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Beloit student qualified for U.S. Olympic Trials

Shelvin Garrett, a Physical Education major from Beloit, at the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, competed alongside the nation's best at the United States Olympic Team Trials for track and field on Friday, June 28, in Eugene, Oregon.

Garrett, an All-American for the Warhawk men's track and field team, competed in the men's triple jump, qualifying with a career-best distance of 52 feet, 4.75 inches (15.97 meters), good for 18th among those slated to participate.

"I want to jump far," Garrett said. "I'm hoping I can make it to round 2 – the top 12 make it. That would be nice. We'll see how high I can finish."

He is the fifth Warhawk on record to compete in the U.S. Olympic Trials in track and field, joining John May (1936), Tom Hoffman (1972), Ryan Meissen (2004) and Dan Hytinen (2012) on the list. Former Warhawk Marcus Smith competed in the men's triple jump at the U.S. Track and Field Championships in 2013.

Friday's qualifying session aired on linear TV and online on NBC, Peacock and USA.

"Shelvin is a phenomenal student-athlete and an even better person," said R.J. Soderman, who coached Garrett in the triple jump and is an academic advisor at UW-Whitewater. "His talent, dedication, and work ethic



OLIVIA ZINANNI, UW-WHITEWATER ATHLETICS PHOTO Rock Valley Publishing

Shelvin Garrett II of the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater men's track and field team competes at the 2024 NCAA Indoor Championships on March 9 in Virginia Beach, Virginia.

have made him an All-American and a National Champion. Now, he's earned the chance to represent the university on the biggest stage, competing against the nation's best. We are so thrilled he chose to be a Warhawk and can't wait to see him jump next week."

A native of Beloit, Garrett recently concluded his college career as a six-time All-American in the triple jump, including a national championship at the 2024 NCAA Division III Indoor Championships and runner-up finishes at each of the last two national outdoor

meets.

Garrett joined the UW-Whitewater family in the spring of 2021 as a transfer student. He was recruited by then-assistant coach – and current head coach – Jace Rindahl to play for the Warhawk football team.

Football teammate Jason Ceniti connected Garrett, a sprinter and jumper as a high school student at Beloit Memorial, to Marlon Cystrunk, who was a two-sport athlete in football and track and field at UW-Whitewater. Cystrunk made the introduction to Mike Johnson, head track and field coach, and

Garrett joined the program prior to the 2021 indoor season.

Garrett made an immediate impact on the team, qualifying for the 2021 NCAA Outdoor Championship in both the 4x100-meter relay and the triple jump. After one season as a wide receiver for the football team in 2021, he decided to focus on track and field.

Garrett made his leap – literally and figuratively – to the All-America podium in 2022, finishing third in the triple jump at the NCAA Indoor Championships and fifth at the outdoor champi-

onship meet.

Following his breakout season, he earned two Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference championships and has been an All-American in the triple jump at each national meet he's participated in. He established his personal record distance – and Olympic Trials qualifying mark – in the triple jump on his way to the national title in March.

Garrett credited Soderman, Johnson, and assistant coach Josh Ireland with his development. He also called out his teammates for motivating him to be better – the Warhawk men finished fourth in the nation at the 2024 NCAA Indoor Championships behind strong performances from Garrett, distance run-

ners Christian Patzka and Gunner Schlender, and the distance medley relay team of Craig Hundley, Kobe Chandler, Rhett Reuter, and Justin Krause.

"At indoor nationals, I finally won a national championship, and we got the team trophy, too," he said. "Besides getting better at my own event, I wanted the team to get better. Those two happened at the same time."

"I wouldn't be who I am without those guys. Even though they're not in my event group, I saw how hard they worked. They helped me mentally and helped lead the team."

With more classes and his student teaching to complete in 2024-25, Garrett is on track to graduate with a BSE next May. He plans to get into teaching and continue to compete in the triple jump on an individual basis, or unattached, after he receives his degree.

Before that happens, he'll live out a dream of competing against the best athletes in the country. Garrett has the support of the athletic department and of an engaged, passionate track and field alumni base as he travels west.

"The support of the university and the Warhawk alumni has been amazing," said Soderman, who will accompany Garrett to Oregon. "We are beyond excited to showcase his ability and thank everyone that has supported him to achieve this prestigious honor."

The men's triple jump final was on Sunday, June 30, on NBC and Peacock.

Storm recovery resources available for Rock County residents

A joint statement from Rock County Sheriff's Office and Rock County Emergency Management was released.

Efforts continue throughout the County of Rock addressing the multilayer aftermath of recent weather events, including the EF2 tornado that touched down in the Town of Rock and the south side of the City of Janesville on Saturday, June 22. Continued mon-

itoring of damage reports now indicates widespread flooding.

The County Administrator, Josh Smith, declared a state of emergency on Saturday, June 22 at 9:47 p.m. The Public Safety and Justice Committee met to ratify the declared state of emergency on Tuesday, June 25 at 5:15 p.m.

The County Board convened on Thursday, June 27 at

6 p.m.

The motoring public should be advised to use extra caution while traveling on the roadways and be on the lookout for hazards such as downed trees, shoulder wash outs, potholes and wet surfaces. The public should not drive through flooded areas. The Sheriff's Office and Public Works are assessing damages and addressing roadway

concerns.

Orfordville residents with water or sewer flooding into their home due to the severe weather should reach out to Fire Chief Ryan Perkins. Information is located at <https://www.orfordville.org>.

Affected residents should be mindful of the following concerns regarding power outages and flooding:

- Do not pump out flooded basements too early or too fast.
- Be mindful of eating safely after a power outage.
- Affected well and septic systems need special care.
- Be cautious when cleaning mold.
- Water Testing Kits are available through Public Health.

The County is working with local agencies, municipalities and other officials to host another Multi-Agency Resource Center (MARC) event on a date to be determined to provide essential recovery services from cooperating agencies to residents impacted by the tornado and related severe weather.

Information regarding this is available on the County's website: www.co.rock.wi.us.

County of Rock residents in need can dial 2-1-1 for resources assisting with severe weather recovery.



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The Village of Orfordville Fire Department is providing emergency clean up kits for flooding similar to these for impacted Rock County residents.

Two in Edgerton suffer firearm-related deaths

The Rock County Medical Examiner's Department is releasing the names of the two individuals found deceased in a home in the 9000 block of North Newville Road in the Town of Fulton. The incident was reported to authorities on May 22 at or about 8 a.m.

The individuals are identified as: Roger L. Letson, 61, of Edgerton and Valerie A. Letson, 58, of Edgerton.

Both Mr. and Ms. Letson were pronounced deceased at the scene. Forensic autopsies were completed on May 24.

Preliminary autopsy results confirm that Mr. Letson's death is due to homicidal firearm-related trauma.

Preliminary autopsy results confirm that Ms. Letson's death is due to firearm-related trauma.

Additional testing is underway at this time.

Both of these deaths remain under investigation by the Rock County Sheriff's Department and the Rock County Medical Examiner's Department.

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DATCP announces meat processor grant recipients

The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) recently announced that 38 meat processors will receive grants through the 2024 Meat Processor Infrastructure Grant Program. Now in its third year, this program aims to grow Wisconsin's meat industry and improve the long-term viability of the state's livestock industry.

"When it comes to our meat products, folks know they can trust the quality because Wisconsin's meats are processed by some of the best workers in the world," said Gov. Evers. "Over the past five years, we've worked hard to make sure our meat processors have additional investments and resources to help support their success. Through the Meat Processor Infrastructure Grants we're announcing today, I'm proud that we're going to keep building upon our work and progress to bolster our meat and poultry industry

for future generations."

Thanks to the Governor and Legislature, a total of \$1.8 million was available for this year's meat processor grants, with a maximum of \$50,000 allowed for each project. Grant recipients were selected through a competitive review process and are required to provide a match of 100 percent of the grant amount. These grants are available through the 2023-25 biennial state budget. As part of the biennial budget, an additional \$200,000 in grants will be available in 2025.

DATCP received 70 applications totaling \$3 million in grant requests. The 38 grant recipients and their planned projects include:

- Almena Meat Company, Inc., Almena: Replace and expand finished product freezer and bone cooler.
- Beck's Meats, Inc., Kaukauna: Make improvements to packaging efficiency.
- Bloomington Meats II LLC, Bloomington: Replace

and upgrade harvest floor hoists.

- Butcher Block 66 LLC, Stevens Point: Fund purchase of a mixer-grinder and vacuum stuffer.
- Carl Buddig and Company, Sheboygan: Provide infrastructure for automated bagger and scale project.
- Crescent Meats LLC, Cadott: Increase harvest capacity plan.
- Eagle's Peak Processing, Mondovi: Update freezer and smoker.
- Ebert Meats LLC (DBA Salmon's Meat Products), Luxemburg: Fund purchase of a patty and poly clip machine.
- Farm Market at SCF LLC, Bloomer: Expand harvest facility and fund purchase of sausage making and smoking equipment.
- Fox Bros. Piggly Wiggly, Slingshot: Invest in purchase of a sausage facility wrapper.
- Geiss Meat Service, LLC, Merrill: Fund purchase of mixer/grinder with metal de-

tor and aging cooler.

- Green Bay Dressed Beef, LLC, Green Bay: Purchase and install new equipment for harvest area.
- Jacobson's Market LLC, Chippewa Falls: Complete expansion of smokehouse.
- K & T Meat Processing, LLC, Sheldon: Invest in cooler expansion and storefront remodel.
- Kelly's Pot Pies LLC, East Troy: Complete building expansion and cooler installation.
- Kettle Range Meat Company LLC, Milwaukee: Complete addition to smokehouse.
- Lodi Sausage Company, Lodi: Fund purchase of a carcass cooler.
- Louie's Finer Meats, Inc., Cumberland: Complete renovation of smokehouse.
- Malterer Meats, Fox Iron Ridge: Fund purchase of a bowl chopper.
- Maple Leaf Meats LLC DBA Bushy's Meat Market, Independence: Invest in the purchase of rollstock packag-

ing.

- Maplewood Packing Inc., Green Bay: Make enhancements to cooked sausage cutting and burger forming throughput.
- The Meat Schoppe, Lancaster: Provide infrastructure for the creation of Passion for Pork online store.
- Northern Trails Meats LLC, Watertown: Invest in purchase of an automatic feed grinder and automatic mixer/grinder.
- NSB Slaughter Division LLC, Conrath: Fund improvements to harvest floor flow and data management.
- Old Germantown LLC, Germantown: Fund purchase of vacuum stuffer and walk-in cooler.
- Ole's Up North Sausage Co., LLC Processing LLC, Ashland: Invest in upgrades, training, and equipment, including purchase of a vacuum sealer and mobile food cart.
- Salchert's Market, Inc., St. Cloud: Provide infrastructure to address packaging and cold storage bottlenecks.
- Storage Pasty Company, Inc., Sheboygan: Implement packaging line upgrade to improve efficiency.
- Silver Creek Specialty Meats, Inc., Oshkosh: Fund purchase and installation of

clipping equipment.

- St. Joe's Country Market, La Crosse: Provide infrastructure for processing efficiency project.
 - TMB East LLC (DBA Haen Meats), Kaukauna: Invest in purchase of link cutter and bulker.
 - University of Wisconsin-River Falls, River Falls: Make investments to increase harvest and processing capacity.
 - Weber's Processing Plant, Inc., Cuba City: Invest in repair, update, and expansion of freezer.
 - Wenzel's Farm, LLC, Marshfield: Fund purchase of a snack stick cutter.
 - Wilson Farm Meats, Elkhorn: Complete Phase I of processing expansion.
 - Wisconsin River Brands, Inc. (DBA Wisconsin River Meats), Mauston: Complete construction of harvest floor.
 - Witt's Sausage Haus, LLC, Shawano: Invest in food sealer, repair sausage mixer, and new sinks/faucets.
 - Xiong Livestock LLC, Eau Claire: Fund implementation of onsite livestock and butchering services.
- For more information on meat processor news and updates, visit DATCP's website and sign up for email updates.

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Study: Over half in state support fining parents for kid's school absences

Over the past few years, there have been substantial disruptions to the U.S. education system, resulting in challenges such as learning deficits, declining enrollment, and behavioral issues among students. Among these challenges, the surge in student absenteeism stands out as particularly widespread, affecting students across all demographic groups and persisting beyond the reopening of schools.

According to recent findings from the American Enterprise Institute, 26% of public school students were marked as chronically absent in the last school year, a significant increase from the pre-pandemic rate of 15%. Chronic absenteeism is typically defined as missing at least 10% of the school year, or roughly 18 days.

Experts in education point out that student absenteeism is a critical obstacle to overcome. Students who frequently miss school fall behind academically, and their absences also negatively impact their peers' learning experience, as teachers must continually adapt their instruction to meet the needs of an inconsistent class roster.

In a comprehensive survey conducted by Test Prep Insight, which included 3,000 parents, respondents were asked their opinions about absenteeism. One question was whether they believe parents of chronically absent schoolchildren should be fined. The results revealed that 56% of Wisconsinites support the idea of fines as a deterrent against absenteeism, with an average suggested fine of \$22 per day.

For the 44% who opposed fines, concerns centered on the potential unfairness to parents from poorer socioeconomic backgrounds. Among these respondents, 70% believe that schools or authorities should provide additional support for struggling students, 20% advocate for financial incentives for good attendance, and 10% suggest increased communication with parents to address absen-

teism. Additionally, 85% of respondents agree that parents of truant children should attend workshops or counseling sessions if their child is chronically absent.

One major factor contributing to chronic absenteeism is the rise in mental health struggles among students. To explore this issue, Test Prep Insight also surveyed Wisconsin parents about mental health-related absences. An overwhelming 73% believe children should be allowed to take mental health days.

Barriers to mental health days include unsupportive school policies (47%) and social stigma (27%), while 26% of parents worry about their children falling behind academically. When asked what justifies a mental health day, 52% cited symptoms of a mental health disorder, 24% mentioned family issues, 15% pointed to grieving a loss, and 8% noted feeling overwhelmed by schoolwork.

Regarding decision-making, 66% of parents believe they should have the final say on mental health days, 17% think it should be the child's physician or therapist, and 3% believe the school should decide.

Parents also shared how they think schools should support students taking mental health days: 33% suggested catch-up sessions, 30% recommended regular check-ins from counselors, 25% advocated for flexible deadlines, and 12% wanted assignments provided in advance.

When asked about changes they would like to see in handling mental health issues, 39% called for better teacher training on mental health awareness, 23% wanted mental health education in the curriculum, 21% sought improved communication between schools and parents, and 17% desired more on-site mental health professionals.

This article is courtesy Test Prep Insight.

Wisconsin DNR sets 2024 deer season harvest goals

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) presented the deer harvest quotas and framework for the 2024 Wisconsin deer hunting season to the Wisconsin Natural Resources Board on June 26.

The statewide antlerless quota for the 2024 season is 272,837 deer, with 245,245 total bonus antlerless harvest authorizations available for purchase across the state. These authorizations are in addition to the free antlerless harvest authorizations issued in farmland zones, which are not reflected in this total.

These recommendations were formed in partnership with County Deer Advisory Councils and based on public feedback and deer population objectives.

The approved quotas and

season frameworks for each county match the recommendations of its respective County Deer Advisory Council, with three exceptions. In Iowa County, the January archery and crossbow season was extended to match surrounding counties, as recommended by the DNR. Additionally, the Natural Resources Board, via amendment, provided 400 antlerless permits for public land hunters in Bayfield and Oneida counties, respectively.

Antlerless harvest opportunities will vary between deer management units based on local deer population levels and management goals. This approach allows for greater harvest opportunities in zones where deer are abundant and more conservative harvests where deer are fewer in number.

For the 2024 season, bonus antlerless harvest authorizations will be available for purchase in all deer management units except Ashland and Iron counties, as recommended by their County Deer Advisory Councils.

Hunters may purchase additional bonus antlerless harvest authorizations online through the Go Wild license portal and at license sales locations starting at 10 a.m. on Monday, Aug. 12. The first three days of bonus sales are management zone-specific, with all remaining permits becoming available on Thursday, Aug. 15.

Hunters can find information regarding deer season structure, quota information and additional hunting resources on the DNR's White-tailed Deer Hunting webpage.



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The approved quotas and season frameworks were formed in partnership with County Deer Advisory Councils and based on public feedback and deer population objectives.

Annual Dairy Strong conference opens call seeking presenters

Seeking industry experts on policy, sustainability and the future of dairy

The Dairy Business Association is seeking thought leaders and industry experts to participate in the annual Dairy Strong conference, returning to Green Bay on Jan. 15 to 16. A leading dairy-focused event, this conference will focus on Dairy's Path Forward: Policies. Practices. Priorities.

The 2025 conference, to be held at the KI Convention Center, will allow farmers and industry leaders to hear from inspirational speakers, improve their business acumen through educational sessions and network with the nation's leading industry suppliers. Hundreds of dairy professionals and farmers from across the United States and other

countries participate annually.

Proposals are now being accepted from all sources – individuals, companies, universities, organizations and government agencies that would like to be involved in one of the following ways:

- Sponsor a topic and a presenter of your choosing.
- Sponsor a topic and collaborate with the conference organizer on the presenter.
- Propose a topic/speaker without a corresponding sponsorship (non-profits or government agencies only).
- To be considered, applications must be submitted on or before Aug. 1.
- How to apply: Proposals must be submitted using the online form by Aug. 1 and

should address a topic relevant to the conference focus: policy, sustainability and the future of dairy.

For more information about Dairy Strong, visit dairyforward.com.

The Dairy Business Association is Wisconsin's leading dairy advocacy group, championing smart and sensible regulations affecting the dairy community. The nonprofit organization is comprised of farmers, milk processors, vendors and other business partners who work collaboratively to ensure that dairy farms of all sizes have the support they need to keep America's Dairyland strong. More information: www.dairyforward.com.

Obituary

WAYNE NIPPLE

Wayne A. Nipple, age 98, of Albany, one of the last WWII veterans in the area, passed away in his sleep on June 18, 2024.

Wayne was born March 10, 1926 and spent most of his youth around the Brodhead-Albany area. At 17, he joined the Army and spent two years (1944-1946) defending his country in Europe. Upon returning home from overseas, he worked various jobs before going to work at Teales Auto Service in Albany.



Wayne married Nora Belle Rose Hawkins on Aug. 13, 1949. Together they had two children, Larry and Jocelyn.

In 1958, Wayne went to work for the United States Post Office, where he was a rural delivery postman. Many of Wayne's Postal Patrons claimed to "set their clocks" on his arrival at their residence. In 1969, Wayne was involved in a very serious auto collision while on the mail route. It was here that Wayne became aware of a "higher power" saying he knew what the afterlife would bring.

Wayne liked working with his hands and mind on many different projects. With the help of Wendell Brunkow, he became a private pilot and purchased several small airplanes. When his son Larry started racing cars, he became chief mechanic and the biggest supporter. Wayne was also a member of the Albany Volunteer Fire Dept. for many years, and a member of the McDermott Steindorf Post 144 American

Legion for 74 years.

After retiring from the Postal Service, he and Nora started renovating houses and apartments. He built the first Self Storage Facility in the area. He was also a world traveler to Europe, Asia, Scandinavia and more. They were also snow birds, spending six months in Wisconsin and six months in the Avon Park, Fla. area. Wayne and Larry also got to participate in the Badger Honor Flight to Washington, D.C.

Wayne is survived by his wife of almost 74 years, Nora Belle; his children Larry (Norma) of Albany, Jocelyn Webb of Dallas, Ga.; brothers Willis (Catherine) Nipple of Albany, Warren (Penny) Nipple of Douglasville, Ga., and Garey (Connie) Niles of Janesville. He is also survived by four grandchildren, Treena (Mike) Wade, Terrance Webb, both of Ga., Rebecca (James) Briggs of Albany, and Sara (Don) Day of Brodhead. He is also survived by ten great grandchildren, Clarissa, Charisma, Cailey Webb and Alexis Wade, all of Ga.; Avary, Emerson, Diem Briggs of Albany, and Hunter, Dakota, Owen Day of Brodhead, and the newest great great granddaughter Kehlan Webb of Dallas, Ga. and nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents William and Mable Vigdahl Nipple; two sisters, Lorraine Nelson and Audrey Nipple as a toddler; brother Walt; two son-in-laws, James Webb and Steve Flemming and a granddaughter-in-law Jennifer Webb.

Services for Wayne A. Nipple will be held at a future date.

Clark Funeral Home of Hiram, Ga. is honored to be entrusted with Mr. Wayne Arthur Nipple.

Police news

Two sentenced on fentanyl charges

Throughout 2023, the Rock County Sheriff's Office Special Investigations Unit, in collaboration with the United States Drug Enforcement Administration, conducted an investigation into the sale of fentanyl in the Beloit area.

As a result of the investigation, two subjects were indicted federally by the Western District of Wisconsin. Darnell Isabell, 39, of Beloit, was indicted for distributing 40 grams or more of fentanyl. Jarrell Knight, 38, of Hammond, Ind., was also indicted for distributing 40 grams or more of fentanyl. Both Isabell and Knight were under federal supervision for prior drug trafficking convictions.

On June 12, Isabell was sentenced by U.S. District Judge William M. Conley to seven and a half years in federal prison. Judge Conley also revoked Isabell's supervision and imposed an additional 18-month sentence to run consecutive with the new seven and a half year sentence.

On June 20, Knight was sentenced by U.S. District Judge William M. Conley to eight and a quarter years in federal prison. Judge Conley also revoked Knight's supervision and imposed an additional 18-month sentence to run consecutive with the new eight and a quarter year sentence.

The City of Beloit Police Department and the Wisconsin Department of Justice Division of Criminal Investigations also assisted in the investigation. Assistant U.S. Attorney Robert Anderson prosecuted the case.

Name of motorcycle crash victim released

The Rock County Medical Examiner's Department is releasing the name of the individual that died following a motorcycle crash on June 9. The incident occurred on Interstate 90 westbound near mile marker 0.5 in South Beloit, Ill., and was reported to authorities at or about 7:54 a.m.

The individual can be identified as Arthur K. Ramey, 58, of Mark, Ill.

Mr. Ramey was pronounced deceased at the hospital in Rock County on June 9. A forensic examination was completed on June 9. Preliminary results of the examination confirm that Mr. Ramey died from injuries sustained in the crash. Additional testing is underway at this time.

This incident remains under investigation by the Illinois State Police and the Rock County Medical Examiner's Department.

Name of vehicle crash victim released

The Rock County Medical Examiner's Department is releasing the name of the individual that died following a motor vehicle crash on May 31. The crash occurred near South Jackson Street and State Street, in the City of Janesville, and was reported to authorities at or about 7:07 p.m.

The individual can be identified as Frank R. Johnson Jr., 42, of Janesville.

ADRC of Rock County offers workshop

Living with a chronic condition such as arthritis, high blood pressure, diabetes, cancer, heart disease, anxiety or another ongoing health problem can be physically, emotionally, and financially draining.

This workshop is for those that have a chronic condition

or are close to someone with a chronic condition. It is important to find solutions that work, but many need the tools and knowledge to help them. Living Well with Chronic Conditions workshop can show anyone the way. The program has been researched and shown to improve partici-

pants' physical and emotional outcomes and health-related quality of life.

In just six weekly sessions, Living Well with Chronic Conditions gives participants strategies to manage chronic disease including techniques for coping with fatigue, pain, and isolation, communicating with family, friends, and health professionals, practicing good nutrition, evaluating new treatment options, and goal setting and problem solving. In just six weeks, anyone can take charge of their health and live well.

Living Well with Chronic Conditions will be held on six Wednesday mornings from 9 to 11:15 a.m., from July 10 to Aug. 21, but there will be no class on July 24. Location will be at the Kandu Industries Building, 15 Plumb Street, Milton. The workshop is best suited for those age 60+. Suggested donation is \$15 for the series, includes resource book and class materials.

For questions or to register for the program by July 8, contact the ADRC of Rock County by calling: 608-757-5309 or email: Lisa.Messer@co.rock.wi.us.

Mr. Johnson was pronounced deceased at the scene on May 31. A forensic examination was completed on June 3. Preliminary results of the examination confirm that Mr. Johnson died from injuries sustained in the crash. Additional testing is underway at this time.

This incident remains under investigation by the Janesville Police Department and the Rock County Medical Examiner's Department.

DOJ investigates officer-involved shooting

The Wisconsin Department of Justice (DOJ) Division of Criminal Investigation (DCI) is investigating an officer involved shooting in the Town of Big Flats that occurred on the afternoon of Saturday, June 29.

At approximately 3:01 p.m., Adams County Sheriff's Deputies responded to a call for a driver under the influence of narcotics and armed with firearms. Deputies searched for and located the reported vehicle about an

hour later and initiated several short pursuits. During a pursuit, the subject fired a weapon at law enforcement, at which point law enforcement returned fire. The subject was injured as a result of the incident and received medical attention while on scene. The subject was transported to a hospital for critical injuries. No other individuals were injured during this incident.

Involved law enforcement are on administrative assignment, per agency policy.

DCI is leading this investigation and are assisted by the Wisconsin State Patrol, Town of Rome Police Department, Wisconsin State Crime Lab and a DCI Crime Response Specialist. All involved law enforcement are fully cooperating with DCI during this investigation.

DCI is continuing to review evidence and determine the facts of this incident and will turn over investigative reports to the Adams County District Attorney when the investigation concludes.

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Shake Rag Alley kicks off celebration with groundbreaking grants

Shake Rag Alley Center for the Arts heads into summer 2024 with a campus revitalization project and a 20th year celebration.

Young artists return to campus to make critters, learn mosaic, and tinker around – just as they did when Shake Rag Alley began with its after-school arts program in 2024.

In July, the annual Woodlanders Gathering returns, a reminder of how the nationally-known arts and crafts school began.

All these creative experiences with friends from across the street and across the country help Shake Rag Alley celebrate its 20th year while illuminating the path forward and engaging in a comprehensive campus revitalization: upgrading electric and internet access campus-wide, and shining a light from the iconic lanterns.

To kick start this initiative, Shake Rag Alley is excited to announce several generous grants from community partners. A total of \$12,850 from the Iowa County Outdoor Recreation for Tourism grant is targeted to begin the revitalization plan that includes electrical upgrades throughout campus, as well as breaking ground for Cat 6 cable to improve WiFi.

The Mineral Point Community Foundation's support is integral to this project. Their \$5,000 grant enables WiFi expansion across campus, including to historic buildings previously without access, and builds on the 2023 grant that enabled consistent signage to improve visitors' experiences, and withstand weather conditions.

Together, these invest-

ments from community partners create a framework for a self-guided tour experience utilizing greater resources and technology, and improved accessibility and connectivity. These upgrades will enable students, instructors, campus visitors, and community members to better enjoy the 2.5 acre campus, historic buildings, and workshop spaces.

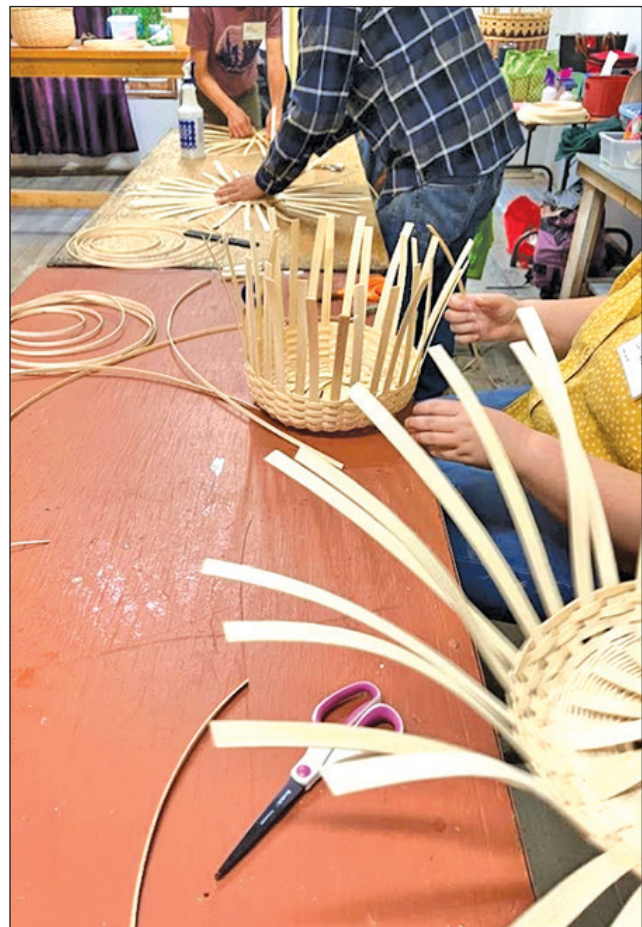
Working with community members and Shake Rag Alley friends, lanterns are set for restoration, and will be re-installed throughout the summer as celebration builds toward the anniversary date of Oct. 14, when the property closed in 2004, and officially became the arts community it is now.

A comprehensive campaign of lantern sponsorships, grants, and an individual donor match has raised \$65,000 toward the goal of \$115,000 for the campus revitalization project.

Shake Rag Alley Center for the Arts invites members of the community to be a part of their 20th year celebration. While sponsorships for the iconic lanterns are already sold, there are multiple ways to honor the past and be a part of the future of the arts community and the creative economy by the campaign deadline of July 31. Options include a \$20 a month sustaining donation that makes a direct impact on Shake Rag Alley's operating expenses, or a contribution at any level from \$200 to \$2,000 that honors the past while illuminating the future. \$100 raffle tickets for the October 14th Celebration Event at the Lind Pavilion support the campaign, and prizes include work by artists from the Shake Rag Alley communi-



SHAKE RAG ALLEY FACEBOOK PHOTOS Rock Valley Publishing
A guest takes an introduction to glass blowing class with Nathan Gieseke at Shake Rag Alley in Mineral Point.



Participants make an apple basket with Regina Riley at Shake Rag Alley.

ty, two-night getaways at the Tuckpoint Garden Suite, and other Driftless offerings.

Shake Rag Alley was founded by local artists and community members in 2004 as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization to enrich the lives of people in this area through the arts.

Today, Shake Rag Alley is essential to the region's creative economy, drawing thousands annually for overnight and multi-night stays that benefit local communities. The mission of Shake Rag Alley is to provide educational experiences in visual, performing, and literary arts for adults and children; to cultivate the creativity that thrives in the rural community; and to rehabilitate and reserve the historic buildings and rustic campus.

The 2024 Youth and Adult programming can be found at <https://shakeragalley.org>.

To be a part of the 20th year celebration, see <https://shakeragalley.org/support/>.

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Upcoming Retreats at Shake Rag Alley Woodlanders Gathering on July 11 to 14

Whether a beginner or an experienced craftsman, Woodlanders is an incredibly fun and creative time with nearly 40 nature-based workshops and more than 30 talented instructors.

Create rustic furniture, pottery, or garden projects; try blacksmithing, woodcarving, nature printing, fabric dyeing, and more. Start the days with morning coffee and treats on the Art Cafe patio, enjoy daily lunches on the Green, and browse the incredible Woodlanders Silent Auction featuring rustic arts, nature crafts, books, tools, and more donated by instructors and students and benefiting Shake Rag Alley scholarship students. More information is available at <https://shakeragalley.org/retreat-index/art-adventure/> for more information and up-

[retreat-index/woodlanders/](https://shakeragalley.org/retreat-index/woodlanders/)

Art Adventure on Aug. 22 to 25

Enjoy a four-day artful getaway and explore a variety of art forms, media, and aesthetics. Work with paper clay, mosaic, assemblage, oil and cold wax, painting, gel printing, gold leaf, and mixed media. Eleven workshops will be held with seven talented instructors from across the country and across the street. The Art Adventure Showcase night – open to the public – features work by instructors and students, where everyone can engage with the charming creative community of Mineral Point: art galleries and eclectic shops, as well as delicious dining options to enjoy, plus a street dance to keep the party going. Visit <https://shakeragalley.org/retreat-index/art-adventure/> for more information. For more information and up-

dates throughout the year, see www.ShakeRagAlley.org, call 608-987-3292, subscribe to twice-monthly e-newsletters and follow Shake Rag Alley on Facebook and Instagram.

A nonprofit school of arts and crafts founded in 2004 by local artists and community members, Shake Rag Alley's 2.5-acre campus at 18 Shake Rag St. in Mineral Point (population 2,500) is a national destination for participants of adult workshops, a robust summer youth program and a host of annual special events. In addition, Shake Rag offers on-site lodging and custom facility rentals for meetings, events and celebrations. For additional information about Shake Rag Alley's workshops and events, or to request a catalog and information about facility rentals and volunteer opportunities, see www.ShakeRagAlley.org or call 608-987-3292.

FNBT to host blood drive in Beloit

First National Bank and Trust (FNBT) has partnered with Rock River Valley Blood Center to host a blood drive on Wednesday, July 10, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at their branch located at 2600 Cranston Rd. in Beloit.

Rock River Valley Blood Center will be on site to collect blood donations for local health institutions. Blood donations are in constant need and all types are welcomed. One blood donation can save up to three lives, so every contribution will make a difference in the community.

Each donor will receive a coupon for a free pint of custard from Culver's and be registered for a chance to win a \$500 gift card. Additionally, the first 20 individuals to register for the drive will receive two tickets to an upcoming Beloit Sky Carp game in July or August.

To sign up, donors can visit: donor.rvbc.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/55766

About First National Bank and Trust

First National Bank and Trust Company is a family-focused, community bank headquartered in Beloit. Chartered in 1882, First National Bank and Trust has grown to be a leading financial services institution offering products and services for consumers and businesses, as well as trust, retirement services, investment management, and brokerage. They now serve nearly 30,000 households in 13 communities and 16 locations in southern Wisconsin and northern Illinois with assets of approximately \$1.5 billion. They treat their customers, employees, shareholders and communities like family, with a goal of helping all families succeed. Providing sound advice and delivering an exceptional experience has positioned First National Bank and Trust as a Stateline leader in the industry. For additional information, visit www.bankatfirstnational.com.

College news

Carthage College announces Spring 2024 Dean's List

Congratulations to the students who have been named to the Carthage College Spring 2024 Dean's List in recognition of their outstanding academic achievement.

Dean's List honors are accorded to Carthage students who achieve a minimum 3.5 grade-point average while carrying at least 12 letter-graded credits in a given semester.

Carthage College is raising expectations for a private college experience. It blends the best liberal arts traditions with desirable degree programs, transformative learning opportunities, personal attention from distinguished faculty, and a focus on career development, which makes its graduates competitive in the workforce. Founded in 1847, Carthage is located on an idyllic shore of Lake Michigan in Kenosha, Wisconsin, in the thriving corridor between Milwaukee and Chicago. Grow with Carthage: www.carthage.edu.

Beloit
• Daniel Althaus

• Mikaya Pingel

Clinton

• Jenna Gunnink

Edgerton

• Isabella Kirt
• McKenzie Patterson

Janesville

• Jacob Brost
• Anna Brown
• Victoria-Anna Kampmann
• Madelynn Punzel
• Abigail Trapp

Janesville student has made the Dean's List for Spring 2024 at Millikin

Ethan Zobel of Janesville has made the Dean's List for Spring 2024 at Millikin University.

Students who attempt 12 graded credits during a fall or spring semester and earn a grade point average of 3.5 or higher earn Dean's List honors. Students earning a perfect 4.00 grade point average on 12 graded credits attempted earn High Dean's List honors.

Millikin University is a private, comprehensive university with a diverse student population of approximate-

ly 1,900 undergraduate and graduate students. A Millikin education features Performance Learning, a unique learning approach offered only at Millikin that gives students the chance to build the confidence and skills to succeed before and after graduation. Millikin offers more than 50 majors in the College of Fine Arts, College of Arts and Sciences, College of Professional Studies and Tabor School of Business, and is located on a 75-acre residential campus in Decatur, Ill.

Janesville student named Academic All-District at UW-Whitewater

Kallie Lux, a Elementary Middle Education major from Janesville, at the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, is one of 18 student-athletes from Warhawk teams who were named Academic All-District by the College Sports Communicators (CSC) for the 2024 spring season.

The CSC Academic All-District teams recognize the nation's top student-athletes for their combined performances in competition and

in the classroom.

To be eligible, student-athletes must be of at least sophomore status and carry a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.50. Golf, tennis, and wrestling student-athletes must have been in their team's lineup for 70 percent of the total matches that include team scores to be eligible for nomination. Track and field student-athletes must have been ranked among the top 50 in the nation in an individual event according to TFRRS rankings. Baseball and softball student-athletes must have competed in 90 percent of their institution's games/contests played or must have started in at least 66 percent of their institution's games/contests (pitchers must have accumulated 17 appearances or 25 innings pitched). Gymnastics nominees must have been ranked among the top 75 in at least one event according to Road To Nationals rankings. Bowling nominees must have competed in a minimum of four competitions or had at least one top-eight finish at a conference championships meet.

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Rock River Valley Blood Center launches new donor loyalty program

The Rock River Valley Blood Center (RRVBC) is excited to announce the launch of new donor loyalty programs designed to encourage blood and platelet donations: the Four Seasons Club, the Spin 6 VIP program, and Never Miss a Monday.

As RRVBC is facing a critical blood shortage which is placing an immense strain on the community's blood supply, these inaugural programs will aim to encourage new and existing donors to consistently and continually donate lifesaving blood and platelets. RRVBC is the sole provider of blood to 14 local hospitals and requires 800 donors every week to meet the ongoing demand.

Never Miss a Monday

Every Monday through Aug. 26, individuals who donate at any of the four RRVBC locations will receive a gift from a local business. The first 100 people who come in to donate will receive a special gift. A recent gift was a gift card from Prairie Street Brewing Company.

Four Seasons Club

The Four Seasons Club encourages donors to contribute once during each season: winter, spring, summer, and fall. With donations allowed every eight weeks, participants can easily plan their donations each season throughout the year. Upon completing the seasonal donations, donors will receive a

punch on their Four Seasons Club card. Once all four punches are collected, participants will receive a gift valued at \$100.

Spin 6 VIP Program

The Spin 6 VIP program is designed for platelet donors, encouraging them to donate six times a year. Platelet donations are vital for patients undergoing treatments for cancer, traumatic injuries, and surgeries. Platelets only last 7 days, so maintaining an adequate inventory is extremely challenging. Participants in the Spin 6 VIP program will receive a punch on their club card for each donation. Upon completing six donations, donors will receive a gift valued at \$100.

"The need for blood and platelet donations is constant and critical - especially right now as we are working to increase donations to combat our recent critical shortage. We hope these new programs will incentivize regular donations and help us maintain a steady supply for our community's patients," said Heidi Ognibene, Chief Operating Officer at RRVBC. "If each of our donors gave multiple times a year instead of just once, we would never face shortages. Through these programs we also aim to recognize and reward the generosity of our dedicated donors."

RRVBC encourages the community to step up and make a difference. To participate in the Four Seasons Club, Spin 6 VIP program, or Never Miss a Monday and contribute to saving

lives, individuals are encouraged to schedule a donation appointment by visiting rrvbc.org, using the myRRVBC app, or calling 815-965-8751. Walk-ins are also welcome.

For more information about the Four Seasons Club, Spin 6 VIP program, and Never Miss a Monday visit rrvbc.org or contact the Rock River Valley Blood Center at 815-965-8751.

The Rock River Valley Blood Center is a community blood center and is the only provider of blood products and services to Mercyhealth Javon Bea Hospital in Rockton, Mercyhealth Javon Bea Hospital in Riverside, Mercyhealth Hospital and Medical Center in Harvard, Mercyhealth Hospital and Trauma Center in Janesville, Mercyhealth Hospital and Medical Center in Walworth, Mercyhealth Hospital and Physician Clinic in Crystal Lake, OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center, UW Health SwedishAmerican Hospital, UW Belvidere Medical Center, UW Carbone Cancer Center in Rockford, Beloit Health System, Edgerton Hospital and Health Services, FHN Memorial Hospital and Rochelle Community Hospital. The center has four convenient donor centers in Rockford, Belvidere, and Freeport, all in Illinois, and the ability to support up to three mobile drives a day. The Rock River Valley Blood Center ensures that the right blood type is available at the right time for local patients whose lives may depend on it. Patients and their families rely on individuals to provide life-giving red blood cells, plasma, and platelets through blood donation.

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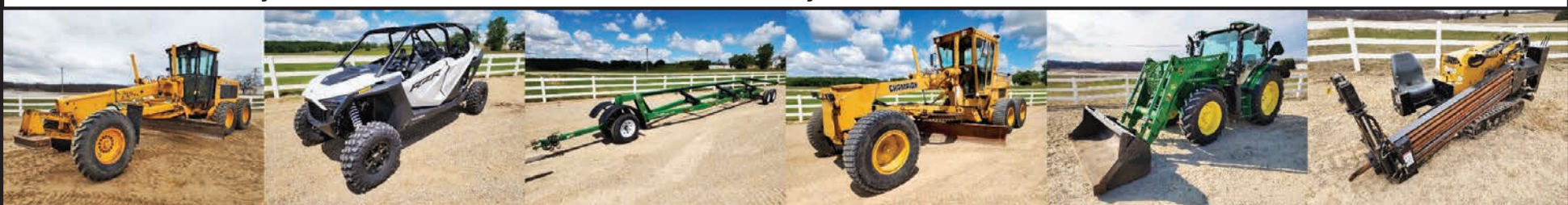
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Mariner Finance, LLC
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2228 Humes Road Suite 1
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vs.

TYLER HOLST
AND
ALYSSA A. HOLST
N3738 DECATUR
SYLVESTER RD
MONROE WI 53566

Plaintiff,

Defendants.

PUBLICATION SUMMONS
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To the person named above as
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You are hereby notified that
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nature and basis of the legal
action.

Within 40 (forty) days after
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the Wisconsin Statutes, to the
complaint. The court may re-
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does not follow the requirements
of the statutes. The answer
must be sent or delivered to the
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awarding money may become a
lien against any real estate you
own now or in the future, and
may also be enforced by gar-
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Dated this 17th day of June,
2024.

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**PARTISAN PRIMARY –
AUGUST 13, 2024
VOTING BY ABSENTEE
BALLOT**

Any qualified elector who is
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at the polling place on Elec-
tion Day may request to vote
an absentee ballot. A qualified
elector is any U.S. citizen, who
will be 18 years of age or older
on Election Day, who has resid-
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for at least 28 consecutive days
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ballot. Proof of identification
must be provided before an
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sued.**

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an absentee ballot in writing.**
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and request that an application
for an absentee ballot be sent to
you for the primary or election
or both. You may also submit a
written request in the form of a
letter. Your written request must
list your voting address within
the municipality where you wish
to vote, the address where the
absentee ballot should be sent,
if different, and your signature.
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The deadline for making ap-
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5:00 p.m.**

Note: Special absentee voting
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ility, in the military, hospitalized,
or serving as a sequestered ju-
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deadlines for requesting and
submitting an absentee ballot.

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You may also request and vote
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specified for casting an absen-
tee ballot in person.
**The first day to vote an
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**office is:
Tuesday, July 30, 2024
The last day to vote an
absentee ballot in the
clerk's office:
Friday, August 9, 2024
at 5:00 p.m.**

No in-person absentee voting
may occur on a weekend or leg-
al holiday or on the day before
the election.
The municipal clerk will deliver
voted ballots returned on or be-
fore Election Day to the proper
polling place or counting loca-
tion before the polls close on
August 13, 2024. Any ballots
received after the polls close will
not be counted.

Contact your municipal clerk
listed below:

City of Brodhead,
Kristin Covert
1111 W. 2nd Avenue
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Brodhead, WI 53520
608-897-4018

Town of Albany, Deb Cline
N6065 County Rd E
Albany, WI 53502
608-558-4787

Town of Spring Grove,
Arlinda Faessler
N2475 County Road GG
Brodhead, WI 53520
608-897-4643

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Brodhead, WI 53520
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AGENDA

**BRODHEAD SCHOOL
DISTRICT
Finance Committee Meeting**

**Wednesday, July 10, 2024
HIGH SCHOOL LMC
2501 West 5th Avenue,
Brodhead, WI**

6:30 P.M.

AGENDA

- I. REVIEW BILLS
- II. REVIEW BUDGET UPDATE
- III. ADJOURN

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**BRODHEAD SCHOOL
DISTRICT
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD
MEETING**

**Wednesday, July 10, 2024
DISTRICT OFFICE BOARD
ROOM
2501 West 5th Avenue,
Brodhead, WI**

7:00 P.M.

This meeting is a meeting of the
Board of Education in public for
the purpose of conducting
the School District's business

and is not to be considered a
public community meeting.
There is a time for public
participation during the meeting
as indicated in the Agenda.

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- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. ROLL CALL
- IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- V. INFORMATION REPORTS
- VI. PUBLIC COMMENT PE-RIOD

AGENDA

- VII. CONSENT AGENDA
- 1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
- 2. APPROVAL OF BILLS
- 3. ACCEPT DONATION(S)
- 4. RESIGNATION(S)
- 5. EMPLOYMENT RECOM-MENDATION(S)
- 6. VOLUNTEER RECOM-MENDATION(S)
- VIII. AUTHORIZATION TO HIRE STAFF
- IX. APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC STANDARDS
- X. ACCEPT BREAD & MILK BIDS FOR 2024-25
- XI. ESTABLISH STUDENT BREAKFAST/LUNCH/MILK PRICES FOR 2024-25
- XII. ESTABLISH STUDENT FEES FOR 2024-25
- XIII. APPROVAL OF HIGH SCHOOL & MIDDLE SCHOOL CO-CURRICULAR HANDBOOKS FOR 2024-25
- XIV. APPROVAL OF 2023-24 BUDGET REVISIONS
- XV. UPDATE OF POLICY 2266 – NONDISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF SEX IN ED-UCATION PROGRAMS OR ACTIVITIES AND SUPPORT-ING POLICIES
<https://go.boarddocs.com/wi/brodhead/Board.nfs/goto?open&id=D6CJWD4F2710>
- XVI. REFERENDUM UPDATE
- XVII. REPORT ON BOND SALE
- XVIII. APPROVAL OF PUPIL NONDISCRIMINATION REPORT
- XIX. FUTURE AGENDA
- XX. ADJOURNMENT

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**TOWN OF SPRING
VALLEY**

Monthly Meeting
Monday July 8, 2024 at 6 PM
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. 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
- 9. New business
- 10. Future agenda items
- 11. Payment of bills
- 12. Adjournment
Dela Ends, Clerk

Recycling drop-off
2nd Saturday of the month
Rock Co. Public Works Bldg.
Hwy 213
Orfordville 9am-noon.
www.townofspringvalley.com

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**NOTICE
NOTICE OF CHANGE IN ADOPTED BUDGET
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BRODHEAD**

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the provisions of Wisconsin Statute 65.90(5)(a), that the School Board of Brodhead, on May 8, 2024, adopted the following changes to previously approved budgeted 2023-24 amounts. The following presents only adopted budget line items with changes. Unchanged line items are not presented.

GENERAL FUND				
LINE ITEM	ACCOUNT CODE	PREVIOUS APPROVED AMOUNT \$	AMENDED APPROVED AMOUNT \$	CHANGE \$
Anticipated Revenue:				
Local Sources	200	5,304,258.00	5,378,225.16	74,167.16
Other School Districts Within WI	300	803,369.00	839,423.00	35,854.00
Intermediate Sources	500	8,889.00	11,064.00	2,175.00
State Aid - General	600	8,678,711.00	8,676,539.20	(2,171.80)
Federal Sources	700	1,008,824.38	1,019,009.00	10,184.62
Total Anticipated Revenue		15,820,439.38	15,940,648.36	120,208.98
Expenditure Appropriations:				
Undifferentiated Curriculum	110000	2,979,261.55	3,073,299.63	94,038.08
Vocational Curriculum	130000	399,550.99	400,088.99	538.00
Pupil Services	210000	385,342.41	385,342.00	(0.41)
Instructional Staff Services	220000	601,711.88	623,220.00	21,508.12
General Administration	230000	493,623.00	493,678.00	55.00
School Building Administration	240000	943,364.60	943,365.00	0.40
Business Administration	250000	2,223,557.00	2,807,546.63	583,989.63
Debt Services	280000	1,200.00	0.00	(1,200.00)
Instructional Service Payments	430000	901,448.00	962,436.00	60,988.00
Total Expenditure Appropriations		15,240,302.55	16,000,219.37	759,916.82
Projected Ending Fund Balance:				
Fund Balance, Restricted	939900	4,825,940.17	4,186,232.33	(639,707.84)
Projected Ending Fund Balance	939900	4,825,940.17	4,186,232.33	(639,707.84)

SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND (FUND 27)				
LINE ITEM	ACCOUNT CODE	PREVIOUS APPROVED AMOUNT \$	AMENDED APPROVED AMOUNT \$	CHANGE \$
Anticipated Revenue:				
Federal Sources	700	319,277.00	401,209.52	81,932.52
Total Anticipated Revenue		2,562,635.00	2,644,567.52	81,932.52
Expenditure Appropriations:				
Special Education Curriculum	150000	1,976,719.00	1,990,000.51	13,281.51
Pupil Services	210000	304,819.00	329,739.00	24,920.00
Instructional Staff Services	220000	195,767.00	219,348.00	23,581.00
General Administration	230000	1,400.00	11,050.01	9,650.01
Business Administration	250000	31,000.00	41,500.00	10,500.00
Total Expenditure Appropriations		2,562,635.00	2,644,567.52	81,932.52
Projected Ending Fund Balance:				
Fund Balance, Unassigned	939900	0.00	0.00	0.00
Projected Ending Fund Balance	939900	0.00	0.00	0.00

**NOTICE OF CHANGE IN ADOPTED BUDGET
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BRODHEAD**

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the provisions of Wisconsin Statute 65.90(5)(a), that the School Board of Brodhead, on June 12, 2024, adopted the following changes to previously approved budgeted 2023-24 amounts. The following presents only adopted budget line items with changes. Unchanged line items are not presented.

GENERAL FUND				
LINE ITEM	ACCOUNT CODE	PREVIOUS APPROVED AMOUNT \$	AMENDED APPROVED AMOUNT \$	CHANGE \$
Anticipated Revenue:				
Payments for Services	340	839,223.00	846,713.00	7,490.00
State Aid - Categorical	610	102,119.00	107,572.00	5,453.00
Other Federal Revenue Through State	780	75,617.00	81,095.79	5,478.79
Total Anticipated Revenue		15,940,648.36	15,951,580.15	5,478.79
Expenditure Appropriations:				
Undifferentiated Curriculum	110000	3,073,299.63	3,022,694.12	(50,605.51)
Total Expenditure Appropriations		16,000,219.37	15,949,613.86	(50,605.51)
Projected Ending Fund Balance:				
Fund Balance, Unassigned	939900	4,186,232.33	4,247,769.63	61,537.30
Projected Ending Fund Balance	939900	4,186,232.33	4,247,769.63	61,537.30

SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND (FUND 27)				
LINE ITEM	ACCOUNT CODE	PREVIOUS APPROVED AMOUNT \$	AMENDED APPROVED AMOUNT \$	CHANGE \$
Anticipated Revenue:				
State Aid - Categorical	610	604,497.00	622,842.00	18,345.00
State Aid General	620	30,000.00	16,465.00	(13,535.00)
Total Anticipated Revenue		2,644,567.52	2,649,377.52	4,810.00
Projected Ending Fund Balance:				
Fund Balance, Unassigned	939900	0.00	0.00	0.00
Projected Ending Fund Balance	939900	0.00	0.00	0.00

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News briefs

Rock County Public Health: Flood residents in Hanover to boil water

Due to recent flooding and concerns with potential contamination of wells, the Rock County Public Health Department is recommending that residents in parts of Hanover consider implementing a boil water advisory until well testing in the area can verify potential water quality risks. At this time there are no known impacts to wells, but recent flooding and sewer backup concerns warrant this precautionary recommendation until well tests can verify water quality in the area. Please consult the map on the Town of Plymouth website, www.plymouthrockwi.gov to determine if one lives in this advisory area.

Help in Orfordville for flooding in basements

Team Rubicon has generously offered to assist the community of Orfordville residents with clean out and removal of debris from residents' basements. The water has to be gone from the basement for them to do the work. Please email Chief Ryan Perkins at orfordvillefirechief@yahoo.com to ask for their assistance. Team Rubicon is a team of volunteers that work at disaster sites to assist where needed. They have helped the Lions Club with the walking path.

Orfordville thanks Adopt a Pot program donors

The Village of Orfordville would like to thank the following people that donated to the 2024 Adopt a Pot program. Donations help offset the cost of the flowers and potting soil for downtown

and Purdy Park. Thank you to Beth Schmidt for helping plant the flowers and to the Public Works Department for keeping them watered.

Adopt a Pot participants: An anonymous donation in memory of Ramona Coleman; Norm and Carol Aulabaugh; Kevin and Jessica Anderson; Ralph and Phyllis Balch; Tim and LuAnn Luedtke; The Page Family; Bill and Barb Sather; Karl and Beth Schmidt; Swartz Chiropractic – Troy and Heidi Melton; Nikki Tuffree; Phil and Jan Vigdahl; Dennis and Sherri Waage.

Old World Wisconsin to hold holiday events

An old-fashioned Independence Day Weekend, filled with fun and games and a live brass band, will take place at Old World Wisconsin on July 6 and 7. Guests can participate in the popular pie-eating contest returning for the 2024 event, play games like historic baseball and hoop and stick, listen to a reading of the Declaration of Independence while enjoying a picnic on the shady Village Grove, and more.

"Celebrating Independence Day in our historic village is a nostalgic tribute to our early heritage," said Maria Comiskey, general manager of experiences and events at Old World Wisconsin. "It's a festive weekend where friends and family can indulge in good old-fashioned fun, and even meet the 'mayor' of our authentic 19th-century Crossroads Village."

Independence Day Weekend is sponsored by the Old World Foundation and this special program is included in the cost of general admission.

Tickets are \$20 for adults and teens, \$18 for senior citizens, \$13 for children, and admission is free for children under 5. The site will have a picnic lunch available for purchase. Old World Wisconsin will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, July 6 to 7.

For tickets go to oldworldwisconsin.org.

Wisconsin Historical Society members receive free general admission to Old World Wisconsin and a 10% discount on ticketed events. Please note, Old World Wisconsin will be closed on Wednesday, July 4.

ADRC announces elder benefit schedule

The Aging and Disability Resource Center of Rock County announces the elder benefit specialist schedule for July 2024.

Times will be by appointment only. Please call 757-5414 to schedule an appointment.

- Monday, July 8, 11 a.m. to noon, Janesville Senior Center
- Tuesday, July 9, 11 a.m. to noon, Clinton Senior Center
- Thursday, July 11, noon to 4 p.m., Grinnell Senior Center
- Wednesday, July 17, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Edgerton Library
- Wednesday, July 17, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Elm Drive Apartments
- Thursday, July 18, 11 a.m. to noon, Hedberg Library, Janesville
- Tuesday, July 23, 11 a.m. to noon, The Gathering Place, Milton
- Wednesday, July 24, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Riverview Heights Apartments
- Thursday, July 25, 8 a.m. to noon, Grinnell Senior Center

Kandu welcomes new day services program manager

Care professional to lead the only state-certified memory care program in Rock County

Kandu Industries Inc., a Rock County, Wis.-based non-profit that provides programs and services to people with disabilities and disadvantages, recently announced that Alondra Ponce has joined the management team as Kandu's day services/memory care program manager.



Alondra Ponce

Clients in Kandu's day services/memory care program spend the day with a group of peers in a comfortable home-like setting where programming is tailored to each participant's individual abilities. Kandu staff assist with all day-to-day needs, including meal preparation, medication administration, and mobility, while providing client caregivers with the important respite they need.

In her new role, Ponce will be responsible for overseeing the day-to-day operations of Kandu's day services/memory care program, including managing staff, providing top-quality client care, and facilitating enriching opportunities for clients. Ponce will play an integral role as Kandu expands its day services program to accommodate a growing population of individuals with memory impairments.

Ponce, a certified nursing assistant, brings years of experience providing person-centered care to individuals with diverse needs and backgrounds in south central Wisconsin. "I'm excited to join Kandu and contribute to a team that is

dedicated to positively impacting the lives of people with disabilities and dementia and their families," Ponce said.

"Statistics indicate that the number of people with dementia and Alzheimer's disease is going to more than double in the next twenty years. We hear from so many families who are already struggling with a diagnosis and cannot find help, and we want to change that. Kandu is dedicated to expanding our adult day services programs so Wisconsin families can get the support they need," said Kathy Hansen, Kandu executive director.

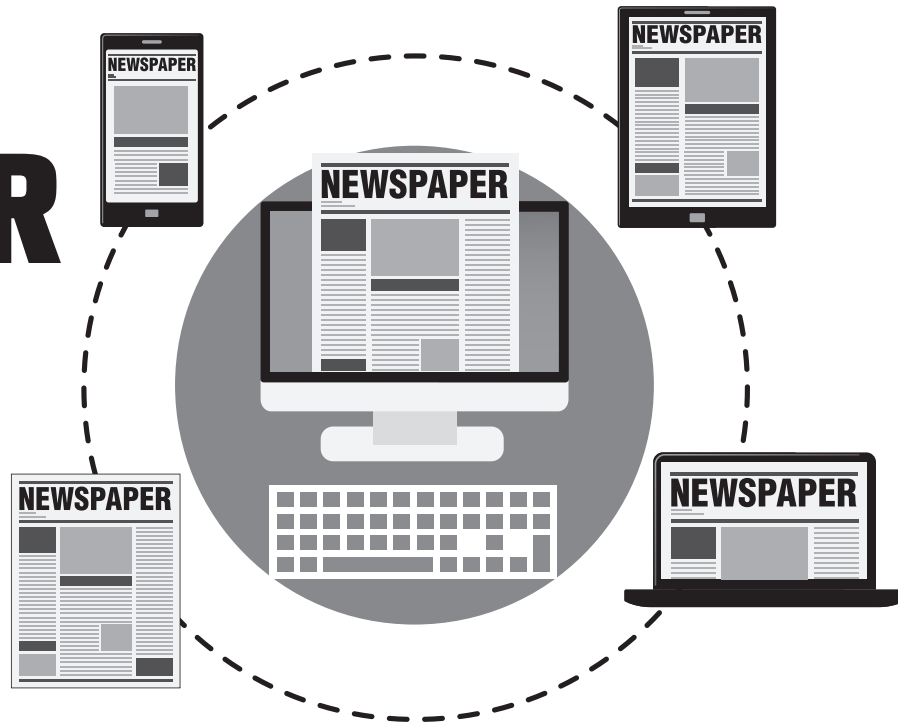
Kandu purchased the former Blackhawk Technical College Advanced Manufacturing Training Center in Milton, Wis. in 2023 as part of its strategic plan to expand the vital programs and services it offers for people with disabilities and disadvantages in Rock County and the surrounding area.

Kandu Industries is a 501(c)(3) organization, based in Rock County, that provides opportunities to people with disabilities and disadvantages. For more than 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.



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