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Chef, kitchen co-op serve up local-grown

By Tony Ends
CORRESPONDENT

A young chef has joined members of a new cooperative business that's preparing meals of local foods for subscribers in Green and neighboring counties.

Kas Sonderberg of Blanchardville is now leading Community Kitchen Cooperative meal preparation for people who subscribe monthly.

Consumers pick up their meals weekly in Monticello or receive them at weekly delivery points.

"I'm glad my work has led me here," Sonderberg said, breaking to interview from packaging meals with members last Wednesday.

"This lets me do what I love, make my own schedule, and go home at night to be with my children (ages 13 and 5).

"I've been in kitchen work since about 14," said Sonderberg, who started culinary school but on advice of a chef with whom she was apprenticing left the classroom for real-world learning experience in many commissary and restaurant settings.

"The last 15 years I've been seeking out and learning from chefs I admired.

"Food is what brings people together, and I hope the CKC can continue to be a hub for community connections."

— Arlo Paust, co-chair of the Community Cooperative Kitchen Board of Directors

This kitchen cooperative is definitely different from what I expected; everything is the opposite of how conventional restaurants operate."

Sonderberg actually started working with cooperative members back in December after the Community Kitchen Cooperative had already started operation in the fall.

From then into winter, there was much produce purchased from local growers to process, preserve, freeze, and store for meal preparation through the cold season.

Community Kitchen Cooperative's entire membership took a break over the holidays, which let their chef have time to think about cooking in its remodeled space and organizing for efficient meal preparation that began again in January.

Community Kitchen Cooperative, or CKC, occupies the main floor of a two-sto-

ry brick building that hosted for many years The Dining Room restaurant, then Twisted Tree Eatery.

It's at 203 N. Main St. in Monticello, which is on Highway 69 about 11 miles north of Monroe, 30 miles south of Madison.

The cooperative business is central to its 12 worker and farm producer members. Members have been driving into the 110-year-old building, first to pitch in on remodeling and meeting state-certified kitchen requirements, then either to prepare the meals or deliver what they raise or grow for ingredients.

A hard goal of the CKC is to source 90 percent of ingredients within a radius of Monticello.

Meeting that goal engaged every member in planning by the seasons, from seed

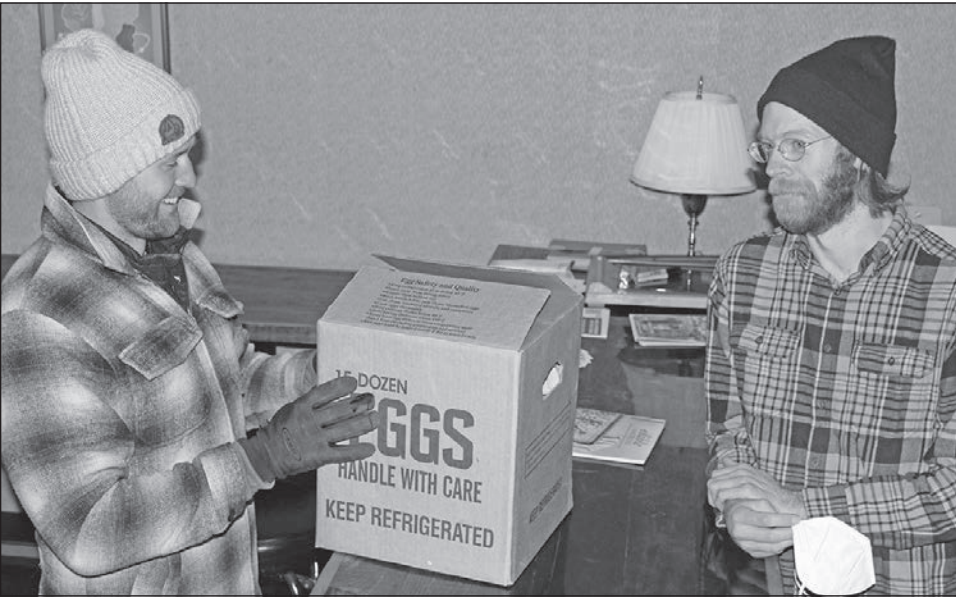
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Above: For many years, visitors and Monticello locals knew the stately brick building at 203 N. Main as the Dining Room, and later as Twisted Tree Eatery. It is now the Community Kitchen Cooperative, and the business of worker and farm producer members is preparing and selling weekly pre-cooked meals to monthly subscribers, with on-site pickup or delivery within a radius of Monticello. **Right:** Chef Kas apporitions quinoa medley into jars as cooperative worker member Arlo Paust seals lids for 57 subscribers receiving meals last month.



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Jacob Marty of Greenfire Farm near Monticello delivers eggs to Arlo Paust, a cooperative worker member and co-chair of its board of directors.



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Left: Brodhead Middle School TOOL (Team of Outstanding Leaders) members Madi Arnold (left) and Taiya Hawkins were recently recognized for “being the change” while working on a recent project. “The two demonstrated thoughtful leadership while thinking of others,” according to TOOL advisor Stephanie Tresemer. The girls are pictured below the new hallway banner that was recently purchased by TOOL students.

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Changemakers

Public Health shifting focus on its COVID-19 response

After nearly two years responding to the COVID-19 pandemic, Green County Public Health is transitioning away from universal disease investigation and contact tracing for individual cases of COVID-19.

The department’s time and resources will shift to increased vaccination, increased testing, additional education and outbreak prevention efforts, according to a press release issued last week.

This change comes after messaging from the

Wisconsin Department of Health Services and a joint statement from the Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists, encouraging local health departments to focus on activities that are expected to yield the greatest benefit in terms of preventing severe COVID-19 illness.

The nature of the COVID-19 pandemic has shifted, as such, the response approach needs to shift too.

The evolution of COVID-19 variants, widespread availability of vaccines, availability of at-home tests, the development of new epidemiology tools, such as genomic surveillance, and a growing role for COVID-19 therapeutics have given medicine and public health a broader set of tools to mitigate the burden of COVID-19 disease.

The substantial amount of new COVID-19 cases being recorded due to the Omicron variant, as well as its shorter incubation period, reduces feasibility and utility of universal case investigation for all reported COVID-19 cases, according to officials.

“COVID-19 transmission is happening so rapidly that by the time our team is involved, everyone is already exposed or ill,” RoAnn Warden, director/Health Officer, stated in the press release. “Green County Public Health is no longer contacting every positive case. We will provide technical assistance to high-priority environments to prevent severe disease and death in our most vulnerable populations such as long-term care facilities and schools. In addition, our team will continue to offer weekly vaccination and testing

clinics as these are our most powerful tools at this stage in the pandemic.”

Guidelines for quarantine and isolation have not changed

Individuals who test positive should continue to follow isolation guidelines and, if exposed, quarantine, per the Wisconsin Department of Health Services and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Individuals who have tested positive should promptly notify any close contacts of their exposure.

In addition, people should notify their employer and/or school, childcare center.

Anyone who has symptoms of COVID-19 should seek testing, immediately isolate to prevent transmission to others and talk to their healthcare provider about medical treatment if they are at higher risk for severe outcomes.

Settings such as schools, businesses, and daycares that have implemented COVID-19 mitigation and prevention protocols to decrease transmission and prevent outbreaks, are encouraged to continue these efforts to protect vulnerable students, employees or individuals.

Green County Public Health supports efforts that protect safety and continued operations, according to officials. “Our department will continue to work with these organizations to provide guidance, and help control and mitigate outbreaks,” Warden said.

For more information visit wi-greecounty.civicplus.com/420/COVID-19-Isolation-Quarantine.

It’s Groundhog Day

Feb. 2 is the day each year in which Americans look towards a giant rodent to find out how much more winter they will have to endure, according to an article by Wisconsin Pollinators.

According to tradition, the groundhog, *Marmota monax*, also known as a woodchuck or whistle pig, peeks out of its burrow on Feb. 2 and checks to see if it has a shadow.

If sunny enough for a shadow, the groundhog will return to the comfort of its burrow, and winter will continue for an additional six weeks.

This stout-bodied rodent weighs up to 13 pounds and has a body length of up to about 20 inches and a short, bushy tail up to 7 inches long. Thick fur on the upper parts ranges in color through various shades of brown. The feet are darker, and the underparts are buff. Melanistic (nearly black) and albino individuals sometimes occur in some

populations.

Found from the eastern and central United States northward across Canada and into Alaska, they most commonly live along forest edges abutting meadows, open fields, roads, and streams, but they are occasionally also encountered in dense forests. The groundhog is solitary except in the spring.

Groundhogs have four incisors, shaped like chisels, two upper and two lower of which the upper two continue to grow at the rate of 1/16th of an inch every week.

To keep the growth of the front teeth in check, the groundhogs have to constantly chew or gnaw on leaves or grass.

They also spend a good amount of time nibbling at trees or roots so that the teeth can be worn down.

The groundhog defends itself from predators by using its two large incisors and claws.

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Thoughts from Scotch Hill

Who can get food systems back under control?

I recall reading a statistic that startled me so much as a teenager that I paraphrased it immediately aloud again to my father.

It was a habit we had more than 50 years ago to sit quietly reading in the living room together. Two daily city newspapers and the village weekly provided much food for thought.

This economic and social forecast that day broke our silent reflection.

"Dad, it says here that within the next 25 years Americans will be eating more than half of all meals in restaurants and places outside the home," I repeated astonished at what I'd read.

A meal in the 1950s, '60s, and early '70s was around kitchen or dining room table from what mom or dad cooked. Restaurants were family-run, featuring "home-cooked" meals. Yet meals in little cafes and diners – there were no chain or fast food places to eat – were at best once in a week.

That forecast didn't actually come true until 2010, a far-reaching phenomenon much described in "America's Eating Habits: Food Away from Home," a 172-page Economic Research Service (ERS) analysis published in 2018.

What the shift of food and meal preparation out of our hands and into the marketplace has done, few people anymore pause to consider – until a pandemic strikes and the economy suffers.

Eating out radically changed work. It changed relationships, families, neighborhoods. It changed communities and cities. Of greatest consequence, it changed nutrition, eating habits, and diet.

In early 2020, within days of the virus shutting down the federal headquarters where I'd been working in Maryland, all grocery



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shelves for bread and other perishables were empty. I took a commuter line that same week into Washington's Union Station and then Amtrak to Union Station in Chicago and home in Wisconsin. Terminal restaurants were already largely closed.

If you travel at all now, you know food courts in rail stations, airports, even tollway rest areas are still largely darkened and silent.

Long before the pandemic, I shared a concern I heard frequently expressed that so much of life was "out of control."

Another more recent ERS assessment makes me think something different. It tells me most "Food Away from Home" (FAFH) reflects not collective helplessness, but consumer purchasing power.

"In 2019, before the COVID-19 pandemic, U.S. consumers, businesses, and government entities spent an average of \$137.4 billion per month on food," the ERS reported in August 2020. "Normal seasonal variations were present, with total food spending being lowest in January and February and highest in May, August, and December."

"Early 2020 followed the same pattern, with lower-than-average total food spending in January and February, but this trend continued into the spring with spending on food falling to \$105 billion in April 2020, as spending at food-away-from-home establishments—restaurants, school cafeterias, sports venues, and other eating places—dropped to

\$36 billion." (www.ers.usda.gov/data-products/charts-of-note/charts-of-note/?topicId=37ab7f11-7ad0-493f-9308-aca2bd0e319e)

Tens of millions of commuting Americans began working remotely during the pandemic. With this, consumers saved an average of nearly \$40 per week in food purchases they shifted largely to grocery stores and online delivery.

By the end of September 2020, one food research firm reported nearly 80,000 restaurants, 10.2 percent of the total nationwide, had closed permanently as a result. Independent and local restaurants have unfortunately been the hardest hit.

Enormity of our money flowing away every month from local economies to multinational corporations is staggering. However, the pandemic showed that collectively, we might not have completely lost control of our food, or our lives.

Within less than a year, a trend of more than 50 years suddenly halted. Not every family meal was restored to in-home preparation, nor local sourcing of ingredients, nor the nutrition and diet of previous generations.

If food dollars are really within our control, though, why couldn't we also now restore so much of what we lost in the rise and dominance of FAFH?

For 25 years that I grew vegetables with my wife Dela and children, I tried painfully, slowly to practice this self-control. We needed to raise a volume of fresh vegetables and livestock to afford the seeds, tools, equipment, and greenhouses; the forage, feed, and grain for animals to feed ourselves self-sufficiently.

We started with farmers markets and subscribers in Madison, Beloit and

Janesville, expanding to Milwaukee and Chicago. We sold directly to people and took our dollars home to buy the many, many things we needed to produce and increase scale toward self-sufficiency. Often at the end of markets, I'd walk to other vendors' tables and purchase what we did not raise ourselves.

Among other small-scale producers in 2017, we began advancing the concept of a food shed, using the features of Sugar River Watershed – an area encompassing 218 square miles, with 1,700 farmers and 77 percent of the land in agricultural use, 83,000 people living in 16 communities – to inspire changed thinking about food security potential.

Ridges forming watershed boundaries channel water to wetlands and ground water. This protects a local water supply. If carefully managed in a food shed, food production tended with this same vital water can provide food security to the people and animals living in this geographic space.

Massive supply chain disruptions, stalled global and national shipping of food, huge processing plant shutdowns from virus spread, a trucking industry shortage of 100,000 drivers – all have demonstrated vulnerabilities of a system out of local control.

Who's really in control of money spent every month on food?

Consumers, institutions, government purchases hold the answer. What story will we write in the next 50 years?

Tony Ends is the former editor and has contributed to the Independent-Register periodically since 2006. He presently writes and edits for a USDA agency and helps his wife Dela raise vegetables at Scotch Hill Farm for a cooperative kitchen in Monticello.

• Co-op (Continued from front page)

purchases and livestock production to harvest and processing.

"I love the sustainability focus," Sonderberg said, who added she appreciates the greater flexibility the cooperative kitchen gives her for family time and scheduling work. "I do see this concept of pre-packaged meals without being exposed in a restaurant dining room as a better option."

"The pandemic has also made people working in the restaurant industry realize how hard that business is on them – low pay, heavy night and weekend schedules. This concept addresses those flaws."

"The CKC board and community are uplifting and encouraging. I can be creative at what I love without the hierarchy and competitiveness of so much of the restaurant business," she said.

Those cooperative values of the new enterprise galvanized core members like Arlo Paust to spend many months of planning and the challenges of innovation and startup.

A Green County native also living in the Blanchardville area, Paust co-chairs the board. He also wears many hats in the cooperative business operation – newsletter publishing for subscribers, last-minute kitchen prep, administration services to customers, website maintenance and packaging.

"I think what keeps me going in CKC," Paust said, "is my historical knowledge of the thriving economies that were once common in Green County. I see the co-op as an opportunity for people to connect with their home and realize the benefits of keeping our dollars feeding our neighbors in the community, rather than enriching the corporations of millionaires of America."

"Food is what brings people together, and I hope the CKC can continue to be a hub for community connections," he said.

"For now, the Community Kitchen Cooperative is helping raise awareness that, "Hey! I can eat locally, and it is not as hard to do as I thought."

For subscriber Molly Placke Silver, who has lived with her husband Greg Silver since 2013 about 3.5 miles from Monticello, CKC is a godsend. Its prepared meals, which she buys monthly, warms and serves weekly, have really helped their busy schedule. She teleworks full time, and her husband drives up to Madison to work five days a week.

"I absolutely enjoy it as a consumer, but it tastes extra good knowing that it helps local farmers," Placke Silver said. "I think I most appreciate that it offers an alternative market and season extension for the farmers."

Fifth and sixth generation father-son team Jim and Jacob Marty have been selling eggs and meat to CKC for meal ingredients. Their Green Fire Farm has been gradually restoring pasture-based livestock production to 250 acres since 2015.

Local eggs, cheese, bakery, dessert and/or coffee are available as add-on purchases to subscribers with meal pick-up or delivery.

CKC's dining room is also available for event rental space. Meal monthly sign-up information, prices, and other subscription details are available by emailing communitykitchencoop@gmail.com or calling 608-938-1173. The website is www.communitykitchen.coop

Editor's note: Tony Ends and wife Dela own the co-op building. The couple took out loans to purchase the building on early advice to the cooperative from senior lender Paul Dietmann of Compeer Financial. Dietmann has known and worked with their Scotch Hill Farm more than 20 years. He advised the couple that they would be able to finance the building with their credit history and lease kitchen space to the cooperative until it has a track record, market base, and down payment.

Dela Ends serves on the CKC board, is active in cooperative committees, and she has prepared meals and sold produce the couple raised at Scotch Hill for cooperative meal ingredients.

Shirley Schwartzlow's 80th Birthday is February 10!
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*Varsity girls basketball vs. Argyle, 6 p.m.

FRIDAY, FEB. 4
-Albertson Memorial Library open 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.
*Varsity boys basketball at Six Rivers Crossover, 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, FEB. 5
-Albertson Memorial Library open 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
*Wrestling tournament at Markesan, 10 a.m.
*Varsity girls basketball at Abundant Life, 2 p.m.

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

MONDAY, FEB. 7
-Albertson Memorial Library open 1 p.m. to 7 p.m.
-Village Street and Utility Committee meets, 6:30 p.m.
*Albany High School FFA meets, 7 p.m.

TUESDAY, FEB. 8
-Albertson Memorial Library open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
*Varsity girls basketball vs. Monticello, 7 p.m.
-Albany Town Board meets, 6:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 9
-Albertson Memorial Library open 1 p.m. to 7 p.m.
*Albany School District, early release, 2:37 p.m.
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Rock County project earns 'Excellence' award

Six Wisconsin construction companies received Excellence in Construction Awards at the Wisconsin Department of Transportation's annual Contractor-Engineer Conference held late last month in Madison.

A large contract project in Rock County was among the top winners which also included an asphalt paving project in Oneida and Vilas counties, a concrete paving project in Milwaukee County, a grading project in Menominee County, a small bridge project in Dunn County and a large bridge project in Sauk County.

"Coordination with industry is key to WisDOT's mission to provide a safe, efficient highway system statewide," Beth Canestra, director of WisDOT's Bureau of Project Development, said in a press release issued Jan. 21. "WisDOT is fortunate to have strong working relationships with contractors to develop new ideas and innovations that result in great projects. These awards help to recognize a continued commitment to quality and public service."

The following projects were honored:

Rock County

I-39 Constructors, LLC, located in Black River Falls, received the Large Contract Award for their work on I-43 Interchange Core project in Rock County.



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I-39 Constructors, LLC, located in Black River Falls, received the Large Contract Award for work on I-43 Interchange Core project in Rock County which reconstructed and expanded 3.7 miles of both I-39 and I-43, as well as reconstructing and extending WIS 81.

The project reconstructed and expanded 3.7 miles of both I-39 and I-43, as well as reconstructing and extending WIS 81.

The project involved many different components including three new flyover ramps and seven new structures. The contractor joint venture did an excellent job working within tight timeframes and staged construction areas to provide an excellent project while still maintaining traffic volumes of 97,000 vehicles per day, according to the DOT.

Oneida and Vilas counties

The Excellence in Asphalt Paving Award went to Pitlik & Wick, Inc. located in Eagle River for work on a 17.4-mile section of WIS 17 between Rhinelander and Eagle River in Oneida and Vilas counties. The route sees high traffic volumes from both commuter and tourism traffic, especially during the summer

months. Pitlik & Wick did an outstanding job to ensure access and limit impacts of construction while still delivering an outstanding project, the release stated.

Milwaukee County

The Excellence in Concrete Paving Award went to Zignego Company, located in Waukesha, for the reconstruction of North Teutonia Avenue between West Groeling Avenue and West Capitol Drive in the City of Milwaukee. Working alongside residents and business owners, Zignego used their expertise to adjust the construction staging plan to maintain access to businesses, maintain traffic flow, and keep the project on time, according to officials.

Menominee County

The Excellence in Grading Award went to James Peterson Sons, Inc., located

in Medford, for work on the WIS 47 project in Menominee County. Successful coordination among the contractor, WisDOT and the Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin, was key to the completion of this 2.5-mile segment of WIS 47. Strong communication and ability to deliver through complex construction staging needs helped to keep work on schedule and make the project a success.

Dunn County

The Excellence in Small Structures Award went to Zenith Tech, located in Waukesha, for construction of the WIS 85 bridge over Rock Creek in Dunn County. The project included replacement of the bridge, as well as a Wisconsin DNR-funded dam removal. Zenith Tech and the project team worked through multiple challenges to ensure no adverse impacts to Rock

Creek, a Class 1 trout stream.

Sauk County

The Excellence in Large Structures Award went to Kraemer North America, located in Plain, for construction of the WIS 23 bridge over the Wisconsin River in Sauk County.

The project rehabilitated a seven-span, 990-foot steel girder structure built in 1965. Work included deck replacement, new bridge bearings, and repainting the girders. Kraemer North America had a tight schedule, which required a late-fall start date and working almost continuously through the winter to reopen the bridge to traffic as required. They were instrumental in working with WisDOT and subcontractors in thinking creatively to modify the schedule and ultimately complete the work almost six weeks early, the press release stated.

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Overheard in Orfordville Village Hall

The Orfordville Village Board met Jan. 24. According to the unofficial minutes, the following items were discussed:

President's report

President Gary Phillips

said village officials have been meeting in preparation for construction projects to get underway in the village this spring. A meeting has been set for residents in affected areas and will be held

on Wednesday, Feb. 9. Phillips also commended the Public Works Department for its efficient snow removal Jan. 21 through 23, noting that there were a number of cars parked on the streets, making it difficult to plow.

News from
Parkview in Orfordville:

Viking Times

THURSDAY, FEB. 3

- Orfordville Public Library open 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- Parent-teacher conferences
- Eighth-grade girls basketball at J.C. McKenna, 4 p.m.
- JV girls basketball game vs. Deerfield High School, 6 p.m.
- Varsity girls basketball vs. Deerfield, 7:15 p.m.

FRIDAY, FEB. 4

- Orfordville Public Library open 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Children's Storytime, 11 a.m.
- No school
- JV boys basketball vs. Johnson Creek, 6 to 8 p.m.
- Varsity boys basketball vs. Johnson Creek, 7:15 p.m.

SATURDAY, FEB. 5

- Orfordville Public Library open 9 a.m. to noon
- Varsity conference meet at Markesan, 10 a.m.

MONDAY, FEB. 7

- Orfordville Public Library open 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

- Eighth-grade girls basketball at Edgerton, 4 p.m.
- JV boys basketball vs. Williams Bay, 5:30 p.m.
- Parkview Police Committee meeting, district conference room, 5:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, FEB. 8

- Orfordville Public Library open 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., Teen Tuesdays 3:30 p.m.
- Parent-teacher conferences
- Special Board of Education meeting at the elementary school, 5:30 p.m.
- PTO meeting at the elementary school, 6 p.m.
- JV girls basketball at Palmyra-Eagle, 6 p.m.
- JV boys basketball vs. Waterloo, 6 p.m.
- Varsity girls basketball at Palmyra-Eagle, 7:15 p.m.
- Varsity boys basketball vs. Waterloo, 7:15 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 9

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

Municipal court will get patrol

The Board approved a new ordinance that would require the village to provide police protection at the municipal court. Municipal Judge Russell Rucker who was present, explained that the matter was a safety measure for those who attend and work at the municipal court.

Recognitions

Phillips read and presented a plaque to Teena Gerber and Nelda Regan in honor of their mother Clarice Monk, for her years serving the village as owner of The Poor Peddler. Monk was also recognized for the work she did with the Churches United for People food pantry program at Orfordville Lutheran Church. According to Regan, the store will remain open.

Gerry Johnson, owner of Reflections, was also recognized for his years serving the community through his business. Johnson is retiring and village officials wished him well.

Rotary series updates communities on agency workings

Secretary Dawn Crim will visit area clubs in coming weeks

Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services Dawn Crim kicked off a series of Rotary Presentations in Beloit last week.

She was the guest speaker at the Beloit Rotary Club Jan. 25, where she presented an agency overview as well as updates on department projects and priorities.

These updates included agency work to update the commercial building code with more expansive allowances for mass timber construction, a sustainable alternative to concrete-and-steel construction.

She also discussed two significant technology projects that will automate the occupational license application process, which is still largely paper based.

One of the technology projects is an application that uses artificial intelligence to enter



Secretary Dawn Crim

data and begin initial document management.

The other will create an online application portal to replace paper forms.

Together, all this work reflects Crim's ongoing efforts to modernize agency operations while meeting the increasing demand for agency services, according to a press release from her office.

Database enables health physicians to gain patient information in real time

She also used the Rotary four-way test to examine the value of another DSPS project, the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program.

The PDMP is a database that enables physicians and other health professionals to access information about a patient's pain prescriptions in real time.

The PDMP also aggregates the data and provides state- and county-level prescribing information, which informs policy decisions.

The PDMP has transformed opioid prescribing practices and is part of the state's multi-faceted effort to combat the ongoing opioid epidemic.

As part of her remarks, Crim also shared news from the governor, including updates on his \$4.5 billion allocation of federal funds to help state residents, businesses, schools, colleges and universities, farms, and communities recover from the effects of the pandemic.

"As a Rotarian myself, I know how committed these groups are to the wellbeing of their communities. These are civic leaders and public servants who want the best for the people of Wisconsin," she said. "It is an honor to be able to share with them the work we are doing at the agency and in the administration to help Wisconsin recover from the pandemic and build back better so that we are a state where everyone can thrive and prosper."

According to the agency secretary, Rotary meetings are valuable points of connection between DSPS, the administration, and communities in Wisconsin.

"These interactions provide a venue for invaluable direct feedback on our work and impact," Crim said, "plus, they may lead to valuable future collaborations on important issues."

A 15-year member of the

Madison Rotary Club, Crim has scheduled a series of Rotary talks throughout the state.

Upcoming visits

She was scheduled to travel to Neenah Feb. 1 to deliver remarks at the Fox Cities Rotary meeting.

Later this month, she will be at the Janesville Noon Rotary on Monday, Feb. 21.

After that she will speak at the Edgerton Rotary Club on Tuesday, March 8, and the Oshkosh Rotary Club on Monday, March 21.

Other Rotary clubs interested in a presentation can contact DSPS Director of Public Affairs Jennifer Garrett at 608-576-2491 or Jennifer.garrett@wisconsin.gov.

About the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (DSPS)

The Department of Safe-

ty and Professional Services issues more than 240 unique licenses, administers dozens of boards and councils that regulate professions, enforces state building codes, runs the state fire prevention program, and maintains the award-winning Wisconsin Enhanced Prescription Drug Monitoring Program, which is a key tool in the multi-faceted public health campaign to stem excessive opioid prescribing.

A fee-based agency, the Department of Safety and Professional Services is self-sustaining and receives no general fund tax dollars for its day-to-day operations. With five offices and 250 employees throughout Wisconsin, DSPS collaborates with constituents and stakeholders across a wide range of industries to promote safety and advance the economy.

DOT takes steps to address school bus driver shortage

To help school districts strained by a shortage of school bus drivers, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation Division of Motor Vehicles will implement a temporary waiver to get more drivers behind the wheel and encourage former drivers to reinstate.

"WisDOT is taking every available opportunity to ease the strain on communities struggling to recruit drivers by removing barriers that might keep prospective drivers from applying," DMV Administrator Kristina Boardman said.

Drivers seeking their school bus license (S endorsement) will have the portion of the test that identifies "under the hood" engine components waived until March 31. All other com-

ponents of the written and road tests will remain. A recent waiver from the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration temporarily allows states to modify the CDL test for school bus drivers.

"Wisconsin's CDL examiners will focus on the testing requirements that are critical to safety in order to help school districts and communities struggling to recruit qualified school bus drivers," Boardman added.

Drivers receiving a CDL under this temporary waiver are permitted to operate intrastate school buses only, they are not authorized to operate trucks, motor coaches, or any other type of commercial motor vehicle requiring a CDL.

Former drivers tapped to reinstate

Additionally, this week the DMV sent a letter to nearly 1,000 former drivers who let their school bus license lapse.

The letter encourages interested drivers to renew their endorsement and check out employment opportunities in their community. Many school bus companies have implemented employment incentives, including increased wages and sign-on and referral bonuses.

"With the critical shortage of school bus drivers in Wisconsin, we hope these steps will support new and returning drivers to get behind the wheel and ensure all students have convenient, safe transportation to their local schools," Boardman said.

Green County meetings

Wednesday, Feb. 2

Green County Agriculture and Extension Education Committee, Green County Justice Center, multi-purpose room, lower level, 2841 6th St., Monroe, 12:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 2

Green County Ad Hoc Broadband Committee, Green

County Historic Courthouse, Green County Historic Courthouse, county boardroom, 1016 16th Ave., Monroe, 1:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 8

Green County Law Enforcement & Public Safety Committee, Green County Justice Center, training and meeting

office, back of the sheriff's department, 2841 6th St., Monroe, 5:45 p.m.

Monday, Feb. 14

Audit Subcommittee of the Green County Human Services Board, Government Services Building, N3152 State Road 81, Monroe, second floor conference room No. 207, 2 p.m.

College news

The following students from Davis, Illinois were named to the Northern Illinois University fall 2021 Dean's List: **Jordan Ayres**, College of Visual and Performing Arts Dean's List, Art Studio-Design & Media Arts, Dakota Jr-Sr High School; **Kaya Easley**, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Dean's List, Psychology - B.A., Dakota Jr-Sr High School; and **Samuel Spickler**, College of Engineering Dean's List, Mechanical Engineering - B.S., Durand High School

Ashlyn Sheafor, from Brodhead, was named to Western Technical College's President's List of High Distinction for the Fall 2021 term.

The following students were named to the University of Wisconsin-Madison's Dean's List for the fall semester of the 2021-22 academic year:

Payton Zurfluh of Albany School of Human Ecology, Dean's Honor List; **Samantha Anderson** of Brodhead, College of Engineering, Dean's Honor List; **Trent Anderson** of Brodhead, College of Engineering, Dean's Honor List; **Anna Corbit** of Brodhead, School of Nursing, Dean's

Honor List; **Haley Dodd** of Brodhead, College of Letters and Science, Dean's List; **Taylor Adkins** of Juda, College of Engineering, Dean's Honor List; and **Nicole Kamholz** of Juda, School of Pharmacy, Honor Roll.

Nathan Mohr of Brodhead, a student at Northwestern College in Orange City, Iowa, has earned a spot on the Academic Dean's List for the fall 2021 semester.

Mohr is a senior majoring in exercise science.

More than 600 students have been named to the Carthage College dean's list for the fall 2021 semester.

Dean's list honors are accorded to Carthage students who achieve a minimum 3.5 grade-point average while carrying at least 14 credit hours during a semester.

The following area students earned the achievement: **Abigail Vidruk** of Janesville, **Erin Engle** of Footville, **Lily Stockheimer** of Janesville, **Kyle Bergman** of Beloit, **Blaize Butler** of Janesville, **Rachael Thomas** of Milton, **Gabrielle Tiff** of Janesville and **Lauren Hammes** of Orfordville.

More than 9,700 Iowa State University students have been recognized for outstanding academic achievement by being named to the fall semester 2021 Dean's List including **Rebecca Emma Baird**, 3, Forestry and **Cassandra Reita Clark**, 4, Veterinary Medicine, both from Durand, Illinois.

Nathaniel Ross of Albany was named to the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire fall 2021 Dean's List among 2,721 other students.

Ross is enrolled in the College of Arts and Sciences.

The University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point honored more than 2,350 undergraduate students for attaining high grade point averages during the fall semester of the 2021-22 academic year.

Students who received honors include: senior **Hailey Stefanik** of Albany, highest honors; freshman **Jeshua Fraley-Markley** of Brodhead, freshman, high honors; senior **Erin Nyhus** of Brodhead, highest honors; senior **Karleen Sutherland** of Brodhead, honors; senior **Katelyn Kalina** of Durand, Illinois, highest honors and senior **Madelyn Roth** of Juda, highest honors.

Beautiful Babies of 2021

PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS, AUNTS, UNCLES... SHOW OFF YOUR RECENT ARRIVAL!

For just \$20, The Independent-Register will celebrate your beautiful baby of 2021. Babies born between Jan. 1 and Dec. 31, 2021 will be featured in the Feb. 23 issue. Please send your baby's picture, completed form and payment by 3 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 16, 2022.

Baby's Name _____

Birth Date _____

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Great Grandparents _____

Contact Phone _____

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PLANNING AND ZONING
HEARING TO BE HELD AT
THE MAGNOLIA TOWN HALL
14729 W. COUNTY ROAD A,
EVANSVILLE, WI 53536
THURSDAY,
FEBRUARY 10, 2022
7:00 P.M.**

Agenda:
1. Consider a request for a Conditional Use Permit for Larson Acres, Inc. 18218 W. State Road 59 Evansville, WI 53536 to separate approximately 2-acres with a house from an 8-acre parcel. The parcel number is 024 010003 and the address of the house is 17002 W. State Road 59 Evansville, WI 53536. The new parcel would be zoned A-3.
2. Adjourn.
Graceann Toberman,
Clerk/Treasurer
Town of Magnolia
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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
Sealed bids will be received by the Village of Albany at 206 N. Water Street, Albany, WI 53502 until 2:00 PM February 17, 2022 For: Village of Albany Wastewater Treatment Facility Phosphorus Removal Upgrades Project
The project consists of the following:
• Providing and installing a 500-gallon ferric chloride storage tank with secondary containment, two chemical feed pumps and associated appurtenances.
• Providing and installing a portable emergency safety shower and eye wash station
• Replacing electrical distribution, heating, and ventilation equipment for existing building to be used for chemical feed system.
The Issuing Office for the Bidding Documents is: Mead & Hunt, Inc., 2440 Deming Way, Middleton, WI 53562, (608) 273-6380.

Bidding Documents also may be examined online at Quest Construction Data Network (www.questcdn.com); the office of the Village of Albany, 206 North Water Street, Albany, WI 53502, on Mondays through Fridays between the hours of 8:00 – 5:00; and the office of the Engineer, Mead & Hunt, Inc., 2440 Deming Way, Middleton, WI 53562, on Mondays through Fridays between the hours of 8:00 – 5:00.

Digital Bidding Documents are available through the Quest Construction Data Network (www.questcdn.com). You may download the digital Bid Documents for Quest project #8110193 at a cost of \$30. Please contact Quest at (952) 233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in free membership registration, downloading, and working with this digital project information.
No pre-bid conference will be held.
Prequalification of bidders will not be required.
Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.
Government funding for this project requires this project be subject to the requirements of the Davis Bacon and Related Acts, American Iron and Steel Requirements, and the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Environmental Improvement Fund.

The successful bidder will be required to conform to the wage requirements prescribed by the federal Davis-Bacon and Related Acts which requires that all laborers and mechanics employed by contractors and sub-contractors performing on contracts funded in whole or in part with federal funds in excess of \$2,000 pay their laborers and mechanics not less than the prevailing wage rates and fringe benefits, as determined by the Secretary of Labor, for corresponding classes of laborers and mechanics employed on similar project in the area. Bidders shall provide certification with their bid agreeing to comply with Davis-Bacon requirements.
Disadvantaged business enterprises (DBEs), including minority business enterprises (MBEs) and women business enterprises (WBEs) are encouraged to submit bid proposals.

Before awarding the contract, the OWNER reserves the right to request proof of responsibility and qualifications, and a letter from the CONTRACTOR stating he or she is an equal opportunity employer.

No bid shall be withdrawn after the opening of bids without the consent of the OWNER for a period of sixty (60) days after the scheduled time of receiving bids.
The OWNER reserves the right to accept or reject any bids which may be advantageous to the OWNER.
Each bidder must deposit, with his bid, security in the amount of 5% of his bid in accordance with the conditions provided in the Instructions to Bidders.
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STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
GREEN COUNTY
Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. as Trustee for Mortgage Assets Management Series I Trust
Plaintiff,
v.
Estate of Barry A. Olson, et al.
Defendants.
Case No. 2021CV000121
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
By virtue of a judgment of foreclosure made in the above-entitled action on October 26, 2021 in the amount of \$154,613.41, I will sell at public auction, located at the Green County Justice Center, Ground Floor Conference Room, 2841 6th Street, Monroe, WI 53566, on
March 3, 2022
At 9:00 AM, all of the following described premises, to wit:
COMMENCING AT A POINT IN THE ROAD, BEING THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE EAST 10 ACRES OF THE WEST 21 1/2 ACRES OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 16, TOWN 2 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST, THENCE SOUTH 160 FEET TO IRON STAKE,
THENCE NORTH 88 DEGREES 35 MINUTES EAST 160 FEET TO IRON STAKE,
THENCE NORTH 160 FEET TO PK NAIL IN ROAD,
THENCE SOUTH 88 DEGREES 35 MINUTES WEST 160 FEET ALONG ROADWAY TO POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING AN AREA OF 0.587 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.

ALSO COMMENCING AT A POINT IN THE ROAD BEING THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE EAST 10 ACRES OF THE WEST 21 1/2 ACRES OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 16, TOWN 2 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST, THENCE SOUTH 160 FEET TO IRON STAKE AND POINT OF BEGINNING,
THENCE SOUTH 136.125 FEET,
THENCE NORTH 88 DEGREES 35 MINUTES EAST 160 FEET,
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THENCE SOUTH 88 DEGREES 35 MINUTES WEST 160 FEET TO POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING AN AREA OF 0.5 ACRES MORE OR LESS, BEING IN THE TOWNSHIP OF DECATUR, GREEN COUNTY, WISCONSIN.
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Tax Key No. 23012-0425.0000

THE PROPERTY WILL BE SOLD AS IS AND SUBJECT TO ANY AND ALL REAL ESTATE TAXES, SUPERIOR LIENS OR OTHER LEGAL ENCUMBRANCES.
TERMS OF SALE: CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK or CERTIFIED FUNDS, payable to the Clerk of Courts (10% down payment at sale, balance due within ten (10) days of Court approval; down payment to be forfeited if payment not received timely). Buyer must comply with minimum bidder qualifications as set forth in Wis. Stat. § 846.155. Buyer to pay applicable Wisconsin Real Estate Transfer Tax in addition to the purchase price.
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Proceedings of School District of Brodhead

City of Brodhead, Towns of Avon, Spring Grove, Decatur, Sylvester, Spring Valley and Magnolia

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REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING BRODHEAD SCHOOL DISTRICT High School Auditoria 2501 W. 5th Avenue, Brodhead, WI

**Wednesday, January 12, 2022
7:00 P.M.**

Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Board President Mike Krupke at 7:00 p.m. The meeting agenda was published in the Wednesday, January 5, 2022 edition of the Independent Register.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present: Mike Krupke, Don Buchanan, Michael Oellerich, Al Schneider, Jim Wahl, Elizabeth Kempel, and Jodi Kail
Absent: None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Jim Wahl, second by Jodi Kail, to approve the agenda. Motion carried, 7-0.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Regular Meeting: December 8, 2021
Regular School Board Meeting Minutes were declared approved, as printed.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Motion by Al Schneider, second by Jim Wahl, to approve payment of the Insight FS bill, as presented.
Motion passed, 6-0-1 [M. Krupke abstained].

Motion by Jodi Kail, second by Elizabeth Kempel, to approve payment of the remainder of the bills, as presented. Motion carried, 7-0.

INFORMATION REPORTS

The Administrative Team presented information reports on their respective buildings and departments.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

No one was present to give public comment.

AGENDA ITEMS

TRAUMA SENSITIVE SCHOOLS

PRESENTATION
DeAnne Larson, Amber Talcott, and Jessica Gardipee of the Trauma Sensitive Schools team presented information regarding emotional trauma in our schools and what being a trauma sensitive school means.
The remainder of the Trauma Sensitive Schools team is Ethan Anderson, Karen Elmer, Brooke Kintzle, and Dolly Stibbe.

SAFETY DRILL REPORTS

REPORT ITEM
Building Principals presented reports on the recent school safety drills that took place on January 6, 2022 [HS and ES] and January 7, 2022 [MS].

AUDIT REPORT

ACTION ITEM
Motion by Al Schneider, second by Elizabeth Kempel, to approve the auditor's report, as presented.
Motion carried, 7-0.

DRAW LOTS FOR BALLOT ORDER

ACTION ITEM
There are two openings for the 2022 Board Election to be held on Tuesday, April 5, 2022. Incumbents Jodi Kail and Al Schneider have filed the appropriate Declaration of Candidacy and Nomination Papers. The deadline for filing was January 4, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. There are currently no new candidates.
Order for ballot, lots drawn by Board Vice President Don Buchanan:
1. Jodi Kail 2. Al Schneider

APPROVAL OF 2022-23 SCHOOL CALENDAR

ACTION ITEM
Motion by Michael Oellerich, second by Jim Wahl, to approve the 2022-23 school calendar, as presented.
Motion carried, 7-0.

REVIEW WASB RESOLUTIONS

INFORMATION ITEM
The Wisconsin Association of School Boards' annual convention will be held January 19-21, 2022. Board Delegate Mike Krupke will be representing and voting for the District on WASB Delegate Assembly Resolutions. The Board agreed to send Mike to the Delegate Assembly unencumbered.

REFERENDUM UPDATE

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM
Superintendent Novy presented information on the referendum timeline and his plan over the next few months to provide information to the public on the referendum question and financial impact of the referendum.

COVID-19 UPDATE

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM
Superintendent Novy presented information on Covid-19 within the District. The District website's Covid-19 dashboard has been updated and now provides information on the running totals and current totals within District buildings among staff and students. As of Friday, January 7, there were 32 positive cases across the District.
The Board discussed masking, new quarantining procedures, and after school events.
Motion by Mike Krupke, second by Al Schneider, to require masks across all District buildings during school hours effective Friday, January 14, 2022. Motion passed, 4-3 [J. Wahl, J. Kail, E. Kempel – No].
Motion by Don Buchanan, second by Al Schneider, to approve the new COVID-19 Isolation/Quarantine Protocols, as presented. Motion carried, 7-0.
Motion by Al Schneider, second by Jim Wahl, to approve a no student-school day on February 2 and make it a full teacher work day instead of an Early Release day, and to make February 18 a half-day (AM) Inservice/Parent Teacher Conference day with no staff responsibilities in the afternoon.
Motion carried, **+9 7-0.

Motion by Michael Oellerich, second by Don Buchanan, to allow athletic events to be scheduled on Wednesday evenings for the 2021-22 winter season. Motion carried, 7-0.

ACCEPT DONATION(S)

ACTION ITEM
Motion by Jim Wahl, second by Elizabeth Kempel, to accept the following donation(s):
• \$300.00 monetary donation from The American Legion to the Elementary School to help supplement the Backpack Program
• \$3,200.00 monetary donation from Colony Brands, Inc. to the District to help supplement funds for the District's Backpack Program

• Scooter Board donated by Sue Coplien to the Brodhead Occupational Therapy Department
• \$500.00 monetary donation from Kirsten Novy from her JV2 Volleyball Coaching Pay to the Brodhead Volleyball Program
• Glow-in-the-Dark Stars and Sign Language Cards donated by Jessica Perkins to the Brodhead Occupational Therapy Department
Motion carried, 7-0.

RESIGNATION(S)

ACTION ITEM
Motion by Jim Wahl, second by Jodi Kail, to approve the resignation of Laura Maum, Elementary School Custodian, effective December 27, 2021. Motion carried, 7-0.

EMPLOYMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

ACTION ITEM
Motion by Al Schneider, second by Don Buchanan, to approve the hiring of Sarah Jordan as High School/Middle School Vocal Music Teacher, with a start date of January 19, 2022, at a starting salary of \$43,755.00 (pro-rated @ \$21,528). Motion carried, 7-0.

Motion by Jim Wahl, second by Elizabeth Kempel, to approve the hiring of Sarah Jordan as High School Musical Director, with a start date of January 19, 2022, at Extra-Curricular Salary Schedule Placement (0-3 years, \$1,433.00). Motion carried, 7-0.

Motion by Don Buchanan, second by Jim Wahl, to approve the hiring of Niteal Pinnow as High School/Middle School Show Choir Director, with a start date of January 3, 2022, at Extra-Curricular Salary Schedule Placement (0-3 years, \$3,000.00, prorated @

\$1,668). Motion carried, 7-0.
VOLUNTEER RECOMMENDATION(S)
None at this time.
FUTURE AGENDA [January 26, 2022]
• Program Presentation – Middle School
• Set Open Enrollment Seat Limits for 2022-23
• Approval of New Phone System
• Referendum Update
• COVID-19 Update
• Long Term Facilities Discussion
• Accept Donation(s)
• Resignation(s)
• Employment Recommendation(s)
• Volunteer Recommendation(s)

ROLL CALL VOTE TO CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO WI. STS. 19.85 (1) (c) (f)
ACTION ITEM
Motion by Jim Wahl, second by Al Schneider, to go into Closed Session under WI. STS. 19.85 (1) (c) (f) at 8:30 p.m. for the discussion of:
a. Staffing
Roll Call vote: All ayes (7-0).
Motion by Jim Wahl, second by Al Schneider, to approve a paid administrative leave for a staff member. Motion carried, 7-0.

Motion by Don Buchanan, second by Elizabeth Kempel, to approve a \$500 stipend to Heather Fenwick for extra duties she is picking up. Motion carried, 7-0.
Motion by Michael Oellerich, second by Al Schneider, to approve an unpaid leave of absence for a staff member for the remainder of the 2021-22 school year. Motion carried, 7-0.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION
ACTION ITEM
Motion by Al Schneider, second by Jim Wahl, to return to open session at 9:02 p.m. Motion carried, 7-0.

ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS
ACTION ITEM
Clerk reported out of Closed Session that a staff administrative leave and a staff member unpaid leave of absence were both approved and that a \$500 stipend for Heather Fenwick was approved for her additional duties.

ADJOURNMENT
ACTION ITEM
Motion by Don Buchanan, second by Jodi Kail, to adjourn the meeting at 9:03 p.m. Motion carried 7-0.
Date: 1/12/22 \$100 Bill List

BRODHEAD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	100
BIG FOOT HIGH SCHOOL	125
GREEN COUNTY SOLID WASTE	136
MENARDS - JANESVILLE	139.96
LIVES IN THE BALANCE	163.17
MOUNT HOREB HIGH SCHOOL	175
TEACHER CREATED RESOURCES, INC	182.37
SPETCH OIL INC	202.06
VISA	234.52
JOHNSON CREEK HIGH SCHOOL	250
DEMCO INC	291.03
GASSER TRUE VALUE HARDWARE	299.02
PAN-O-GOLD BAKING CO	370.32
ROCK VALLEY PUBLISHING LLC	397.96
PIGGLY WIGGLY	520.18
RHYME BUSINESS PRODUCTS	1,674.79
CITY OF BRODHEAD	1,878.83
WE ENERGIES	2,607.67
PRAIRIE FARMS DAIRY INC	5,571.82
GORDON FOOD SERVICE INC	20,419.05
GORDON FOOD SERVICE INC	2,370.18
BMO	12,455.23
AIRGAS USA, LLC	106.34
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS CORPORATION	159.25
PIONEER RESEARCH CORPORATION	182.75
U.S. CELLULAR	384.9
KEVIN'S APPLIANCE & MATTRESS SUPERSTORE	550
HELM SERVICE, INC	1,075.36
SYMMETRY ENERGY SOLUTIONS, LLC	9,569.18
MIDAMERICA	43,832.69
ACCIDENT FUND	44,190.00
KOBUSSEN BUSES LTD	55,492.22
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BRODHEAD	120.27
PALOS SPORTS INC	110.93
MARCHANT, NANCY J	116.83
WIL-KIL PEST CONTROL	126.5
WHITEWATER HIGH SCHOOL	150
SCHOOL SPECIALTY	160.5
LANCASTER HIGH SCHOOL	175
HELM SERVICE, INC	304
VOIGT MUSIC CENTER	305.91
PAN-O-GOLD BAKING CO	318.82
FLINN SCIENTIFIC INC	345.75
GASSER TRUE VALUE HARDWARE	350.18
FOLLETT SCHOOL SOLUTIONS, INC	362.44
AEP CONNECTIONS	365
WASPA	425
KOMPAS CARE	449.75
MORRIS MEDIA OF MONROE	477.16
QUILL CORPORATION	511.46
ANDERSON, ETHAN T	600
NASCO	664.85
SLOAN IMPLEMENT	678.34
INSIGHT FS	723.24
ROBERT W BAIRD & CO	1,000.00
PEPSI-COLA	1,026.35
WASTE MANAGEMENT	1,266.90
PIEPER POWER	1,321.25
ACT	2,205.00
REILLY, PENNER & BENTON LLP	3,800.00
CESA #6	3,882.24
CESA #2	4,745.94
PRAIRIE FARMS DAIRY INC	6,440.83
OFFICE PRO	9,220.15
BRODHEAD WATER & LIGHT COMM	10,468.73
MARSHFIELD BOOK & STATIONERY	10,697.60
SYSCO FOOD SERVICES OF BARABOO	19,467.78
BRODHEAD SPORTS BOOSTERS	119.67
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BRODHEAD	125.87
VISA	125.87
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BRODHEAD	198.66
VISA	198.66
X-GRAIN SPORTSWEAR	418
PIGGLY WIGGLY	109.3
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BRODHEAD	194.68
RBS ACTIVEWEAR	223.08
BADGER SPORTING GOODS	480
JANESVILLE CRAIG FFA	582.4
HEARTLAND GRAPHICS	756.5
HEARTLAND GRAPHICS	982
GREEN COUNTY FAMILY PROMISE	6,580.92
PIZZA HUT	189
PRAIRIE FARMS DAIRY INC	278
RUSH MEDIA COMPANY, LLC	300
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BRODHEAD	337.5
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Historical society seeking GM-related artifacts

'Legacies' exhibit will focus on the rich history of Janesville plant



The Rock County Historical Society (RCHS) is seeking artifacts related to the General Motors Janesville Assembly Plant, Fisher Body, the local UAW, and Janesville Auto Transport Co. site for its new Rock County Legacies exhibit.

Items may be donated or loaned to the RCHS.

The new exhibit will focus on the rich history of the

generations of people who worked at the GM Janesville Assembly Plant, affiliates, and suppliers.

Thousands of artifacts have already been donated by community members and Blackhawk Community Credit Union, which is collaborating with RCHS on the new Rock County Legacies project.

"We feel very fortunate to have the opportunity to collect and share stories, items and memorabilia from the people who worked at GM, and their families," said Tim Maahs, executive director of RCHS. "Capturing and sharing these things is so important because GM's employees were and are an integral part of the history of Rock County."

Among the thousands of items collected so far are a large brick tile from the

Samson Tractor Company; a sign that hung over the front doors of the main entrance of the administration building; a banner signed by all employees in 2008 when the last Tahoe rolled off the line; blueprints, vehicle parts, employee badges and photos of the original building; a variety of tools and advertisements; a 75th anniversary Fisher Body belt buckle; and a rare letter opener from the same anniversary.

Anyone interested in donating or loaning one or more items to the Rock County Legacies project can contact Cara Kinzelman, RCHS assistant executive director and curator, at 608-756-4509 or via email at kinzelman@rchs.us.

RCHS is planning a grand opening of its new Rock County Legacies exhibit for August 2022.

This 1923 Chevrolet Superior Series B Touring Phaeton Convertible, built in the Janesville plant, is among the artifacts that the Rock County Historical Society will unveil as part of its Legacies exhibit. The RCHS is currently seeking donations of GM-related artifacts to include in the exhibit.

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In brief

Pregnancy Center serving up spaghetti Feb. 7

The Pregnancy Center of Green County is hosting a spaghetti dinner fundraiser Monday, Feb. 7 from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Hope Community Center, 2901 13th St., Monroe.

Tickets are available at the door for \$8 for adults and \$4 for children ages 4 to 12. Children younger than 4 eat free. Carry-outs are available and vegetarian options are included.

The center is seeking volunteers and desert donations to be dropped off at the church after 2 p.m. the day of the fundraiser.

To donate, or volunteer,

call 608-325-5051 or email director@carenetgreencounty.org.

BTC to host mobile vaccine clinics Feb. 8

Blackhawk Technical College is hosting a COVID-19 Mobile Vaccine Clinic on Tuesday, Feb. 8 from 12:30 to 5 p.m. on Central Campus, 6004 S. County Road G, Janesville.

Blackhawk staff, faculty, students and the general public are welcome to participate. COVID-19 vaccines (and boosters) are free, and no insurance information is collected. Masks are required in all indoor BTC

spaces.

Individuals who have had two shots of the Moderna or Pfizer vaccines can receive a booster shot at least five months after their second shot, according to the CDC. Individuals who have received one shot of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine can receive a booster shot at least two months after their first shot.

Rock County hikers invited to find 'Hearts in the Park'

Rock County Parks and the Friends of Carver-Roehl Park have teamed up to offer Hearts In The Park at Carver-Roehl Park now through Monday, Feb. 14.

Visitors are invited to take a walk on the Tree Identification Trail at Carver-Roehl Park and to see how many hearts they can find.

Each heart references a nature or animal Valentine pun. All hearts are visible from the trail.

Hikers are asked to enjoy the heart display from the trail and do not disturb them.

Snap a picture or selfie with a park heart for a chance to win one of five prize baskets donated by The Friends of Carver-Roehl. Send photos to parks@co.rock.wi.us or to Rock County Parks Facebook Messenger to be entered into the drawing.

Submissions must be sent no later than Feb. 14 to be entered into the Feb. 15 drawing. Winners will be contacted through email notification.

Beloit film festival returns Feb. 25

The Beloit International Film Festival is back, and organizers say the 10-day BIFF2022 festival is out to prove that when the curtain goes up on Friday, Feb. 25, the pandemic shutdown has only made the series stronger.

This year's in-person BIFF will feature more than 100 new independent films in some new venues, with guest artists, along with old favorites like the WI/IL Showdown, the Classic Film Showcase, and the Sing-Along. BIFF2022 screenings will be presented at seven screening venues, all within walking distance.

For the first time, Festival films will be screened at the Weissberg Auditorium at the Beloit College Powerhouse, 850 Pleasant St., at the new Visit Beloit headquarters, 656 Pleasant St., and at the Downtown Beloit Association screening venue, 557 E. Grand Ave.

The complete Beloit Daily

News-printed program will be released Tuesday, Feb. 8 at the annual Reveal Party, presented in cooperation with the Greater Beloit Chamber of Commerce at The Hampton Inn in Beloit. For the complete schedule and tickets, visit beloitfilmfest.org.

Humane Society welcomes the Alaskan Malamute Club at Pooch Pull Feb. 19

The Alaskan Malamute Club of Wisconsin is returning to The Humane Society of Southern Wisconsin for its annual Pooch Pull scheduled Saturday, Feb. 19.

Canineathletes will compete by pulling a series of weighted carts in this outdoor community event at the shelter. Weigh-ins begin at 9:30 a.m. and the pulling competition will start around 11 a.m. and continues until 3 p.m.

Chili, hot beverages and baked goods will be available indoors for a donation. There will also be a 50/50 raffle.

Proceeds will benefit the Humane Society of Southern Wisconsin, 222 S. Arch St., Janesville.

For more information including sponsorship or donation opportunities, contact Ann Peterson at apeterson@petsgo.com.

Juda Booster Club hosting baked potato bar Feb. 17

The Juda Booster Club will host a baked potato bar at the Juda School Cafeteria, 2385 Spring St., on Thursday, Feb. 17, from 4:30 to 7 p.m.

Tickets are \$8 for anyone 10 and older, and \$6 for children younger than 10, and includes a potato, toppings, milk and a cookie. Toppings will include butter, onions, bacon, chili, shredded cheese, sour cream, broccoli and cauliflower. Hot dog meals will also be sold for \$6.

The booster club is hosting the event to coincide with the Juda girls basketball team which will take on the Albany Comets at 7 p.m. The club will also be honoring the 2021 State Runner-up Juda-Albany softball team.

SSM Health to host blood drive Feb. 10

To help meet the continued national blood supply shortage, SSM Health is sponsoring a Community Blood Drive on Thursday, Feb. 10, from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The drive will be hosted at St. John's United Church of Christ, 1724 24th St. in Monroe.

Masks and appointments are required. Donors are asked to eat before giving blood and to bring a photo ID.

Donors get their choice of a St. Patrick's Day-themed T-shirt or a gift card.

Appointments can be scheduled by visiting bloodcenter.org or by calling SSM Health Monroe Volunteer Services Coordinator Dawn Meier at 608-324-1569.

Rock County tree sale continues

The Rock County Land Conservation Department is taking orders for its yearly Tree and Shrub Sale.

Distribution is usually around mid-April. Trees and shrubs are bare-root seedlings in single species units of 10 for \$20, bundles of 25 for \$30, or 50 for \$55 plus tax.

Available inventory as of Jan. 10 includes Black Walnut, 18-24 inch seedlings; Fraser Fir, 12-16 inch seedlings; Red Oak, 18-24 inch seedlings; and White Pine, 7-15 inch seedlings.

Order early for the best selection. Tree protectors and Root Dip Planting Gel are also available.

Find the order form at the Rock County Land Conservation Department website, www.co.rock.wi.us/land-conservation-tree-shrub-sale or call 608-754-6617 ext. 3 during normal business hours.

DPI promoting local libraries as great source for job seekers

A digital ad campaign kicked off this month to remind job seekers or any Wisconsin residents needing workforce assistance that help is as close as local public libraries.

The digital audio and targeted online ads, airing during podcasts and digital radio while also popping up for those searching for jobs online, direct residents with employment needs to visit their local public library for assistance or online at JobCenterofWisconsin.com.

The ad campaign, along with the development of workforce assistance resources for libraries, is a culmination of three years of work through the Libraries Activating Workforce Development Skills project.

For more information on the campaign, visit dpi.wi.gov/news/releases/2022/job-seekers-public-libraries.

DHS now auto-importing positive COVID-19 test results

The Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) has updated the Wisconsin Electronic Disease Surveillance System (WEDSS) to allow positive COVID-19 test results to be automatically imported into the system.

This change is intended to support the efforts of local and tribal health departments to manage the large influx of positive tests resulting from the ongoing surge driven by the highly contagious Omicron variant.

As a result of this new auto-import process, DHS expects COVID-19 data to be temporarily elevated while this process occurs and back-logged cases are brought into the live system.

This change will help DHS provide the most accurate and up-to-date data moving forward.

In the meantime, health officials encourage the public to look at seven-day averages, which help to smooth out day-to-day fluctuations in data, as well as data by date of symptom onset or diagnosis to more accurately track disease activity in Wisconsin.

Green County HCE announces scholarships for local students

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Legal Notices

BRODHEAD SCHOOL DISTRICT REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, February 9, 2022
HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM
2501 West 5th Avenue,
Brodhead, WI
7:00 P.M.

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VII. INFORMATION REPORTS

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
AGENDA

IX. PROGRAM PRESENTATION - HIGH SCHOOL
X. APPROVAL OF SUMMER SCHOOL TIMELINES & GUIDELINES
XI. SUMMER SCHOOL TEACHING SALARIES
XII. APPROVAL OF BOYS & GIRLS HOCKEY CO-OPS
XIII. REFERENDUM UPDATE
XIV. COVID-19 UPDATE
XV. ACCEPT DONATION(S)
XVI. RESIGNATION(S)
XVII. EMPLOYMENT RECOMMENDATION(S)
XVIII. VOLUNTEER RECOMMENDATION(S)
XIX. FUTURE AGENDA
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XXI. ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS
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AGENDA BRODHEAD SCHOOL DISTRICT Finance Committee Meeting
Wednesday, February 9, 2022
HIGH SCHOOL L.M.C.
6:30 P.M.

AGENDA
I. REVIEW BILLS

II. REVIEW BUDGET UPDATE
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NOTICE TOWN OF MAGNOLIA REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
WILL BE HELD AT THE MAGNOLIA TOWN HALL
14729 W. COUNTY ROAD A,
EVANSVILLE, WI 53536
FEBRUARY 8, 2022
7:00 P.M.

Agenda:
1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Approve Agenda
4. Clerk's Report
5. Treasurer's Report
6. Public Comment - limit 3 minutes per person
7. Zoning Change Petitions
8. Highways and Bridges
9. Discuss possibilities of roundabouts on State Highway 213
10. Resolution for Fund Balance Policy
11. Discuss authorizing expenditures for the town
12. Set date for Annual Cemetery Meeting
13. Agenda for next month
14. Pay Bills
15. Adjourn

Graceann Toberman,
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Liquor License Notice
Notice is hereby given that the following application is on file with the Village Clerk of the Village of Orfordville. Licenses expire June 30, 2022.

Class "B" Fermented Malt Beverage and Class "B" Intoxicating Liquor License" to Michele A. Deal of 16248 Boswell Road, Roscoe Illinois for FIBS North LLC to be located at 214 Viking Drive.

The Village Board will decide the above mentioned application at a Special Board Meeting on Monday, February 21, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.
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