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## Local student to dance in Nutcracker



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A young Rock County dancer, Kennedy McDaniel, is performing in Dance Wisconsin's Nutcracker production at the Wisconsin Union Theater in Madison. Kennedy is the daughter of Katie and TJ McDaniel from Evansville. Kennedy will be performing the role of a mouse in this year's production. Kennedy is pictured in the bottom row at far right. Dance Wisconsin's Nutcracker will be performed on Dec. 16 and 17 at 2 p.m. Tickets are on sale now at [www.dancewisconsin.org](http://www.dancewisconsin.org) starting at \$22.

Kennedy McDaniel, a local Rock County dancer, will perform in Dance Wisconsin's Nutcracker production at the Wisconsin Union Theater in Madison.

Kennedy is the daughter of Katie and TJ McDaniel of Evansville. Kennedy will be performing the role of a mouse in this year's production.

A forty-six-year Madison holiday tradition, Dance Wisconsin's Nutcracker is the only local performance that includes dancers, a live orchestra – the Dance Wisconsin Orchestra – and the magical vocals of the Monona Grove High School Singers. The cast includes members of the Dance Wisconsin Company, additional dancers from all over south central Wisconsin including the counties of Dane, Green, Rock, Iowa, Waukesha and Sauk.

The first concept of what is now Dance Wisconsin began in 1976 as Madison Youth Ballet with a production of the Nutcracker at West High School. Madison Youth Ballet transformed into Wisconsin Dance Ensemble and a partnership was formed with the Madison Civic Center in 1981. Ms. JoJean Retrum, artistic director, worked very closely with David Lew Crosby, then Director of the Wisconsin Chamber Or-

chestra, and the Nutcracker was accompanied by live orchestra music.

"The dedication and talent of these young Dance Wisconsin Company dancers is inspiring," said Retrum. "I continue to

work as hard as I possibly can to provide them the opportunities they deserve to perform for the community and be seen by as many community members as possible."

In 1999 Wisconsin Dance

Ensemble made another transformation to Dance Wisconsin and the home of its productions moved to the Wisconsin Union Theater and Taras Nahrniak formed the Dance Wisconsin Orchestra.

## All paws on deck to give thanks

Local dog daycare in Rock County gave pets a Thanksgiving feast

Nicole Rice, owner of All Paws Pet's Supplies and Dog Daycare in Evansville, decided dogs deserved a Thanksgiving feast too. Through her efforts and donations from the community, all the dogs at the Humane Society of Southern Wisconsin received a special meal this Thanksgiving.

Nicole Rice said that her business wanted to give dog safe meals to her customers. Then she came up with the idea of donating an additional meal to the shelter each time someone bought a meal for their own dogs.

Because of these purchases they were able to donate over 50 Thanksgiving meals to the Humane Society of Southern Wisconsin, so that all the dogs

were given a holiday meal.

When people learned of Rice's efforts, they began to contact her to donate to the cause.

"We just couldn't believe that we were just getting calls non-stop from people wanting to just donate meals," Rice said. "If their dog had a super sensitive stomach, they didn't want to risk it, or they couldn't make it up to the store, but they still wanted the shelter dogs to get meals."

According to Rice, each meal had turkey and pumpkin kibble, a turkey neck treat, freeze-dried green beans and even pumpkin pie with a yogurt topping.

"I feel like everyone in Evansville is super supportive

and they're all about giving," Rice explained during a television interview with WKOW News. "And we've found awesome support; everyone's been really amazing."

Rice posts any fundraisers that All Paws is involved with on the store's Facebook page.

Those interested in adopting a pet this holiday season can visit the Humane Society of Southern Wisconsin website, which has pictures of pets eager to be adopted by loving families.

All Paws is located at 155 Union St, Unit B, in Evansville. Contact them at 608-882-1288 or via email at [nicole@allpaws.com](mailto:nicole@allpaws.com) or their website at [allpaws.com](http://allpaws.com) or via their Facebook page

ALL PAWS FACEBOOK PHOTO

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All Paws Pet's Supplies and Dog Daycare in Evansville offered Thanksgiving meals for dogs this year. For every meal that was bought, Nicole Rice, the owner of All Paws, donated a meal to the Humane Society of Southern Wisconsin. The dogs enjoyed the tasty Thanksgiving treat.



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## Parkview-Albany JV and girls wrestling traveled to Big Foot Invite

On Saturday, Dec. 2, Lexi Hanson, Autumn Hill, Sydney Coyne, Casey Hume, Balin Lacy, Jagger Wilke, and Sam Vogt traveled to Big Foot for the Chiefs Junior Varsity and Girls Wrestling Invite.

This is a great invite for the new wrestlers to get some mat time and work on their wrestling skills. Plus, getting the girl versus girl matches helps to build the fast-growing girls wrestling program.

Lexi Hanson, as a senior, at the 114, went 2-1 on the day with one pin and one decision. Hanson worked hard against some

tough girls. Autumn Hill, at 114, is a junior in her first year of wrestling. Hill went 0-3 but got some great mat time and improved throughout the day. Sydney Coyne, at 235, who is a junior and also in her first year, did not have any match ups against girls but was willing to wrestle against the boys so she could get the mat time and she went 3-1 on the day with one pin and a decision.

On the JV boys side, Casey Hume, a junior at 132 in his first year, went 4-0 on the

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## Juda church presents Christmas musical

The adult choir of the Juda Zion Community Church will present their annual Christmas musical program on Sunday, Dec. 10, at 1:30 p.m.

Titled "Simply Christmas 2: An Afternoon of Joy," the concert will feature the Christmas story, along with a variety of special music from solos, duets, small ensembles, audience sing-a-longs, and a candle-lit "Silent Night."

The program is directed by Shelly Jordan and includes the following performers: Peg Jordan, Kim Shields, Pat Daniels, Bob Severson, JoAnn Dobbins, Carrie Soddy, Seth Engen, Steve Anderson, Mark Mason, Joyce Hoesly, Sharon Kreuzer, Gene Dobbins, Justin Soddy, Julie Davis, Judy Kaderly, Rudy Kaderly, Jake Hoesly, Sara Jordan, Mark Woodward, Irv Case, Heidi Bolton, JoAnn Eberle, Kathy Broger, Kay Carter, Laurie Martenson, Peggy Matzke, Corrie Daniels, Sophie Bolton, Tucker Bolton, Liam Burchard,

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The tech crew members are

Bill Jahn, Calvin Kaderly, Pat Daniels, Brian Matzke and Joe Kaderly.

The narrator is Rev. Kelly Jahn.

Refreshments will follow the program in the Fellowship Hall. The program is free and open to the public. A free-will offering will be accepted.

The church is located at N2350 Church Street in Juda.



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The Ladies Trio that will perform along with other members of the adult choir during the annual Christmas musical program at Juda Zion Community Church are Sharon Kreuzer, Kim Shields and Peg Jordan.

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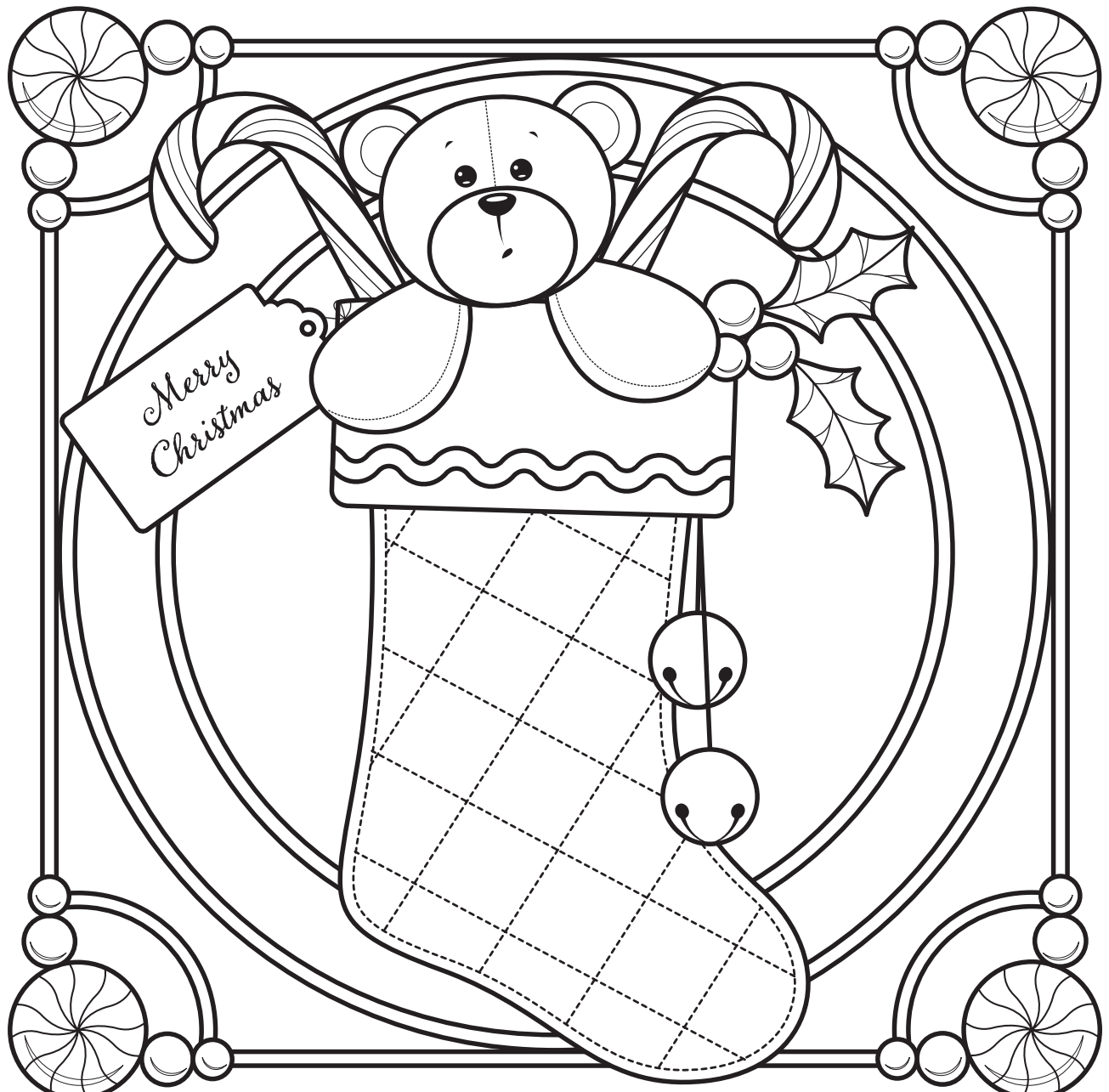
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# Obituary

## PATRICIA HAMMONS

Patricia J. Hammons of Orangeville, Ill., passed gracefully in her sleep on Friday, Nov. 24, 2023.

Patty was born on April 22, 1963, and graduated from Monroe High School in 1981. Patty married Brian Hammons on Oct 3, 1987. She was preceded in death by her parents Gary and Janet Buholzer of Monroe.

She is survived by loving husband Brian Hammons of Orangeville, Ill.; and her two eldest sons Brandon (Amber) Hammons of Brodhead and Brock Hammons of Chicago, Ill.; sister Marla (Tim) Petit of Monroe; two grandchildren Wyatt and Mia of Brod-



head and many other cousins, nieces, and nephews.

Patty had an amazing life surrounded by those who loved being in her presence. She was a Sr. Grading Analyst with Berner Food and Beverage for 25 years. While not at work, she loved watching the Badgers and Packers every weekend she could. She admired spending time with her friends and family any way possible, whether it be at the lake in Montello, or spoiling

her grandkids, or her many nieces and nephews at home. Patty left her imprint on this earth with her thunderous laughter, and her amazing love for life. Her laugh will live on for years to come with those who heard it. Patty will be sadly missed by family and friends.

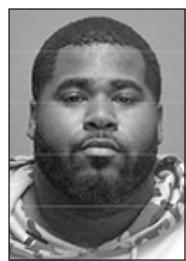
A celebration of life will be held on Dec. 16 at 1 p.m. at The Ville Golf Course in Orangeville, Ill. Please bring any good stories to tell with friends and family. Food and beverages will be provided.

Grace-Bifulk Funeral Service of Albany is caring for the family.

Condolences can be made to [agracefuneralservice.com](http://agracefuneralservice.com).

## Beloit man arrested on felony drug charges

On Nov. 30, at approximately 6:30 a.m., the Rock County Sheriff's Office SWAT Team executed a search warrant at 256 Middle Street, Beloit.



Evans-Pounds

The search warrant was the result of a narcotics investigation conducted by the Rock County Sheriff's Office Special Investigations Unit (SIU). The search warrant was executed with the assistance of

the Beloit Police Department and the Town of Beloit Fire Department.

During the search, deputies located the following items:

- 242 grams of cocaine
- 134 grams of cocaine Base (crack cocaine)
- 28 grams of Fentanyl
- 40 grams of marijuana

As a result of the investigation, the following individual was arrested: Donta J. Evans-Pounds, born Oct. 14, 1993.

### Charges made

- 3 counts: Manufacture / deliver cocaine 1 to 5 grams
- 1 count: Possession with

intent to deliver cocaine – more than 40 grams

- 1 count: Possession with intent to deliver Fentanyl – 10-50 grams

- 4 counts: Prohibited acts B – Maintain vehicle / residence for drug trafficking

Evans-Pounds will make his initial appearance on Dec. 4 at 3 p.m.

*"Pursuant to the directive of the Wisconsin Supreme Court as found in Supreme Court Rule 20:3.6, Trial Publicity, you are advised that a charge is merely an accusation and that a defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty."*

## Police news

### Sex offender to be relocated to Janesville

According to the Wisconsin Department of Corrections, Dale J. Schiessl will be relocating to Rock Valley Community Programs, 203 W. Sunny Lane, Janesville, on Nov. 27.

Schiessl was convicted on two counts of 1st Degree Sexual Assault of a Child: Cases 94CF2393 and F944655, in 1994, in Milwaukee County, WI.

While residing at 203 W. Sunny Lane, Janesville, conditions of Schiessl's supervision include, but are not limited to: No unsupervised contact with minors; No contact with victim; Not to consume drugs; Comply with Standard Sex Offender Rules; Cooperate with Electronic

Monitoring; Comply with all requirements and be a lifetime registrant of the Wisconsin



Dale Schiessl

Sex Offender Registration Program.

The Rock County Sheriff's Office is not responsible for the placement of this sex offender in any manner; however, by law, they are required to provide public notice. For further information regarding the placement of this offender, please contact the Department of Community Corrections

at 608-758-6075. For more information, please refer to the Wisconsin Department of Corrections Sex Offender Registry website, [www.wistaysafe.gov](http://www.wistaysafe.gov).

## Briefs

### Browse vendors, visit Santa at Juda Craft Fair

The Juda Craft Fair will be held on Saturday, Dec. 9 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Juda School, N2385 Spring Street, Juda.

Santa will be visiting from 10 a.m. to noon. There will be 40 crafters and vendors at the fair. Wares on offer will be jewelry, ceramics, handmade signs, homemade soaps, quilts, cross stitch, easy to prepare food, spices, drink mixes, wickless candles, plastic canvas, gourmet food products, and much more.

Concessions, sponsored by the junior class, will be available, with breakfast and lunch options.

The event is hosted by the Juda Booster Club.

### Rep. Jacobson to meet in locals in Footville

Rep. Jacobson will hold office hours in Footville on Friday, Dec. 15 from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Footville Friendly Café at 235 Depot St. in Footville.

Locals are invited to meet Representative Jenna Jacobson to discuss issues and topics that are important to them. No registration required.

## WFU convention comes to the Wisconsin Dells

Wisconsin Farmers Union will host its 93rd State Convention Dec. 8 to 10 at Chula Vista Resort in Wisconsin Dells.

Over 200 farmers and rural advocates are expected to gather for the weekend of networking, educational speakers, and grassroots policymaking.

### Convention highlights Friday, Dec. 8

- Noon to 4:30 p.m. – Groundswell: Navigating the Nexus of Groundwater, Agriculture, and Conservation. Jim VandenBrook will provide a keynote address.

- 6 to 9 p.m. – Networking Night and Live Auction: Come connect with farmers from throughout the state for a relaxed evening of social networking and join in the fun as the group raises funds to provide camp scholarships for WFU's Kamp Kenwood.

### Saturday, Dec. 9

- 9:45 a.m. – WFU Presidential address by Darin Von Ruden
- 10:55 to 12:15 a.m. – Workshops: A Farm Bill for All, Sarah Carden; Infrastructure and Rural Revitalization,

- Beth Haskovec
- 12:15 to 1:15 p.m. – Awards banquet honoring members and rural champions
- 1:15 to 2:15 p.m. – Policy discussion
- 2:15 to 3:30 p.m. – Workshops: Diversifying Farm Profits panel; Dairy Policy and Economics, Leonard Polzin
- 3:45 to 5 p.m. – Policy discussion
- 6 p.m. – Convention banquet
- 7 p.m. – Convention Keynote: Zephyr Teachout will be speaking about antitrust and monopoly power

- 8:30 p.m. – Networking social with live music by Uncommon Denominator

### Sunday, Dec. 11

- 9 a.m. – Policy discussion resumes
- Noon – Board election results announced, lunch, policy discussion resumes; anticipated wrap-up around 1 p.m.
- Wisconsin Farmers Union is a member-driven organization committed to enhancing the quality of life for family farmers, rural communities and all citizens through educational opportunities, cooperative endeavors and civic engagement.



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More than 70 local students in grades 4 to 8 will be in the play "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer Jr." on Dec. 8 to 10 at Janesville Performing Arts Center on 408 S Main St in Janesville. The young performers are from many different school districts including Janesville, Edgerton, Milton, Beloit, and Brodhead.

## Ring in the holidays with Christmas classic

JPAC kids present Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer Jr.

Janesville Performing Arts Center will feature more than 70 local students in grades 4 to 8 in their play, "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer Jr." on Dec. 8 to 10 at 408 S Main St in Janesville.

The young performers are from many different school districts including Janesville, Edgerton, Milton, Beloit, and Brodhead.

### What the show is about

Because of his shiny nose, Rudolph doesn't feel like he belongs in Christmastown and sets off to find a place that accepts him. Along his journey, he encounters fellow misfits, only to realize that home is where he has belonged the whole time. When a storm threatens to keep Santa's sleigh from taking flight, it's up to Rudolph to save Christmas.

With a run time of just over 1 hour, this is great fun for the whole family.

### Tickets and show times

Tickets for adults are \$12 and tickets for students are \$8.

Show times are Friday, Dec. 8 at 7 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 9 at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m., and Sunday, Dec. 10 at 2 p.m. Shows are assigned seating in the historic Hansch Theatre. The Saturday, Dec. 9 show at 2 p.m. will be ASL interpreted. Please email [alexis@janesvillepac.org](mailto:alexis@janesvillepac.org) to request seats in this section.

Lobby doors open at 60 minutes prior to the curtain time, and theatre doors open 30 minutes prior to the curtain time.

Purchase tickets online at [www.janesvillepac.org](http://www.janesvillepac.org) or by calling 608-758-0297.

## College news

### Local students graduate from UW-Madison

Just over 1,300 students received doctoral, bachelor's, master's and professional degrees in August 2023 from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

While there is no commencement ceremony in August, many of the graduates take part in the ceremonies the previous spring or in December.

For more information about UW-Madison, visit <http://www.wisc.edu>.

Listed here are the degree recipients from this area:

### Albany

• Joseph Blumer, School of Med and Public Health, Doctor of Philosophy, Endocrinology – Reproductive Physiology

### Brodhead

- Nathan Dougherty, School of Education, Master of Science, Curriculum and Instruction
- Evan Willing, College of Engineering, Master of Science, Materials Science and Engineering

### Orfordville

• Ariel Zellmer, School of Med and Public Health, Master of Science, Applied Biotechnology

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Cheryl Stewart, left, recently donated money to the Rock County Sheriff's K9 Program and saw Deputy Peterson and K9 Finn. The Rock County Sheriff's office greatly appreciates her contribution. Community support helps fund their three K9s.

# Parkview-Albany wrestling finished 1-2 in quad

Parkview-Albany wrestling kicked off the 2023-24 season with a home quad hosting Jefferson, Parker, and Turner, finishing the night 1-2, winning a close one against Jefferson 43-42 (on criteria) losing to Parker 60-13 and Turner 60-21. Along with the varsity duals, they had over 60 JV and girls wrestling matches.

They started out the night running the JV and girls on all three mats. Parkview-Albany had seven wrestling: Lexi Hanson, Autumn Hill, Casey Hume, Balin Lacy, Jagger Wilke, Sam Vogt, and Sydney Coyne. Lexi went 1-2 with a pin. Autumn went 1-1, Casey was 1-1, Balin was 1-1, Jagger was 2-0 with 2 pins, Sam Vogt was 1-1 with a pin, and Sydney was 2-0 with 2 pins. The JV and girls all worked hard and have a great base to work from.

One hundred and six was the starting weight for the first dual against Parker. With no 106 pounder, Slater Valley was first up at 113 and lost in sudden victory 7-9. At 120, Trevor Haugen competed against Dominic Peters losing by pin.

At 126, Danny Finley wrestled Nate Peters, winning 12-7. At 132, Casey Hume wrestled Shawn Sobczak and lost by pin. Parkview-Albany forfeited the next two weight classes; 138 and 144. Peter Roth, at 150, wrestled Chase Britton and won with a pin. The wrestling team forfeited the next two weights 157 and 165.

Next up was Jayden Anderson against Cayden Brandenburg who was a state place winner the past two years. Anderson lost by Tech fall 4-19. Sam Schwengels, at 190, wrestled Carter Wesley and won by major decision 13-3. Wes Egan, at 215, matched up against Cody Slater and lost a major decision 0-9. At 285, Nick Stokstad wrestled Dean Harilal and lost by pin. In the end it was Parker 60 and Parkview-Albany 13.

The second match up was against Jefferson and started at 113. Valley pinned Wyatt Hunt by pin. Haugen lost by pin to Trevor Brehm. At 126, Finley pinned Dominic Ritter. The team forfeited 132, 138, and 144. Roth, at 150, pinned Thomas O'Brien. Again, the

team forfeited 157 and 165. At 175, Anderson won by pin. Schwengels won by pin over Alex Unke at 190. At 215, Egan won by pin over Gary Northrup, and at 285 Stokstad won by pin over Cade Pagel. The team forfeited 106 which left them at a 42-42 team score. With the 7th criteria (most pins) Parkview-Albany was 43 and Jefferson 42.

The final duel was against Turner, the starting weight was 120. Haugen wrestled Carter Fry and lost by pin. At 126, Finley won by decision 8-1 over Brayden Ward. 132-138 and 144 were weights they had to forfeit. Roth wrestled Brody Berg at 150 and lost by pin. 157 and 165 were forfeited. Anderson, at 175, wrestled Carlos Ramirez and lost by pin. Schwengels, at 190, received a forfeit. Egan at 215 won by fall over Elijah Simplot. At 285, Stokstad matched up against Anthony Hamilton and lost by pin. 106 was forfeited and Valley received a forfeit at 113. In the end it was Turner 60 and Parkview-Albany 21.

*This article is courtesy Joel Steinmann.*

## • Wrestling (Continued from front page)

day with 4 pins. Balin Lacy, a freshman at 138, went 2-1 on the day with a pin. Jagger Wilke, a sophomore at 190 and his first year wrestling, went 3-1 with 3 pins. Sam Vogt, a junior at 215 also in his first year, went 3-1 with 3 pins.

Even with track wrestling going down, which made it a long day for the first tournament on the year, it didn't faze the wrestlers at all. They stayed focused and worked on skills that the coaches were working with them throughout the day.

Thank you to the coaches Byron Brown, Gavon Brown, Al Stark, and Heather Clarke and to the parents and fans that showed up to support the wrestlers.

This week's schedule for Parkview-Albany is a busy one. The full team was in Pardeeville for a quad on Tuesday, Dec. 5, against Pardeeville, Portage and Marshall. Then the girls will be in action again on Friday, Dec. 8 at the 2023 Duals in the Dells tournament. The guys will be in Oakfield for the Holidays on Saturday, Dec 9.

### Parkview-Albany Big Foot JV Invite results Boys JV 132B

Casey Hume's place is 5th and has scored 4.0 team points.

Round 1 - Casey Hume (Parkview-Albany) won by fall over Alex Porras (Badger) (Fall 2:20)

Round 2 - Casey Hume (Parkview-Albany) won by fall over Dawson Walter (Big Foot/Williams Bay) (Fall 2:41)

### Boys JV 138C

Balin Lacy's place is 5th and has scored 2.0 team points.

Round 1 - Balin Lacy (Parkview-Albany) won by fall over Dysel Groebner (Brodhead/Juda) (Fall 1:19)

### Boys JV 190C

Jagger Wilke's place is 6th and has scored 5.0 team points.

Round 1 - Jagger Wilke (Parkview-Albany) won by fall over Derrick Benitez (Big Foot/Williams Bay) (Fall 1:34)

### Boys JV 215C

Sam Vogt's place is 5th and has scored 2.0 team points.

Round 1 - Sam Vogt (Parkview-Albany) won by fall over Timothy Smith (Janesville Craig) (Fall 0:59)

### Boys JV 285B

Sydney Coyne's place is unknown and has scored 0.0 team points.

### Girls JV 114

Autumn Hill's place is 4th and has scored 4.0 team points.

Round 1 - Nadia Fuentes (Janesville Craig) won by fall over Autumn Hill (Parkview-Albany) (Fall 0:23)

### Girls JV 114

Lexi Hanson's place is 4th and has scored 5.0 team points.

Round 1 - Lexi Hanson (Parkview-Albany) won by major decision over Olivia Baumunk (Janesville Craig) (Maj 13-1)

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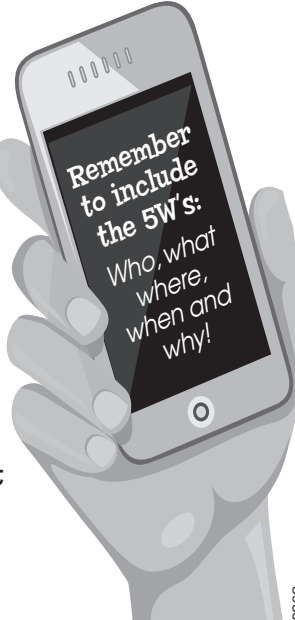
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# Kandu launches 2023 annual giving campaign

Company seeks support as it expands to serve Rock County families

Kandu Industries Inc., a Rock County, Wis.-based non-profit organization that provides programs and services to people with disabilities and disadvantages announced on Nov. 28 that it has begun its 2023 annual giving campaign.

All proceeds will directly benefit their mission to create, promote, and provide diverse opportunities offering people with disabilities and disadvantages the ability to pursue greater independence and live more meaningful lives.

Every year, Kandu appeals to the community for financial support to tighten the gap between government funding and the expenses required to operate and expand the organization's many vital programs.

"2023 marks one of the most important years for our annual giving campaign as we expand our day services/memory care program to serve an aging population that is expected to double in the next decade," said Kathy Hansen, Kandu's executive director. "Disability will have a new meaning for many families as they take on the added responsibility of caring for a loved one who can no longer be left alone during the day due to dementia and other age-related issues. Just as important, families will need respite to manage all the other responsibilities of their busy lives, including taking care of their own mental health during what can be a very stressful time."

Reports estimate that by

2040, Rock County's population of individuals age 85+ is expected to increase by 120% and the number of Rock County residents with dementia is expected to increase by 110%. Kandu is the only state-certified adult day services program in Rock County and currently serves only 56 of 398 people with dementia in the local community.

Funds raised during the annual giving campaign also offset expenses for the many other vital programs Kandu offers for people with disabilities, including job training and employment, daily living skills for people of all ages, and residential services.

Supporters can visit [kanduindustries.com](http://kanduindustries.com) for more information and to donate. Donations can also be made by texting "GIVE" to 888-617-3927 or by mail to Kandu Industries, 1741 Adel Street, Janesville, WI 53546.

Kandu Industries is a 501(c)(3) organization, based in Rock Co., Wis. that provides opportunities to people with disabilities and disadvantages. For 60 years, these work, social, and daily activities enable Kandu clients to achieve their maximum potential and enjoy the dignity of being productive citizens. Today, Kandu impacts the lives of over 200 clients along with a staff of over 100, and partners with a number of community and governmental agencies to ensure that individual choice and personal development are nurtured in the work environment as well as in other aspects of life.

## ADRC: Start 2024 by caring for the caregiver

The Aging and Disability Resource Centers of Rock and Marquette Counties are offering a 16-week grief and bereavement educational support group on Monday afternoons from 2 to 4 p.m. beginning Jan. 15 and running through April 29, 2024.

This is a virtual group. There is no cost to attend. Registration and screening are required.

Who is this group for? The group is for anyone who is or has cared for someone with dementia. Caring for someone with dementia presents a constant series of losses and not just those related to death. Each session will cover a grief, loss and mourning topic followed by about 60 minutes of conventional support group discussion.

For more information or to register, please contact Rock County Dementia Care Specialist Karen Tennyson at 608-741-3615 or [karen.tennyson@co.rock.wi.us](mailto:karen.tennyson@co.rock.wi.us).

## ADRC: Learn how to navigate the journey of family caregiving

The Aging and Disability Resource Centers of Rock and Dane Counties invites locals for a year-long, virtual, family caregiver education series.

Webinars will be offered the third Thursday of each month from noon to 1 p.m. beginning Jan. 18, 2024. There is no cost to join. Registration is required to obtain the link. Make sure to join for any topics of interest.

Family caregivers will learn from experts about topics including: dementia information; communication skills for dementia caregivers; legal, financial and crisis planning; home safety; assistive devices; having difficult conversations; resource connections; travel planning as a caregiver and enjoying your holidays.

Each session will allow for question-and-answer time.

For a schedule of topics, more information or to register for the link, please contact Rock County Dementia Care Specialist, Karen Tennyson, at 608-741-3615 or [karen.tennyson@co.rock.wi.us](mailto:karen.tennyson@co.rock.wi.us) or Dane County Dementia Care Specialists, Ellen Taylor and Kayla Olson at [danedcs@countyofdane.com](mailto:danedcs@countyofdane.com).



## Checking out some new books



On Wednesday, Nov. 15, Parkview Elementary School 4K students from Ms. Urven's class visited Ms. Egan in the PES library in Orfordville to check out new books to take home. They always love finding new favorites to share with their families.

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# Wisconsin Beef Council releases resource guide

## Guide to help state schools use meat from local farmers

Do you enjoy cooking dinner for your family each night? Imagine having to cook lunch for hundreds of kids with different preferences every single day.

The Wisconsin Beef Council has stepped in to make the school nutrition staff's job a little bit easier with their innovative Beef Resource Guide.

The idea came out of the COVID-19 pandemic. The Wisconsin Beef Council office received phone calls from school food service directors across the state who were having challenges sourcing their USDA commodity beef products. This prompted their interest in buying beef directly from farmers for their menu needs, but they lacked guidance on how to proceed. Through those conversations, the Beef Council team identified existing resources and contacts that could direct the discussion and find what information and tools were missing.

Louisa Peterson, owner of Creamery Creek Farms near Bangor, Wis. already had an established relationship with her local school district and offered her insight.

"I found that when I showed up to a school food director with my product and my story, it was a win," she said. "It hasn't been without challenges, but I get a lot of personal satisfaction from feeding our local school kids."

The goal of the Beef Resource Guide is to help school food service staff utilize beef more often and in diverse ways on their lunch trays. This comprehensive guide encom-

passes beef's nutritional benefits, ways to utilize various cuts of beef, advice for talking with farmers and processors to source local beef, food safety tips and tricks when working with raw products and a variety of recipes that are pre-credited for the directors' ease of use.

The Wisconsin Beef Council identified several challenges faced by school food service professionals. These include the variability in school cafeteria equipment, limited staffing, and minimal experience working with raw beef products in the school lunch program. Unlike the pre-cooked beef crumbles or hamburger patties that schools are familiar with, the use of frozen ground beef and other cuts presented a learning curve.

In addition to these operational challenges, schools must adhere to nutritional guidelines that specify minimum and maximum ounces of meat or meat alternatives to be served within a week, referred to as "crediting." These requirements vary based on grade level.

Susan Bostian Young, a nutrition program consultant from the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction, emphasized, "This Beef Resource Guide assists schools in using fresh, whole cuts of beef in school meals with helpful food safety information. Best of all, it shows how different beef cuts and dishes contribute to the overall meal pattern."

This presents a considerable task for meal planning.

The commodity beef products typically used in schools have "crediting" information on the label, while locally purchased beef may not. Procurement guidelines, determined by the transaction's dollar value, also need to be followed for local purchases. Like many consumers, there was also a general unfamiliarity with beef primals and cuts that would fit best within menus and budgets. Lastly, there was a demand for large-quantity recipes with nutritional crediting information.

Michelle Denk, the Food Service Director for the Mount Horeb School District, praised the guide saying, "The reci-

pes have the crediting information provided and include recommendations for substituting different cuts of meat. I appreciate the nutritional information, recipes, and even questions to ask your farmer when you decide to purchase from them. I found the guide extremely helpful, and the recipes are great!"

In the coming fiscal year, the Wisconsin Beef Council plans to continue distributing this guide and expand it by adding more recipes as well as visual training tools for staff. The guide is published for use nationally and in Wisconsin. The Wisconsin-specific version with local resources

can be found at <https://www.beefits.com/nutrition/beef-resource-guide>.

The more generic, national version is being distributed by our other Qualified State Beef Council partners through [www.beefits.com/nutrition/beef-for-tweens-and-teens](http://www.beefits.com/nutrition/beef-for-tweens-and-teens).

"With the new resource guide, beef can be used for any student's lunch and your family's dinner," Grace Link with the Wisconsin Beef Council said. "For more information, contact us at [wbc@beefits.com](mailto:wbc@beefits.com)."

The Wisconsin Beef Council is a producer-directed non-profit organization fund-

ed by the \$1 per head assessment on all cattle sold in the state of Wisconsin per the Federal Beef Promotion and Research Act and Order. Half of one dollar remains in Wisconsin for local beef promotion, while the other half is forwarded to the Cattlemen's Beef Board. The purpose of the Council is to fund beef promotion, research and consumer education activities supporting Wisconsin's \$2.1 billion beef industry. The WBC operates under the guidance of its Board of Directors. The Board is comprised of representatives from cattle-related organizations around the state of Wisconsin.

# DNR: Practice ice safety this winter

### Get Ice Status From Local Sources

The DNR does not monitor ice conditions. If your plans include access to or use of an ice-covered waterbody, contact your local fishing clubs, bait shops or outfitters for ice conditions.

"These places routinely check ice conditions and can give you the best and most current conditions," said Holsclaw. "If you can plan your outing without any travel over ice, do it. And if you are going to be on some ice, let someone know your plans and follow them."

### Conditions Vary On Waterbodies

Each waterbody can have its own characteristics. Check if the lake has inlets, outlets, narrows that have currents, or is spring-fed, all of which can thin the ice. Some smaller lakes can have aerators that are run throughout the winter, either covering a large area towards the center of the lake

or may have smaller aerators placed by private property landowners adjacent to their shore and piers.

It is equally as important to stay alert for pressure ridges or ice heaves. These can be dangerous due to thin ice and resulting open water. They are often created, move or grow with changes in temperatures and high winds. Pressure ridges and ice heaves can happen on Wisconsin's largest lake, Lake Winnebago, a popular home to sturgeon spears, and the Bay of Green Bay.

### Ice Safety Basics

Here are a few basic ice safety tips to remember:

- Carry a cell phone, and let people know where you are going and when you'll return home.
- Wear proper clothing and equipment, including a life jacket or a float coat, to help you stay afloat and to help maintain body heat.
- Wear ice creepers attached to boots to prevent

slipping on clear ice.

- Carry a spud bar to check the ice while walking to new areas.

- Carry a few spikes and a length of light rope in an easily accessible pocket to help pull yourself – or others – out of the ice.

- If you fall in, remain as calm as possible. While attempting to get out of the water, call for help. Anyone who attempts to rescue you should use a rope or something similar to avoid falling through themselves.

- Do not travel in unfamiliar areas or at night.

Have a plan in place noting where you will be and when you plan to return. Along with leaving a written note of your plans, keeping a charged cell phone is also recommended.

Check out the DNR's Ice Safety webpage for more information on staying safe on the ice, including tips for creating ice claws and what to do if you fall through ice.

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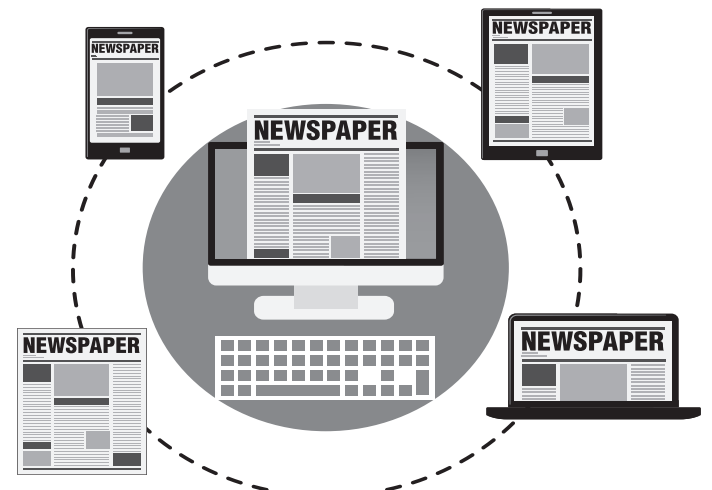
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