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This year's theme will be "A Century of

Holiday Tradition". Centered around the recently discovered book entitled "Growing to be a Christmas Tree," authored by Alice Yawkey for her grandchildren in 1927. The tree will be recreated, as described in the book in the Yawkey House and a limited reprint of the book will be available for purchase in the gift shop, which ties in

perfectly to the new 1920s exhibits.

In addition, there will be a display of the Woodson China, a cookie decorating station, baked goods sale, caroling, vintage toy displays, coloring contest, and of course, Santa will be available for visits and Photos.

Admission to the Woodson History Center is always free. Guided

tours of the Yawkey House Museum will highlight the Yawkey family's holiday traditions as well as the history and architectural details of the exquisite house itself.

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## The Joys and Blessings of Christmas

Dear Reader,

Christmas holds many meanings for those who celebrate this special day and the season that surrounds it. At its heart, Christmas signifies the birth of Christ, a moment of profound spiritual importance. But it also brings to mind the joy of giving, with gifts and presents for little boys and girls, each package wrapped with love and anticipation.



While we often find ourselves striving to be our best during the holiday season, the true magic of Christmas shines brightest in the eyes of a child. In their wonder and delight, we are reminded of the simple, pure joy that this time of year brings.

Merry Christmas to all.

**PATRICK J. WOOD**  
Publisher

Author of "Reflections" a new book now available on Amazon.

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# Brightening Aspirus: Facility Lights Spark Joy



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### ASPIRUS HEALTH

The tradition of stringing up Christmas lights brings a touch of brightness and festive cheer to homes and spaces this time of year. At Aspirus Wausau Hospital, Grounds Facility Project Coordinator Mark Heinrich has once again transformed the hospital's surroundings, creating a warm and hopeful atmosphere for patients, staff, and visitors.

What initially began as a passion for festive displays at home, coupled with a modest effort to revamp area facilities for the holiday season,

has evolved into a grand undertaking for Mark and his team. "We now have quite the display, and people seem to really like it," says Mark.

Overseeing an annual installation of 85 to 100 coats of lights, Mark faces challenges posed by unpredictable weather and the occasional unruly strand. However, his persistence and attention to detail shine through.

"We like to change it up a little bit every year. Anyone can toss a couple of strands of lights into a tree, which is great. But I prefer to add more detail, hoping it will

brighten people's days a little more when they see it," says Mark. "It makes me feel great to hear how much it means to people."

One touching contribution is the installation of private trees for patients at the Aspirus Hospice House. "We thought, 'wouldn't it be nice if we could do something for those that are bedridden or stuck inside?' So now everybody gets a private decorated tree to put in front of their window," shares Mark. "Patients were so excited when I first started doing it. It was probably one of the

most rewarding things I've ever done."

Mark's holiday ritual is a reminder of the impact of small gestures during tough times. He says, "it's a lot of work, but it's all well worth it at the end of the day when you hit the switch."

Aspirus extends heartfelt appreciation to our dedicated grounds facility team members who infuse the holiday spirit into the communities we proudly serve across Wisconsin and Upper Michigan. Join us in celebrating their hard work and efforts in spreading joy throughout our facilities.

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## Super 2nd Chance Drawing to End this Year

### Last drawing will be on December 26, 2024

#### FOR MMC

Wisconsin Lottery players have just a few chances left to participate in the Super 2nd Chance Drawing before the weekly drawing comes to an end. The last Super 2nd Chance Drawing will be held on December 26, 2024.

The last three Super 2nd Change Drawings will be held on:

- December 11, 2024
- December 19, 2024
- December 26, 2024

Since June 3, the Lottery has been implementing a comprehensive communications plan across the state to ensure that players, retailers, and others are aware that the drawing is ending.

The Super 2nd Chance Drawing is a weekly

drawing that requires non-winning Wisconsin Lottery tickets for entry. Each entry needs to contain at least \$5 worth of non-winning Wisconsin Lottery scratch and/or lotto tickets that have not expired. To enter a Super 2nd Chance Drawing, players must mail in the entries to a special drawing address, listed on the back

of Wisconsin Lottery lotto and scratch tickets. Ten \$1,000 winners are drawn weekly.

After the final drawing on December 26, 2024, the Lottery has no plans to replace the Super 2nd Chance Drawing with another drawing. Wisconsin law does not allow for online entry from a residence at this time.

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# Innovative sports medicine partnership continues between UW-Stevens Point and Marshfield Clinic Health System

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University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point and Marshfield Clinic Health System have renewed their partnership for official sports medicine care through June 2027. This renewal builds on the high quality of comprehensive sports medicine care provided to student-athletes.

This medical model allows the athletic training staff, who are health system employees, provide seamless access to the entire system of services including team physician Dr. Chad Giles and team surgeon Dr. Jeffery Rossow.

There are seven full-time and several casual licensed athletic trainers supporting 26 collegiate teams of approximately 800 students. This level of support provides a dedicated athletic trainer for practices and events plus daily personalized care on campus. Athletes have full access to a highly trained sports medicine



**Marshfield Clinic Health System**

team. Dr. Giles and Dr. Rossow provide office hours on campus, in the training room or through field event coverage when attending games.

"We provide a full approach to sports medicine care including mental health support, rehabilitation services (including post operative return to play), efficient referral process," said Brock Reichardt, athletic training services manager.

The sports medicine team treats a wide range of injuries and illnesses including, but not limited to concussions, cardiovascular issues, orthopedic injuries, acute emergencies, eating disorders, viral illnesses, bacterial illnesses, skin disorders, lacerations, surgical cases, mental health, and other injuries and illnesses.

"Our continued partnership with Marshfield Clinic Health System merges two vital organizations in Central Wisconsin," said UW-Stevens Point Athletic Director Brad Duckworth. "UW-Stevens Point Athletics strives to provide our student-athletes the best experience in NCAA Division III athletics and having quality health care is an essential component. The world-renowned health care from Marshfield Clinic Health System gives our student athletes the best chance to compete at the highest level. I couldn't be more grateful for our continued partnership."

With this seamless access to care, the sports medicine team can be active with preventive resources, including early identification of injury and provide a rapid response

to care and recovery. This partnership continues the trailblazing medical model.

"This is a unique model at the Division III level," said Aaron Homolka, director of rehabilitation services. "No other Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC) school has a robust network of dedicated athletic trainers and team physicians working on campus."

The athletic training program is another example of the close partnerships

the Health System and UWSP have developed in the last several years. In 2018, the two organizations announced a partnership to

advance the development of the health care workforce by providing new education and training opportunities for students.

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Caregiving and TDS, along with grant funding from the Community Foundation of North Central Wisconsin.

For more information, please visit Marathon County Historical Society website www.marathoncountyhistory.org or call 715-842-5750.

The Marathon County Historical Society operates the Woodson History Center and the Yawkey House Museum. Our mission is to collect, preserve and disseminate the knowledge of the history of Marathon County and Wisconsin.

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The Intercity State Bank building project is being recognized as one of the most impressive and unique construction projects completed by a Wisconsin contractor in 2024. Associated Builders & Contractors (ABC) of Wisconsin will be honoring Keller, Inc. with a GOLD Projects of Distinction Excellence in Construction Award for the ground-up bank located in Weston, Wisconsin.

It all started with what Keller calls "Discovery". Discovery is an architectural programming step that Keller, Inc. (Keller) entered with the leadership team at Intercity State Bank.

Because of the in-depth nature of the Discovery process, it required several interview style meetings. This is an innovative program that is centered around the clients needs

instead of the Architect making all of the decisions for the client. The Keller Interior Designer used the same Discovery process, again keeping the client at the center of the design focus.

Intercity State Bank wanted a combination of new contemporary styling along with some matching of their corporate headquarters. An innovative steel lattice framework was used at the main, and the employee entrances. Natural stone was used as an accent and highlighted parts of the façade, and then the same stone was repeated throughout the building.

Keller used value engineering during the design and pricing phase to allow the client to decide the value of certain elements of the design. Keller starts its scheduling process with an interactive tool called a

"Calendar of Events". This tool kept Intercity State Bank completely aware of the design schedule and ultimate construction completion.

Once the construction contract was signed a more elaborate electronic schedule with milestone events implemented. Because Keller is a design/build self-performing general contractor, we were able to overcome supply chain and weather-related issues. Using ABC subcontractors helped us with productivity. Revit, Procore and Tremble were just some of the technologies incorporated into the project delivery.

The Projects of Distinction Awards recognizes construction projects that are built on merit and are judged by a panel of construction experts based on several criteria, including quality, owner satisfaction, unusual

challenges, and safety. The awards will be presented at a January banquet in Wisconsin Dells.

Projects are recognized in a number of different types and sizes of general construction and specialty trades. Projects are all completed between October 2023 and September 2024. "Projects of Distinction demonstrate the excellence in construction services by ABC of Wisconsin members," said Kelly Tourdot, president of ABC of Wisconsin. "These unique projects are evaluated by a panel of experts in the field, including architects, engineers and educators in the construction industry and allow Wisconsin's merit contractors to demonstrate their professionalism, craftsmanship and safety."


A list of the award winners can be found at [abcwi.org/POD](http://abcwi.org/POD).

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## Wisconsin's Top Tree Farms to Kick Off Your Holiday Traditions

What better way to kick off the holiday season than by picking a fresh tree to spruce up your home? Wisconsin has a deep-rooted love for holiday traditions, and choosing the perfect tree is one cherished by many. Not only is it a fun and festive activity, but it brings a sense of nostalgia for those who have enjoyed this tradition since childhood. Keep reading to discover some of the best tree farms around the state to make your holiday season extra special!

**Francis Trees | Rio, WI**  
 Kicking off our list is Francis Trees in Rio, Wisconsin, a second-generation tree farm owned by Gerald and Mona Francis. They purchased the farm from Gerald's parents in 2002 and reopened it in 2007. Francis Trees offers a variety of options, including Fraser fir, Balsam fir, Canaan fir,

and Concolor fir. This tree farm makes it easy for those who are looking for a convenient experience; you and your family can drive right out to the trees, pick your favorite, and even cut it yourself with a saw provided by the farm. If you're not comfortable with cutting your own, don't worry—Francis Tree's staff will cut it for you, and even help secure it to your vehicle for you. Beyond trees, they also offer holiday gifts, handmade wreaths, pre-cut trees, and more. It's the perfect spot to bring the whole family—pets included!

**Happ's Christmas Tree Farm | Wild Rose, WI**  
 Happ's Christmas Tree Farm in Wild Rose, Wisconsin, is known for its incredibly long-lasting trees—some customers have had them last until Easter! With over 35 years in business, this 40-acre farm offers a wide variety

of trees including Black Hills Spruce, Douglas fir, Balsam fir, Fraser fir, White Pine, and Concolor fir. On weekends, Happ's adds a festive touch with hayrides, and they'll even take a photo of you with your freshly cut tree and send it to you afterward! In addition to trees, they sell boughs, roping, and wreaths to ensure you have all of the necessary holiday decor.

**Steigerwaldt Tree Farms | Tomahawk, WI**  
 Last but not least is Steigerwaldt Tree Farms in Tomahawk, Wisconsin. If you're looking for a quick and easy tree-buying process, this is the place for you! With over 2,500 acres in five different counties of Wisconsin, Steigerwaldt Tree Farms makes finding your perfect tree a breeze. The farm grows Fraser fir, Balsam fir, and Black Hill Spruce trees, all nurtured by professional foresters

and ISA Certified Arborists. This third-generation farm has been a trusted name in wholesale trees and wreaths since 1957. Steigerwaldt Tree Farms also offers delivery, so you can enjoy the beauty of a fresh tree without leaving the comfort of your own home.

If you're ready to start a new holiday tradition, or even continue an old one, these Wisconsin tree farms have you covered!

Megan Christian hosts the nation's longest-running tourism TV show, Discover Wisconsin. Watch the show on Saturdays at 10 a.m. on Fanduel Sports Network (formerly Bally Sports Wisconsin) or online at [DiscoverWisconsin.com](http://DiscoverWisconsin.com). Follow Discover Wisconsin on Facebook ([facebook.com/discoverwisconsin](https://facebook.com/discoverwisconsin)), Instagram ([instagram.com/discoverwisconsin](https://instagram.com/discoverwisconsin)), and TikTok ([tiktok.com/discoverwisconsin](https://tiktok.com/discoverwisconsin)).

# Fiscal Facts: Moving Back to Budget Basics

Heading into the 2025-27 state budget, Wisconsin retains impressive reserves that put the state in a strong fiscal position. But at the same time, after soaring to previously unseen heights two years ago, Wisconsin's budget has predictably returned much closer to earth.

This means that state officials may wish to exercise caution this budget cycle -- especially with the prospect of large permanent tax cuts or spending increases.

Two years ago, the combination of record inflation and massive federal

pandemic aid boosted state tax collections, and -- when paired with relatively tight limits on spending -- produced unprecedented state surpluses. Those surpluses helped to build up state reserves that remain exceptionally large today.

As of next June, the state is projected to have about \$6 billion in reserves in its combined general and rainy-day fund balances. Those funds can be used to pay for state priorities but crucially, can only be tapped once.

Yet in some ways, the state's fiscal situation has

now reversed course from two years ago. Its main fund is now spending more than it is taking in, and the state's balances are falling. State leaders now have more reason to exercise caution in approving permanent spending and tax cuts than they did in November 2022.

A Forum analysis relies on projected tax collections and spending amounts in the state's general fund estimated by the Department of Administration (DOA) for the budget running from July 2025 to June 2027.

These numbers exclude

all new spending requests by state agencies, and thus do not represent a true surplus -- they should be seen as merely a starting point for the upcoming budget. Most notably, these figures do not account for the rising cost of maintaining existing services such as Medicaid health care for the poor, K-12 schools, local governments, prisons, technical colleges, and the Universities of Wisconsin.

Using this approach, we calculate that state general fund revenues are currently projected to exceed base spending with

some adjustments by \$838 million over the two-year budget. That's down from the \$6.8 billion in excess starting revenues that we calculated two years ago.

Looking ahead, the state's sizable reserves provide a substantial opportunity for state leaders to make investments in their chosen priorities. However, they would only cover large permanent spending increases or tax cuts for a limited time, and thus may be better directed toward onetime uses.

In recent years, despite the incredible turmoil of

the pandemic, the influx of federal aid and a relatively strong economy helped protect the state's finances. Yet there is no guarantee that this good fortune will last. Policymakers may wish to consider how much of their current reserves they should spend, and how much they should save in case of unforeseen shocks.

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## Cookies For Caregivers at the Veterans Weekly Cup-of-Coffee group meeting



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Dear Veterans: Thank you for your sacrifices, for your courage, and for putting your country first. We have our freedoms because of you.

We delivered close to 40 dozen freshly baked cookies to the Veterans Weekly Cup of Coffee group at Denny's in Rothschild on November 6, 2024. Words cannot describe this group adequately. They were so excited and appreciative for our cookies, when it's supposed to be US showing appreciation to THEM! We thoroughly enjoy this delivery each time it is made. Our heroes, our friends!

Thank you to all who baked and helped with this delivery, visiting with the veterans, and serving the cookies.

Over 80 Veterans and the Denny's staff enjoyed the cookies. The Vets also were able to take cookies home for their families to enjoy.

Cookies for Caregivers was started in Huntingdon, PA. during the COVID-19 experience in 2020. Since then, over 30 chapters have been launched in 21 different states. The local chapter here in the greater Wausau area, is currently the only one in Wisconsin.

If you are interested in recommending other community heroes for Cookies for Caregivers to thank or if you enjoy

baking or being a delivery helper, contact them on their Facebook page. [www.facebook.com/groups/cookiesforcaregiverswausauwi/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/cookiesforcaregiverswausauwi/)

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# Invasive Species Council Announces Nominations Now Open For 21st Annual Invasive Species Action Awards

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**DNR**  
The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) today announced that the Wisconsin Invasive Species Council is accepting nominations for the 21st annual Invasive Species Action Awards now through Feb. 16, 2025.

Award recipients are Wisconsin residents and organizations that have made significant contributions to preventing, controlling or eradicating invasive species that harm Wisconsin's native wildlife, wetlands, forests, prairies, lakes and rivers. Nominees can be individuals, groups or organizations that have demonstrated exemplary efforts to address issues surrounding terrestrial and aquatic invasive species.

The Wisconsin Invasive Species Council, an advisory council to the DNR, presents Invasive Species Action Awards for both volunteer and professional categories. A panel of judges selected by the council will review the nomination materials and select the award winners. All nominators and winners will be notified in April, followed by an award recognition ceremony in June to celebrate Invasive Species Action Month.

To submit a nomination, download and fill out the form available on the Wisconsin Invasive Species Council's webpage. The

deadline for submissions is midnight on Feb. 16, 2025.

Invasive species are nonnative plants and animals that cause ecological or economic harm, and some can affect human health. Once an invasive species is established in an area, it can be challenging to control.

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Friends of Wausau Historic Landmarks will hold its annual Sweet Landmarks of Wausau Gingerbread Contest Sat., Dec. 14, 2024, at the Woodson History Center. The contest is held each year in conjunction with Marathon County Historical Society's Holidays at the Houses event.

This year we are encouraging entries that not only represent Wausau area buildings, but buildings from throughout Marathon County. Entries do not need to be a local

building, but bonus points are given to entries that do.

Youth and adults are invited to bring a building made entirely of edible items, the majority of which is gingerbread, but can include candies, herbs, and other food items. The only part that can be non-edible is the base of the entry. Entries must represent an architectural style such as Victorian, Neo-Gothic, Commercial, Bungalow or Ranch. Bonus points will be awarded if the structure represents a building in Marathon

County such as a store along Third Street, the Exhibition Building at Marathon Park or your own house.

Entries should be brought to the Woodson History Center on Saturday, December 14 between 9:00 am and 12:00 pm (noon). There will be three age categories: youth (up to age 11), teen (12-17), and adult (18 and over). Teams are allowed, but the prize money will be split among team members.

Judging, by three local judges, will begin at

noon, with awards to be announced at about 1:00 pm. Prizes in each division are \$50 for first place, \$25 for second place and \$15 for third place.

Entries will remain on display at the Woodson History Center through the holidays following the contest. The gingerbread buildings will be open for viewing during Woodson History Center's business hours (Tuesday-Friday 9:00 am-4:30 pm; Saturday-Sunday 1:00-4:30 pm). If you have further questions please call Christine at 715-212-9922.



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