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# Recycling rail tanker cars saves Green County bridge costs and time

Annual report cites advances, great crew, cooperation with towns

Trends for the Green County Highway Department have improved.

First, the morale has not been higher since I have taken over. The financial ratio of State, Towns-Village and County make up has also improved with more work coming from our towns and villages.

And finally, our equipment modernization is responsible for much of this success along with the raises that have been given to the work force this last year.

We currently have a full complement of workers with no vacant positions. We are only one of three counties in Wisconsin that can make this claim.

This past year (2022) we have aggressively begun a bridge and structure replacement program using recycled train tanker cars.

We replaced two bridges for Green County, one town bridge, as well as three town



By  
**CHRIS NARVESON**  
Green County  
Highway  
Commissioner

structures.

We plan on continuing this work into 2023. There are more than 300 structures in Green County that are currently at the end of their useful life.

We qualified for eight bridge replacement with State funding this year. After investigating conditions of each of these bridges, we determined we will be able to use these train tubes on five of these bridges, bringing down the cost on these bridges to as much half for the County.

In addition to cost savings, these bridges have weight restrictions that restrict commerce.

If these bridges went through the State Bridge Program it would take 3 years to replace them.

Using recycled rail tanker cars, we can replace each bridge in a matter of days.

We have budgeted to do up to seven bridges and structures next year and will use a portion of the American Rescue Plan Act money to accomplish this.

By State Statute, Green County is required to levy for cost of these replacements so that part of the funding is coming from ARPA funds and the remainder is coming from the levy.

Highway improvements will continue at a rate close to last year's funding.

With the rising costs of oil and asphalt, there will likely be a reduction of full road paving projects depending on the cost of asphalt.

We will be grinding and

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GREEN COUNTY PHOTO Brodhead Independent Register  
Green County has found a way to recycle old train car tankers, a quick and relatively inexpensive way to replace old highway bridges and structures.

# What's a person to do outdoors during winter in Wisconsin?

Dropping temperatures and snow in the air mean winter has settled in, bringing exciting winter hunting and fishing opportunities in Wisconsin.

If you're interested but not sure how to get started, consider taking DNR "Learn to Hunt" and "Learn to Fish" programs.

These programs are intended for novice audiences and are family-friendly. Parents are encouraged to participate with their children, so future outings become a family affair.

The department also tailors some programs exclusively for under-represented participants, including adult-only events.

All the programs provide a unique outdoor experience, fresh air and exercise, and the opportunity to feed your family and friends.

Hunting program registration is available online. Programs available include:

- Learn to Butcher & Process Deer
- Learn to Hunt Rabbits with Beagles
- Learn to Hunt Squirrel
- How to Cook Wild Game

Additionally, don't forget about Wisconsin's Free Fishing Weekend on Jan. 21-22.

The current Learn to Hunt and Learn to Fish program offerings, along with enrollment instructions, can be found on the DNR Events Calendar. The calendar will be updated as more programs become available.



BETH MARTIN WISCONSIN DNR PHOTO Brodhead Independent Register

**For the first time in decades, active eagle nests were reported in every Wisconsin county in 2022. The 36th annual Bald Eagle Bird Watching event this weekend, Jan. 14 and 15, celebrates their comeback.**

## Upcoming Events

### Soaring into Bald Eagle Watching Days

The 36th anniversary of Bald Eagle Watching Days is happening Jan. 14-15 to celebrate the species and its remarkable comeback in Wisconsin. All Bald Eagle Watching Days events are free and open to the public.

Wisconsin's longest-running eagle-watching event features in-person and virtual activities. Participants can catch a glimpse of eagles over the Wisconsin River at the newly renovated overlook on Water Street in Prairie du Sac. Volunteers will be available at the overlook to answer questions about bald eagles on both days from 8 a.m. - 4

p.m., weather permitting.

On Saturday, visitors can enjoy live raptor shows in the River Arts Center of the Sauk Prairie High School featuring educational birds and trainers from the Schlitz Audubon Nature Center in Milwaukee, screening of a recently recorded rehabilitated bald eagle release with live expert Q&A session and more family-friendly activities.

Full details are available on the Ferry Bluff Eagle Council website.

For the first time in over 80 years, active bald eagle nests can be found in every county of Wisconsin.

Bald Eagle Watching Days celebrates eagles as

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## The Bank of New Glarus

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# Two staff promoted at The Bank of New Glarus

The Bank of New Glarus has announced two recent promotions.

Julie Flannery has advanced to Vice President of Compliance, and Karen Rivera is now a Loan Operations Manager.

“Having Julie Flannery move into the compliance role is an excellent move for the bank as a whole,” said bank president Ron Schaaf in a press release on the promotion.

In her new role, Flannery, with more than 20 years of banking experience, will oversee many different components of compliance from loans and new accounts to advertising.



Julie Flannery



Karen Rivera

“Having worn many hats in the banking industry, I’m excited to tackle this new role using all the information I’ve learned over the years,” said Flannery.

The bank also announced Rivera’s promotion to Loan Operations Manager.

“Karen’s expertise with loans and loan operations is

key to keeping both departments up-to-date and seamless,” said Schaaf.

“She brings knowledge and enthusiasm to an important role here at the bank.” In her new role as Loan Operations Manager, Rivera, a New Glarus native with more than 10 years of banking experience, will play an important role in managing loan processing and operation teams at The Bank of New Glarus.

“I’m excited to grow here with The Bank of New Glarus,” Rivera said. “Part of that is using my experience to help others grow in their careers as well. I’m looking forward to watch-

ing that take shape.”

Based in New Glarus, with branch offices in New Glarus, Belleville, Monroe, Juda, and Brodhead, The Bank of New Glarus’ mission is to provide exceptional financial services through empowered employees who create an ongoing positive community impact, according to the recent release.

The bank further seeks to make a difference in individuals’ lives and help them build their financial dreams by offering a full range of financial products and services, including personal banking, business banking, and wealth management.

# Gov. Evers’ Executive Order declares energy emergency

Gov. Tony Evers on Friday, Jan. 6, signed Executive Order No. 183, declaring an energy emergency in the state of Wisconsin.

The action is due to persisting challenges caused by weeks of severe winter weather and the impact it has on the distribution of residential heating fuel, including heating oil and propane.

This Executive Order will allow for the swift and efficient delivery of these products throughout the state, according to a press release from the governor’s office.

“Over the past weeks, residents and industry alike have had to deal with the challenges of severe winter weather and its impact on everyday necessities,” said Evers in the release.

“The health, welfare, and safety of our neighbors depend on access to fuel for home heating,” he stated.

“Getting residential heating fuel like propane and heating oil moving now to those who need it will help our neighbors remain safe as we enter the next few months of winter.”

According to the Public Service Commission’s Office of Energy Innovation, multiple suppliers report challenges such as long lines at terminals and having to drive further distances to collect needed products. Executive Order No. 183 will provide a 30-day waiver allowing suppliers to get caught up from the weather-related delays.

For Wisconsin, a similar waiver from the Federal Motor Carriers Safety Administration was due to expire at midnight Friday.

# Accessible cabin reservations open this week at 10 state parks

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources began accepting reservations for accessible cabins at Wisconsin state park properties on Jan. 10. Applications can be mailed or dropped off at the state park, forest or recreational area you wish to reserve.

Wisconsin state park properties offer 10 accessible cabins for those unable to use outdoor campsites. These cabins are available only to people with disabilities and their guests and must be reserved ahead of time. In general, the cabins are available from May to October every year.

Reservations fill up fast, so applicants are encouraged to fill out the application and prepare to mail it or drop it off at the state park, forest or recreational area you wish to reserve on Tuesday, Jan. 10. Reservations can also be made during the camping season, based on availability, by calling the park. Due to the high demand, reservations will not be accepted for more than four consecutive nights and no more than four nights per year.

Larger cabins with amenities are located at:

- Buckhorn State Park

- Harrington Beach State Park
- High Cliff State Park
- Kettle Moraine State Forest—Southern Unit (Ottawa Lake)
- Kohler-Andrae State Park
- Mirror Lake State Park
- Potawatomi State Park
- Richard Bong State Recreation Area

Two rustic cabins are located at:

- Blue Mound State Park
- Copper Falls State Park

Learn more about the accessible cabins at the Accessible Cabins for People with Disabilities webpage: [dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/parks/camping/adacabins](http://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/parks/camping/adacabins).

# Obituary

## MERWIN PHILIP “PHIL” BRAGER

Merwin Philip “Phil” Brager, of Maple Grove, Minn., and formerly of Brodhead, passed away at age 89 on Dec. 26, 2022.

He was preceded in death by parents, O.W. and Burdy Brager, Brodhead; a daughter, Brenda; and sister, Karine, of Middleton.

He is survived by wife, Dawn (Elmer), of Maple Grove; sons, Kerwin (Lisa) Brager, Benicia, Calif., and Jason Brager, Maple Grove; sisters, Beverly Vogel, Brodhead,



and Judy Sigvertsen, Bloomington, Minn.; grandson, John Brager, of Oak Park; and several nieces and a nephew.

He is an Army veteran Signal Corp (Germany) during the Korean War.

A memorial service is to be announced at a later date. Donations can be made in Phil’s name to the Gary Sinise Foundation.

## • Outdoors (Continued from front page)

they gather in winter areas, affording fantastic viewing opportunities as eagles from northern Wisconsin, Canada, northern Michigan and Minnesota move south in search of food. Raptors looking for fish typically congregate along open water areas below dams along the Wisconsin, Mississippi and Fox rivers, where their growing presence has turned the sites into bird-watching destinations and inspired many community events.

Bald Eagle Watching Days is co-sponsored by Ferry Bluff Eagle Council, the Sauk Prairie Area Chamber of Commerce, the Wisconsin DNR and Tripp Museum in Prairie du Sac.

### Full Moon Hike

*Devil’s Lake State Park, Saturday, Jan. 7, 7 to 9 p.m.*

Experience a guided 1½-2-hour walk, or snowshoe (approximately 2 miles) on the Steinke Basin trail, on the night closest to the occurrence of a full moon. This peaceful hike encourages reflection and connections with nature allowing hikers to experience the trails after dark.

### Mirror Lake Candlelight Hike, Ski and Snowshoe

*Mirror Lake State Park, Saturday, Jan. 7, 6 to 8 p.m.*

Join us for a fun-filled winter evening on the trails. We will have 2 easy 1-mile trails lit by torchlight; one for skiers and the other for hikers & snowshoers. The Friends of Mirror Lake will have bonfires roaring to keep you warm.

### Candlelight Ski, Snowshoe and Hike

*Wildcat Mountain State Park, Saturday, Jan. 7, 5 to 9 p.m.*

The Friends of Wildcat Mountain State Park invite everyone to hike, snowshoe or ski the 1.5-mile torchlit trail, warm up around one of two campfires and gaze up at the stars under a nearly full moon. Refreshments will be available. John Heasley of Driftless Stargazing, LLC will be hosting a stargazing activity, weather permitting. Bring binoculars and learn to use them for stargazing. There is no cost for the event, but a state park admission sticker is required on all vehicles. Hosted by the Friends of Wildcat Mountain State Park and the Ontario Community Club.

### Snowshoe Hike Along Paradise Springs Nature Trail

*Kettle Moraine State Forest - Southern Unit, Sunday, Jan. 8, 11 a.m. to Noon*

We are making tracks in the KMSF-SU! Join us on a series of hikes/snowshoeing jaunts throughout the forest. We will be looking for and identifying animal tracks. Dress warm and join us for an adventure! We have snowshoes to lend out during the event, including children’s sizes. Supplies are limited. This hike is an easy, ½ mile paved trail designed for wheelchairs and strollers. Meet at W374 S8640 County Rd N in Eagle. A valid state park admission sticker is required.

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Wes Egan (18-1), wrestling in the 220-lb. weight class, takes the champion post at the Polo, Ill., tournament.



Sam Schwengels (21-0), wrestling at 182 pounds, stands tall as champion in Polo, Ill., at a 16-team tournament last week.

# Parkview-Albany wrestling show strength on the mat

By Joel Steinmann

PARKVIEW ALBANY WRESTLING  
Our Parkview Albany High School team on Jan. 5 went to Horicon for a quad meet with them and Hustisford and Palmyra-Eagle high school teams.

We matched up against Horicon first and won 46-28. Then we went up against Hustisford and won 66-15.

The final meet was against Palmyra-Eagle, and we won 70-0.

This was our first conference meet for the year, and it was a great team win.

Just two days later, on Jan 7, our team enjoyed another great day of wrestling for the Parkview/Albany team.

We went to Polo, Ill., and competed in a 16-team tour-

namment. Our team finished third.

Sam Schwengels and Wes Egan placed first.

Wyatt Egan second. Slat-er Valley, Danny Finley and Nico Zamora placed third.

Blake Finley and Ian Suer placed fourth.

Sean Morales placed fifth. Simo Cenacchi wrestled tough but didn't place.

We also had four wrestlers go to Whitewater to compete in the junior varsity qualifier with Jayden Anderson plac- ing third and qualifying for State competition.

Trevor Haugen and Con- nor Flippin placed fourth, and Luc Cramer placed eighth.

Great job again by the wrestlers and coaches.



Parkview-Albany high school wrestling team display their 3rd place team finish with 153.5 points at Polo, Ill.

# Virtual caregiver class being offered starting February

*'Stress-Busting Program for Family Caregivers of People with Dementia'*

The Aging & Disability Resource Centers of Rock and Marquette Counties are offering the nine-week 'Stress-Busting for Family Caregivers of People with Dementia' virtual class as developed at the University of Texas Health Science Center by Sharon Lewis and the WellMed Charitable Foundation. The classes will be on Thursday evenings beginning Feb. 2 and running through March 30, from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

### Who is SBP for?

Anyone caring for someone with a form of dementia will benefit from the program.

### What is SBP?

The 'Stress-Busting Program for Family Caregivers of People with Dementia' is a

proven curriculum developed by Sharon L. Lewis, RN, PhD, FAAN in conjunction with the University of Texas Health Science Center and the WellMed Charitable Foundation, which teaches stress management, relaxation tools, coping strategies and problem-solving skills with a support group component. Participates view the program as a source of strength and support for their caregiving role.

"Caregivers of someone with dementia experience high levels of stress, anxiety and depression. Dealing with those issues in a healthy way is vital to a caregiver's well-being. Consequently, to care for the person with dementia, the caregiver must first learn how to care for

themselves," said Karen Tennyson dementia care specialist at the Aging and Disability Resource Center of Rock County.

Reserve your spot today

for the 'Stress-Busting Program for Family Caregivers of People with Dementia' by contacting Karen Tennyson at 608-741-3615 or karen.tennyson@co.rock.wi.us.

## GOP meeting, breakfast this Saturday

The Republican Party of Green County is holding a regular monthly breakfast meeting at the American Legion, 1627 12th Ave. in Monroe.

The event starts at 9 a.m. this Saturday, Jan. 14. The local party encourages interested Republicans to attend.

Contact Bruce Kloeping at 608 897-8395 if you have any questions or need more information.

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### THURSDAY, JAN. 12

-Albertson Memorial Public Library open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
\*High School boys basketball at Black Hawk, 6 to 9 p.m.

### FRIDAY, JAN. 13

-Albertson Memorial Public Library open 1 to 6 p.m.  
\*Boys basketball at Williams Bay, 6 to 9 p.m.

### SATURDAY, JAN. 14

-Albertson Memorial Public Library, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
-Recycling Center, 500 Ogden Ave., 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
\*High School boys basketball at Abundant Life Christian High School, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

### MONDAY, JAN. 16

-Albertson Memorial Public Library open 1 to 7 p.m.;  
-Monday Morning Mayhem book club and conversation, 10:30 a.m.  
\*No school - Martin Luther King Day

### TUESDAY, JAN. 17

-Albertson Memorial Public Library open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
-Children's story time at library, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.  
-Village Parks Commission meeting, 6:30 p.m.  
-High School boys basketball at Monticello, 6 to 9 p.m.  
-St. Patrick's Mass, 8 to 8:30 a.m.

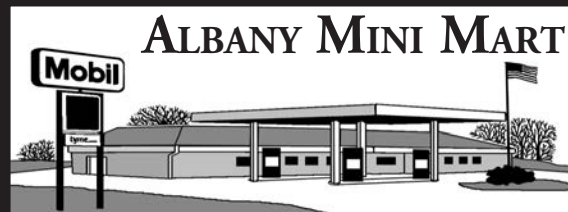
### WEDNESDAY, JAN. 18

\*School Policy Meeting, 5:15 to 6 pm.  
-Regular board of education meeting, 6 to 9 p.m.  
-Albertson Memorial Public Library open 1 to 7 p.m.  
-Recycling Center, 1 to 6 p.m.  
-Albany United Methodist Church choir practice, 7 p.m.  
\*Volleyball open gym, 7 to 9 p.m.  
\*Adult basketball open gym, 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m.

- Denotes a community event.

\*Denotes Albany School event. For more information, please call 608-862-3225.

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# Juda High School winter sports tribute



Varsity Boys Basketball



Junior Varsity Boys Basketball

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Girls Basketball

## Behring Senior Center events

To register for events or programs, call the center at 608 325-3173 or stop by the front desk at 1113 10<sup>th</sup> St. in Monroe.

Pick up this agenda at the Behring Senior Center to get more information. The "Red Brick" agenda can be found inside the front lobby door in a basket or in the Wellness Center just inside the door.

### Veteran's brunch

For all veterans who are 55 years of age and over. Wednesday, Jan. 11 from 10 a.m. until noon. We will be having breakfast casserole, sausage, cinnamon rolls, and beverages. Donation of \$3 and call ahead at 608 325-3173 so they know how much food to prepare. Reservations are required.

### Exercise classes

Bring a change of shoes to wear in the gym. Classes are as follows:

- Fitness First is on Mondays, Wednesdays,

and Fridays from 8:30 to 9:15 a.m.

- Men's Exercise is on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m.

• Chair Pilates is on Mondays from 10:45 to 11:30 a.m. and Wednesdays 11:45 to 12:30 p.m.

• Balance Yoga is on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m.

• Dance Aerobics will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays. First class is from 8:30 to 9:15 a.m. and the second class is from 10:45 to 11:30 a.m.

• Yoga is on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

• Step Aerobics -Monday Mixer at Noon

• Fusion is on Wednesdays and Fridays from 10:45 to 11:30 a.m.

Behring Senior Center offers drop-ins and Punch Cards for all exercise classes.

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# Brodhead High School winter sports tribute



Varsity Girls Basketball



Junior Varsity Girls Basketball

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Junior Varsity 1 Boys Basketball



Junior Varsity 2 Boys Basketball



Varsity Boys Basketball



Wrestling

## • Senior Center (Continued from page 4)

**Foot care with Julie**  
Dates: Tuesdays, Jan. 17, 24, 31. Cost: \$42 and you will pay Julie directly. Times: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Appointments are around 30 minutes.

**Misc.**  
• Senior Center Library is open on the second floor, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.  
• Table Tennis (ping pong) will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 1 p.m.  
• Pool (Billiards) The pool hall is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.  
• Pickleball Beginners: Mondays 2 to 4 p.m. Intermediate: Tuesday and Thursday 2 to 4 p.m.

**Cards**  
Card games are at the Senior Center from 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. We are playing for fun and there are no prizes. Mondays are Euchre, Tuesdays are Canasta and Horse and Pepper, Thursdays are for 500 and Yass.  
Bingo with Aster and Flippo at the Senior Center. You must sign up because there is a limit of only 35 people.  
• Bingo is Friday, Jan. 13 at 1:30 p.m. Aster will be giving away prizes. Be sure to sign up for this event, member space is limited, call (608) 325-3173 soon.  
• Flippo is Friday, Jan. 27 at 1:30 p.m. You have to bring your own deck of

cards. Please sign up for this event.  
**Movies for January**  
• Tuesday, Jan. 17 at 1:30 p.m. Showing is "Eight Below," Rated PG, Run time: 2 hours  
• Tuesday, Jan. 24 at 1:30 p.m. Showing is "Here Today," Rated PG-13, Run time: 1 hour, 57 min.  
**Quilts of Valor**  
A Quilt of Valor is awarded to a Service Member or Veteran who has been touched by war. Honor, Freedom, and Comfort are stitched into every quilt to honor his/her service and sacrifice. Please stop by the Senior Center

front desk to pick up a request form. Call (608) 325-3173 with any questions.  
**Mayflower Tours and Collette Tours**  
Travel brochures, applications, and pricing will be available in the front lobby.  
**Nutrition with Lucy**  
Tuesdays: Jan. 17, 24, and 31; Feb. 7, 14 Time: 10 a.m. Cost: \$35. Our very own Lucy Whyte is a certified Nutrition and Wellness Consultant, and we are excited to offer this new program to kick-off in 2023. This is a six-week Nutrition and Wellness Course with some classes that will involve cooking.

**Beginning Tap Dance with Nadine Patchin**  
Wednesdays: Feb. 1, 8, 15 and Mar 1, 8, 15 Time: 3 to 4 p.m. Cost: \$30; pay instructor. Tap Dance is a great way to move your body and learn a new skill. Tap shoes are optional but highly recommended. Each class is independent of the other classes, so no prerequisites are needed.  
**Intro to Art Journaling**  
Wednesday, Jan. 18. Time: 1 p.m. Cost: \$15. In this workshop, we will talk about art journaling, answering questions like "why?" "how?" and "when?"  
While we discuss, we will

make a journal to get us started using a variety of surfaces and will apply special preparation to the first few pages so it's easy to jump right in.  
**Dinner and Drumming**  
Tuesday, Jan. 24. Dinner at 5:30 p.m. Show at 6:30 p.m. Cost: \$5 per person. Seniors and their families are welcome to join us for an evening event. We'll enjoy a Baked Potato Bar for Dinner, and afterwards, we'll be entertained by a local Drumming Group! This event is open to Seniors and their families. Children 10 and under are free and must be accompanied by a Senior. To register call 608-325-3173.

# A winter tradition returns to the zoo

43rd Annual Samson Stomp & Romp, presented by Prairie Farms Dairy



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Participants are encouraged to have fun, as the event was created to honor one of their most famous past residents, Samson the silverback gorilla (1950-1981).

Milwaukee County Zoo is excited to host the 2023 Samson Stomp & Romp, presented by Prairie Farms Dairy, on Sunday, Jan. 15.

Runners and walkers are invited to join in this popular event, honoring one of the zoo's most famous residents, Samson, the silverback gorilla (1950-1981).

All proceeds support all animals in the zoo's population.

The main 5K competitive run officially takes off at 9:30 a.m., with two other race distances to follow for adults and children.

Participants may register for a 5K (3.1-mile) run that starts at 9:30 a.m. or the two-mile fun run/walk starting at 10:15 a.m. Children can join a one-mile romp at 10:45 a.m.

Pre-registration fees are \$35 per runner for the 5K/two-mile, \$30 per runner for team members, and \$20 per participant for the children's one-mile romp.

Race day registration (8 to 9 a.m.) fees are \$40 per runner. Cash, check, or credit card accepted on race day.

Please note that registrations on race day cannot be taken after 9 a.m. Those registering on race day may need to pick up their

t-shirt at a later date. The 5K race is limited to 1,500 participants, so be sure to register early to ensure a spot.

Entry fees to the Samson Stomp include a long-sleeve t-shirt, beverage, zoo admission and parking (for runner only). All fees are non-refundable.

The event is held rain, shine, cold or snow – however, the zoo reserves the right to cancel due to severe weather or dangerous, unforeseen race conditions. No refunds will be given.

The 5K race is officially timed. All three runs take place on the public walkways throughout the zoo. For safety, no strollers, in-line skates, or similar devices are permitted.

During the event, help take part in our mission of conservation by donating your old cell phones to the zoo for recycling.

The drop-off area is in the zoo's U.S. Bank Gathering Place.

Recycling cell phones reduces the need for mining additional Coltan, a mineral extracted from the forests of Congo, which has led to a dramatic reduction of the gorillas' natural habitat.

For more information, contact the zoo at 414-771-3040.



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The main event is the 5K run, starting at 9:30 a.m., but there is also a two-mile fun run/walk at 10:15 a.m. and at 10:45 a.m. a children's one-mile romp starts. Milwaukee County Zoo is at 10001 W. Bluemound Road.

## Send Valentines for WDVA Veteran homes

Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs (WDVA) is asking for caring individuals to send Valentine's Day cards to the veterans living at the skilled care homes in Chippewa Falls, King, and Union Grove.

"While it may seem like a small gesture, these small acts of kindness can really make a huge difference to those living in our Veterans Homes," said Diane Lynch, Administrator of the Division of Homes at WDVA.

"This is a wonderful opportunity to thank our veterans and their loved ones in our care."

Mail your Valentine's Day cards to the veterans no later than Friday, Feb. 10, so they may arrive in time to be distributed to all the homes on Tuesday, Feb. 14.

Send to: Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs  
Attn: Veteran Valentines  
PO Box 7843; Madison, WI 53707-7843

For additional information, call WDVA Office of Public Affairs, Colleen Flaherty, Director, at 608-266-0517; or email correspondence to Colleen.Flaherty@dva.wisconsin.gov.

### Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs

Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs works on behalf of Wisconsin's veterans' community – their families and their survivors – in recognition of their service and sacrifice to our state and nation.

For more information, visit [www.WisVets.com](http://www.WisVets.com).

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## Legal Notices

**NOTICE  
TOWN OF MAGNOLIA  
PLANNING AND ZONING  
HEARING  
TO BE HELD AT THE  
MAGNOLIA TOWN HALL  
14729 W. COUNTY ROAD A,  
EVANSVILLE, WI 53536  
JANUARY 19, 2023  
7:00 P.M.**

Consider a request for a rezone from A-1 to A-3 and a request for a Conditional Use Permit for Dave and Kelly Javan, 702 N State Road 213, Brodhead, WI 53520 to use an existing barn for an event venue. The CUP would be in accordance with the Town of Magnolia Zoning Code section 4.6 (C)(1) for A-3 zoning. The parcel number is 024 04000601 and is located in Section 26 of the Town of Magnolia. This is a 4.020-acre parcel currently, however the town has received a Certified Survey Map to change the parcel to 4.428 acres. This change is due to the septic system not being completely included on this parcel at time of sale.

Agenda:  
1. Public Comment.  
2. Approve rezone of property from A-1 to A-3 and change of lot size per Certified Survey Map.  
3. Determine conditions to be applied to a possible Conditional Use Permit.  
4. Make a recommendation to the Town Board to deny, approve, or approve with conditions the request to operate an event barn on this property.  
5. Adjourn.

Graceann Toberman,  
Town Clerk/Treasurer

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**TOWN OF DECATUR  
REGULAR MONTHLY  
MEETING - 6:00PM  
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING  
TOWN CAUCUS  
MONDAY, JANUARY 16, 2023  
DECATUR TOWN HALL  
1408 -14<sup>TH</sup>. STREET,  
BRODHEAD, WI 53520  
AGENDA**

1. Call to Order
  2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
  3. Additions/Corrections to the Agenda
  4. Approval of Minutes
  5. Treasurer's Report
  6. Payment of Bills
  7. Citizen Concerns
  8. ATV Resolution
  9. Establish a Fee for Special Assessments-Title Companies
  10. Town Review for a Variance for Kamps
  11. Town Review for Land Division Request – Jeff Murray
  12. Loan Modification-Bank of Brodhead-2021 Intl.
  13. 2023 District Meeting Registration
  14. Roadwork
  15. Brodhead Fire District Update
  16. Review Fees for Audit
  17. Review Appraiser Contract
  18. Town Website
  19. Adjourn to Executive Session to Discuss Personnel Matters (WI Statute 19.85(1)(c))
  20. Reconvene to Open Session
  21. Sharing of Information/Correspondence
  22. Future Agenda Items
  23. Set Dates for Future Meetings
  24. Adjournment
- Sandra K. McManus  
Clerk/Treasurer  
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### TOWN OF DECATUR NOTICE OF CAUCUS

Notice is hereby given to the electors in the Town of Decatur, County of Green, State of Wisconsin, that a Town Caucus will be held at the Decatur Town Hall, 1408 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Brodhead, WI, on **Monday, January 16, 2023, at 6:00 PM** for the purpose of nominating candidates for the offices of Town Chairperson, 1<sup>st</sup> Supervisor, 2<sup>nd</sup> Supervisor, for a term to begin in April, 2023.

Sandra K. McManus  
Clerk/Treasurer

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# • Bridge (Continued from front page)

widening County Highway N from County C north to County H.

This project has State Aid in the amount of just over \$415,580; the total current estimated is \$1.1 million.

The rest of the projects will be improving a curve on County Highway EE as well as a hill removal on County Highway B with intersection improvements at Allen Road.

We have budgeted \$150,000 for engineering and land purchase for straightening County Highway J north of Thoman Road, where there are two 90-degree corners.

In addition, we will undertake engineering on improving County Highway H from State Highway 69 to County N.

The straightening of County J has a submitted application for BIL funds (we have not heard back yet) and we will apply for County H improvements using BIL, Rural STP or LRIP funding.

The wheel tax money will be

used on County N work next year (2023).

Equipment purchases are budgeted for \$1.8 million. We have had huge problems getting equipment and have had to partner with key dealers as orders are limited. Plow trucks now take 2 years to receive delivery, making budgeting a nightmare.

We currently are ordering four trucks and one hopefully will be delivered in December of this year (2023).

The make-up of these trucks we are ordering are 2 two axle trucks, one tandem truck and one tri-axle truck.

We have a problem with housing the larger trucks due to space limitations in our current facilities.

As we look at the future and possible labor shortages and use of more salt brines to reduce our salt usage, we will need larger trucks that will have the ability to stay plowing longer without reloading and carry additional liquid



Right: The County Highway S bridge north of Highway 11 was replaced in 2022; it was flagged as unsafe and a weight limit was to be posted at 25 tons. This is an important route for both major cheese factories as well as large farming operations. Above: Of his crew, seen here grading for bridge replacement in the Town of Clarno, County Commissioner Chris Narveson said, "Green County Highway is blessed with one of the best groups of "can do" workers in the State. I am proud to be part of this innovative group."

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We removed this bridge, replaced it with train tanker culverts, and had the road open in 2 days. That beats the 3 years of traffic detours for commercial traffic.



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A Town of Clarno Bridge would have cost \$560,000 to replace and would have taken 3 years to design and build. Green County replaced this with 2 train tanker culverts for just over \$72,000.