 3rd, Employment Interviewing: Forestry and Natural Resources
- Trinity Dyreson, 3rd, Employment Interviewing: Livestock Production
- Trevor Bausch, Casey Bennett & Kalee Schaefer, 3rd, Crops and Soils Specialist: Team
- Casey Bennett, Trevor Bausch, Leslie Reinke, Kalee Schaefer & Issa Conombo, 4th, College Quiz Bowl

• Board (Continued from front page)

Day Care Director on its website.

Newcomer, incumbents secure school board seats

In last week's non-partisan election, newcomer Amy Hollis received the highest votes (326) in the field of five candidates for Albany School Board. Incumbents Sherry Gertsch, 301 votes, and Justin Monson, 285 votes, also won reelection to the board.

In unsuccessful candida-



Amy Hollis



Sherry Gertsch



Justin Monson

ties for school board, David Patchen received 256 votes, Jeremy Flood, 193 votes, and there were 11 write-in ballots cast. A total 1,372 votes were cast to seat three school board

members in the April 5 election.

Albany School Board's total of seven members will meet to restructure and name a new president to replace Elliot, who filed non-candidacy papers late last year.

Sherri Seitz, Valerie Johnson, Carrie Anderson, and Adam Kopp are the other present members. The board met to conduct its canvass of the election and make official the vote tally last week on April 7.

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'Week of the Young Child' spotlights early care

Last week was the 50th anniversary of the National Association for the Education of Young Children's Week of the Young Child. The Week of the Young Child (WOTYC) is a celebration of young children and their families and educators. It was created to bring awareness to the importance of the early years as the foundation for all future development. This year, the Green County Child Care Network brought back their celebration, unfortunately, the snowy weather interfered with the planned celebration. President Andrea Priebe stated, "We are bringing



By **CORRINE HENDRICKSON**
Contributor

back the Week of the Young Child to focus public attention on the needs of young children and their families, and to recognize the early childhood programs and services that meet those needs. Week of the Young Child is a fun-filled week celebrating early learning, young children, their teachers, families, and communities." However, the children

that came were able to play games in a space provided by Monroe Park and Rec and still got to take a goody bag home with Culver's Scoopie Token, a small toy donated from either the Kinderladen or Little Rascal's Family Child Care. Each day of the week followed a theme with Music Monday, Tasty Tuesday, Work Together Wednesday, Artsy Thursday, and Family Friday. WOTYC Co-chair Theresa Klemm said she is excited for next year. "We have so many ideas and want to continue to grow this week every year," she said. In addition, childcare educators will also

be inviting elected representatives from the local level to the federal level to visit. We ask that you, as community members, contact elected representatives to ask them to solve the childcare crunch by investing in our children and their educators so parents can have the ability to work and employers can recruit and retain high-quality employees. Green County needs an additional 700 slots and loses \$21 million annually according to www.childcaregap.org. Corrine Hendrickson is the director of Corrine's Little Explorers, New Glarus.

Legal Notices

TOWN OF AVON ANNUAL MEETING
Avon Town Hall
16513 W BELOIT NEWARK RD, BRODHEAD, WI
April 19th, 2022 – 7:00 p.m.
AGENDA:
1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Minutes of 2021 Meeting
4. Approval Financial Statements
5. Set Date for 2023 Meeting
6. Postpone Budget portion of Annual Meeting to later date set by the board
7. Town Hall Improvements Update
8. Electors Input
9. Adjournment
Stephanie Schwartzlow
Avon Town Clerk
The Independent Register
4/6, 4/13/2022
WNAXLP 415470

Town of Spring Valley Board Meeting
TUESDAY, APRIL 20, 2022
Immediately following the Annual Meeting of the electors which begins at 6 pm
ORFORDVILLE FIRE DISTRICT MEETING ROOM
173 N. WRIGHT ST., ORFORDVILLE WI
MEETING AGENDA
1. Call to order
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Verification of proper notice
4. Old Business
5. Secretary's report
6. Treasurer's report
7. Reports
8. Audience communication
9. Old Business
A. Rock County Public Works
B. Road work
C. Open book (4/26, 8am-12pm) and BOR (6/1, 8-10am)
10. New Business
A. 2022 Committee appointments
B. Mowing quote
11. Future agenda items
12. Payment of bills
13. Adjournment
Dela Ends, Clerk
Recycling drop-off
2nd Saturday of the month
Rock Co. Public Works Bldg.
Hwy 213 Orfordville
9 am to noon
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Town of Spring Valley ANNUAL MEETING of ELECTORS
TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2021, 6 pm
ORFORDVILLE FIRE DISTRICT MEETING ROOM
173 N. WRIGHT ST., ORFORDVILLE WI
ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA
1. Call to order
2. 2020 Annual Meeting Minutes
3. 2020 Financial Report
4. Old Business
5. New Business
A. Set date for 2022 Annual Meeting (4-19-22)
B. Spring Valley Historical Society
C. Other items of interest to electors
6. Adjournment
*Electors of the town vote on Annual Meeting items as authorized in s. 60.10 and s. 60.11 Wis. Stats.
Dela Ends, Clerk
The Independent Register
4/6, 4/13/2022
WNAXLP 415193

TOWN OF DECATUR SPECIAL MEETING
THURSDAY, APRIL 21, 2022 6:00PM
SYLVESTER TOWN HALL
N4505 STH HWY 59
MONROE, WI 53566
AGENDA:
1. Call to Order
2. Re-build Decatur-Sylvester Road
3. Adjourn
Sandra K. McManus
Clerk/Treasurer
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TOWN OF DECATUR NOTICE OF OPEN BOOK
April 27, 2022
12:00 Noon to 2:00 PM
At the Town Hall – 1408 14th Street, Brodhead
All Property Owners in the Town of Decatur are invited to come and look at the assessment roll for 2022 at this time. You may contact the Town Assessor at: (920) 749-1995 or the Town Clerk at (608) 897-4965 if you have any questions.
Sandra K. McManus
Clerk/Treasurer
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MEETING NOTICE
The Town of Spring Grove monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday April 19, 2022 at 5:00 P.M. (following the 2022 Annual Meeting) at the Town Hall, N2475 Hwy GG, Brodhead, WI
MEETING AGENDA:
1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Approval of Agenda and/or Changes
4. Reading of March Meeting Minutes
5. Treasurers Report
6. Public Input
7. Annual Meeting Review
8. Lawn Mowing Contract
9. Discuss ATV/UTV Route in Township
10. Broadband Discussion
11. Road Projects
A. Road Work Plan for 2022
B. Road Tour with County Review
12. Election Update
13. Building Permits
14. Driveway Permits
15. Open Book & Board of Review Updates
16. Review of Monthly Bills
17. Adjournment
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TOWN OF SPRING GROVE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2022 5:00 p.m.
Spring Grove Town Hall
N2475 Hwy GG
Brodhead, WI
The Annual Town Meeting is the meeting of the people of the Town, and is the opportunity for the Town Residents to have input in their Town. All residents are encouraged to attend.
Deb Cline, Clerk
The Independent Register
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AGENDA BROADHEAD SCHOOL DISTRICT TEACHER NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING
Wednesday, April 20, 2022
DISTRICT OFFICE BOARD ROOM
2501 West 5th Avenue, Brodhead, WI 4:30 P.M.
AGENDA
I. GROUND RULES
II. INITIAL PROPOSALS
III. DISCUSSION/NEGOTIATIONS
IV. ADJOURN
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TOWN OF DECATUR REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
Tuesday, April 19, 2022
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. Cozee Lane Acquisition
8. Appoint Planning Commission
9. Drainage on Country Club Dr.
10. ATV Routes on Green County Roads
11. Borchardt Road Speed Limit
12. Conversion .com to .gov
13. Property Violations
14. Computerize Budget
15. Roadwork
16. Citizen Concerns
17. Adjourn to Executive Session to Discuss Personnel Matters (WI Statute 19.85(1)(c))
18. Reconvene to Open Session
19. Sharing of Information/Correspondence
20. Future Agenda Items
21. Set Dates for Future Meetings
22. Adjournment
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