

210 Commercial Street - PO Box 189 - Brooklyn, WI 53521

### May 2025 Village News

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#### **Summer Lawn Meter(s)**

Outside water meters are available at the Clerk's Office to be rented for outdoor purposes. This includes establishing a new lawn, filling a pool, or watering your garden.

Water used outdoors is not discharged into the wastewater system. Therefore, residents can rent outside meters to track their outdoor usage and receive a sewer use credit at the end of the summer season or by calling in the meter readings monthly (27th of each mo.) to the Clerk's

Office at 608-455-4201 ext. 1. **Cost:** The cost is as follows:

- \$ 7.50 rental fee per month
- \$ 100 security deposit

If the meter is damaged in any way, including leaving it out in freezing conditions, the security deposit will be forfeited. Meters need to be returned by September 30<sup>th</sup>.

Pursuant to the PSC, water adjustments cannot be made for temporary water meters.

HAPPY ARBOR DAY! The 4<sup>th</sup> Grade class from Brooklyn Elementary helped plant a new tree with guidance from Brian Wahl of the DNR and Brian Roberts from Brooklyn Public Works.



### Brush Pickup 2nd Tuesday of each month

Please place the brush on the terrace, parallel to the curb, and in separate piles. Be sure to stay away from any electrical/telephone equipment. All cut ends need to be placed in the same direction.



The Dane County Library Service Bookmobile - Thursday evening stops (6-7:30p) at the gazebo at Hotel and Commercial Streets. Library users are encouraged to place holds for items they would like or to use the library's Browse Bundle service: <a href="https://www.dcls.info/browsebundles">https://www.dcls.info/browsebundles</a> to have library staff select titles for you.



Contact Dane County Library Service with questions at 608-266-9297 or bookmobile.dcl@gmail.com.



Memorial Day Ceremony May 26, 2025 – 9:30 a.m. Brooklyn Area Veterans Memorial

(400 W. Main Street - Brooklyn)

#### **Additional Services:**

11:00 a.m. – Oregon @ Oregon WWII Monument, Janesville Street

12:30 p.m. – Fitchburg @ Schley Memorial, Gorman Wayside (2377 S Fish Hatchery Road) or in case of inclement weather @Fitchburg Fire Station Lacy Rd



Food Truck Night

3rd Tuesday of the Month

May through September

Starts at 5pm - Legion Park

All Classes are held at the Brooklyn Community Building



Current Class Schedule: Wednesday - 6:00pm Yoga: Slow Flow



#### May 2025 News from Your Senior Center

By Rachel Brickner

It was in May of 1980 that the Oregon Area Senior Center first opened its doors to the public at 219 Park Street in Oregon. The Senior Center is a department of the Village of Oregon, but it provides services to older adults in the Village of Brooklyn, and the Towns of Oregon and Rutland as well.

The Senior Center will celebrate its 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with a party on Wednesday, May 21 at 1:30. The party will include a little trivia, the music of The Sutter Brothers, and snacks and cake. If you want to attend the free event, please RSVP by calling 608-835-5801. Space is limited, so don't wait until the last minute to reserve your seat.

While the exact wording of the Senior Center's mission statement has changed slightly over time, for 45 years the Senior Center has focused on the following goal: to provide the supports, services, and opportunities necessary for older adults to remain as independent as possible.

Everything that the Senior Center offers has its origins in that mission statement. Some are obvious. For example, it is obvious how an exercise class helps keep seniors as independent as possible. A stronger body is more likely to remain independent than a weaker body.

But what about the weekly Wednesday morning train domino game? How does that type of activity fit into the mission? Research has demonstrated (and observation has confirmed) that people need other people to remain healthy. Many older adults have fewer social encounters than their younger counterparts. Without the opportunity to connect with people, feelings of loneliness and isolation can develop. Those feelings have a tremendous negative impact on health.

A quick rundown of the services the Center provides reveals a variety of supports geared towards maintaining independence. Nutrition, transportation, medical equipment loan closet, case management, the Adult Day Program, educational and entertainment programs, as well as social opportunities all work together to support older adults.

Most people want to remain as independent as possible for as long as possible. The Senior Center can help older adults work towards that goal. Come to the Anniversary Party and have some fun and celebrate 45 years of commitment to local older adults!

### **COMMUNITY POTLUCK**



Thursday, May 22, 2025 At Noon Brooklyn Methodist Church

Everyone - all ages are welcome.

Bring a dish to pass.

Table service and beverages are provided.

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**BROOKLYN METHODIST CHURCH** 

THURS., JUNE 5TH 4:30 PM to 7:30 PM

**SERVING:** 

**Barbeque · Hot Dogs** 

Pasta Salad · Chips

Ice Cream

**Assorted Desserts** 

and Beverages

CROWNING AT 7 PM

BROOKLYN DAIRY QUEEN CROWNING AT 7 PM







### Green County Tech Connect

Bringing refurbished computers and similar devices to Green County residents to ensure all in our communities can connect to the internet.

#### PROGRAM INFORMATION

Free, refurbished computers & similar devices

For individuals, entrepreneurs, non-profits

Application process required\*

\*documents available online at the link below, or by calling 608-328-9452 or by email at gcdc@greencountydevelopment.com

Eligibile individuals or entities:

- Low-income Individuals receiving or eligible for assitance programs
- Individuals 60+
- Veterans and students
- Businesses in existence less than I year
- Non-profits

Fillable application online at this://greencountydevelopment.com/live-work/ under Broadband & Tech Connect





### PROPERTY ASSESSMENT REVIEWS 2025 BOARD OF REVIEW

Monday, June 2nd from 6-8 pm

More information will be posted on the website and in future newsletters.

Accurate Appraisal LLC - Educational Corner

## WHATIS BOARD OF REVIEW?



**Before signing up** for Board of Review, please either attend the Open Book or submit a **Request For Assessment Review** form on **accurateassessor.com**.



**Board of Review** functions like a court and is required to **evaluate using evidence based on facts.** 



You or your representative must provide **factual evidence** that your property is inequitably assessed.



To file for Board of Review **you must contact the clerk no later than 48 hours before** the hearing.



The burden of proof is solely on you the taxpayer. **The assessor's value is presumed correct by state law until proven otherwise.** 



To learn more about the assessment process you may visit accurateassessor.com then simply click ASSESSMENT EDUCATION.





Featuring a Mix of "Old Rock & Country"

N8810 Liberty Pole Hill Park, Brooklyn, WI
3 Miles Southwest of Brooklyn - Corner Amidon Rd. & Highway 92

### Saturday, June 14, 2025 from 2 pm - 4 pm

(Rain Date: June 22nd – 2 pm - 4 pm, same location)

The Flashbacks: Dennis & Dee Judd, Lead Guitar Tom Krzystof, Keyboardist Scott Wright & Drummer Greg Boyer



There will be a Military Review in honor of Flag Day

\*Bring a chair, sun screen and/or hat, something to drink.

Parking on Liberty Pole Hill available - Cannot park on the road

## Freen Count **CLEAN SWEEP**

Program to dispose of Agricultural and Household Hazardous Chemicals

2025 One Day Program!

Wednesday, August 6, 2025 Noon-6:00pm

# **Collection Site:**

**Monticello Recycling Center** Monticello, WI 53570 406 North Main St.

### Guidelines

- Agricultural Products-Farmers can dispose of up to 100 pounds for free.
- Household Products- Homeowners will be able to dispose of up to 100 pounds for free.
- A testing fee may be charged for unknown chemicals if amounts are greater than 5 gallons or 50 pounds.
- Participants will need to sign in when bringing in products. No pre-registering is needed
- All items should be properly identified.
- Proof of Green County residency is required.
- We reserve the right to reject any item that does not meet the intent of the program. Materials will only be accepted by authorized personnel on Wednesday, August 6, 2025.
- Businesses may dispose of hazardous materials for a fee through Veolia Environmental Services.

# Examples of Items Accepted

- Home Products
  - nsecticides
  - Weed & Feed Products Old Fertilizer
- Mercury
- Small LP Gas Tanks Prescription drop off Oil Based, Marine, Tractor, Auto or Lead Paint

# **Examples of Items Not Accepted**

- Explosives—Firearms or Ammunition Radioactive Material
- High Pressure Compressed Gas Cylinders Freon 11 and 12 Biological, Infectious or Medical Waste

-ow Pressure Pesticide Gas Cylinders Cadmium & Lithium Batteries

**Nood Preservatives** 

-ungicides Herbicides

- Latex Paint
- Fluorescent Tubes Waste Motor Oil, Antifreeze



For additional information, call the Green County Land and Water Conservation Department at (608) 325-4195

Or Email todd.jenson@wi.nacdnet.net

### June

### 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	Board of Review 6 – 8 pm	3 Tires**, Oil & Battery Pick-up	Garbage & Recycling Yoga 6p	5 Bookmobile Gazebo 6-730p	6	7
8	9 Village Board Meeting 630p	Brush Pick-up	Garbage Yoga 6p	Bookmobile Gazebo 6-730p	13	14
15	16	Food Truck Night Legion Park starts at 5 pm	Garbage & Recycling Yoga 6p	Bookmobile Gazebo 6-730p	20	21
22	Village Board Meeting 630p	24	25 Garbage Yoga 6p	Community Potluck Noon at United Methodist Church Bookmobile Gazebo 6-730p	27	28
29	30				Exercise Classes are held at the Brooklyn Community Bldg	**\$ 10/Tire Contact Clerk's Office 608-455- 4201