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## Sanford Health and Marshfield Clinic Health System complete merger Combined nonprofit integrated health system will transform care delivery in rural Midwest

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#### SANF#RD HEALTH

Sanford Health, the largest rural health system in the U.S., headquartered Sioux Falls, South Dakota, and Marshfield Clinic Health System, have completed their merger and are now one nonprofit integrated health system

operating as Sanford Health, Health. marking the beginning of a new chapter for the future of rural health care.

"Today's historic milestone paves the way for us to advance worldclass care across the rural Midwest and accelerate vital investments in the communities we have the privilege of serving," said Gassen, president CEO of Sanford

"Together, we will reimagine the future of local, patient-centered nonprofit health care expanding services. enhancing access and harnessing innovative technologies to improve the health of our communities. We are thrilled to welcome 13,000 new employees from Marshfield Clinic Health System to our Sanford family and look forward to embracing all of the new possibilities that lie ahead."

The Marshfield Clinic region is a new health services delivery region of Sanford Health that continue to

communities in Wisconsin Michigan's Upper Peninsula. Additionally, each organization's respective health plans, Sanford Health Plan and Security Health Plan, will continue current operations under a common management reporting and governance structure.

"Our partnership brings together two organizations deeply committed advancing health care for the people and communities we serve in rural America," said Brian Hoerneman, M.D.. who previously served as interim CEO of Marshfield Clinic Health System and has now transitioned to the role of President and CEO of the Marshfield Clinic region of Sanford Health. "I am excited about the opportunities ahead as our teams learn from each other and combine our complementary strengths, cultures and missions. Together, we will build on our shared legacy, creating a future where every person, regardless of zip code, has access to the best possible care."

The combined system will serve patients and communities across the upper Midwest, including South Dakota, North Dakota, Minnesota, Wyoming, Iowa,

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Wisconsin and the upper peninsula of Michigan. The organization includes nearly 56,000 employees, 56 hospitals, 4,500 providers, two fully integrated health plans, specialty pharmacies and nationally recognized research institutions. Sanford Health Plan and Security Health Plan will serve more than 425,000 members.

Additionally:

· Dr. Brian Hoerneman will continue to lead the newly established region in his new role as regional president and CEO. He is a native of Marshfield, Wisconsin, and a practicing medicine emergency physician.

· Sanford Health Plan and Security Health Plan will continue current operations under common management reporting and governance structures. The health plans will be led by Dr. Tommy Ibrahim, executive vice president and president and CEO of Sanford Health Plan. Krista Hoglund serves as regional president and CEO of Security Health Plan and reports to Dr. Ibrahim.

Physicians continue to have a critical voice in the direction of the combined organization through Sanford Health's robust physician governance structure. Like all of Sanford Health's regions, the new Marshfield Clinic region has a Physician Executive Council, which will feature Marshfield Clinic physician leaders. Three members of the Physician Executive Council will serve on the system's Council of Governors (COG). These physicians are Jay Vedre, M.D., MPH, Kent Ray, DO, MSc, and Matt Thomas, M.D.

Marshfield Clinic Health System (MCHS) will become a region of Sanford Health. The Marshfield brand will continue to be predominant within the Marshfield Clinic region.

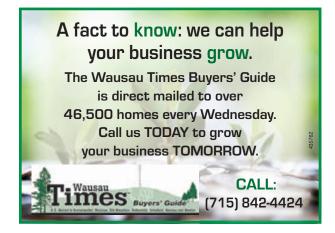
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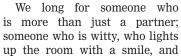
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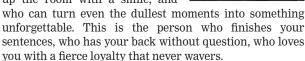
## **Finding The Perfect** Someone

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these things, but without someone to share them with, what do they really mean? Isn't life truly about finding that perfect someone—a person who turns the ordinary into extraordinary?





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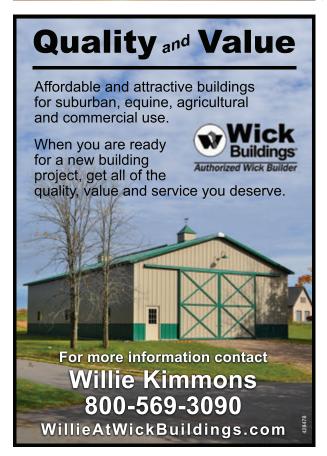
But what happens when that magical connection is suddenly severed? How do you navigate life without the person who brought joy to your every day, who was your constant in a world full of change? How do you move forward knowing that no one will ever quite match what they brought to your life?

Finding the perfect person means everything. It's a rare and beautiful gift that, once lost, leaves a void nothing else can fill.

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





## Tabletop roleplaying games social hour at MCPL Wausau

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invited to join fellow tabletop enthusiasts for gaming a social hour dedicated discussing tabletop roleplaying games, forming new gaming groups, and connecting with other players. This event will be held at the Marathon County Public Library's Wausau Headquarters (300 N. First St., Wausau) on January 18 from 2:30-4:30pm.

Are you interested playing tabletop

roleplaying (TTRPGs), but don't have your own party? Are you a DM or GM looking for a group to play? From beginner to expert, all are welcome to visit the library to discuss TTRPGs and form new adventuring parties.

This event is free and open to adults, no registration required. For more information, call 715-261-7230 or visit https://mcpl.us/event/ wausau-gather-yourparty/

## **Marshfield Clinic Research Institute led lab testing** for investigation into the largest known U.S. blastomycosis outbreak at Michigan paper mill

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Marshfield Clinic Health System

Marshfield Clinic Research Institute tested nearly 500 environmental samples during the multi-state, multiinvestigation agency into the largest known blastomycosis outbreak in the United States, which sickened workers at an Escanaba, Michigan paper mill and resulted in one death.

In March 2023, a cluster atypical pneumonia cases, many of which were attributed to mill workers at the Billerud paper mill in Escanaba, was reported to the local health department. Investigators from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's

(CDC) National Institute for Occupational Safety Health (NIOSH), working with health partners, facilitated blastomycosis finding through a medical survey and conducted an environmental assessment. A survey of 645 mill workers showed that 162 people (25%) were identified with blastomycosis between Nov. 1, 2022, and May 15, 2023, according to a study published online Dec. 30 in the CDC's weekly Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report. Overall, an estimated 20% of workers at the paper mill in Michigan tested positive for blastomycosis.

Blastomycosis disease infectious rare caused by inhalation of Blastomyces fungal spores the environment.

Blastomyces is found in moist soil or decaying wood and leaves, often near rivers and lakes. Blastomycosis incubates over a two-week to three-month period and pulmonary illness is most common, ranging from mild, respiratory symptoms to severe, potentially fatal pneumonia.

Blastomycosis is an endemic and reportable disease in Michigan with 186 cases reported between 2007-2017. Blastomycosis does not spread from person to person.

Jennifer Meece, Ph.D., is the executive director Marshfield Clinic Research Institute and has researched blastomycosis for more than 20 years, investigating outbreaks throughout the Midwest. She said it's critical to launch a comprehensive investigation as soon as possible when clusters of potential blastomycosis cases are reported.

"Blastomycosis difficult symptoms because its often mimic respiratory illnesses, like pneumonia, making it hard to distinguish clinically," Meece said. "Diagnosis requires seeing the fungus in tissue samples through a culture or microscope. It's important for patients to begin treatment with antifungal medication as soon as possible, and to attempt to find the source of the exposure to prevent others from inhaling the spores."

#### Digging into the cause of the outbreak

In addition to being the largest blastomycosis outbreak ever reported in the U.S., this was the first associated with a paper mill or other industrial worksite. The mill's location along a riverway in a wooded environment is consistent with Blastomyces habitat. Blastomyces typically does

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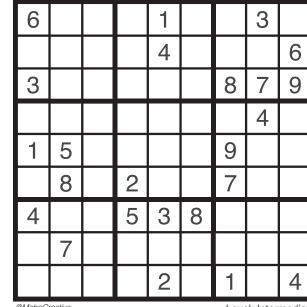
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not propagate indoors; the spores potentially entered the building through unfiltered ventilation systems, open doors, and caused the exposure over several months.

Meece and her team of researchers were asked to join the Escanaba outbreak investigation based on past experience researching public health outbreaks. Their previous blastomycosis included looking at people who have certain racial and ethnic backgrounds and may need more aggressive treatment and closer monitoring.

Marshfield Clinic Research Institute and the Wisconsin State Laboratory Hygiene analyzed environmental samples for Blastomyces by polymerase chain reaction (PCR) and culture for identification. Environmental samples collected included soil, wood chips, indoor surface dust, and water, dust, duct lining and filters from HVAC systems. Among 533 indoor and outdoor samples analyzed, no Blastomyces was detected and the specific environmental factors in or around the mill that led to this outbreak remain unknown.

"This was not unexpected outcome as Blastomyces is an elusive organism," Meece said. "It is rare, if not unheard of, that the exact source of a blastomycosis outbreak has ever been detected in the environment."

### **MERGER**

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new Trustees are Dr. George Brown, Thomas Wenzel and Dr. Maureen McCausland.

· A regional board of community leaders is being established to govern the operations and strategy of the Marshfield Clinic region.

An integration process underway to create unified organization. Patients will continue to receive care from the same trusted providers at the same locations, with no immediate changes. Moving forward together under the Sanford Health parent organization will bring more resources, expertise and innovation to patient care in communities across the rural Midwest.



Most holy Apostle, St. Jude, I place myself in your care. Pray for me: help me remember that I am not alone in my struggles. Please join me in asking God to send me hope in my sorrow, courage in my fear, and healing in the midst of my challenges. Please ask our loving God to fill me with the grace to accept whatever my life holds and to strengthen my faith in

His healing power. Thank you St. Jude, for the promise of hope you hold to all who believe, and inspire me to give this gift of hope to others. Amen M.S.

## **Buska Retirement Solutions, Inc. Supports Local Veterans**

STORY COURTESY OF MIKE HEILMANN PRESIDENT, **VETERANS WEEKLY CUP-OF-COFFEE. INC.** 

Buska Retirement Solutions in Wausau has sponsored coffee at the Veterans Weekly Cup-of-Coffee group meetings once a month since July. Stephanie Grauden. Marketing Director at Buska visited the group on Wednesday, December 11, 2024 to personally thank them for their service. Doug Wendt, Health Insurance Consultant and Logan Woller, Private Wealth Advisor and Retirement Plan Consultant from Buska also attended previous meeting to honor the veterans.

In the last 12 years the group has grown to over

730 members and over 85 of them attend the weekly Wednesday 10:00 am meeting at Denny's in Rothschild. The meetings offer a safe place for veterans to gather and enjoy a cup of coffee, a meal and camaraderie. Guest speakers offer veteran services and support. The group provides information of interest to veterans and moral support for each other.

The group also provides assistance with needed resources including free meal delivery to veterans. The group has donated over 1700 meals to Wausau area veterans and their families to thank them for their service. Veterans of any age or era are welcome at the meetings. "Just grab a chair and say hello".



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# **Competition hot and heavy at Wausau Curling Center**

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As 2025 gets under way, the curling action really picks up at the Wausau Curling Center on Wausau's southeast side.

Major bonspiels (curling tournaments) are scheduled for nearly every weekend over the next two months, including women's competition, high school action, the Badger State Winter Games, the men's invitational and more.

The public is welcome to come out to the Curling Center at 1920 Curling Way, and view the action at no charge. Wausau curling is also live streamed on the Wausau Curling Club's YouTube channel.

Competition begins this weekend with the popular Highlanders bonspiel, featuring women's teams from the local club as well as across the region. Curling starts with first draws at 6 p.m., Friday, Jan. 10. Play continues all day Saturday with the finals set for Sunday morning, Jan. 12. Curlers not only compete on the ice but celebrate the Scottish tradition of the sport throughout the weekend.

The following weekend, Jan. 17-18, high school curlers from across the region will be in Wausau for the annual Tietge bonspiel. The event is named for former Wausau high school curling coach Dennis Tietge, and in addition to Wausau area high school teams, draws teams from Wisconsin and Minnesota. It is reportedly the largest high school curling event in the United States. Competition starts Friday and continues until late afternoon on Saturday.

On Friday, Jan. 24, the local senior curlers will compete in the annual "Oldies but Goodies" fun day. Two-person teams will be drawn in the morning and competition will continue until the afternoon. Most senior curlers use push sticks to deliver the curling rocks, rather than sliding on the ice.

The next day, Saturday, Jan. 25, the All-American bonspiel will take place. This event is sponsored across the nation by the U.S. Women's Curling Association and is open to women curlers from the local Wausau club.

The 37th annual Badger State Winter games curling competition will take place the weekend of Jan. 31-Feb. 2. Curling was one of the original sports in the first winter games in Wausau in 1989.

Competition among

adult, junior, and college division curlers will commence on Friday night and wrap up on Sunday. Teams can still register online before Jan. 29 at the Visit Wausau website, visitwausau.com. The college division is new this year.

The next weekend, Feb. 7-9, the Wausau Men's Invitational will take place. This event draws men's teams from Wisconsin and other states. Curling begins Friday night and continues through final rounds on Sunday.

The Wisconsin State High School Championships are set for Feb. 14-15. This event draws boy's and girl's high school teams from around the state, including local teams from D.C. Everest, Wausau East and Wausau West high schools. The Wausau West boy's team is defending state champion.

After a two-week break, the Wausau Curling Club will host its annual Silver Spoon bonspiel for members and non-members on Feb. 28-March 2. On Saturday, March 15, the local season will close with the club's Annual Club Championships.

Information for curlers and spectators can be accessed at www. wausaucurling.org. or on the Wausau Curling Club's Facebook page.

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#### Located inside the Jr. Activities building at the Central Wisconsin Fairgrounds, 513 East 17th St., Marshfield, WI

Tim Schindler Auctions & Estate specialists of Central WI is proud to present the second auction of the estate of Kenneth & Ardyce Heiting. This is a live in person auction, if you cannot attend, please feel free to contact Mitch or Tim for absentee bidding options. There will be an open house to preview items on Friday, Jan. 17 from 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. Doors will be open on Sat. at 8:00 a.m.

FURNITURE: oak lawyer's stacking bookcases; rare Globe Wernicke oak drop front desk w/bookcase; oak drop front desks; primitive pie & jelly cupboards w/old paint; primitive benches; oak & mahogany parlor tables; oak telephone chair; butternut 3 dr. wash stands; early immigrants trunk; walnut Eastlake style parlor table; Victorian parlor chairs; Victorian oval marble top parlor table; Victorian parlor sofa & settee; rare schoolhouse pull down maps w/ oak cabinet; oak printer's cabinet;

LAMPS: several leaded stained glass & slag glass lamps; French style torchiere pole lamps; Victorian cast iron pull down hanging oil lamps; cast iron oil lamp brackets & reflectors; & many others;

POTTERY & MISC ANTIQUES: RW 3 & 4 gal. churns; RW crocks & jugs; McCoy & Weller pottery; Victorian glass & cracker jars; Spode china; Wallace sterling silver flatware; .999 silver one oz. bars; several blue & white swirl graniteware pieces; Jadite tea & coffee canisters; Ig. wooden dough bowl; primitive wooden bowls; Ig. 2 wheel General Store coffee grinder; vintage quilts & rugs; German beer steins; 1932 WI hunting license button; wooden duck decoys; Marshfield Brewery crate; tramp art boxes; German feather tree; vintage Christmas items; costume jewelry; antique oil paintings & early lithograph pictures; 1905 Frederic Remington print; JFK assassination papers; Victorian wicker stroller, Marshfield State Bank notary stamp; Victorian picture frames; primitive boxes; woven wicker baskets; cast iron bookends, stained glass window, Texas Longhorn mount; Griswold cast iron pieces; wall mount coffee grinder; antique kitchen items; Bus Stop metal sign; wicker fishing creels; Victorian photo album & tin types; WWI history books, old toys & marbles; mantle clocks; Native American prints & So much more!!

**COINS:** Walking Liberty & Franklin half dollars; Washington quarters; Roosevelt & mercury dimes; wheat pennies.

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## Volunteer Opportunities for the Week of January 6, 2025

**UNITED WAY** 

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Young Professionals

Wanted! The United Way of Marathon County Emerging Leaders group is partnering with Be Amazing school-based clubs to make fleece tie blankets for veterans participating in the upcoming Honor Flight. Join us on January

8, 5-7pm, at Marathon County Public Library to prepare blanket materials! Register at unitedwaymc. org/volunteer or contact Emily at echampine@ unitedwaymc.org.

Help At The AARP Tax-Aide Call Center! Shifts on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays need to be filled to cover the many calls we receive. Training provided. Please contact Lette Becker at (715) 848-3889 or plettb6@gmail.com to get started.

Looking For Rewarding Experience? Interim Hospice volunteers help maximize quality of life when quantity of life is limited. There are many ways to provide support to these patients, such as visiting with them and sharing their favorite activities, as well as running errands and providing respite to families and caregivers. Call Maya at (715) 842-7707. ext. 2711, to talk more about how you can help.

Driver Needed! Aspirus Hospital is looking for an EZ Rider transport driver to operate a golf cart-style vehicle to help patients visitors and navigate hospital. Flexible daytime schedule! Contact Volunteer Services office at (715) 847-2848 or volunteers@aspirus.org with interest or apply directly at aspirus.org/ become-a-volunteer.

Is Your Dog Therapy Certified? Heartland Hospice is looking for volunteers and their therapy dogs to provide companionship and social interaction for their patients who enjoy animals. All dogs must be current on vaccines and certification. Please contact Mary if you have questions about this rewarding opportunity or the certification process: (715) 344-4541, mary.dulske@ heartlandhospice.com.

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BOOT The Cold For Kids! Nicolet National Bank is collecting new, kids' winter boots and cold-weather gear for the United Way Community Closet through January 10. Choose a gift from their giving tree or just drop off donations at their new bank location, 511 S. 28th Ave. in Wausau. Please contact Alanna at (715) 748-8305 or aschubring@nicoletbank. com with questions.

Prepared Meals Needed! The Aspirus Family House provides temporary housing for patients and families traveling here for specialty or long-term care. Donated snacks and meals can also ease their financial burden. Please contact the Volunteer Office at (715) 847-2848 or volunteers@aspirus.org to arrange delivery.

### AUCTION

SATURDAY, JAN. 11. 2025 • 9:30 A.M. LUNCH AVAILABLE

#### Located inside the Old School Owen, WI (101 W. 3rd St.)

Note: This is a partial listing, see website for full list & photos Antiques & Collectibles: Mills slot machines, Caille Bros. slot machine; brass National cash register, slag glass lamp; Aladdin lamps & heater; prism lamps & candleholders, framed theater playbills, Victola phonograph, antique German symphonion music box w/several metal discs; 36 string Irish made harp; Zenith radio, misc. clocks, Norwegian ship's compass, Fenton coin dot glassware; other misc. glassware; Coca Cola items; Buster Brown shoe store mannequins, store displays, misc. old metal signs; adv. matches, milk & cream bottles, oil lamps, green & white porcelain service station lights (some new old stock); Muskie lures; beer trays, signs & mirrors, Marshfield Lager beer glassware; Western RR portable telephone; model steam engines, lg. steam gauge; lightning rods & balls, trap tags; marbles; cast iron fry pans; pewter & silverplate, vintage toy airplanes including Marx wind up; vintage Pyrex; coffee grinders; adv. tins;

Over 50 pieces of RW & Other Stoneware: RW cherry band pitchers w/adv.; RW 10 gal. birch leaf ice water cooler; RW 5 gal. water cooler w/lid; RW 25 gal. squatty crock; RW 15 gal. water cooler crock; RW birch leaf crocks (15, 10, 4, 3, & 2 gal.); RW crocks (15, 12, 10, 8, 6, 4, 5, 3, & 2 gal.); RW 3, 4 & 5 gal. jugs; RW Ko-Rec feeder; 3 gal. salt glaze beehive crock; WI & Rowe pottery; RW adv. bowls; asst. of Watt's pottery (apple); lots of asst. other jugs, crocks & bowls.

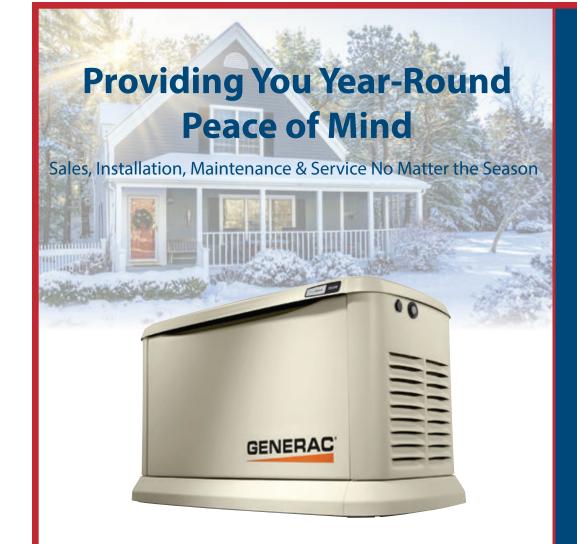
Furniture, Outdoor Items & Misc.: mid century modern table & chairs, mid century modern stylist chair, mid century modern pole lamps, 4 chairs w/rush seats; brass towel rack; wood school desks; recurve bows; tackle box w/tackle; Crosely tabletop jukebox; 7.5 h.b. Evinrude Fleetwin outboard motor.

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## **Aspirus Health Announces** the Top Baby Names of 2024

**ASPIRUS HEALTH** 

Aspirus Health is excited to announce the top baby names of 2024 as chosen by families across our health system (excluding Aspirus St. Luke's). This year, the names Henry and Evelyn topped the list for boys and girls, reflecting timeless and elegant choices by parents in our community.

Out of a total of 2,911 live births at Aspirus facilities during the 2024 calendar year, 1,427 were baby girls.

Top Boys' Names of 2024: Henry-47Oliver - 29Liam – 28

Top Girls' Names of 2024: Evelvn - 23Charlotte - 21 Violet - 19

Aspirus Health continues to be a part of this joyous moment for families by supporting safe, healthy deliveries across system. The names reflect not only a love for classic meaningful names also the diversity but and creativity of families throughout our region.

comparison, year's most popular names included Levi, Oliver, and Hudson for boys and Amelia, Harper, and Emma for girls.

## Top 3 Baby Names of 2024



## Learn About Fisheries Management In Northeast Wisconsin At **Upcoming DNR Public Meetings**

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources announced it will host a series of informational meetings across the state's northeast region to educate anglers various fisheries on management and habitat topics.

The meetings are part of a spotlight series highlighting various fisheries in Green Bay, the Winnebago System and inland waters in northeast Wisconsin. Over the next few months, the sessions will be held both in person and virtually via Microsoft Teams from 6-8pm, giving the public a chance to meet and learn from their local fishery resource DNR specialists

More information on these meetings, including Microsoft Teams login info, can be found on the DNR's Meetings and Hearings calendar.

The Balancing Act: Management Walleve In Florence And Forest **Counties** 

Presenter: Greg Matzke, DNR Senior Fisheries **Biologist** 

When: Jan. 14, 2025 Where: Wild Rivers Interpretive Center 5628 Forestry Drive

Florence, WI 54121 The Winnebago

System: **History** And Status Of Lake Sturgeon And Walleye Management

Presenters: Margaret Stadig, DNR Senior Biologist Fisheries and Angelo Cozzola, Senior Fisheries Biologist

When: Jan. 22, 2025 Where: Fox Valley Technical College

150 N Campbell Road Oshkosh Riverside

Campus, Room 133 Oshkosh, WI 54902

Northeast Wisconsin Trout Habitat Management

Jonathan Presenters: Pyatskowit, DNR Fisheries Habitat Specialist and Kyle Kossel, DNR Habitat Technician

When: Jan. 28, 2025 Where: Shawano Middle School

1050 South Union Street

Shawano, WI 54166 Wautoma Area **Fisheries Updates** 

Presenter: Scott Bunde, DNR Senior Fisheries

Biologist When: Feb. 5, 2025

Where: Wautoma High School Library 514 S. Cambridge Street

Wautoma, WI 54982 Shawano Lake Walleye Movement & Survey Results Of 2024 Area

Presenter: Elliot Hoffman, DNR Senior Fisheries Biologist

Surveys

When: Feb. 11, 2025 Where: Shawano Middle School

1050 South Union Street LGI Room

Shawano, WI 54166

Where Do Fish Go, The Peshtigo River Array And High Falls Walleye **Movement Projects** 

Presenter: Chip Long, Senior Fisheries DNR Biologist

When: Feb. 19, 2025 Where: Peshtigo DNR Field Office

101 N Ogden Road Peshtigo, WI 54157 Brown Trout On Green

Presenter: Tammie Paoli, DNR Senior Fisheries **Biologist** 

When: Feb. 26, 2025

Where: Peshtigo DNR Field Office

101 N Ogden Road Peshtigo, WI 54157

Green Bay Walleye Muskellunge Management

Presenter: Jason Breeggemann, DNR Senior Fisheries Biologist

When: March 3, 2025

Where: Green Bay DNR Service Center

2984 Shawano Avenue Green Bay, WI 54313

Habitat Management Of Central Wisconsin **Trout Streams** 

Presenter: Shawn Sullivan, DNR Fisheries

Habitat Specialist When: March 10, 2025 Where: Waushara WWII

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The Wausau American Legion Post 10 delivered over 250 Christmas meals to the homes of Veterans and their families on Wednesday, December 18, 2024. The delivered meals were by twenty-six volunteer drivers. Roger Mathison, National Vice Commander of the American Legion visited Post 10 to see how the meal program works. He rode in the post truck for meal deliveries with Past Commander Larry Jager, Historian Mike Heilmann and Scott Brainard, a great supporter of the post.

The post has provided over 6,500 "Safe at Home" meals for Veterans and widows in the past four years. The meal deliveries are just one of the ways that the post thanks Veterans for their service.

Many volunteers including those from the Samuels Group helped

package the meals with cookies for delivery. The delicious meals were prepared by Bunkers Restaurant in Wausau and the cookies were baked and donated by the Hadley's.

The post is always looking to help more Veterans with meal deliveries. You can call the post reservation line at 715-298-1606 to be added to the meal delivery list for their next delivery. Please call and leave a name and phone number. Families and caregivers are also encouraged to call for their veteran. The meals are free for Wausau area Veterans and widows.

Post 10 thanks all of the volunteers, members and non-members, who make it possible to provide this valuable Veteran service. The post also appreciates the support from our local businesses and community

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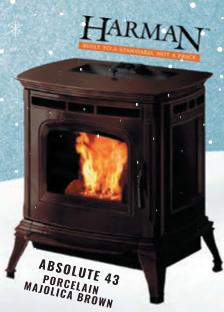
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