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TUESDAY 33/23 Scattered snow showers.





OVERTIME THRILLER

Halfcourt game-winner waved off, Cheesemakers fall 49-48 to Stoughton.

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Monticello elementary school concert, Rehmstedt gym, 334 S. Main St.

Today, 7 p.m.

Monroe Diabetes Support Group, New Glarus room of the Monroe Clinic, 515 22nd Ave., Monroe. Tuesday, 7 to 8:30 p.m.

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LIFE POLL

Where do you do most of your movie-going? www.themonroetimes.com.

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N. Korean leader Kim Jong Il dead

NORTH KOREA

PYONGYANG, North Korea (AP) —Kim Jong II, North Korea's mercurial and enigmatic longtime leader, has died of heart failure. He was 69.

In a "special broadcast" Monday from the North Korean capital, state media said Kim died of a heart ailment on a train due to a "great mental and physical strain" on Dec. 17 during a "high intensity field inspection." It said an autopsy was done on Dec. 18 and "fully confirmed" the diagnosis.

Kim is believed to have suffered a stroke in 2008, but he had appeared relatively vigorous in photos and video from recent

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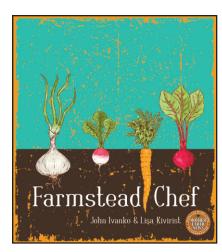
New cookbook woven with modern farmstead mentality

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MONROE — Lisa Kivirist, a selfdescribed recipe-forager, is tapped into what she calls a "perpetual pipeline" of ingredients from neighbors and the land, so making a cookbook came naturally.

It was also the logical next step for her and her husband John Ivanko, who launched their "Farmstead Chef" at the Wisconsin Book Festival this fall. It's available to order through the authors directly at farmsteadchef.com and as an e-book at booku.com.



Ivanko and Kivirist have lived 15 years in Green County on a five-andfarmstead a-half-acre near d established Browntown themselves as promoters of sustainable living, through the books they've authored — such as "Rural Renaissance: Renewing the Quest for the Good Life" and "ECOpreneuring:



John Ivanko and Lisa Kivirist have recently published their latest cookbook, Farmstead Chef, transforming traditional farmstead cooking skills for the modern kitchen gardner and homesteader. The book consists of 150 recipes, along with a collection of essays and sidebars on everything from cooking with a solar oven and to reclaiming food interdependence by starting kitchen gardens.

Inn Serendipity.

"Farmstead Chef," though inspired by Wisconsin produce, is aimed at cooks everywhere and draws on influences from Swiss to Japanese dishes.

Putting Purpose and the Planet before It features profiles of the farmers and Monroe. - and their bed & breakfast, food activists around the country the The book itself is an international couple has met through the organic farming and sustainability movement, including Phil and Judy Welty of Welty's Sugar Bush in Browntown and Brenda and Luis Carus of

effort. It was published by New Society Publishers, located on an island off British Columbia, and has a

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SEATTLE

Economic recovery slow for nonprofits

Shelters, food pantries among the hardest hit

SEATTLE (AP) — As the first signs of an economic recovery make the news, many of the nation's nonprofit organizations are digging in for another three to four years of financial distress, according to researchers who keep an eye on the charitable world.

Some larger nonprofits are seeing donations start to rise again, but most report their income is holding steady at lower, post-recession levels or is still going down, according to a new study from the Nonprofit Research Collaborative.

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which was another down year for most charities. Among those that receive some government dollars long considered a safety net for charitable organizations — more than half are reporting a decline in income for the year.

Forty-one percent of nonprofits have seen their donation income go up in 2011, but most of the nation's smaller charities with less than \$3 million in total spending saw donations drop again this year.

Food pantries and homeless shelters across the country have reported funding crises this year because of an increase in need coupled with a drop in donations.

Siena House, a women's shelter in Waukesha, Wis., briefly shut down this past summer because it didn't have the money to continue operations. A fall fundraising drive brought in \$60,000 and Siena House was able

The First Baptist Church of Danville, Ky., in November closed its small food bank that fed up to 200 families a year because of volunteer and donation shortages. The food bank depended entirely on donations for its operation and volunteers to run it and just couldn't keep up with demand, said Tom Butler, a church volunteer.

About 8 percent of the charities included in the report say they are in danger of closing for financial reasons, while among smaller charities, that figure is 20 percent.

"Nonprofits are still facing very challenging circumstances," said Una Osili, director of research at The

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Dear Abby: Husband who's a great dad has little to give to his wife.

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