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Bringing home cooking to their front door: Ruth Kennedy, Culinary Technician, Rev. Nansi Hawkins, Pastor of Emmanuel United Church of Christ & Program Coordinator and Michael Berry, Wisconsin Masonic Home Executive Chef.

HOT MEALS SERVED DAILY

For the past 20 years, 5 churches in the larger Dousman area, in alliance with the Wisconsin Masonic Home, have been feeding shut-ins hot and tasty meals, delivered right to their front doorstep. The Dousman Area Home Meals Program was the brainchild of Rev. Ralph Schultz of Emmanuel United Church of Christ in Dousman. "The need was there- so many people were incapacitated either by age or by medical conditions. Sometimes the need was long-term; sometimes people just needed some help after a surgery. Providing hot meals in their homes was our way of saying, "You're not alone." He contacted the Wisconsin Masonic Home about partnering with area churches to make the service available. Emmanuel United Church of Christ, St. Bruno's Roman Catholic Church, St. Mary's Episcopal Church, First Presbyterian Church of Ottawa, and the United Methodist Church in North Prairie all banded together to form a network of drivers willing to go from Sullivan to Delafield, and from south of I-94 to North Prairie in order to help their neighbors; the Wisconsin Masonic Home made the meals and did the billing.

Rev. Nansi Hawkins, the current pastor of Emmanuel United Church of Christ, has just assumed the role of coordinator for the program. "After Rev. Schultz retired, the program went without a coordinator for a couple of years, and it was starting to flounder. It needed some tender loving care. I am privileged to be able to continue in the role Ralph started back in 1987." Anyone who is homebound, either long-term or temporarily, can enjoy the service. A hot lunch is \$4 (\$4.50 for special diets.) If you or someone you care for is homebound in the larger Dousman area and in need of a healthy, hot meal, call Rev. Nansi Hawkins Mon-Fri between 9am-1pm at 262-965-2429.

"A Hot Time on a Snowy Night!"

Thanks to all the community members who supported the Chamber's Casino Night on February 24th! Great games, fun music, fabulous food and a high-quality Silent Auction made the evening a big hit!

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Aurora Wilkinson Medical Clinic in Oconomowoc now offers Urgent Care services. The new service, staffed by board-certified emergency care physicians, is specifically designed for minor, urgent medical needs that arise after traditional office hours, on weekends and holidays, or whenever your doctor's schedule cannot accommodate a same day appointment.

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Tuesdays & Thursdays 1pm-5pm

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*Tuesdays & Thursdays 8am-9am

Village of Dousman Board Meetings

All Village meetings are open to the public and we encourage you to attend. All Village meetings are held on the 2nd Monday of the month at 7:15pm at the Municipal Building unless otherwise posted. All meeting agendas and minutes are posted at the Municipal Building, Post Office and ISB Community Bank

Village Plan Commission Members

Bart Zilk • Mark Schroeder • Paul Stanley

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The Dousman Farmers Market

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Wednesday, May 9th

from 3 PM to 7 PM

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Local producers bring you freshly grown foods and garden plants. Several area craftsmen display first quality decorative items.

New participants are welcome.

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(414) 881-2098 for more information.

The market's web page is

www.dousmanchamber.com/FarmersMarket

VILLAGE ELECTIONS



**Spring Elections
April 3, 2006**

The slate of candidates include:

For Village President, a two year term: Jack Nissen

For the Village Board, two seats, two year terms: Harold Dessart,
Shawn McKnight, Cindy Queen (inc.), Barbara Stern.

Voting will take place at the Dousman Municipal Building (village hall)
118 S. Main Street, 262-965-3792, from 7 AM to 8 PM



Three Pillars Family & Friends Picnic

August 5th, 2007

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or Bryan Polinske @ 262.965.7425

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How Can Women Build Confidence in Ability to Retire Comfortably?

All of us would like to think we will enjoy a comfortable retirement. If you're a woman, however, you might be significantly more nervous than your male peers about life as a retiree. This fear may not be entirely justified, but, in any case, you can greatly improve your outlook for retirement by understanding where you are now - and how to get where you want to go.

But first, you may have to overcome both fear and a financial "gender gap." Consider these findings from recent surveys conducted by Harris Interactive:

- Forty-six percent of the women surveyed said they worry about losing all their money and becoming destitute. Surprisingly, this figure rises to 48 percent among women with incomes of \$100,000 or more.
- Women were almost twice as likely as men to worry about money and to doubt their capacity to invest and plan for the future.
- Only 10 percent of women said they feel quite secure about their finances.

These figures, while disturbing, at least partially reflect some basic realities of women's lives. First, women typically outlive men by nearly seven years, according to the U.S. National Center for Health Statistics - and more years of life mean more expenses. Also, women drop out of the work force for an average of 12 years to care for young children or aging parents, according to the Older Women's League, a research and advocacy group. This time away from the workforce results in women accumulating much less money in their employer-sponsored retirement plans.

Of course, if you are married, many of your financial assets are likely commingled with those of your husband. But that doesn't mean that you can abdicate responsibility for your financial future. Some

80 percent to 90 percent of today's women will be solely responsible for their own finances at some point in their lives, according to the National Center for Women & Retirement.

So, what can you do to boost your confidence in your financial management skills? For starters, take a close look at all potential sources of retirement income: Social Security, savings, investments and retirement plan distributions. Estimate about how much you might have available for your retirement years.

Next, try to envision your "ideal" retirement lifestyle and put a "price tag" on it. For example, if you would like to continuously travel the world when you retire, you're probably going to need more money from your retirement funds than your neighbor who wants to stay home, pursue hobbies and possibly even open a small business.

It's not always easy to plan, save and invest for retirement. That's why you may want to consider working with an experienced financial professional - someone who knows your risk tolerance, time horizon and long-term goals, and who can recommend the appropriate investments and strategies.

Learn as much as you can about every aspect of your financial situation. You'll boost your confidence about having sufficient resources for retirement - and you'll probably enjoy it more when you get there.

Submitted by Edward Jones



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Village Elections Coming in April

Local elections will be held on April 3rd. The current president of the village board, Bart Zilk, will not seek re-election. The sole candidate for the position is current board member, Jack Nissen. Four candidates are vying for the two openings on the Village Board. The candidates shared some of their ideas with the Dousman Area Times. All candidates were asked to respond to the same list of questions. Candidates for Village Board are Harold Dessart, Shawn McKnight, Barbara Stern, and Cindy Queen.



Jack Nissen is the sole candidate for Village President, a two-year term.

How long have you been a resident in Dousman? I was born and raised in Dousman; 47 years.

Previous offices held: Village Trustee, Co-founded the Emergency Management Committee and member of the Streets & Roads Committee.

What civic and/or volunteer experience do you have?

Chartered the Post 405 Son's of the American Legion, Teach Hunter Education for Dousman Gun Club, past member of the Dousman Fire Department, Vice President of the Wisconsin Wildlife Federation and serve on the 4-member Oversight Committee at the McKenzie Environmental Education Center in Poynette, WI.

Describe your career or area of expertise.

I have worked as a public servant for the last 18 years for Waukesha County Highway Dept in the Highway Maintenance and have a good understanding of what it means to be in the public sector.

What are your primary concerns for Dousman?

My primary concerns for Dousman is to continue to work at reducing our tax rate without losing services. We need to work with the Chamber of Commerce and business owners to enhance our downtown. Work with our neighbor, the Town of Ottawa, to share services such as snow plowing, police patrol and equipment sharing. We will need to work with the Town of Summit to reach a border agreement for planning purposes.

Campaign message in a nutshell:

As the Village of Dousman grows, we will need to work with the residents, business owners and Village staff to ensure that the Village remains the great community it is today. I am very proud to be part of this. Thank you for allowing me to serve on your Village Board.



Harold Dessart, candidate for Village Board, a two-year term.

How long have you been a resident in Dousman? Going on 5 years, but lived in surrounding area over 40 years, graduated from Kettle Moraine High School in 1972.

Previous offices held: Treasurer for The Pines Homeowners Association (150 homes), (2003, 2004) President for The Pines Homeowners Association currently in my third year (2005, 2006, 2007)

What civic and/or volunteer experience do you have?

GE Volunteer, worked on making improvements to schools in the Greater Milwaukee Area during GE's Community Service Days Worked on getting information out to Citizens regarding Crime & Drug prevention, Anti-Crime Programs, Strengthening Neighborhood spirit, and much more as part of the Waukesha National Night Out.

Describe your career or area of expertise.

Employed at GE Healthcare for 30 years My career at GE Healthcare has allowed me the opportunity to work on diverse Global Teams, giving me the chance to communicate with people all over the globe and at all levels of business, setting and achieving business goals, delivering results on time, within budget, always maintaining the highest level of integrity. The customer comes first and quality is never sacrificed. I will use this work experience when making decisions affecting the Village of Dousman Community.

What are your primary concerns for Dousman?

Management of new development in Dousman and the impact it has to the current infrastructure and the residents of Dousman, future growth of our downtown area, how to solicit, promote and maintain the business relationships needed to provide the services we need. A perception that the current Village Board may be outdated in their views, not listening to all sides of an issue, or able to make decisions objectively when it comes to accepting new ideas, goals and objectives as stated in the Land Use Plan.

Campaign message in a nutshell:

If elected, my goal is to make sure people are comfortable in coming before the Dousman Village Board, making sure they feel confident they're communicating with a team who is objective and open to all ideas, and that the Board will listen to all sides of an issue before reaching any decisions; working together for the betterment of our community; acting with the highest level of integrity, values and respect for the residents of our community. I will make sure you have a Board that is fiscally responsible with taxpayer money and expects to be held accountable for its decisions.

REMINDER – GENERAL ELECTION DATE IS APRIL 3, 2007

L E L E C T I O N S



Shawn McKnight, candidate for Village Board, a two-year term.

How long have you been a resident in Dousman? 4 Years.

Previous offices held:

Current President of the Dousman Chamber of Commerce , Current Vice-president of the

Pine's Homeowner's Association, last 3 years. Past Vice-President of the Dousman Chamber of Commerce for 2005 & 2006.

What civic and/or volunteer experience do you have?

I have been active in helping families of children with special needs, specifically autism. Have worked to bring awareness and educate others about autism from the lessons I have learned. I have also worked on a few committees at St Bruno where my family and I are members. Member of the Dousman Vision Committee.

Describe your career or area of expertise.

My career has been in the field of insurance for the past 19 years. My job entails helping people establish realistic plans for their Home, Auto & Financial needs. My focus is to provide a thorough consultation and review of coverages for my clients and potential clients. I also served in the Army as an Airborne Infantry Officer, where I proudly served my country.

What are your primary concerns for Dousman?

I want to maintain the small town feel of Dousman while managing the responsible growth and impact of development to our village. Growth is coming and we need to be ready to make the necessary decisions to create positive change for the long term benefit of Dousman. I want to change the perception of the Board. I plan to be accessible to all residents and businesses, and will listen and act respectfully and responsibly to resolve issues that affect our community.

Campaign message in a nutshell:

It's time for a positive change. I believe a majority of the residents and business members, of our community, want to feel comfortable coming to the Dousman Village Board with their concerns. I promise to be open-minded and look at all sides of an issue. I will work to foster that kind of relationship with the other members of the Board and Planning Commission. I believe, to have responsible government you must have dedicated individuals who will devote time, effort and good judgment practices to make our community better, not only for today, but also for the future.



Barbara Stern, candidate for Village Board, a two-year term.

How long have you been a resident in Dousman? We moved to Dousman from Nashotah three years ago. I have been a resident of Waukesha County for 18 years.

Previous offices held:

This is my first time running for public office.

What civic and/or volunteer experience do you have?

I have volunteered for various school and sports related causes over the years. I have also done some volunteer work through the Red Cross and most recently at the Three Pillars in Dousman.

Describe your career or area of expertise.

I worked as the Village Clerk-Treasurer for the Village of Oconomowoc Lake from 1999 to 2003. I graduated from the Municipal Clerk's Institute in 2001 and served on their Advisory Committee for 3 years.

What are your primary concerns for Dousman?

Managed growth in order to preserve our small town atmosphere. Create a plan for enhancement of the downtown business district. Keep village tax rate affordable.

Campaign message in a nutshell:

Dousman has many wonderful attributes, such as the bike trail, park, quaint downtown and most importantly a strong sense of family and community involvement. As the village expands and improves these "small town" qualities need to be preserved.



Cindy Queen (inc.), candidate for Village Board, a two-year term.

How long have you been a resident in Dousman? I have worked and lived in the Dousman area all my life.

Previous offices held:

I have been on the village board for six years.

What civic and/or volunteer experience do you have?

I am the Director of Events for the Dousman Area Chamber of Commerce and was also a past vice-president. I have organized the chamber's Annual Street Dance, held every September, for the past 5 to 6 years. Santa Coming to Dousman is another activity that I am very active in putting on for many, many years. I organized the Annual Dousman Area Rummage Sale since inception some 8 years ago. I also have volunteered as an advisor for the KM Junior Laser Cheer & Pom program for 4 years. Last year I was the JV Cheer coach at KMHS. I have also given my time to many other organizations such as the Lion's Club, Dousman Fire Department, St. Bruno's church, and different fund raising events.

Describe your career or area of expertise.

I am bookkeeper for Dousman Oil and LP Gas.

What are your primary concerns for Dousman?

I am concerned that Dousman will get lost in the growth of surrounding communities and left behind. With the state legislators constantly putting requirements and restrictions on local governments, I'm concerned on how to meet the needs of our citizens without raising taxes. We have lowered taxes each year since I've been on the board.

Campaign message in a nutshell:

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Dousman Farmers Market Returns for 2007

After a very successful first season, the Dousman Farmers' Market is getting ready for another season of providing high quality fresh local food to area residents. Market Manager, Mac Riemenschneider, is planning the market on Wednesday afternoons from 3 pm to 7 pm starting May 9 and continuing to October 24. Once again the market will take place at the Dousman/Ottawa Lions Club Community Center parking lot at 235 N Main Street.

The earlier start date will allow for more plant vendors to offer their wares and will allow for pre-Mothers Day shopping. In addition, early season vegetables such as lettuce, spinach, and asparagus will be available when the market opens. In addition to locally grown fruits and vegetables, handmade gifts from local crafters will be available.

The market is planning some changes to benefit customers. One such change is an on-line listing of vendors and what will be available each week. Because July 4 is on a Wednesday in 2007 there will not be a market the first week of July. For more information about the market or about becoming a vendor, contact Market Manager Mac Riemenschneider at 414-881-2098 or mackayrr@hotmail.com.

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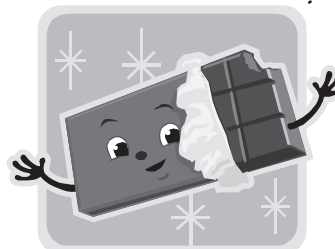


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issue is May 8th.*



THE LUCK OF THE COFFEE VAULT CAFE

We don't think that you have to be Irish to be Lucky. Ace our quiz and make your friends green with envy.

1. If you are looking for a pot of gold and you came across a leprechaun with a shillelagh (pronounced shay lay li) it would mean:

- a. He's probably sitting with his walking stick and enjoying a shamrock latte at The Coffee Vault Cafe.
- b. He's wondering what a "red eye" coffee is in Dousman

2. Druid is:

- a. You might think that you were a secret society of the Irish who drink wine every Thursday at Wine Night (featuring 4 tastes of wine, a glass of your choice and an appetizer tray) at The Coffee Vault Cafe.
- b. Rhymes with Fluid-you get plenty of caffeinated drinks and smoothies at The Coffee Vault Cafe.

3. Leprechauns are said to be:

- a. Children listening to Story Hour every Tuesday morning at 9:00 at The Coffee Vault Cafe.

b. Friendly fairies who like to be chased and give gold coins to the winner of the Chili and Cheesecake Contest-March 3 at The Coffee Vault Cafe.

4. The color green is associated with St. Patrick because:

- a. It is the color of spring, shamrocks and the walls at The Coffee Vault Cafe.
- b. The color of your friend turning green with envy when they see what you bought at the Pam Ronka General Store.

5. Kissing the Blarney Stone means:

- a. You have the "gift of gab" and you can talk a lot of blarney and we at the Coffee Vault Cafe will still believe you!
- b. Easter is the next holiday and you can get a jump start on Easter eggs by learning the art of Ukrainian egg dying March 26 from 9-10:30 am and March 38 from 6-8:00 pm at The Coffee Vault Cafe.

6. The Celtic Knot means:

- a. A symbol of Irish pride just like the pride of the staff at the Coffee Vault Cafe.
- b. "Knot" a day should go by without coffee and bakery made from scratch and baked fresh daily from The Coffee Vault Cafe. Don't forget, we do catering!

7. A Claddagh signifies:

- a. Friendship and love Irish style at the warm atmosphere of the Coffee Vault Cafe.
- b. Lucky, just like the happy patrons of the Coffee Vault Cafe.

8. Welsh Dragon is:

- a. Someone who hasn't had their daily cup of Coffee at The Coffee Vault Cafe.
- b. A team of contestants at Trivia Night at The Coffee Vault Cafe which is held the first Wednesday of every month from 7 to 9:00 pm.

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TRAIL TEST RIDES MAKE DOUSMAN LOCATION IDEAL FOR BICYCLE DOCTOR

Tom Klein, the “Bike Doc” found the perfect spot for his 23 year bicycle business when he built his shop right next to the Glacial Drumlin State Trail in

downtown Dousman. “Over the years I’ve found many people are unhappy with bikes they got somewhere because they bought it in a hurry or weren’t able to test ride it before they bought,” Klein said. “While we always pushed test riding when we were in Oconomowoc, the street and parking lot options were less than ideal. Now with the Glacial Drumlin Trail right out our door people can get a real feel for the fit, comfort and performance in a relaxing traffic-free environment.”

The “Doc” has always adhered to the philosophy that individual attention is what will steer people his direction rather than to some other shop. “I’ve always felt that the customer is buying a bike shop as much as a bike,” he said. “The magic in this business comes from seeing people again and again who feel like the Bicycle Doctor is their place. When they are satisfied with their bike they use it more, enjoy good health getting exercise out in nature and they like to stop in whether they need something or not. That’s why incorporating the ‘Doc Café’ into a corner of the shop where people can get coffee, snacks, a smoothy or even a beer was a perfect move.”

Klein’s location and service have made word-of-mouth his most effective form of promotion. “I’m fortunate to

have assembled a staff with over 100 years of professional bicycle retail and service,” he said. “Even when I have my annual ‘Whale of a Sale on the Bicycle Trail’ each person can have the attention of one of our people from first contact until they finish buying the bike that suits them. For the sale we always have hundreds of bikes set up and ready to test ride. It’s a formula that has worked well for us and for the customers. People end up taking a ride rather than feeling like they’ve been taken for a ride. With the bike trail right alongside the shop it’s ideal for ensuring they get a bike they’ll enjoy for years and years.”

And now that Tom Klein has landed in Dousman he expects to be part of the village lifestyle scene for years and years to come.

Submitted by Phil Van Valkenberg



Event Recycling Containers Available on Loan Planning an event indoors or out?

The Waukesha County Recycling Office has efficient, handy recycling containers on loan at no cost, available by reservation. These containers make recycling easy with little trash contamination and bags that are handy to switch out. Cut down on trash generation and costs by managing your waste stream. These containers have been used successfully at events ranging from church spaghetti dinners to community street dances.

For questions or reservations, call Meribeth at 262-896-8317.

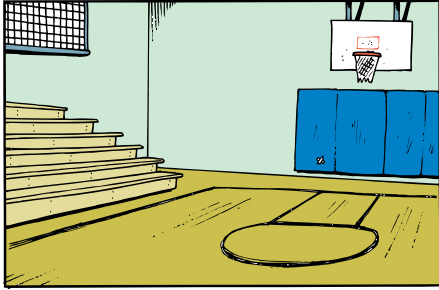


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4-H News:



Waukesha County 4-H kids demonstrate their fair projects and the Waukesha County 4-H Basketball tournament gives area kids a great sporting opportunity. Demo Day and the B-Ball Tournament - Saturday, March 10, 2007

Many Ottawa 4-H kids work hard putting together projects that are fun and educational. They teach our youth many skills in the process as well. A demonstration constitutes an exhibit of the project. The kids meet set criteria to display and communicate their work, are judged and then move on to the County Fair.

Demonstrations will be done for the following types of projects:

1. Foods and food preservation
2. Clothing, home furnishings, child care
3. Agricultural projects (livestock, poultry, pets, horticulture, etc.)
4. Other projects (photography, electricity, woodworking, crafts, music, etc.)
5. Activities such as health, safety, conservation and recreation

Also on the 10th the Ottawa 4-H club has many members participating in the county wide basketball tournament. This is a fun, co-ed, organized tournament for all 4-H members. Teams are practicing now and will compete in an all day tournament on March 10th. In addition to hosting a great fun day for our youth and their families the Basketball committee is also going GREEN! They will be collecting used tennis shoes for a NIKE recycling project that reduces waste and provides safe playground materials for kids.

So if you can make it to see some great projects or some youth basketball, grab your old sneakers and drop them off too!

8:00am to 4:30 pm at Waynz World,
S68 W22665 National Ave, Big Bend ,WI

Ottawa club member Aaron Cantrall recently won a Blue Ribbon for his speech at the Choral and Forensics county wide event. His 8 minute speech was based on a book, *The BFG*, by Ronald Dahl.

The Ottawa Horse Project group has been very busy with projects including educational field trips on the Icelandic Breed and Raising Foals, both scheduled for March.

The members of the Ottawa 4-H club have scheduled many community service projects that Dousman will benefit from. Some of the upcoming volunteer events are: Habitat for Humanity, Serving meals at St. Ben's, DNR assist at Retzer Nature Center, Ottawa Recycling Center, and Therapeutic Riding at Liberty Meadows.

Submitted by Clayton Chase



ST. BRUNO PARISH

"While the world changes, the cross stands firm."

A Year of Blessings and Giving

This year, St. Bruno Parish School has a lot to be thankful for. We started the year moving into our beautiful new facility that gave the school room to grow and expand our mission. Our enrollment for this year grew by 16%, which is the 2nd largest increase of any Catholic School in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. The addition of the new students and families has helped to bring new ideas and energy to our school community.

One of the focuses for the school this year is service, and the students are working to expand the mission of our school into the entire Kettle Moraine area. We are focusing this year on H.O.G.A.N., Helping Others, God and Neighbors, and we are doing this by participating in Rake-N-Runs and visiting 3 Pillars several times a month. There is more than just academic strength at St. Bruno Parish School!

Irish Beef 'n' Carrot Stew

Ingredients:

- 1 pound carrots, peeled and cut into 2-1/2 inch pieces
- 2 medium onions, chopped
- 3 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 3 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 1-1/2 pounds boneless beef chuck steak, cut into 1-inch strips
- 1/2 teaspoon chopped fresh basil
- 2/3 cup Guinness, other dark beer or beef broth
- 1 teaspoon honey
- 2/3 cup additional beef broth
- Mashed potatoes or boiled potatoes

Directions:

Place carrots in a greased shallow 2-qt baking dish. In a skillet, saute onions in oil for 5 minutes or until tender. Using a slotted spoon, transfer onions to dish. In a resealable plastic bag, combine the flour, salt and pepper. Add beef, a few pieces at a time, and shake to coat; reserve flour mixture. In the same skillet, brown meat in oil on all sides. Transfer to baking dish. Stir reserved flour mixture into oil; cook and stir over medium heat for 1 minute. Add basil and beer or broth. Bring to a boil; cook and stir for 1 minute or until thickened. Stir in honey and additional broth; return to a boil, stirring constantly. Pour over beef. Cover and bake at 325 degrees for 1-1/2 hours or until beef is tender. Serve with potatoes.