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Art show benefits local area



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“Just Hanging Out,” a multi-media wall quilt is the work of Alice Roemer and appears in the art exhibit, which runs to Dec. 10 at Brodhead Public Library.

By Tony Ends
EDITOR

Seasons of the Sugar River is entering final weeks of an 8th annual in-person and 3rd online art show and benefit at Brodhead Memorial Public Library.

Proceeds from sale of the works of art through Friday, Dec. 10, benefit Lower Sugar River Watershed Association’s conservation work, the show host public library, and the participating artists.

Three-fourths of the artists exhibiting have been with the annual juried show and fundraiser for 12 years, said art show coordinator Jill Lazorchick-Sampson.

Yet it everyone living in the watershed area, from Albany down to the state line and both east and west into Green and Rock counties, who actually benefits from this event and a larger mission.

“My Favorite Vistas” as a theme for this year’s Seasons of the Sugar River art exhibit stirs us to feel for the landscape we call home and to care about protecting its resources, especially water.

Artists share in text provided with their artistic media how the watershed has affected and inspired them. The collective and individu-



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Lower Sugar River Watershed Association Seasons of the Sugar River art show coordinator Jill Lazorchick-Sampson, LSRWA science team leader Susan Lehnhardt, and Brodhead Public Library Director Kyle Domer gather round a relief of the watershed, among educational posters incorporated into the 8th annual juried art exhibit last week.

al works of art capture light, color, texture of the land and the water flowing through it.

The Lower Sugar River Watershed in western Rock County and eastern Green County includes the reach of the Sugar River from the dam at Albany downstream to the Wisconsin-Illinois state line, according to the Department of Natural Resources.

It encompasses hundreds of square miles.

The watershed is intensively agricultural. Three municipal wastewater treatment facilities discharge to surface waters in the watershed: Albany, Brodhead and Orfordville.

Whatever use we’re putting to the watershed, then, whether occupational or residential, challenges us to deeply reflect on what we appreciate about this place we call home – understand how it naturally connects to a healthy system dependent on water.

“The purpose of the art show has always been to raise awareness of the Lower Sugar River Water Association’s mission to empower citizens to understand what a watershed is and why it’s important,” said Susan

Lehnhardt, association science team leader.

The art show provides a valuable way for the association’s members to relate part of our connection through the shared watershed, to inspire people to care about the watershed and water.

“Science is integrated with art in this annual exhibit, and we have used the art fundraiser to help operate and keep serving our mission,” Lehnhardt said. “It’s an opportunity to share information we gather about health of the watershed and citizen science undertaken

on an annual basis (for example, in base water sampling; monitoring of organisms like frogs, toads, and birds; research and other watershed studies; map-making and related exhibits) that help people understand the watershed as a land form.”

LSRWA has found a base of operations for teaching and research in Three Waters Reserve, the former golf course north of Brodhead, now rehabilitated to native oak savanna and prairie.

Three Waters Reserve is



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Everett, 9, studies “Watching over the Sugar River,” a watercolor on paper, by David Williams, in the art exhibit.

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Shoreland and Land Use Specialist Lynn Markham, with the UW Stevens Point Center for Land Use Education, speaks during Green County Development Corporation's Electric Vehicle Charging Stations Summit in Monroe Nov. 16.

GCDC hosts electric vehicle charging station summit in Monroe

Green County Development Corporation (GCDC) hosted an Electric Vehicle Charging Station Summit in partnership with Extension Green County. The event was held at the historic Green County Courthouse in Monroe on Nov. 16.

The event was held to address the need for electric vehicle charging stations in our communities.

Speakers included Lynn

Markham, Shoreland and Land Use Specialist with the Center for Land Use Education at UW-Stevens Point, Sherrie Gruder with Energy on Wisconsin, and Jason Price with Alliant Energy.

Community leaders, Green County Board of Supervisors members, and City of Monroe Council Members were in attendance.

They came to learn about electric vehicles, charging

station needs, and implications for positive economic development in Green County communities.

Partnership planning and action steps were discussed.

If you are interested in participating in future conversations and being a part of the planning, please contact GCDC at gcdc@tds.net or 608-328-9452.

GCDC was formed to bring professional economic devel-

opment expertise to its member communities to create a competitive advantage for job creation and new investments. The organization is building the economic future of Green County communities and businesses through public-private partnerships.

For more information, visit GCDC online at www.green-countywdc.com, or contact the GCDC office at 608-328-9452 or email gcdc@tds.net.

Village police committee studies policies, procedures

Orfordville Police Committee members are reviewing policy and procedure amendments.

Committee chair Nikki Tuffree provided additional department policies and procedures for review to the committee at their regular meeting Nov. 16.

Village attorney Michael Hahn is adding the revisions to the department's policy for future review and approval.

No action was taken in the Nov. 16 committee meeting.

Tuffree chaired the Orfordville police committee meet-

ing, with village board committee members Chuck Boyce, and Beth Schmidt present.

Also present were Hahn Police Chief Jeremiah Burdick and Village Clerk Sherri Waega.

Burdick told the committee that he was in the Village of Clinton when a high speed chase from Illinois entered the village.

Burdick assisted the village in apprehending three suspects that were involved with shooting at an Illinois State Trooper.

Burdick received recognition from the Village of Clin-

ton and the Illinois State Patrol for his assistance. The incident also involved a large drug arrest, Burdick said.

In other police news:

- The monthly Use of Force report was submitted.
- The monthly calibration of the Itoxilizer machine was completed.
- The department assisted with Trick or Treating in the Village. There were no incidents.
- Burdick and part-time Officer Jeremiah Burdick Jr attended a 2-day Rush Training in West Bend.

• The November schedule was reported completed and the December schedule in progress.

- Burdick met with Tuffree and Burtness regarding an additional camera in the police portion of the garage.
- The department's Tahoe was at Burtness garage to have the surveillance switch installed.
- The Department is working with Rock County to reinstate warrants for certain offenses.
- Letters for Shop with a Cop were sent out.

What's going on in Green County?

Thursday, Dec. 1

• Holiday Silent Auction - 25th annual fundraiser for Monroe Arts Center, featuring hundreds of gift items (original artwork, gourmet dinners, home décor, sports-related memorabilia), displayed in one location (1315 11th St., Monroe), all awaiting bids; on Saturday, Dec. 10 prior to the 2 p.m. Rebulu concert, a whistle will blow bringing an end to final minutes of bidding (MAC hours, Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.).

• First Thursday Shopping Night in downtown Monroe, courthouse square, stores open until 7 p.m.

• Live music at Bullquarrian Brewhouse (Lola Blu) 6:30 p.m., 1128 17 Ave, Monroe.

• Holiday Tree Lighting in New Glarus - Kick off the season of delights in downtown New Glarus at our Holiday Tree Lighting - daily Adventsfenster window reveal (life size Advent Calendar imagined on windows of businesses and homes), followed by the Christmas tree lighting, treats inside the depot, alphorn music, and caroling by Kinderchor, 6:30 p.m.

• Live music at Tofflers Pub (The Jimmys) at 7 p.m., 200 5th Ave., New Glarus.

Friday, Dec. 2

• Christkindli Market in

New Glarus (thru Dec. 4) - outdoor Christmas market in decorated mini chalets offering variety locally made and sourced gifts, as well as Christmas decorations and foods. Christmas lights and music. Appearances by Santa and Swiss Alphorn entertainment. Wassail - a one-week-end only special release from New Glarus Brewing Co.

• Fire and Ice Festival Brodhead - 11 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Arts and Crafts Vendors, Bank of Brodhead; 4 to 6:30 p.m. Photos with Santa at Brodhead Business Center; 4 p.m. "Christmas Vacation" photo op at 608 The Factory; 4 to 8 p.m. Memorial Tree at City Hall; 4 to 6:30 p.m. Cookie Decorating with Brodhead Optimists at City Hall; 4 to 6:30 p.m. Face Painting by Kobussen at City Hall; 4 to 6:30 p.m. Christmas K9 sales at City Hall; 4 to 6:30 p.m. Twin Flames Fire Twirling and Nauge Dance Troupe; 4 to 6:30 p.m. Horse-drawn wagon rides; 4 to 7 p.m. Ice Sculpting by Zoli Akacos; 4 to 7 p.m. 50/50 Raffle to benefit White Gift Food Pantry; 4 to 8 p.m. Food: Up 'n Smoke BBQ, brats, hot dogs, chili, hot cocoa, s'mores, kettle corn, apple cider donuts & more. Also grilled cheese & white chicken chili inside Public Houzz; 4 to 8 p.m. Bridges Hot Toddy Bar serving hot adult holiday drinks;

6 to 6:30 p.m. Caroling by Brodhead High School Choral Group; 6:15 p.m. Cindy Lou Who Judging at Bank of Brodhead; 6:15 p.m. Decorated Pet Judging at City Hall; 7 p.m. Lighted parade; 8 p.m. Frozen t-shirt Contest

• Lighted Christmas Parade - All area children and families invited to help welcome Santa. Chelsea White Country Financial sponsoring; lighted Main Street Christmas parade steps off from Monroe Middle School 6 pm; then heads downtown, around Courthouse Square; Santa makes way to Wisconsin Bank & Trust for reception, Monroe Noon Optimist Club sponsoring.

Saturday, Dec. 3

• Breakfast with Santa at the Brodhead Library, 9 a.m.

• Merry & Bright Belleville - month-long, drive-through, holiday lights display in Community Park (as well as a Family Night Dec. 17); Dec 3 Cookie Walk down Main Street, and Christmas Tree Lighting, plus activities in Library Park hosted by Friends of Belleville Public Library.

• Swiss United Church Cookie Sale, 18 5th Ave., New Glarus, 8 a.m. to noon.

• Live Music Dirty Dog Taphaus and Eatery (rebel Wells), 101 6th Ave., 3 to 6 p.m.

• Santa in Albany at Albert-

son Memorial Library, 200 N. Water St., crafts, goodie bags, stories, 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.

• Christkindli Christmas market continues, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Concludes on Sunday.

Sunday, Dec. 4

• Three Waters Reserve open house Warm drinks and snacks, get the latest updates on the event center and programming. Dress appropriately for the weather if you'd like to walk on the nature trails. Hosted by Southern Wisconsin Land conservancy and Lower Sugar River Watershed Association, 1 to 3 p.m.

• Night of Christmas Music - Ecumenical event with music and scripture. Albany United Methodist church, 500 Park St. 4 to 6 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 6

• "Between Stone and Star" -Exhibit featuring work of Rick Hintze (ceramics and sculpture), Susan Messer (mixed media and handmade sculptural books), Bethann Moran-Handzlik (painting). Monroe Arts Center (1315 11th St.), open Tuesday to Friday

Wednesday, Dec. 7

• Signs by Caitlin at Bailey's Run Vineyard, a holiday workshop, 6 to 8 p.m., North 8523 Klitzke Road just outside New Glarus.

Food pantry, hospital team up to meet food security needs

To aid in the shortening of the wait time for patients needing access to food, SSM Health Monroe Hospital and SSM Health Monroe Clinic Medical Group created an on-site food closet.

When patients in primary care, pediatrics or behavioral health identify as not having food in screening questions during appointments, they are given a slip to redeem for an immediate need food bag.

Included in the immediate need food bags are non-perishable food items provided through a partnership with Green Cares Food Pantry in Monticello.

The bags also have printed resources in English and Spanish that include local food pantry information, other important community resources phone number list and hiring information for

entry-level positions at SSM Health.

"The food closet gives us an opportunity to give our patients that screen food insecure assistance immediately," said Tammie Jamiska, Community Health Specialist at SSM Health Monroe Hospital. "The bags are to help them get through a couple days until they can establish with a local food pantry," Jamiska stated in a press release.

Using a multi-phase approach, SSM Health debuted the food pantry in Monroe and four clinics in Wisconsin in August.

Plans are in progress to also offer this program in five clinic locations in Illinois as well as additional departments in Monroe.

Since launching, more than 30 patients have received immediate need food bags.



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Small businesses lift community values for local shops, producers

By Tony Ends
EDITOR

Emmi, one of two rescue dogs that frequent the shop of Orange Kitten Yarn owner Jocelyn Kline, has been napping on Small Business Saturday.

A steady stream of shoppers, however, has pleased Kline, who's been in business for 10 years in Monroe and appreciates each visitor.

"Monroe has a wonderful, vibrant downtown," Kline said, crediting the nonprofit Main Street Monroe program, Green County's imposing courthouse, and the genuine square itself of historic business buildings.

It all draws visitors to a pleasing shopping and dining experience, Kline said.

Stunningly fine weather for November in Wisconsin,

of course, and events such as "Shop for a Cure" in Monroe's Junior High School, and a crafters event in Turner Hall all helped Small Business Saturday turnout extend Black Friday shopping in Monroe.

Orange Kitten carries locally-produced fibers (including from sheep's wool and alpaca fleece), goat milk soap, felted products, lotions, fair-traded baskets from Ghana, international commercial yarns, patterns, and related accessories.

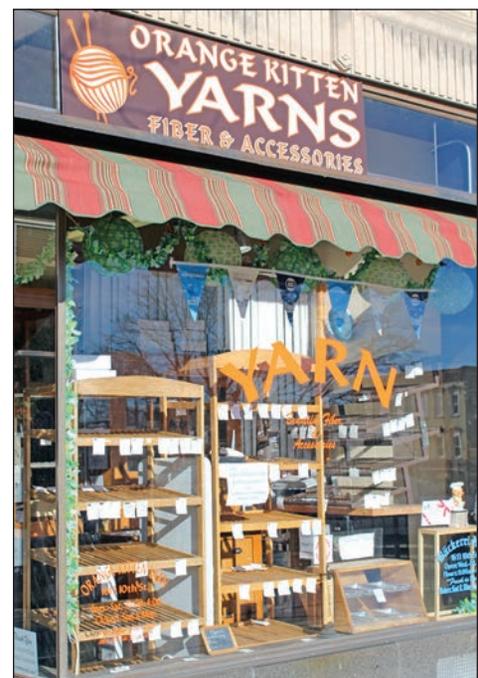
"I never expected to be in business this long," Kline said, having started her business very small when she was still working full time for Behring Senior Center as director.

"I'm just going to keep growing the business until I need one day to sell it," she said during a lull in Small Business Saturday shopping traffic.

Kline was at first off the square, but is now located on its north side in the historic Masonic Temple's 1930s era building, which also hosts a winter farmer's market and a popular storefront bakery.

The bakery operates 8 a.m. to noon, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday.

Promotional events will continue throughout December for Orange Kitten and more than 30 small businesses, even more eateries and pubs, too, in the Main Street Monroe commercial district.



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Left: "Bakerie Kline" makes for tasty Little Switzerland shopping mornings, just three days a week – Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday, at 1613 10th St. in Monroe. Right: Orange Kitten Yarn sustains owner Jocelyn Kline's 10 years of growth with a colorful storefront at 1613 10th St. in downtown Monroe.



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Jocelyn Kline and one of her rescue dogs Emmi have big hearts as well as good business sense for fine quality local products and universal fair trade values.



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Fun gifts from local fibers and artful crafting seem to peek from every shelf and high place in Orange Kitten Yarn.

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The exchange is set for this Sunday, Dec. 4, from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Community Kitchen Cooperative at 209 Main St. in Monticello.

The occasion offers anyone from the public a chance to meet local farmers and neighbors championing local foods and community connections.

All local cookie bakers and friends are welcome to join the fun as the organizers and membership move into the holiday season.

Bring up to five dozen of your favorite cookies, empty containers and a savory snack to share.

Beverages will be provided. New this year - a Wisconsin Farmers Union fundraiser offering folk school type master classes on everything from carpentry to gardening advice.

Open to the general public - we look forward to seeing you there!

Contact the chapter at wfusouthcentral@gmail.com with any questions.

Obituary

BERNICE AESCHLIMANN

Bernice Aeschlimann, age 101, of Brodhead, passed away Nov. 24, 2022.

She was born in Decatur Township on Jan. 5, 1921, the daughter of Frank and Bessie Hawkins Wendlandt.

She married Werner Aeschlimann on May 28, 1948. He passed away Dec. 25, 2002.

She spent her childhood in Sylvester Township in Green County. She went to a one-room school for 8 years and graduated from Brodhead High School in 1938.

She and her husband farmed for 20 years in Spring Grove Township. They moved to Brodhead in 1970.

She is survived by her son, Robert (Jan), Naperville, Ill.; three grandchildren, Chad



Binger (Nancy), Huntley, Ill.; Dan Binger (Jeanine), South Beloit, Ill., and Megan Flowers (Sam), Vandalia, Ill.; and eight great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, daughter Susan, granddaughter Sara, and a brother George.

Funeral Services will be held at the DL Newcomer Funeral Home, 1105 E. 9th Ave., in Brodhead on Saturday, Dec. 3 at 11 a.m.

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

Burial will conclude at the Greenwood Cemetery.

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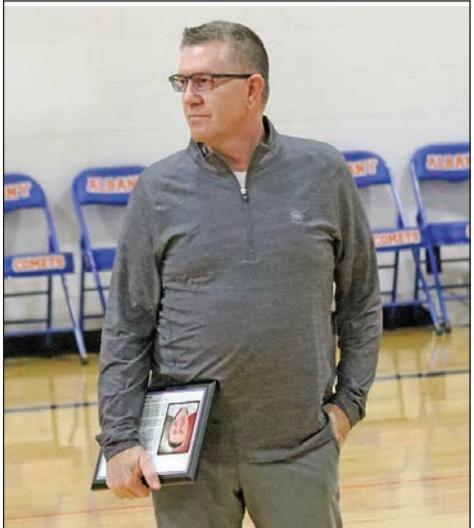
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Albany honors athletes, athletic contributions

Albany High School honored their 2022 athletic hall of fame inductees Saturday, Nov. 26. From left: Nikki Chrisbaum-Tofte won notice in Wisconsin State Journal sports pages for her standout athletic performances in both basketball and baseball; Scott Sowl was honored as a significant contributor to the Albany athletic programs; James Dunphy was honored as an Albany School athlete; Ciara Kaderly, a four-year standout in both cross country and track, starting her first two years at Monroe High School before moving to Albany High School for junior and senior years, she quali-

fied for state in cross country as a sophomore, taking 18th. She was named All Conference first team as a sophomore after earning second-team honors as a freshman. She came in sixth at the state cross country meet as a senior after a ninth-place finish during her junior year. She won a conference title each of those two seasons and was named team MVP in cross country both sophomore and senior years. In track, she was named team MVP as both a junior and senior, and she owns the school record in the 5k at both Albany and Monroe.

Drug-related deaths hit high in Rock County in 2021

Cocaine and Fentanyl make for deadly combination, health department says

Rock County Public Health Department with local partners is trying to raise awareness about rising impact of cocaine mixed with fentanyl as a cause of death in Rock County. Fentanyl is a growing problem as it has become the leading cause of drug-involved deaths in recent years, according to a health department release. "Right now, cocaine is the number one co-occurring controlled substance with fentanyl," said Lt. Mike Blaser of the Janesville Police Department, in the release. This trend is apparent in local data examining drug-involved deaths.

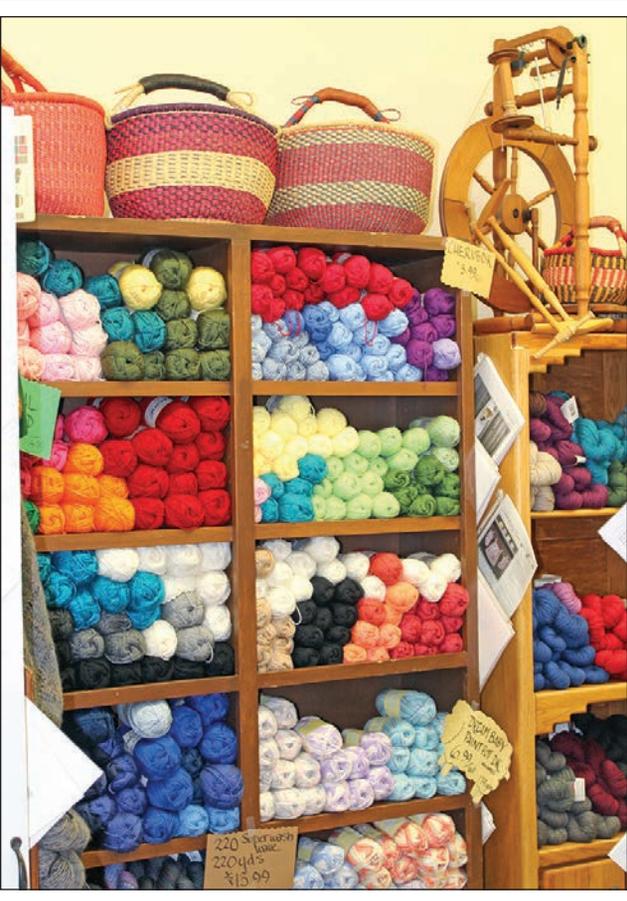
In 2021, 26% of drug-involved deaths involved both fentanyl and cocaine. In the first five months of 2022, 48% of drug-involved deaths involved both substances. Sometimes fentanyl is intentionally put in cocaine or used simultaneously, but too many times, the fentanyl is not known to the user. This can lead to fentanyl poisoning and death. Fentanyl has also been found in pressed pills that look like other medications, crack cocaine, methamphetamine, marijuana and heroin. Opioids are substances that people can build a tolerance to, so the amount that is okay for

a person who uses opioids regularly can be fatal to a person who hasn't built up a tolerance. The amount of fentanyl needed for a fatal overdose is small and varies between and even within the same batch or pill. Authorities recommend anyone who purchases or uses any illicit drugs (including pills) assume the drugs include an unknown amount of fentanyl and take appropriate precautions. Those precautions include: never using alone, keeping Narcan nearby, and testing drugs for fentanyl prior to use. Narcan is a medication that reverses the effects of an opiate overdose. Anyone using illicit drugs or prescribed opiates should have Narcan on hand in case of an opiate overdose, the health department release stated. Anyone can carry Narcan to save a life and can get it for free from Narcan Direct providers, or for a cost at most pharmacies. Wisconsin laws state that any person may possess a medication to reverse an opioid over-

dose, such as Narcan. They may also administer or give it. Narcan has no effect on someone who does not have opioids present in the body. Under the Wisconsin Good Samaritan Law, a person cannot be held civilly liable for a good faith effort to provide assistance in a life-threatening situation. A list of Narcan Direct providers is available on the Dose of Reality website. Fentanyl test strips can reduce the risk of fentanyl overdose by alerting users to the presence of the drug. Instructions for how to use fentanyl test strips and a list of fentanyl test strip providers is available on the Dose of Reality website. Rock County Public Department was awarded a grant from the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) to address opioid overdoses in Rock County. In the coming year, the following new initiatives will be implemented: an improved sub-

stance misuse data dashboard, an overdose spike alert system, awareness campaigns, anti-stigma trainings and post-overdose resource kits. In 2021, Rock County saw the most drug-involved deaths in recorded history. If an individual or his or her loved one is misusing substances or struggling with addiction, the health department encourages the individual to seek

treatment. Anyone not yet ready to seek treatment is encouraged to use harm reduction strategies like syringe exchange, fentanyl test strips, the Never Use Alone hotline and Narcan. Visit the Rock County Public Health Department website at www.co.rock.wi.us/departments/public-health and follow them on social media @rock-countyphd.



• **Small** (Continued from page 4)

Kline will have a donation jar out for Green County Humane Society on one of those upcoming shopping weekends, Saturday, Dec. 17. Her pleasant canine Emmi yawns as Kline converses, but Emmi is likely all for doing their part to support local pet rescue efforts. It's an instinct faithful friends share for larger values that arise from small business support every Saturday, every day of the year.

Right: Fair trade baskets from West Africa, local fiber products, and international yarns share space at Orange Kitten Yarn. Below: A handmade spinning wheel and locally made drop spindles are among treasures for sale at Orange Kitten.

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- Albertson Memorial Public Library open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- *High school girls basketball vs Shullsburg, 6 to 9 p.m.
- Village Plans Commission, 6:30 p.m.
- Town public hearing on proposed 2023 budget 7:30 p.m.; special town electors meeting to approve 2022 town tax levy; special town board meeting

FRIDAY, DEC. 2

- Albertson Memorial Public Library open 1 to 6 p.m.
- *High school boys basketball at Belmont 6 to 9 p.m.

SATURDAY, DEC. 3

- Albertson Memorial Public Library open 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Visit with Santa at the library, 3:30 to 5:45 p.m.
- *Girls basketball at Williams Bay, noon to 3 p.m.
- Recycling Center, 500 Ogden Ave., 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

MONDAY, DEC. 5

- Albertson Memorial Public Library open 1 to 7 p.m.
- *Parent Teachers Organization, 6 to 7:15 p.m. (see district website to join by zoom)
- Village Streets and Utility Committee meeting, 6:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, DEC. 6

- *High school boys basketball vs Johnson Creek, 6 to 9 a.m.
- Albertson Memorial Public Library open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Children's story time at library, 10:30 to 11:45 a.m.
- St. Patrick's Mass, 8 to 8:30 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 7

- *Third and fourth grades winter program, 6 to 7 p.m.
- Albertson Memorial Public Library open to 7 p.m.
- Recycling Center, 1 to 6 p.m.
- Albany United Methodist Church choir practice, 7 p.m.
- *Volleyball open gym, 7:30 to 10 p.m.

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Give thanks and give back — now is the time to make and keep donation appointments. Book a time to give blood or platelets at RedCrossBlood.org. Thanks to our partners at Amazon, all donors who come to give blood Nov. 28 to Dec. 15 will receive a \$10 gift card by email.

Green County

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• Dec. 17: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., Brooklyn Fire EMS, 401 W. Main

Monroe

• Dec. 7: 12:30 to 5:30 p.m., Monroe Middle School, 1510 13th St.

• Dec. 15: noon to 6 p.m., Monroe Bible Church, 2613 8th Ave.

• Dec. 21: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 714 24th St.

Monticello

• Dec. 16: 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monticello High School, 334 S Main St.

New Glarus

• Dec. 16: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., New Glarus Bible Church,

207 6th St.

Rock County

Beloit
• Dec. 13: 1 to 6 p.m., Beloit Public Library, 605 Eclipse Blvd.

Clinton

• Dec. 19: noon to 5 p.m., St Stephens Family Center, 716 Shu Lar Ln.

Edgerton

• Dec. 21: 1 to 6 p.m., Edgerton Public Library, 101 Albion St.

Janesville

• Dec. 2: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Uptown Janesville, 2500 Milton Ave.

• Dec. 19: 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Janesville Masonic Center, 2322 E. Milwaukee St.

Orfordville

• Nov. 30: noon to 5 p.m., American Legion, 3913 S. State Rd. 213

How to donate blood

Download the American Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit RedCrossBlood.org, call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or enable the Blood Donor Skill on any Alexa Echo device to make an appointment or for more information.

All blood types are needed to ensure a reliable supply for patients. A blood donor card or driver's license or two other forms of identification are required at check-in.

Individuals who are 17 years of age in most states (16 with parental consent where allowed by state law), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood.

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ucts are delivered to nearby hospitals. For more information and to apply for a either position, contact VolunteerWisconsin@redcross.org or visit www.redcross.org/volunteertoday.

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Legal Notices

STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT GREEN COUNTY

U.S. Bank National Association as successor to U.S. Bank National Association ND

Plaintiff,

vs.

Estate of Judie A. Meier

Defendant.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE Case No. 2022CV000061

By virtue of a judgment of foreclosure made in the above-entitled action on June 7, 2022 in the amount of \$46,324.95, I will sell at public auction, located at the Green County Justice Center, Ground Floor Conference Room, 2841 6th Street, Monroe, WI 53566, on December 15, 2022 at 9:00 AM, all of the following described premises, to wit:

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Jeff Skatrud, Sheriff of Green County, Wisconsin

Codilis, Moody & Circelli, P.C. Attorneys for Plaintiff (414) 775-7700 (50-22-00245) **NOTE: This law firm is a debt collector.**

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NOTICE TOWN OF MAGNOLIA PLANNING AND ZONING MEETING TO BE HELD AT THE MAGNOLIA TOWN HALL 14729 W COUNTY ROAD A, EVANSVILLE, WI 53536 THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2022 7:00 P.M.

The purpose for this meeting is to continue discussion and consideration of rezoning this property and utilizing the existing barn for wedding and other similar type events.

Agenda:
1. Consider a request for a Conditional Use Permit for Dave

and Kelly Javan, 702 N State Road 213, Brodhead, WI 53520 to make renovations to the existing barn to convert the upper and lower level into a dry venue. The renovations would be in accordance with the Town of Magnolia Zoning Code section 4.6 (C) (1). The parcel number is 024 04000601. This is a 4.020 acre parcel located in section 26 of the Town of Magnolia.
2. Adjourn

Graceann Toberman, Clerk/Treasurer Town of Magnolia

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Town of Avon Regular Monthly Meeting Avon Town Hall **Tuesday** December 6th, 2022 – 7:30 p.m.

- Agenda:
1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Minutes from November's Meeting
4. Treasurer's Report
5. Constable's Report
6. Sheriff Deputy
7. Payment of Bills (including RCDPW September billing)
8. Budget 2023
a. Discussion & Action
9. Road Work Update
a. Discussion & Action
10. EMS/Fire Updates
a. Discussion & Action
11. ATV Ordinance & Signage Agreement
a. Discussion & Action
12. Caucus Date
13. Public Input
14. Board Comments
15. Adjournment

May be additional posting that will be posted 24 hours in advance. The three posting places in the Town of Avon are Debbie Jean's, Sugar River Bank, and the Avon Town Hall.

Stephanie Schwartzlow Avon Town Clerk The Independent Register 11/30/2022 WNAXLP 429201

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR TOWN OF MAGNOLIA, ROCK COUNTY HELD AT THE MAGNOLIA TOWN HALL 14729 W. COUNTY ROAD A, EVANSVILLE, WI 53536 TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2022 7:00 P.M.

Notice is hereby given that on December 13, 2022 at the Magnolia Town Hall a PUBLIC HEARING on the PROPOSED 2023 BUDGET of the Town of Magnolia in Rock County will be held. The proposed budget in detail will be available for inspection from the Town Clerk on October 25, 2022. A copy of the proposed budget can be obtained by contacting Graceann Toberman, Clerk/Treasurer at 608-876-6771.

Dated this 11th day of November 2022.

Graceann Toberman, Clerk/Treasurer

The Independent Register 11/30, 12/7/2022 WNAXLP 429271

Green County Sheriff's report

Green County Sheriff's Department released deputies' reports of the following incidents they recorded over the past week.

All individuals arrested or cited in this account are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Saturday, Nov. 26 Disorderly Conduct Arrest

At about 10:48 a.m., deputies responded to the North 2400 block of VanMatre Lane in the Town of Clarino for a domestic dispute.

As a result of the investigation, Autumn G. Elmer, Monroe, 18, was arrested for disorderly conduct falling under the Wisconsin Domestic Abuse laws.

She was transported to the Green County Jail where she was released after posting of her bond.

The victim enforced the 72-hour no contact prohibition.

At approximately 3:04 p.m., deputies responded back to the address as Elmer had returned, which violated the 72-hour no contact prohibition.

She was subsequently arrested for a Temporary Restraining Order Violation and was booked into the Green County Jail pending posting of her bond or her initial court appearance.

Operating While under the Influence, Resisting Arrest

At approximately 2:24 a.m., Sheriff's deputies stopped and cited Adam L. Lindsay, 28, of Monroe, for speeding (66/55) in the West 5400 block of State Highway 11 in the City of Monroe.

Further investigation resulted in his being placed under arrest for Operating While Under the Influence of Alcohol - 1st Offense.

He was additionally charged with two counts of Resisting and Obstructing an Officer.

He was jailed pending posting of his bond or his initial court appearance.

Thursday, Nov. 24 Accident/Property Damage

At 12:17 a.m., deputies responded to the West 7200 block of County Highway H in the Town of New Glarus

for a single vehicle crash.

Investigation revealed that a vehicle operated by Raymond J. Valentine Jr., 17, of Monticello, was traveling eastbound when he lost control of the vehicle and entered the north ditch.

Valentine and his passengers reported no injuries, were wearing their seatbelts, and the airbags did not deploy. The vehicle sustained disabling damage and was towed from the scene. Valentine was cited for Failure to Control Vehicle. Valentine was released pending court.

Operating a Motor Vehicle While under the Influence

At 12:30 a.m., deputies checked on a vehicle parked on the shoulder of the roadway in the North 6000 block of County Highway J, in the Town of Adams.

The investigation resulted in Carson J. Brewer, 17, of Albany, being placed under arrest for Operating While under the Influence (1st offense).

Brewer was also cited for Operating with a Prohibited Alcohol Concentration and Possession of Open Intoxicants in a Motor Vehicle. Brewer was released to a responsible party pending court.

Motor Vehicle Crash/Property Damage

At 5:54 a.m., deputies responded to the West 3900 block of County Highway EE, in the Town of Mount Pleasant, for a single-vehicle crash. Investigation revealed that a vehicle operated by Kalley J. Crouch, 22, of Monticello, was traveling eastbound when she lost control of her vehicle due to icy road conditions. Crouch then entered the south ditch.

Crouch reported non-life-threatening injuries. Crouch reported wearing her seatbelt and the airbags did not deploy in the vehicle. The vehicle sustained disabling damage and was towed from the scene.

Motor Vehicle Crash/Injury

At 10:28 a.m., deputies along with New Glarus Fire Department and New Glarus EMS responded to the intersection of County Highway

J and County Highway A, in the Town of York, for a two-vehicle crash with injuries.

Investigation revealed that a vehicle operated by Kevin L. Hewitt, 67, of Apple River, Ill was traveling eastbound on County Highway A and turned northbound onto County Highway J, when the vehicle was struck by another vehicle traveling southbound on County Highway J.

Hewitt and passenger reported wearing their seatbelts. The airbags deployed.

Hewitt and passenger reported non-life-threatening injuries and were transported by EMS to an area hospital for treatment.

Hewitt's vehicle sustained disabling damage and was towed from the scene.

The southbound vehicle was operated by Gregory R. Nelson, 62, of Madison.

Nelson and passenger reported wearing their seatbelts, and the airbags deployed in the crash.

Nelson and passenger reported non-life-threatening injuries and were transported by EMS to an area hospital for treatment.

Nelson's vehicle sustained disabling damage and was towed from the scene.

Investigation resulted in Hewitt being cited for Failure to Yield Right of Way from a Stop Sign. Hewitt was released pending court.

Tuesday, Nov. 20 Operating a Motor Vehicle While Intoxicated

At 5:08 a.m., deputies, along with Green County EMS and Juda First Response, responded to the West 2300 block of State Highway 1, in the Town of Spring Grove, for the report of a vehicle parked along the roadway and the operator unresponsive.

Investigation resulted in Samantha R.M. Estep, 36, of Monroe being arrested for Operating While under the Influence (2nd).

Estep was later released to a responsible party pending court.

The traffic stop resulted in the operator, Austyn C.W. Southall, 22 of Monroe, being cited for Possession of THC – Less than 25 Grams. Austyn was released with a future court date.

Monday, Nov. 21 Motor Vehicle Crash

At 5:41 a.m., deputies responded to the North 5000 block of County Highway E in Albany Township for a one-vehicle accident with no injuries.

Investigation found that a vehicle operated by Austin J. Ferguson, 27 of Brodhead, had been traveling north on County Highway E and failed to negotiate a curve.

His vehicle struck a traffic post and traveled up an embankment before coming to rest. He reported no injuries and was wearing his seatbelt.

There was no airbag deployment in the vehicle. The vehicle was removed by private vehicle.

Motor Vehicle Crash/Injury

At approximately 5:17 p.m., deputies, the Monroe Rural Fire Department and Green County EMS, responded to the intersection of County Highway J and State Highway 81 for a two-vehicle crash with injury.

Investigation determined that,

Alana L. Neis, 18 of Cuba City, was at the stop sign on County J and Highway 81, facing south and waiting to turn east bound on 81.

She began to turn and did not see an oncoming vehicle traveling west in the west bound lane of Highway 81.

The westbound vehicle, operated by Susan R. Miller, 67 of Argyle, attempted to avoid Alana's vehicle.

But shewas not successful and struck the front of Alana's vehicle with the front passenger side of her vehicle.

Alana and her juvenile passenger both reported wearing their seatbelts and not being injured. There was airbag deployment in the vehicle, and it was towed due to disabling damage.

Alana was transported by EMS to be evaluated further by medical staff. Alana was mailed a citation for Inattentive Driving.

Miller reported wearing her seatbelt and sustained non-life threatening injuries. The vehicle was towed due to disabling damage and she was transported by EMS for further evaluation.

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Small Business Saturday in Monroe is part of 12-year national initiative

By Tony Ends
EDITOR

Main Street Monroe promoted Small Business Saturday again this year.

A day after national advertisers and media hyped Black Friday, which spotlights big box stores and online sales everywhere, Small Business Saturday gives independent retailers their due.

Green County's historic courthouse on Monroe's square, with a double ring of street parking, was jammed with cars on this day.

Warm weather and sunshine helped bring out holiday shoppers supporting local retailers.

A colorful brochure Main Street Monroe publishes guides shoppers to 28 shopping venues and 23 eatery and drinking establishments.

A map orients Main Street locations to historic Turner Hall, Minhas Brewery, Distillery and Winery events beyond the immediate courthouse circle.

Small Business Saturday is a day to celebrate and support small businesses and all they do for their communities, according to the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA).

American Express founded Small Business Saturday in 2010.

The nationwide event has been officially cosponsored by SBA since 2011.

Small Business Saturday has become an important part of small businesses' busiest shopping season in many communities, according to SBA.

Historically, reported projected spending among U.S. consumers who shopped at independent retailers and restaurants on Small Business Saturday reached an estimated \$23.3 billion, according to the 2021 Small Business Saturday Consumer Insights Survey that American Express commissioned.

SBA, Women Impacting Public Policy (WIPP), and American Express kicked off the 2022 holiday season in statements online.

They encouraged consumers to support the nation's nearly 32 million independent businesses this Small Business Saturday and all holiday season long.

County business patterns track more than 8 million business establishments in



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Monroe Antiques Mall has a quiet, unassuming entrance near a corner of courthouse square, but nearly 30 vendors have booths in several floors of the 30-year-old business, which also features consignment items. Vendors Donna Breault and Richard Heimann kept busy volunteering to serve clients on Small Business Saturday. The mall is one of three antique businesses Main Street Monroe features on its website.



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Small Business Saturday has come and gone in Monroe, but a contest with more than 30 participating businesses continues through December.

the United States that total for all sectors employ 134 million people with an annual payroll of more than \$7.5 trillion in 2020.

In that year, 4.4 million of those establishments had fewer than 5 employees, and their total number of employees was 7.2 million, with an annual payroll of more than \$406 billion.

Created in 1953, SBA continues to help small business owners and entrepreneurs pursue the American dream, according to the U.S. Census Bureau.

SBA is the only cabinet-level federal agency fully dedicated to small business and provides counseling, capital, and contract-



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Progress on renovating and reconstructing the historic Green County Courthouse clock tower continues, with scaffolding on one side of the massive anchor to the county seat's government and Monroe business district now showing a 100-year rejuvenation.

ing expertise as the nation's only go-to resource and voice for small businesses.

Whether or not a business qualifies as a small business is typically defined by how much revenue it makes and how many employees it has, according to Bankrate.com.

Bankrate.com is an inde-

pendent, advertising-supported publisher and comparison service (www.bankrate.com/finance/credit-cards/small-business-statistics/#general).

The Small Business Administration has outlined parameters by industry.

For example, a small business in the logging industry would have less than 500 employees, but a small soft drink manufacturer could have as many as 1,250 employees.

As for revenue, this is also a large range depending on the industry, with small businesses generating on average between \$1 million (or less) and \$41.5 million in annual revenue.

Small businesses exist within nearly every industry. Freelance writers can qualify as small business owners, and so can retailers, hairdressers, tax experts, lawyers and even private-practice doctors.

There are 33.2 million small businesses in the United States, composing 99.9 percent of all American businesses, according to the Small Business Administration.

• Art show (Continued from front page)

hosting a holiday open house from 1 to 3 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 4.

People who attend will learn about how they can take advantage of the event center for gatherings, business meetings, symposia, family events, weddings, and other celebrations.

They'll also see how Three Waters Reserve functions as a field headquarters for the wa-

tershed association.

Find out about the association at lsrwa.org; the show, www.seasonsofthesugarriver.com; and Three Waters Reserve, threewatersreserve.com; and visit the exhibit for free at the library, 1207 25th St., in Brodhead, Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Fridays until 6 p.m. and Saturdays until 1 p.m.



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"Beaded Delight" a two-piece jewelry set by Jocelyn Kline, feature handmade necklace and earrings comprised of glass beads with Millefilore beads, old German glass drops or hand wired components.



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Kathy King's "New Arrivals" pottery bowl was wood fired in an Anagama kiln just outside of Dodgeville at the Adamah clay studio. This style kiln has a firing chamber with a firebox at one end and a flue at the other; the pieces are fired for 7 days. The glazes are created from local materials; sandstone, dolomite, and local clays.



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"Winds of Change," an oil by James Richter depicts a trip the artist made to the Sugar River when the grass was blowing in the autumn wind.



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Jameson, 11, and his baby sister Meira, 19 months, enjoy entering "Where the Wild Things Are" on a Wednesday afternoon visit to the library and art exhibit.



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Busy Bee Floral Shop staff do a brisk business this past Small Business Saturday at 1605 10th St. in Monroe's downtown. Owner Debbie Hillary operated Busy Bee as a home floral studio specializing in weddings and events for 10 years. She ventured into brick and mortar retail on Courthouse Square with deliveries across Green County in fall 2020, and she has been very happy.