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**MONTHLY SUPPLEMENT** 

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9, 2021

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# Military honors given at Kendall's Glendale Cemetery

By NICOLETTE NAUMAN Sentry-Enterprise Editor

On Sunday, October 18, 2020, Major General James G. Blaney passed away with his beloved wife COVID-19 pandemic, funeral and memorial services were held off until a later date, which was able to be Friday, June 4.

Canadian native, moved with his family to the Kendall area as a child and attended school in Kendall until his high school graduation in 1957. He pursued a Bachelor of Science degree at the University of Wisconsin – La Crosse, graduating in 1964, and completed his Master's five years later in 1969.

Wisconsin Military Academy in 1963, from Command and General Staff College in 1979, and from the

United States Army War College in 1984. He first enlisted in the Wisconsin Army National Guard in 1960, setting him on the path for a lifelong military career.

He mobilized in 1961 with the Ramona at his side. Due to the 32<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Division at Fort Lewis in Washington in response to the Berlin Crisis. In 1963, he was commissioned as a second lieutenant and was assigned as Major General Blaney, a a platoon leader, Headquarters Troop, 1st Squadron, 105th Cavalry. Throughout his career, Blaney's assignments included command of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, 128<sup>th</sup> Infantry; the Wisconsin Military Academy; the Wisconsin Army National Guard's Troop Command; and the 32<sup>nd</sup> Separate Infantry Brigade.

In 1995, Blaney was named Blaney graduated from the assistant Adjutant General for special operations, and in January

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As part of many military funerals, a folded U.S. flag is presented either to the widowed spouse of the deceased soldier, or to their immediate next of kin. The flag must be inspected prior to the presentation, and it is at this time that a 21-gun salute is most typically offered in honor of the deceased. The Kendall American Legion performed this salute, followed by the traditional performance of Taps. Photo taken by Nicolette Nauman, HSE Editor.

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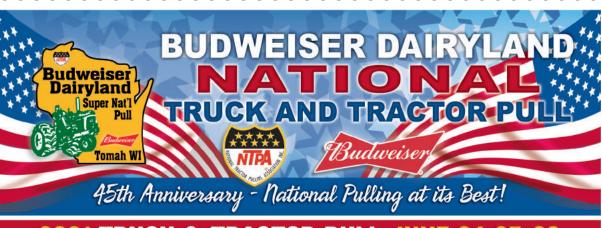
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Colonel **Scott Blaney** and brother **Gary Blaney** committed pieces of their father's military history as well as the urn containing his ashes into the burial plot. Photo taken by Nicolette Nauman, HSE Editor.



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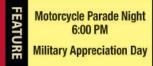
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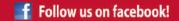




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Management.

Meritorious Service Medal with Medal (5th Award), the Army commanding officer himself. Reserve Components Overseas

father had on him as he grew up.

One such impact came when salute. a young solider under Blaney's

of 1996 he became Deputy Adjutant command was involved in a farming General for the Army, Commander accident that left him severely of the Wisconsin Army National injured and hospitalized. According Guard. This appointment came from to his son's account, Blaney wasted then-Governor Tommy Thompson. no time heading over to the hospital Blaney's appointment to this in question to visit the young man. position made him responsible for At the time, Scott Blaney didn't both federal and state missions understand why his father would involving the Wisconsin Army and drop everything to visit someone he Art National Guard as well as the barely knew. Blaney's response was Wisconsin Division of Emergency that, as a commanding officer, those under his command were expected Throughout his career, Blaney to trust him-and if they knew they earned the Distinguished Service could rely on him, knew that he Medal, the Legion of Merit, the cared enough to visit them in the hospital, it would go a long way to two oak leaf clusters, the Army building and earning that trust. Scott Commendation Medal, the Army went on to say that he hadn't fully Reserve Components Achievement understood, not until he became a

Following LTC Blaney's Training Ribbon, the Wisconsin comments, as well as a eulogy by Distinguished Service Medal, and retired Colonel Vincent Pintarro the Wisconsin National Guard and the reading of a letter submitted Berlin Crisis Ribbon, among others. by Tommy Thompson, who was His military service impacted unable to attend the service in more than a few aspects of his person due to prior commitments life outside of uniform, and his with the University of Wisconsin, dedication to those under his military honors were given by the command inspired his son, Scott, Wisconsin Army National Guard, to pursue a military career as well. the Wisconsin Air National Guard, During the memorial service for and the Kendall American Legion his father, Lieutenant Colonel Post #309. Major General Paul Scott Blaney spoke on behalf of his Knapp presented Blaney's widow family, describing the impact his and sons with the U.S. flag, and the Kendall Legion fired off a 21-gun

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	& CRAFT FAIR AT Hillsboro Firemen's
	Park 7 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
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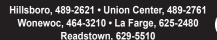


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# Union Center welcomes new Police Chief

By NICOLETTE NAUMAN

Sentry-Enterprise Editor

welcomed a new police officer to town, one who will be taking over village.

Originally from Janesville, Eli Schroeder traveled to the area numerous times as a child for family gatherings as well as for hunting season. Growing up, Schroeder developed an interest in conservation law enforcement and had originally planned to enter into the field with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR).

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of the Great Outdoors was into his future career, and when The Village of Union Center has he discovered that entering into conservation law enforcement wouldn't be in the cards for him at the role of Chief of Police for the this point in his career, he decided to enter into local law enforcement.

As a member of law enforcement, not only is Schroeder able to continue working beyond the desk, but he is able to put his time and efforts to use helping out local communities and the people who inhabit them. Currently, Schroeder

with his current job, and at the something he aimed to translate time that he applied to join Union Center's police force, he found that the previous chief, Chad Rick, was leaving and the position was available. As this meant Schroeder would serve as the village's sole law enforcement officer, he was given the choice to take on the position.

Schroeder decided to accept the open position, and will be serving the Village of Union Center as their Chief of Police.

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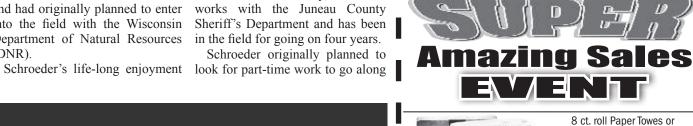
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In Community Room
ELROY FAIR (A VARIETY OF EVENTS)
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Robin Haugh, center left, displays her award alongside her family, who surprised her after the ceremony Photo contributed by Robin Haugh.

# Hillsboro resident awarded Teacher Of The Year

By NICOLETTE NAUMAN Sentry-Enterprise Editor

Hillsboro resident Robin Haugh's long one. Haugh has worked in the field since high school, starting out as an emergency medical technician (EMT) and going on to graduate and work as a medical assistant (MA) in 1986. Early on in her career, Haugh had expressed that she had no desire to become a nurse, wanting instead to work as a paramedic. However, at the time, Haugh would have to travel

interest in healthcare has been a life-

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In 2003, Haugh attended a nurse pinning ceremony in which the daughter of a friend would be receiving her own pin and entering into the nursing field. Haugh found the experience to be so moving that she decided to embark on the process of becoming a nurse herself.

Haugh earned her two-vear Associate's Degree in nursing from Western Technical College, going on to complete her Bachelor's program at Viterbo. At the time in which she entered the program, Haugh was part of the last cohort for the nurse educator track. She then decided to remain at the university to take on her Master's program, and is currently working to complete her Doctorate, which she expects to finish in December of this year.

While working to further her education, Haugh has been working at Viterbo since 2016 as a professor, a job which she greatly enjoys. Her decision to remain affiliated with the university comes from her wealth of positive experiences with the campus, which she describes as "compassionate" and "kind."

"Not everyone can say they get up every morning and love going to their job," says Haugh, "but I can. I feel like I'm blessed, being here."

On Thursday, May 6, Haugh's love for her work and dedication to her students resulted in her being named as the 2021 Teacher of the Year. Friends, family, and colleagues made sure to keep the award a total secret from Haugh, with one colleague asking her to attend to accept an award on behalf of the nursing school

Originally, Haugh had no plans to even attend the ceremony, as Thursdays were not usually days on which she made the trip to campus from her home here in Hillsboro. However, after agreeing to accept an award that night on behalf of the nursing school, and with plans to meet with her daughter in order to pick up an item, Haugh went to the ceremony-only to be surprised to find that award in question was for

Teachers at Viterbo are nominated for the award by their students, and Haugh's students all had plenty to say about why they thought she had certainly earned the designation, describing her as an "amazing professor" and a "positive role model." Students praised her teaching methods and her dedication to helping her students learn and succeed.

As it turns out, this is not the first year that Haugh's students have nominated her for the award. For the past three years, Haugh's students have nominated her in order to give their teacher some recognition for all she's done to help them in their education. Haugh had even been nominated for an Advisor of the Year award.

Haugh plans to remain at Viterbo and to continue teaching after completing her doctorate in Ethical Leadership.



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High school student Nathan Fuchs performed Taps following the conclusion of the 21-gun salute. The ceremony was at the Hillsboro Veterans' Memorial. Photo taken by Nicolette Nauman, HSE Editor.

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High school student Jessica Wohlrab was invited to play Taps following the 21-gun salute.



Those in attendance stood in honor of the U.S. flag during the National Anthem in the opening ceremonies for this year's Memorial Day observations in Kendall. All photos taken by Nicolette Nauman, HSE Editor.



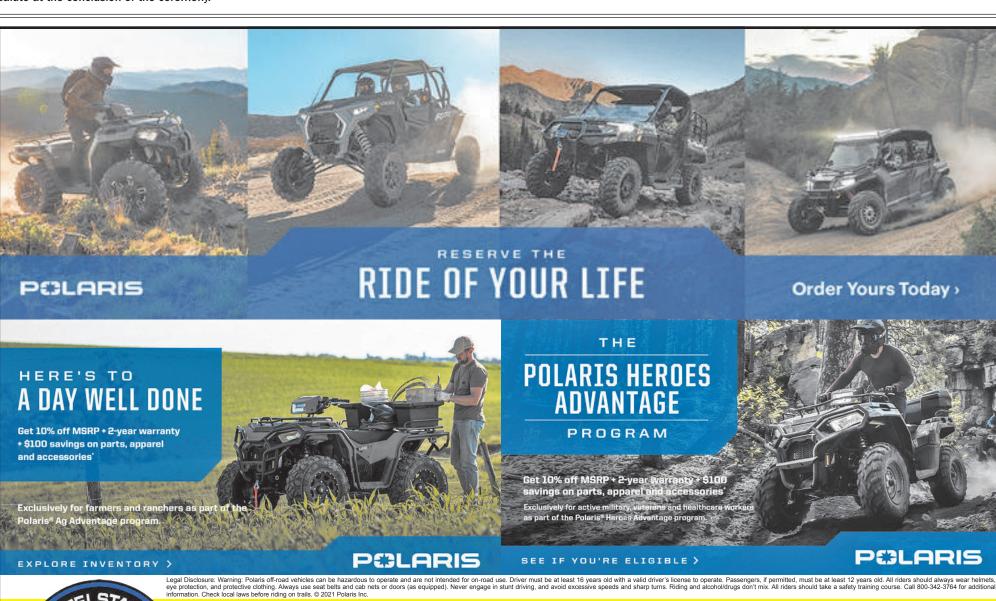
A 21-gun salute is a staple of ceremonies honoring veterans and their fallen brothers and sisters in arms. Members of the Kendall American Legion performed their 21-gun salute at the conclusion of the ceremony.



**Retired Navy** SEAL, and the 2020 Republican frontrunner in the race for Wisconsin's 3rd Congressional District, Derrick Van Orden was this year's guest speaker. Van Orden provided commentary on the importance of Memorial Day and remembering those who sacrificed everything to preserve our freedoms.



Legion Commander Doug Rogalla welcomed attendees to the Kendall Memorial Day services, held at the Kendall Veterans' Memorial.



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Four area veterans were awarded Quilts of Valor in recognition of their service in the U.S. Armed Forces. Photo contributed by Mary Fawcett, Elroy American Legion Auxiliary.

# **Elroy American Legion Auxillary awards four Quilts of Valor**

Contributed by Mary Fawcett Elroy ALA

The Elroy American Legion Auxiliarv awarded (ALA) Army, and Navy with a combined the first to be racially integrated. 37 years of experience. All four Segovia, and Spencer Davis.

The Elroy ALA thanked these four veterans for their service, their valor, and their willingness to take meant to offer comfort, warmth, peace and healing, and to let them know they are forever in our hearts.

In 2003, the founder of the QOV to soldiers who received physical bags. injuries in recent service. Toward that goal, she brought two quilts state, but could not find soldiers escorting the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Traveling Wall and her entire understanding of those one cruiser, and two carriers. touched by war changed.

an affiliated QOV group, they have five donated quilts to award.

Simply Patriotic, and was pieced fly out. and bound by the Elroy ALA QOV focusing on four center panels and for an active mission. for Segovia's quilt is the Carpenter name a few of the ports. Star. It was pieced and bound by

pieces from other QOV. Rondesveldt's Skip

career began with a decision to visit couldn't talk, nothing got done. We an Air Force recruiter in La Crosse, which led to him taking a train to San Antonio the same day. In 1947, the Army Air Corp became the Air Ouilts of Valor (QOV) to four Force and they were the first to get deserving veterans on May 11. the new uniform. In 1949, their They represented the Air Force, barracks at Lackland Air Base were as a female. That was Joanne.

With seven months left in his were "wrapped" in their quilts enlistment, President Truman added by family members. The four an extra year to those who had veterans awarded in May were Skip six or more months left to serve. Rondesveldt, John Miller, Joanne Rondesveldt, who had been serving as an aircraft and engine mechanic, found himself joining the 4<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing at Kimpo Air Field, the closest Air Force Base to the 38th Parallel the oath to serve our country. The that divided North and South Korea. quilts awarded to each of them are Their morale was challenged by repeated nights of hand grenades being tossed at them from open cockpits, seeing the planes of young pilots exploding, and witnessing Foundation intended to award quilts ambulances being filled with body

John Miller left the family farm in Wonewoc in 1954 to join the to a quilting event in Washington navy at age 18. He served for eight years, with four being active duty that qualified. She then witnessed in the South Pacific and four in the Vietnam veterans on motorcycles reserves. For active duty, John was part of the 7<sup>th</sup> Fleet, a peace-keeping group made up of four destroyers,

Third Class Commissary Sergeant To date, over 269,000 QOV have Miller worked nights in the galley been awarded. In the fourteen of the USS Renshaw, a destroyer. months since the Elroy ALA became He and another sailor baked bread. pies, sweet and dinner rolls, and awarded 12 quilts, piecing together sometimes-frosted cupcakes, for seven of the quilts and receiving 200 sailors. Rough seas made things interesting because oven Rondesveldt's quilt pattern is doors would open and pans would

In addition to baking, John, along and long-armed by Kristy Bender. with five other sailors, manned The name of the pattern used for a 5-inch gun mount for general Miller's quilt is Proud American, quarters, which were preparations pieced and bound by the Elroy ALA exercises were carried out in Japan, QOV group and long-armed by China, the Philippines, Wake Island, Jane Weiss. The quilt pattern used Guam and Midway Island, just to

Joanne Segovia is a 20-year our Auxiliary QOV group and long- army veteran, serving from July armed by Kristy Bender. Spencer's 1976 to July 1996 as a microwave/ quilt was pieced by volunteers satellite radio systems operator. in New Glarus and Belleville, Her duty stations included Texas, given to the Wisconsin QOV State Alaska, New Jersey, Panama. Coordinator who chose it for Germany, South Korea, and Saudi Spencer and gave the Elroy ALA the Arabia. She was trained to provide honor of awarding it to him. It is communications by putting up called a string quilt and incorporates radiotelephone systems in order to connect various units they supported. military In Joanne's words, "If generals

made sure that the generals could talk." When she let it slip that she could type, opportunities opened for her to work at the Battalion level, including administrative specialist for her unit. Picture Radar O'Reilly

Spencer Davis served in the Army from 2004-2010, with the first three years in active duty and the last three in the Wisconsin Army National Guard. He was deployed to the Middle East three times, tasked with dismantling bombs and IEDs, providing security to certain teams or units, presence patrolling, and Traffic Control Points. He would inspect vehicles on routes his troops used, and later went on to help train Iraqi military and police. For his third deployment, Spencer was part of an elite Special Forces unit.



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In celebration of their graduation, Royall's former seniors broke out some Silly String and threw their caps into the air. The celebration continued as they filed off the bleachers and began to mingle with the audience. Photo taken by Danielle Nauman.



Following Gruen's welcoming remarks, Royall's salutatorian, Molly Crneckiy, delivered the opening remarks for this year's graduation ceremony. Photo taken by Danielle Nauman.



As the former students made their way onto the stage, some decided to share a quick high five in celebration of having made it to graduation day. Photo taken by Nicolette Nauman, HSE Editor.

Valedictorian Deena Degner delivered a speech of her own, reflecting on the challenges and difficulties she and her class have faced in their high school careers. From floods to polar vortexes to pandemics, Degner determined that her class had developed a strong sense of resiliency that would carry them through future challenges. Photo taken by Nicolette Nauman, HSE Editor.

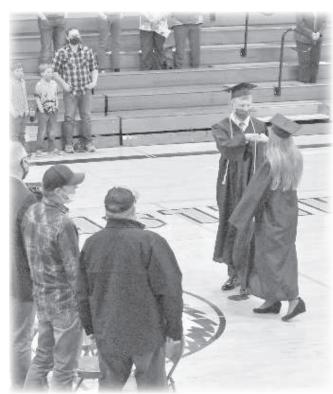




Jill Murphy, who taught this year's graduates back when they were 5<sup>th</sup> grade students, returned to Elroy to deliver the keynote address. She then went on to give each graduate a little packet of Goldfish crackers—recalling an old method she had used to teach them math. Photo taken by Danielle Nauman.



What's a graduation ceremony without a little bit of celebration? The newly certified graduates had a little surprise tucked away under their chairs throughout the ceremony: confetti launchers, which they gleefully shot off once they had their diplomas in hand and tassels moved. Photo taken by Nicolette Nauman, HSE Editor.



While the HHS band played Pomp and Circumstance, our 2021 candidates for graduation entered into the gym from two doors, meeting up in the middle of the gym to continue on to the stage. Many of the former students decided to have a little bit of fun as they paused in their treks for photos taken by proud family members. Photo taken by Nicolette Nauman, HSE Editor.

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## Royall and Wonewoc-Center to partner for 2022-23 wrestling season By NICOLETTE NAUMAN merger go through.

Sentry-Enterprise Editor

The Wonewoc-Center School District and the Royall School District are looking to establish a partnership in their sports programs. Parents in the Royall School

District contacted the district's superintendent, Mark Gruen, regarding the possibility of cooping with Wonewoc-Center for the school's wrestling team. Royall already has a wrestling team, but Wonewoc-Center has never had one of their own.

Gruen contacted Wonewoc-Center officials regarding the inquiry, and district officials set about taking a survey of potential interest within the school for a wrestling program. Seven students at Wonewoc-Center readily voiced sport, while an additional seven indicated that they were interested but did not express immediate commitment. A staff member at the school also indicated that he would be interested in coaching should the

District administrators brought the potential co-op to the Wonewoc-Center School Board, and board members voted to approve the development. The Royall School Board also gave their approval, giving both districts the green light to begin the process.

While it is currently too late in the year for a co-op between Royall and Wonewoc-Center to qualify for the 2021-2022 wrestling season, school officials have stated that a full co-op between the schools will begin the following year. However, officials at Wonewoc-Center have indicated that the co-op may begin yet this year, though wrestlers would not be able to compete at a tournament level until the 2022-

2023 season. Gruen has been handling the their support and interest in the majority of the co-op's development as it pertains to the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association (WIAA). Details regarding the coop are still being discussed and will be announced as the process continues.

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# Summer reading fun for all at our local libraries

By NICOLETTE NAUMAN **Sentry-Enterprise Editor** 

Summer is right around the corner, and schools have either already let out for the season or will be letting out within a week or two. Local libraries are gearing up once again to help keep kids reading over their summer vacations with this year's Summer Reading Program.

In Hillsboro, the program is set to begin on Tuesday, June 22, and Library Director Jackie Johnson has been meeting with Hillsboro's elementary students over the past couple of weeks to tell them all about what this year's program has in store.

Hillsboro readers will receive a bingo card as part of their involvement with the program. Spaces on the card will be marked off with a sticker when they read a book from the genre specified on the square. Once the reader gets a bingo, they win a prize!

Readers who read six books during the program will receive a ticket to the Summer Reading Carnival, which will be held on Saturday, July 31, from 2:00P.M. until 4:00P.M.—or the following week on August 7 should weather interfere. The carnival is set to take place at Hillsboro City Park, Albert Fields Memorial.

Every Thursday, a book reading will take place at the library beginning at 2:30P.M., which counts towards the program and the carnival ticket. For more information on Hillsboro's Summer Reading Program, contact the Hillsboro Public Library at (608) 489-2192 or by email at hlibrary@ wrlsweb.org.

The Wonewoc Public Library is also getting in on the fun, and their Summer Reading Program draws heavily from this year's theme: Tails to Tales. The program is set to begin on Tuesday, June 1, and continue through the entire summer, ending on Friday, August 27.

Wonewoc readers will be given reading log sheets to fill out and keep track of what they read, and readers will receive prizes based on how many books they can read this summer! In addition to fun prizes, the library staff has also planned for some fun events tying in with this year's theme.

On Monday, June 14, the Juneau County 4-H Dog Project will hold a demonstration on the library lawn, beginning at 6:00P.M. The next day, on June 15, there will be two showings of Madison-area celebrity dog-groomer Deb Compton. Compton has been featured on the ABC reality show Pooch Perfect. Pre-registration is required for this event, and shows are scheduled for 1:00P.M. and 2:30P.M. on Tuesday, June 15.

At 1:00P.M. on Tuesday, June 29, kids can take in the Magic of Isaiah at 1:00P.M. Also beginning on June 29, library patrons will have access to a virtual show performed by Sharon Page and her Circus Dogs for a twoweek period. At the end of their twoweek run, Sharon and her Circus Dogs will be available for a Zoom Meet and Greet at 6:30P.M. on July 13.

Capping it all off, the ZooZort Exotic Animals will be hosting a live show at the library on Tuesday, July 27, at 1:00P.M. To stay updated on these programs, and other librarybased fun this summer, visit the Wonewoc Public library online at wonewoclibrary.wrlsweb.org or on Facebook.

Reading Program is set to begin on Monday, June 7, and run through Thursday, June 24. Library Director Kari Preuss has indicated that the library intends to run the program as normally as possible this year, with special programs taking place four days a week throughout the month.

On Mondays, Library Assistant Nikole Verde will be hosting art programs for children to explore their creativity. Tuesdays will bring some outdoor fun-unless the weather won't cooperate, in which case the fun moves into the library building. On Tuesday, June 15, or the following week on June 22 if the temperatures are too cold, the fun will be all waterfocused.

Wednesdays will be all about the elroylibrary.com.

The Elroy Library's Summer movies! Kids will be able to visit the Elroy Theatre to take in a movie each week, beginning with *The Emperor's* New Groove on June 9, Sonic The Hedgehog on June 16, and finishing with Trolls World Tour on June 23.

> Finishing up the weeks will be Thursday's STEM-focused activities, hosted by Nikole Verde. Kids will be able to use scientific concepts to learn more about how stuff works, how its made, and even come up with ways to improve designs!

> All programs at the Elroy Library run from 1:00P.M. to 2:00P.M. and are geared towards kids in grades K-6, but older students are welcome to join in! For more information, contact the Elroy Public Library at (608) 462-2407 or visit them online at www.



Hillsboro Library Directory Jackie Johnson takes some time to tell local elementary students about all of the summer fun planned for this year's Summer Reading Program. Photo taken by Nicolette Nauman, HSE Editor.



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# Wonewoc student artists pay tribute to veterans with memorial murals

Sentry-Enterprise Editor

During Memorial Day, Americans across the country gathered together to remember those who paid the ultimate price to preserve and protect our freedoms. While many who went off to war were able to make it back home, many more did not.

Every year, since the end of the Civil War, communities have taken it upon themselves to devote some time to tidying up and decorating the graves of fallen soldiers. Records indicate that one of the earliest Memorial Day commemorations was organized by a group of freed slaves in Charleston, South Carolina, less than a month after the Confederacy surrendered.

But while we have dedicated the last Monday in May to remembering the fallen, it stands to reason that such a day should not be the only time when we stop to reflect on the cost of remaining free.

Last fall, the Wonewoc American Legion reached out to Wonewoc-Center art teacher Megan Danahy to inquire about possibly creating a mural at the Legion. Danahy drew up a preliminary design for the Legionnaires, though concerns regarding COVID-19 held off the project until the end of May. She describes the mural's design and purpose thusly:

"With each brush stroke, we want to honor our Veterans! To those in uniform serving today and to those who have served in the past, we honor you today and every day. Home of the free because of the brave! To all veterans of all branches: Thank you for your sacrifice, your bravery, and the example you set for us all. To our men and women in uniform, past, present, and future, we dedicate this mural to you. God bless you and thank you.'

Danahy and members of the Wonewoc-Center Art Club spent their last day of school at work in the Legion Hall, beginning to outline the finalized design for both the main mural, located in the entryway, and a second one elsewhere in the building. The design features images from various aspects of American patriotism, including the U.S. flag, planes, tanks, and a silhouette of the famed moment from Iwo Jima where U.S. soldiers raised a flag above the battlefield. Beginning on Monday, June 14, summer school students will join in on the work under Danahy's instruction.

As Danahy and her students lay the groundwork for the murals, they discuss topics such as their thankfulness and gratitude to our veterans as well as reflect on the tragedy and horrors of war and what our veterans experienced in serving our country. Danahy holds that such discussions are necessary, especially with young students, as it can be easy to forget the truth behind the phrase "Freedom isn't free."

America will observe Flag Day this year on Monday, June 14, which commemorates the adoption of the U.S. flag on June 14, 1777. In the spirit of community engagement, Danahy has helped to arrange a Community Paint Day. Members of the local community are welcome to stop by between 2:00P.M. and 4:00P.M. to help paint the mural.

No artistic talent is needed to pick up a brush and join in, and free refreshments will be provided. Young children are asked to be accompanied at all times by an adult. High school students participating in the mural's creation can also count the time towards their community service









Logan Mortimer, Addilynn Asp, Jazmine Johnson, and Emily Nagy, all members of Megan Danahy's Art Club at Wonewoc-Center, spent their last day of school helping their teacher begin work on a set of murals for the Wonewoc American Legion. The murals will be the focus of an upcoming Community Paint Day, scheduled for Monday, June 14. Community members are invited to stop by and help paint the murals honoring the Wonewoc area's veterans, fallen, and those still in uniform. Photos contributed by Megan Danahy.



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