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RCHS to host local artist gallery opening

The Rock County Historical Society invites all to attend an open house featuring more than 100 pieces of art donated by Wisconsin watercolor artist Ken Marsden. Marsden will be present at the gallery opening. The event is set for Wednesday, April 19, from 5 to 7:30 p.m. in the RCHS Gift Shop, located on the first level of the Museum and Visitor Center, 426 N. Jackson Street, Janesville. There is no cost to attend.

Marsden's paintings are mainly Wisconsin landscapes, farm scenes and animals, although he said many of his works are inspired from his birthplace of Galena, Ill. and his current residence in Rock County.

"I have no deep social message to convey with my paintings. Rather, I simply try to capture or interpret some of the magnificence of nature, interesting urban scenes and architecture and fascinating creatures that I come across," Marsden said. "I spend many hours searching for those things that demand to be sketched and painted."

Marsden, who received tutoring in his early years under Chicago artist Gordon Martin, has created hundreds of paintings over many years. His works, which are represented in galleries throughout the Midwest, tend toward realism.

Marsden donated to RCHS all paintings that will be for sale at the open house, which include both framed and unframed works. From April 19 through Sunday, April 23, all his pieces will be offered at a 15% discount. Any artwork

that is not sold will continue to be available for sale in the gift shop. Regular hours are Thursdays through Sundays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., or by appointment.

"I hope that my paintings give viewers a moment of peace and pleasure," he adds, "perhaps triggering a memory and something they can return to many times. If that happens, the painting will have been a success."

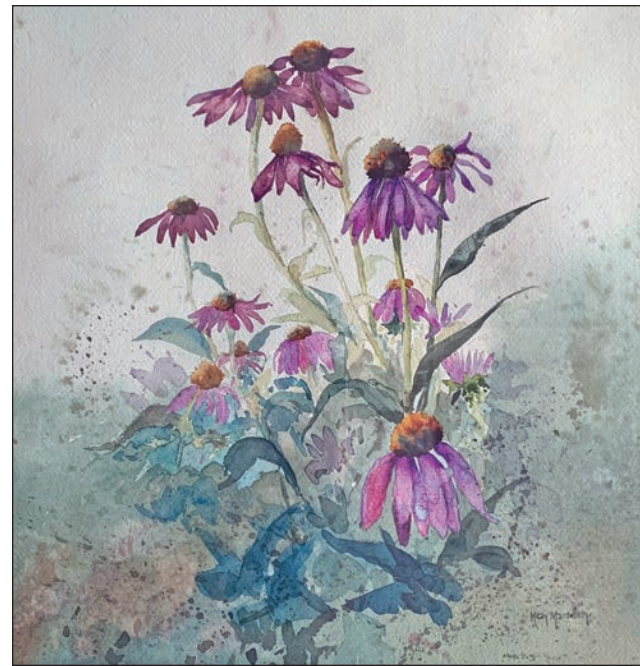
For more information on the gallery open house, please call RCHS at 608-756-4509.

Home to six uniquely different historic sites on a 3.5-acre campus in the historic Look West Neighborhood, the Rock County Historical Society's mission is to bridge past and present through capturing and sharing stories about Rock County, Wisconsin. Its sites include the award-winning Lincoln-Tallman Museum, RCHS Museum & Visitor Center, Archives and Preservation Facility, Tallman Carriage House, Frances Willard Schoolhouse, and the Stone House.



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The Rock County Historical Society will host a gallery opening for local artist Ken Marsden on Wednesday, April 19, from 5 to 7:30 p.m. His works will also be for sale. This is a selection of some of his watercolor paintings.



Albany Historical Society meeting

On Tuesday, April 18, the Albany Historical Society will hold its monthly general meeting.

Following a brief business meeting at 7 p.m., a presentation will be made by Craig Barringer of the Madison-based Action Safe Locksmiths. He will discuss the challenges of opening various types of safes and locks whose combinations

or keys have been forgotten or lost for one reason or another.

As part of his presentation, Craig will demonstrate safe opening techniques on a hundred-year-old Halls Safe & Lock Company safe that was donated to the museum by Albany resident Andy Oliver. The safe was once the personal safe of Bank of Albany president Ed Litel. Ed Litel is the

father of John Litel. John Litel is a 1911 graduate of Albany High School who went on to a successful stage, screen and television acting career.

The Albany Historical Society museum is located at 119 North Water Street in downtown Albany.

For further information, call or text 608-214-8289 or email jcopus1@frontier.com.

Orfordville election results

These are the results for the local offices and referendum of Orfordville for the April 4 election.

There were 466 voters total.

- Village President: Dennis Burtness, 397 votes
- Village Trustees: Beth Schmidt, 309 votes; Cami Myers: Alstat, 292 votes;

Nikki Tuffree, 289 votes

Parkview referendum

These are only the votes for the Village of Orfordville, not the entire school district. The entire district has to be combined for the final results.

Yes: 273 No: 87

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Tutty is an ADC canine with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF). Tutty went to Front Royal, Virginia and was joined by Wisconsin DOJ Special Agent Tiffany Ince for six weeks of intensive daily training.



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Kozak, DCI's Electronic Storage Detection (ESD) Canine, began his training in public service in the Indiana Canine Assistant Network program where he was identified as an ideal canine for ESD detection.

On April 3, Wisconsin Attorney General Josh Kaul held a media availability and demonstration with the Wisconsin Department of Justice Division of Criminal Investigation canines, Kozak and Tutty.

Kozak is an Electronic Storage Detection Canine and Tutty is an Accelerant Detection Canine.

"DCI's expertise in many specialized areas helps solve cases throughout the state," said Attorney General Kaul. "Enhanced ability to detect accelerants and electronic storage devices can strengthen investigations and, in turn, help protect public safety."

About Kozak

Kozak, DCI's Electronic Storage Detection (ESD) Canine, began his training in public service in the Indiana Canine Assistant Network program where he was identified as an ideal canine for ESD detection.

Kozak is named in honor of Alicia Kozakiewicz, who is a child kidnapping survivor and renowned advocate for child internet safety and the namesake for Wisconsin's "Alicia's Law," enacted in 2016.

In August of 2018, DCI Special Agent Tamara Taubel joined Kozak at a facility in Indiana where they trained together to be certified as the first ESD canine and handler in the State of Wisconsin. Special Agent Taubel and Kozak immediately began their work in the state of Wisconsin.

Special Agent Taubel's primary assignment is to the Internet Crimes against Children Task Force. Kozak is utilized to locate vital evidence in these types of investigations. In general, law enforcement has seen a shift in more electronic storage devices being pertinent in all types of crimes. As a result, Special Agent Taubel and Kozak have been deployed and successfully located electronic storage devices of evidentiary value in ICAC, narcotic, homicide, missing person, invasion of privacy, and financial investigations throughout the state of Wisconsin and in Minnesota.

In addition to Kozak's primary role, he also acts as a comfort canine for victimized children.

About Tutty

Wisconsin DOJ's Accelerant Detection Canine (ADC), Tutty, was born into a life of public service in August 2016.

Tutty was initially destined to become a service dog through the Guide Dog Foundation for the Blind but was found to be a better fit as an ADC canine by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF).

Tutty then went to Front Royal, Va. and was joined by Wisconsin DOJ Special Agent Tiffany Ince for six weeks of intensive daily training. Upon completion of their training and receiving their certification, Special Agent Ince and Tutty returned to Wisconsin to start their first day in the office on December 11, 2017.

Tutty and Special Agent Ince respond to fire origin and cause investigations. When Tutty is off duty, he spends his time with Special Agent Ince, just like any other family pet.

There are currently 62 active ATF Accelerant Detection Canines across the United States. To learn more about ATF accelerant and explosives detection canines, visit www.atf.gov/explosives/accelerant-and-explosives-detection-canines.

About the Division of Criminal Investigation (DCI)

DCI is responsible for investigating crimes that are statewide in nature or importance. DCI special agents and analysts work closely with local, county, tribal, state and federal officials to investigate and prosecute crimes involving homicide, arson, financial crimes, illegal gaming, multi-jurisdictional crimes, drug trafficking, computer crimes, homeland security, public integrity and government corruption as well as crimes against children. The division also performs special investigations requested by the Governor or the Legislature and provides extensive training to local, state and federal officers on current issues in law enforcement.

DCI has a long history of protecting the public and ensuring justice is done. While the incredible work of DCI agents often goes where DCI was the lead agency, or a significant contributor, include:

- The sentencing of John Sarver for the 1984 murder of Eleanor Roberts.
- The Lake Winnebago Area Metropolitan Enforcement Group – Drug Unit recovery of approximately 12 pounds of fentanyl pills.
- The conviction of a Beiloit man for human trafficking, among other offenses.
- Charges filed against two men for first degree intentional homicide in Dodgeville, WI.
- Federal charges filed against 26 individuals for trafficking heroin, cocaine and fentanyl from Puerto Rico to Milwaukee.
- Many officers involved in critical incidents across the state to help agencies comply with Stat. 175.47, which requires an outside agency to investigate officer involved deaths.

To assist in investigating crime, Wisconsin DOJ requests adding 19 special agent and criminal analyst positions in the next biennial budget, to bolster the services DCI provides. These agents will focus on many of DCI's investigative priorities, including homicide, narcotics, internet crimes against children, drug and human trafficking, arson, unresolved cases, white collar crime, elder financial abuse and more.

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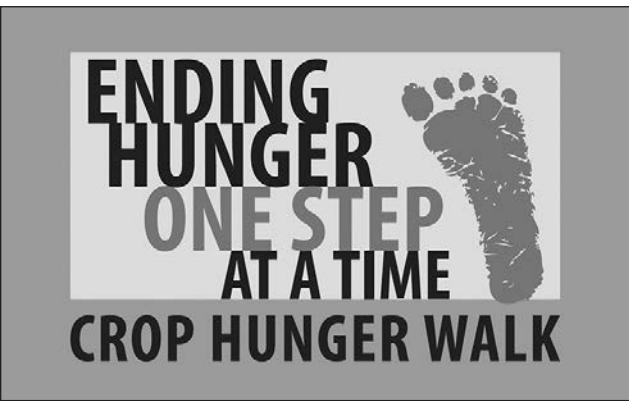
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CROP Walk team leader helps 'Bee the Change' to fight hunger



When Chris Devine learned that the theme for this year's Janesville Area CROP Hunger Walk was "Bee the Change," she knew exactly how to motivate her team at Cargill United Methodist Church.

"I'm a retired teacher, so as soon as I heard the theme is 'Bee the Change,' I thought I have to wear a bee costume," the team leader said.

Devine bought a bee costume and then created a bulletin board with images of bees, sunflowers and a beehive. She believed it was important to have a strong visual to encourage members of the congregation to donate to the CROP Walk. People can take envelopes from the board, insert their donation and "bee" part of the change to fight hunger in the Janesville area and throughout the world.

Church World Services, which sponsors CROP Walks throughout the country, chose "Bee the Change" as this year's theme in recognition of the group's efforts to help families in Kenya establish bee colonies so they can earn money by harvesting and selling honey. CWS provides families with a set of beehives, supplies to hang the beehives, harvesting equipment, training and honey-processing units.

Cargill raised more than \$11,000 for the 2022 walk, and Devine hopes to surpass that amount this year.

The 46th annual Janesville Area CROP Hunger Walk will take place on Sunday, April 30. ECHO again will receive 25% of the total amount donated. The remaining funds will help the efforts of CWS, a faith-based group that fights hunger in communities around the globe.

Walkers can choose a 5K route that starts at Cargill United Methodist Church, 2000 Wesley Ave., Janesville, makes a loop along Mil-



Chris Devine dresses as a bee to promote the Janesville Area CROP Hunger Walk at Cargill United Methodist Church.

waukee Street, Randall Avenue, Racine Street, through Palmer Park and back to the church via Lexington Drive. A shorter 2.5K route also is available.

Registration for the walk will take place from 1 to 1:30 p.m. There is no fee to participate, but walkers are encouraged to collect donations to support the cause.

If you're not available to walk on April 30, online contributions can be made at www.crophungerwalk.org/janesvillewi.

46th annual Janesville area CROP hunger walk

Join the walk on April 20 to assist in raising funds to help neighbors near and far get the meals they need for today and sustainable food security for tomorrow.

25% of the funds raised will help local hunger concerns through Echo Christian

Fellowship. The other 75% is used by Church World Service for global relief and sustainable projects to help eliminate hunger. CWS is a faith-based group that fights hunger in communities around the globe.

Walkers that choose the 5K route will start at Cargill United Methodist Church, 2000 Wesley Ave., Janesville, and make a loop along Milwaukee Street, Randall Avenue, Racine Street, through Palmer Park and back to the church via Lexington Drive.

A shorter 2.5K route is also available.

Registration for the walk will take place from 1 to 1:30 p.m.

Walkers can arrive to register at Cargill UMC anytime between 1 and 1:30 p.m. Enter through the west door off of the big parking lot. Masks and hand sanitizer will be provided. Find your team table

and register to check in for the walk. Team captains should turn in their donor envelopes and money to the treasurer.

There is no fee to participate, but walkers are encouraged to collect donations to support the cause.

After registering, all walkers should go outside through the front (north) doors of the building. Follow the signs. You can start walking or meet up with your team. There will be a photographer available outside to take pictures.

There will be no group send off in order to provide social distancing.

A send off prayer will be posted on Facebook live. Be sure to re-enter the hall through the same entrance after the walk and sign in.

If you're not available to walk on April 30, online contributions can be made at www.crophungerwalk.org/janesvillewi.

Rock County has seen uptick in fraud cases

Sheriff's office offers fraud prevention tips

The Rock County Sheriff's Office and surrounding agencies have recently seen a large uptick in fraud cases, especially victimizing older people. Unfortunately, in most cases the money that is lost cannot be recovered because of the avenues the money was transferred.

They remind the public to be vigilant on who you give personal information and send money to. Please watch out for each other and the older population. If you see someone in front of you at the store with a large amount of gift cards, they could potentially be a victim of a scam.

Fraud prevention tips

1. The IRS will contact you through U.S. Mail. There are times when the IRS will contact a person by phone or in person, but this contact is preceded by a letter sent through U.S. Mail.

2. If someone is asking you to pay for a fine or other services by gift cards, this should set off red flags. Scammers use this tactic to easily access money by the least restrictive measures.

3. The Rock County Sheriff's Office will not contact you by phone to pay for an outstanding warrant or fine. This is the same for most agencies. If a person claiming to be a law enforcement officer calls and states you have a warrant for your arrest and you need to pay it, please hang up and contact the agency that the person says that they are calling from to verify.

4. "Grandkid is in jail" scam: Often, older adults will be contacted by a person claiming to be their grandchild and advised that they are currently in jail and need bond money. Most of the time, they will not know your grandchild's name until you give it to them. Do not act on these phone calls. Call relatives to check the status of your loved one.

5. Do not give any personal identifying information over the phone unless it is from a trusted source, and you have initiated the contact.

6. Email scams: Scammers will email you telling you your Amazon or bank account has been locked, and you need to change your password. This is used to gain access to your account and purchase items once your account is hacked. If you receive an email like this, do not click the link. Go to the trusted website that you normally go to through your search browser, login, and check for yourself.

7. If it seems too good to be true, it probably is!

8. If something doesn't seem right, ask someone. Ask a trusted friend, a family member, or call the Rock County Sheriff's Office non-emergency line at 608-757-2244.

Family Services commemorates Sexual Assault Awareness Month

April is Sexual Assault Awareness month, and Family Services of Southern Wisconsin and Northern Illinois, Inc. is recognizing it with a variety of events designed to raise awareness of sexual violence.

The events include free family bingo in Beloit and Janesville; a Writer's workshop in Monroe for anyone who has experienced emotional or physical trauma; and participation in Denim Day on April 26, part of an international campaign which encourages people to wear denim to spread awareness about sexual violence issues, support survivors, and educate themselves and others.

"We believe it is important for communities to celebrate Sexual Assault Awareness Month. By recognizing the month and hosting community events, we hope

to provide validation to survivors while also educating others on how sexual assault can impact survivors," said Kelsey Hood-Christenson, Director of Survivor Empowerment Services for Family Services. "These events that focus on sexual assault provide a safe space for survivors, advocates, and community members to come together to learn, process, and support one another."

Two free bingo family events in recognition of Sexual Assault Awareness month are designed for individuals and families. On April 12 from 5 to 7 p.m., all are invited to play Bingo and enjoy food, drink, and prizes at the Beloit Public Library, 605 Eclipse Boulevard, Beloit. On April 24 from 6 to 7 p.m., Hedberg Public Library will host a Bingo event. Hedberg Library is

located at 316 S. Main Street in Janesville.

The Sexual Assault Recovery Program, a program of Family Services of Southern Wisconsin and Northern Illinois, Inc., will host a writing workshop for anyone age 12 and up who has experienced emotional or physical trauma. The two-day workshop, titled "We Are All Survivors," will be from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

on April 22 and 23 at the Monroe Theatre Guild, 910 16th Avenue, Monroe. The workshop is free to attend and designed to encourage participants to take time for themselves to address everyday stress or life-changing traumas. Research has shown that writing can result in a reduction in stress, anxiety, and depression; improve

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- Country setting with prairie grasses, native grasses, and wildflowers

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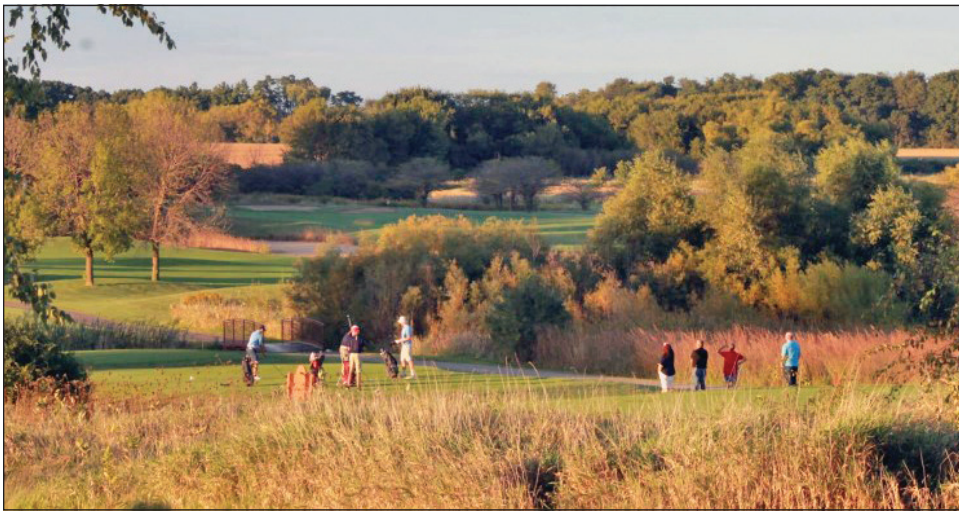
Bands, brews and food trucks

Join us for fun, live music, and food and beverages on our patio every Thursday night from June 1 through Sept. 7. Food service starts at 5 p.m. and music starts at 6:30 p.m.

2023 Schedule

- June 1: Blue Steel (Pizza Fresca, Mario's Taco Express)

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Timber Pointe's 18-Hole Championship Golf Course challenges golfers of all skill levels, offering fun, exciting, and very affordable golf for players of all abilities.

Sunset Golf: Established in 1937 by local leaders

Sunset Golf Course, home of the famous Lyle Towns Old Home Week 4th of July Scramble, was founded in 1937 by the Kable brothers and other prominent figures in the Mount Morris township. In 1990 the course layout changed with the addition of four holes, which now play as # 4, 5, 6, and 8.

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

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Cost to businesses or organizations interested in hosting

a Golf Outing at Sunset is \$25 per entry/golfer for 18 holes with a cart.

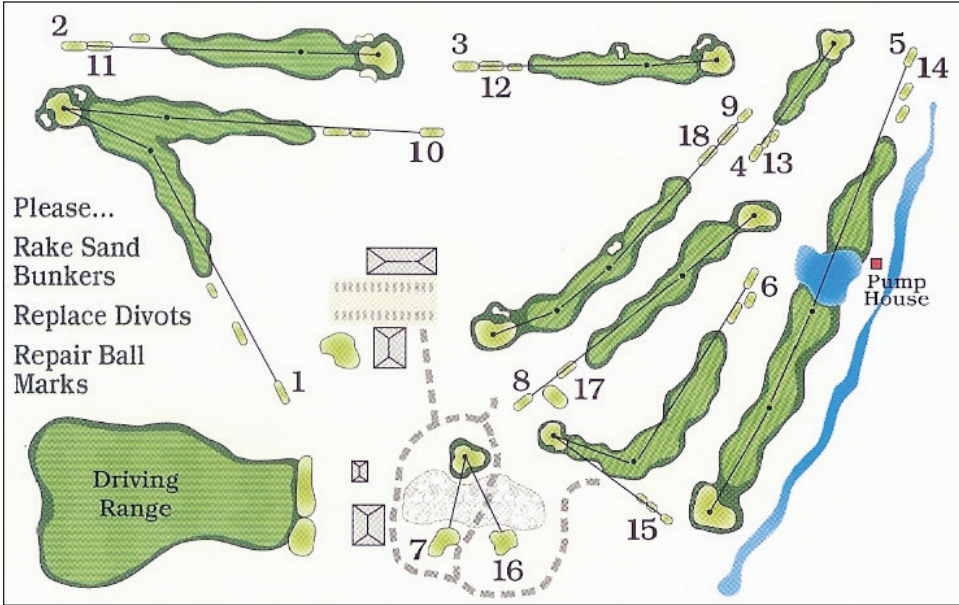
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- 9 holes \$10
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Cart Rental

- 9 holes per rider - non member \$8
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Sunset Golf Course is located at 216 Sunset Hill, Mt. Morris, IL. For more information, call 815-734-4839.



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Silver Ridge Golf Course offers casual golf, play days, lessons

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Our scenic 18-hole golf course is sure to offer plenty of enjoyment for the casual golfer but also plenty of challenge for your more serious golfers.

With two different banquet rooms and bar area, Silver Ridge has more than enough space to accommodate both small and large outings comfortably.

Let the staff at Silver Ridge handle the day so you can relax and enjoy the day with everyone else.

Silver Ridge features the following amenities:

- 18 hole scenic golf course
- Bar area

- Beverage cart available
- Driving range
- Golf instruction

Summer prices
 Prices valid for 2023 season.
 Prices subject to change.

Weekdays

- 9 Holes - \$14/\$12
- 18 Holes - \$19/ \$17
- Twilight Golf after 3 p.m. - \$22
- *Seniors take \$2 Off Green Fees

Weekends/Holidays

- 9 Holes - \$20/\$12
- 18 Holes - \$27/\$17
- Twilight Golf after 1 p.m. - \$27

• Range Bag (Approx. 50 balls) - \$5
 *Seniors take \$2 Off Green Fees

Spring/fall prices
 Prices valid for 2023 shoulder seasons



Silver Ridge Golf Course offers casual golf, golf lessons, and can host your organization's next gold play day.

Weekdays

- 9 Holes with cart - \$22
- 18 Holes with cart - \$30

Weekends

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• Timber Pointe (Continued from page 4)

- June 8: Minimal (Pizza Fresca, Mario's Taco Express)
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- June 22: The Sensations (Pizza Fresca, Mario's Taco Express)
- June 29: Nauti-Nauti (Pizza Fresca, Mario's Taco Express)
- July 6: River Road Trio (Pizza Fresca, Mario's Taco Express)
- July 13: Three Good Men (Pizza Fresca, Mario's Taco Express)
- July 20: Scott Kirby (Pizza Fresca, Mario's Taco Express)
- July 27: The 80's Hit List (Pizza Fresca, Mario's Taco Express)
- Aug. 3: That 70's Band Chicagoland (Pizza Fresca, Mario's Taco Express)
- Aug. 10: Universal Joint (Pizza Fresca, Mario's Taco Express)
- Aug. 17: Sunset Stripped (Pizza Fresca, Mario's Taco Express)
- Aug. 24: The Big Al Wetzel Band (Pizza Fresca, Mario's Taco Express)
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TOWN OF SPRING VALLEY ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ELECTORS

TUESDAY, April 18, 2023, 6 pm
ORFORDVILLE FIRE DISTRICT MEETING ROOM
173 N Wright St., Orfordville WI

ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to order
 2. 2022 Annual Meeting minutes
 3. 2022 Financial Report
 4. Old Business
 - A. Historical Society
 - A. New Business
 5. Set Dates for 2024 Annual Meeting (4-16-24)
 6. Other items of interest to electors
 7. Adjournment
- *Electors of the town vote on Annual Meeting items as authorized in s.60.10 and s.60.11 WI Statutes

Dela Ends, Clerk
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WNAXLP 434684

TOWN OF SPRING VALLEY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

To be held Tuesday, April 18, 2023, at 6:00 p.m., following the Annual Meeting of the Electors and prior to the regular monthly town board meeting at the Orfordville Fire Station meeting room, 173 North Wright Street, Orfordville, WI for the following purpose: To consider an application by Jill Clark-Mata of 15314 West State Rd. 11, Orfordville, WI 53520, for an agricultural use permit for farm stays and agricultural tourism. This conditional use is provided for in the Town of Spring Valley Zoning Ordinance section 4.4. The 40 acre property is zoned A-1, located at 15314 West State Rd. 11, Orfordville, WI 53576, tax parcel 6-18-130.4, on SW1/4 COM S 1/4 COR, W12.81.15', N 592.53'to POB, N 1204.82' W 369.54', N880.1', E 1131.64', S 1029.89' of Sec. 15.

The Town of Spring Valley Planning & Zoning Committee considered the application at its March 27, 2023 meeting and will advise the Board of their recommendation. A quorum of the Committee members may be present for information-gathering purposes.

Dela Ends, Clerk
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TOWN OF SPRING GROVE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

TUESDAY, APRIL 18, 2023
5:00 p.m.

Spring Grove Town Hall
N2475 Hwy GG
Brodhead, WI

The Annual Town Meeting is the meeting of the people of the Town, and is the opportunity for the Town Residents to have input in their Town. All residents are encouraged to attend.

Posted: 04/12/2023
Deb Cline, Clerk

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AGENDA

BRODHEAD SCHOOL DISTRICT TEACHER NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, April 17, 2023
DISTRICT OFFICE BOARD ROOM
2501 West 5th Avenue,
Brodhead, WI
4:30 P.M.

AGENDA

- I. GROUND RULES
- II. INITIAL PROPOSALS
- III. DISCUSSION/NEGOTIATIONS
- IV. ADJOURN

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AGENDA

BRODHEAD SCHOOL DISTRICT FACILITY PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, April 17, 2023
Middle School Health Room
2100 West 9th Avenue

6:30 P.M.

AGENDA

1. Building Tours: Middle School and Albrecht Elementary School with Q&A

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TOWN OF SPRING VALLEY Clark-Mata CUP Hearing Tuesday April 18, 2023

Immediately following the 6pm Annual Meeting of the Electors at 6pm
Orfordville Fire District Meeting Room
173 N. Wright St., Orfordville, WI

AGENDA

1. Call to order
2. Approval of agenda
3. Verification of proper public notice
4. Public Hearing for CUP for Jill Clark-Mata of 15314 West State Rd. 11, Orfordville, WI 53520, for an ag business conditional use permit for farm stays and agricultural tourism. This conditional use is provided for in the Town of Spring Valley Zoning Ordinance section 4.4. The 40 acre property is zoned A-1, located at 15314 West State Rd. 11, Orfordville, WI 53576, tax parcel 6-18-130.4, on SW1/4 COM S 1/4 COR, W12.81.15', N 592.53'to POB, N 1204.82' W 369.54', N880.1', E 1131.64', S 1029.89' of Sec. 15.
5. Adjournment to regular meeting

Monthly Town Board Meeting Tuesday April 18, 2023 Immediately following Clark-Mata CUP Hearing

AGENDA

1. Call to order
2. Approval of agenda
3. Verification of proper public notice
4. Secretary's Report
5. Treasurer's report
6. Reports
 - A. Supervisors
 - B. Chairman
 - C. Other reports
7. Audience communication
8. Old business
 - A. Rock County Public Works
 - B. Road work
 - C. Fire/EMS
9. New business
 - A. Committee appointments
 - B. Clark-Mata CUP
 - C. Open Book May 9th 12-2pm/Board of Review June 7, 11am-1pm
 - D. Oath of office for officials
10. Future agenda items
11. Payment of bills
12. Adjournment

Dela Ends, Clerk
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TOWN OF DECATUR REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

TUESDAY, APRIL 18, 2023 – 6:00PM
(Immediately following Annual Town Meeting)
DECATUR TOWN HALL
1408 -14TH STREET
BRODHEAD, WI 53520

MEETING 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. Update on Solar Farm from Alliant Energy Personnel
9. Review ATV Ordinance
10. Discuss Acquisition of an Exxon/Mobil Credit Card
11. Approve Purchase of Snow Fence & Posts
12. Land Division Request – Miller/Raber
13. Review Road Repairs on Decatur/Sylvester Road
14. Roadwork
15. Fire District Update
16. Roll Call Vote to Convene in Closed Session for Performance Reviews of Employees Pursuant under WI. STS. 19.85(1)(c)
17. Reconvene to Open Session
18. Appointment of Clerk/Treasurer for Two Year Term
19. Appointment of Deputy Clerk/Treasurer for Two Year Term
20. Sharing of Information/Correspondence
21. Future Agenda Items

22. Set Dates for Future Meetings
- 23 Adjournment

Sandra K. McManus
Clerk/Treasurer

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TOWN OF AVON ANNUAL MEETING

Avon Town Hall
16513 W BELOIT NEWARK RD, BRODHEAD, WI
April 18th, 2023 – 7:00 p.m.

AGENDA:

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Minutes of 2022 Meeting
4. Approval Financial Statements
5. Set Date for 2024 Meeting
6. Postpone Budget portion of Annual Meeting to later date set by the board
7. Electors Input
8. Adjournment

Stephanie Schwartzlow
Avon Town Clerk
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STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT GREEN COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GREGORY L. ANDERSON

Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration) Case No. 23-PR-19

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 04/24/1950 and date of death 02/27/2023, was domiciled in Green County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 203 10th Street, Brodhead, WI 53520.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is July 10, 2023.
5. A claim may be filed at the Green Justice Center, 2841 6th St., Monroe, WI 53566, Wisconsin, Room Probate Office.

Electronically signed by
Faun Marie Phillipson
Circuit Court Judge
March 28, 2023

Michael A. Faust
Consigny Law Firm, S.C.
303 East Court Street
Janesville, WI 53545
(608) 755-5050
Bar Number 1024665

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STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT GREEN COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF KAREN A. ALBERTSON
DOD: 02/24/2023

Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration) Case No. 23-PR-23

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
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2. The decedent, with date of birth 01/03/1965 and date of death 02/24/2023 was domiciled in Green County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of N6901 County Hwy X, Albany, WI 53502.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is July 5, 2023.
5. A claim may be filed at the Green County Justice Center, 2841 Sixth Street, Monroe, Wisconsin, Room Probate Office.

Date Signed: March 27, 2023
Electronically signed by
Thomas J. Vale
Circuit Court Judge

Gregory E. Knoke
Knoke & Kind Law Office
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Monroe, WI 53566
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Bar Number 1013426

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PrarieView Golf weaves way through Byron nature

Just a chip shot south of Rockford along beautiful Illinois Route 2 in easy-going Byron lies a magical golf course that plays like the best country clubs in the region, but costs like a municipal. Sculpted out of an ancient landscape once home to majestic bison and other denizens of the wild, this is a big course with a big, generous heart.

Weaving its way through remarkable tall grass prairie and the remnants of old oak savanna and other hardwood stands, PrairieView is a golf course where you can breathe, relax and enjoy the beauty of the natural environs remarkably untouched by architect James Spear's design.

As is the case with most exceptional golf courses, what Spear left is as important as what he added. What he removed was minimal – and what remains is an amazing, naturalistic example of God's hand relatively untouched by man's: a true rarity in the world of golf.

A mid-course pond menaces the right side of tricky par four #5, feeding a narrow, bubbling creek that comes into play on the long, lazy par five #2 and the somewhat more menacing par five #6. The creek feeds another, smaller pond that comes into play for long hitters on the dogleg par four #7 and gets everybody's attention on the lengthy, challenging par three #8.

In all, 63 strategically placed sand bunkers dot the PrairieView's 18 fascinating holes. Home to many local, state and regional tournaments, PrairieView Golf Club stretches from just shy of 5,300 yards from the forward tees to nearly 7,200 yards from the daunting tips. Simply put, this golf course has game to spare for golfers of any level – but is fair enough from the appropriate tees to make play fun for players of all levels.

At an average of 8,000 square feet, "sprawling" accurately characterizes the

Penncross bent grass cultivar greens while the tee boxes and fairways consist of a Penneagle/Seaside/Emerald bent grass cultivar blend. The primary rough is Kentucky bluegrass – which you will be happy to be in rather than the tall grass prairie and abundant wildflowers and woods lining the rough on many holes.

Immaculately maintained by a talented GCSAA-certified superintendent and his dedicated crew, PrairieView's conditions easily live up to those of the region's finest clubs – while surprising golfers in the pro shop with surprisingly low greens fees.

A member club of the Chicago District Golf Association and proudly enrolled in the Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Program, PrairieView is home to more than just golfers; it hosts many species of wildlife and bird life, as well – much to the delight of golfers. There are no modern day live bison, however!

Just a short, pleasant drive south from Rockford along the meandering Rock River and Highway 2, PrairieView Golf Club is set on the edge of peaceful Byron astride a lofty hill that offers dramatic elevation changes on several holes on the challenging back nine, including a tight but potentially ego-pleasing downhill tee shot on home-ward-bound #18.

Todd Tucker, Executive Director of Byron Forest Preserve District, had this to say about PrairieView Golf Club:

"PrairieView Golf Club is a gem. Honestly, it's no coincidence the club is owned and operated by a respected, award-winning Forest Preserve District that restores and maintains so much land here in Byron. First and foremost, we are naturalists. Our mission is to save land for the benefit of nature itself and the enjoyment of the citizens of Byron – as well as visitors to our community. In that spirit, we decided to

make the best golf course we possibly could, while altering the landscape as little as possible."

"Here at PrairieView Golf Club," Tucker continued, "your game will be challenged. And, all players are amazed at the experience of just being on this beautifully maintained property. It's peaceful and relaxing here at PrairieView. It's a wonderful place to get away from the daily grind."

Tucker also addressed the new logo change PrairieView Golf Club recently pursued.

"We were inspired to choose the bison as our symbol," he said. "Why? Because those majestic animals, which can weigh a ton, stand six feet tall and run 35 mph were at the very center of the biodiversity of this region up until the 1830s. They were very common here."

"To tell the truth, I wish we could have live bison here now," Tucker said. "But the bison silhouette in our logo will have to do. It serves as a reminder of the true grandeur of the land we are blessed to enjoy here in Byron – and our pledge to keep it as pristine as possible. The bison is a uniquely American animal, a true part of the heart and the heartland of our nation. It is a symbol of our natural heritage: of power, speed and biodiversity. We think it's the perfect icon for PrairieView Golf Club."

If you love the game of golf and you've never played PrairieView Golf Club – treat yourself soon. We suspect you'll be planning your return visit before you make the turn. And, when you do visit PrairieView, be sure to check out the newest addition to our facility – our incredible new eight-bay Toptracer range: PrairieFire Golf + Grill. Complete with a full-service kitchen, fireplaces, a cozy bar and temperature-controlled hitting bays, PrairieFire will keep your passion for golf burning year 'round – winter, spring, summer and fall.

• Awareness (Continued from page 3)

sleep and performance; and bring greater focus and clarity. Anyone age 12 and up is welcome. People who are 12-15 years old should attend with an adult. Basic lunch will be provided. RSVPs are appreciated but not necessary.

Additional information on the writing workshop is available on the SARP Facebook page at www.Facebook.com/GreenCountySARP.

For questions or more information, please contact Paula Vestin by phone at 608-371-9004, or by email at pvestin@sarpwi.com.

Family Services is also encouraging people to participate in Denim Day by wearing denim on Wednesday, April 26. Since 1999, Peace Over Violence has run the Denim Day campaign in honor of Sexual Assault Awareness Month. The campaign began after a ruling by the Italian Supreme Court in which a rape conviction was overturned because the justices felt that since the victim was wearing tight jeans, she must have helped the person who raped her remove her jeans, thereby implying consent. The following day, the women in the Italian Parliament came to work wearing jeans in solidarity with the victim. Peace

Over Violence developed the Denim Day campaign in response to this case and the activism surrounding it. Since then, what started as a local campaign to bring awareness to victim blaming and destructive myths that surround sexual violence has grown into a movement.

SARP serves survivors of sexual assault and human trafficking in Rock and Green counties.

In addition to SARP, Family Services includes the following programs: DEFY Domestic Abuse; Individual & Family Counseling Program; Praxis Employee Assistance Program; Youth2Youth 4 Change; and The Neighborhood Resilience Project. For more information about Family Services, visit www.familyservices1.org.

Family Services is a funded partner of United Way Blackhawk Region and United Way of Green County.

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Juda-Albany Panthers softball team earns first win of 2023

By Trenten Scheidegger
CORRESPONDENT

After a tough couple of games to begin the 2023 softball season, the Juda-Albany Panthers picked up their first win in blowout fashion.

The schedule didn't do the Panthers any favors to begin the season. The Panthers opened the year with matchups against the Durand Bulldogs and the Orangeville Broncos, two of the more impressive varsity softball squads in Northwestern Illinois. Both games were solid, early season tests for the Panthers, but Juda-Albany ultimately fell short in each game by scores of 1-7 and 5-6.

After getting off to the 0-2 start, the Panthers were eager

to claw their way into the win column. Following a five-day break, the Panthers finally got that opportunity when they traveled to face off with the River Ridge Timberwolves. It was the third non-conference game of the season for Juda-Albany.

The Panthers got off to a bit of a slow start. Despite getting a single in each of the first two innings, the Panthers were unable to string anything together to build momentum. Thankfully for Juda-Albany, Avary Briggs brought her A-game in the pitcher's circle. By the end of the second inning, Briggs had already racked up five strikeouts as she was nearly untouchable on the day.

Briggs' pitching performance gave the team just enough time to

get the offense going. They did so with a little bit of help from the River Ridge defense. After two quick outs in the top of the third, Emerson Briggs reached safely on an error by the Timberwolves' right fielder. Myah Johnson then singled to left and Alana Durtschi roped a double into left to give the Panthers the 2-0 lead. Avary then joined the party as she singled to left, which was followed up by a Gracie Freitag double up the middle. With two extra base hits in the inning, Juda-Albany managed to jump out to a 4-0 lead.

In the top of the fourth, the Panthers would continue to add to their lead. After Ciarrah Davis was hit by a pitch, Emerson drove a ball into right that allowed Davis to score the fifth run of the day.

The very next at bat, Johnson doubled up the middle to give the Panthers a six-run lead.

Juda-Albany blew the game wide open in the top of the sixth. They took advantage of some more sloppy defense as a walk and an error brought in another run. Emerson picked up another run batted in when she singled to left, driving in Davis to score. Four consecutive Panthers reached base as Johnson, Durtschi, and Avary hit a trio of singles. Briley Swedlund delivered the dagger with a double to left that brought in another two runs, giving the Panthers a 12-0 lead.

Thanks to the large deficit, a seventh inning wasn't needed as Juda-Albany picked up their first win by way of the mercy rule.

Avary pitched a gem, going all six innings with just one hit allowed and eleven strikeouts. She was also impressive at the plate, going three for four with one run scored and one RBI. Emerson led the way offensively, going three for four with three runs scored and two RBI. Johnson was the third Panther to finish with three hits on the day as she went three for four with one run scored and one RBI. Durtschi finished the game two for four with two runs scored and two RBI, as well. Juda-Albany combined for fourteen hits in the victory.

The Panthers will look to keep it rolling on Thursday, April 13, when they travel to face off with Belmont at 5 p.m.

Learn to hunt bear program seeks applicants and instructors

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and conservation partners are encouraging novice hunters who want to learn about bear hunting in Wisconsin to apply for the Learn to Hunt Bear (LTHB) program.

The Learn to Hunt Bear program provides a unique learning opportunity and outdoor experience for novice hunters who otherwise lack a pathway

to hunting bear.

The program includes multiple classroom and field sessions, culminating with a bear-hunting excursion. Participants will learn about bear biology, population management, habits and habitat, hunting techniques, regulations and safety.

Anyone who has not previously participated in the Learn to Hunt Bear program or received a bear harvest authorization is encouraged to apply. Participants must be at least 10 years old, and there is no maximum age.

The number of Learn to Hunt

Bear programs offered varies annually and will influence the number of participants selected. Applicants will be notified of the status of their application by June 1.

Interested participants should complete an application and send it to the DNR, postmarked no later than May 1. The application, program guidelines and more information can be found on the DNR Learn to Hunt Bear webpage at dnr.wisconsin.gov/Education/OutdoorSkills/bear.

Become A Learn To Hunt Bear Instructor

In addition to seeking

participants, the DNR is also looking for groups of experienced bear hunters interested in becoming Learn to Hunt Bear program instructors. Potential instructors need at least five years of bear hunting experience and consent to a background check.

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More information for instructors can be found on the DNR Learn to Hunt Bear webpage under "Learn to Hunt Bear Instructors."

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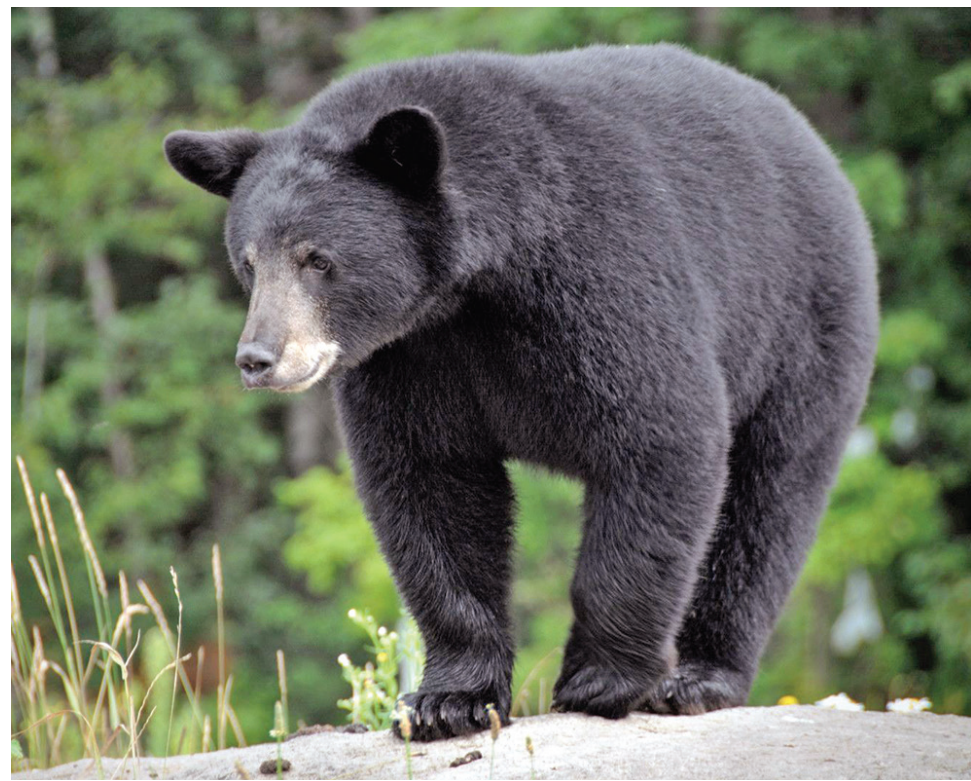
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