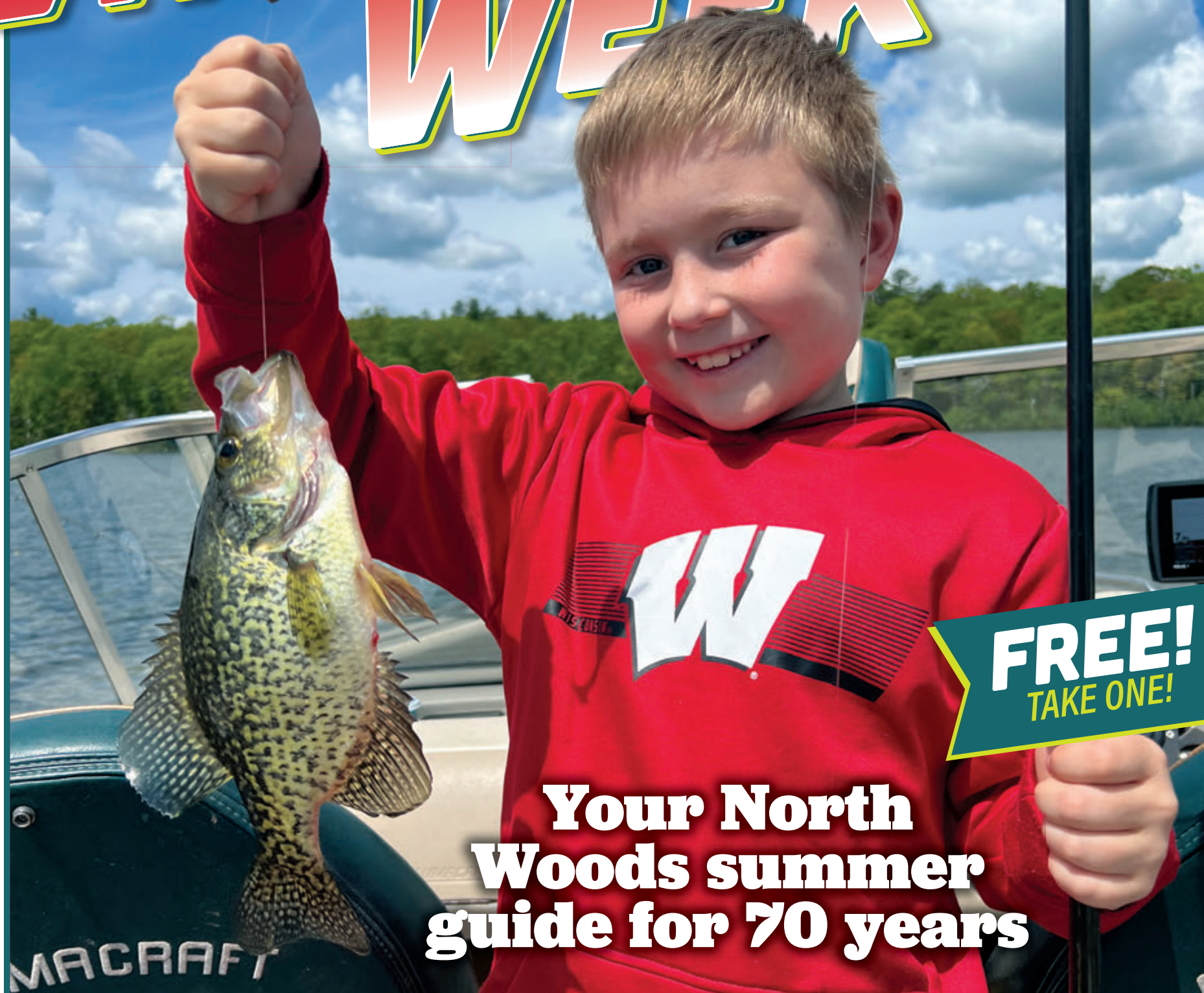


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# Music, ski shows, events slated throughout the North

Area chambers of commerce and organizations hold different events in the North Woods to accommodate visitors who already visit the area in the summer.

The activities planned range from craft fairs to live entertainment and parades.

In addition to the events listed here, some weekly events are planned around the area as well, including waterski shows, live music, and more. For information on things happening in a specific town, visit the corresponding chamber of commerce website.

The following is a list of events and activities provided by tourism officials and other sources.

Detailed stories from some of these events can be found in this publication.

#### JUNE 19, AQUA DEVILS SKI SHOW

— The Three Lakes Aqua Devils waterski team will host a show from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Big Stone Lake. Shows are held on Wednesdays and Saturdays at 6:30 p.m. from mid-June through mid-August. Visit [www.aquadevils.org](http://www.aquadevils.org).

**JUNE 19, CONCERT CRAWL** — The St. Germain Concert Crawl will kick off at 6:30 p.m. featuring Jenna Jane. Each Wednesday, the crawl will be held at a different restaurant or bar in town. Visitors are encouraged to bring a lawn chair or blanket. Visit [st-germain.com](http://st-germain.com) for the schedule.

**JUNE 19, MUSIC ON MAIN STREET** — Boulder Junction will host a live entertainment series. Bret and Frisk will be performing in downtown Boulder Junction and the event will continue on select days from 6 to 8 p.m. until August. Visit [boulderjct.org](http://boulderjct.org) for full details.

**JUNE 19, TENNIS ROUND ROBINS** — The Greater Eagle River Tennis Association will host a social tennis event every Wednesday, Friday, and Sunday. Contact [greatereaglerivertennis@gmail.com](mailto:greatereaglerivertennis@gmail.com) for more information.



The Three Lakes Aqua Devils waterski team performs every Wednesday and Saturday from mid-June through mid-August starting at 6:30 p.m.

**JUNE 20, MANITOWISH WATERS FLEA AND FARMERS MARKET** — Every Thursday during the summer, the Manitowish Waters Community Center grounds host a flea and farmers market, offering fresh produce as well as traditional art from craft vendors. The event is held from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Contact 715-686-2033.

**JUNE 20, LAKE NOKOMIS CRANBERRY TOURS** — The Lake Nokomis Cranberry Marsh is offering tours of the marsh to the public Monday through Saturday each week through September at varying times. Contact 715-479-6546 or visit [lakenokomiscranberries.com](http://lakenokomiscranberries.com) for the schedule.

**JUNE 21, MUSIC ON THE LAKE** — The Phelps Chamber of Commerce will host its concert series Music on the Lake, on the shores of North Twin Lake. It runs from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Visit [phelpswi.us](http://phelpswi.us) for the band schedule.

**JUNE 21, SUMMER NIGHT MARKET** — The Manitowish Waters Summer Night Market kicks off at the Community Center grounds for one of three nights on June 21. It will run from 3 to 8:30 p.m. The free event offers a range of local ven-

dors, food, drinks and live music.

**JUNE 21-22, POWERBOAT SHOOTOUT** — Three Lakes will host the annual Powerboat Shootout on June 22 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Big Stone Lake featuring speedboat radar runs and awards. Admission and parking is free. Contact 715-546-3344 or visit [threelakesshootout.org](http://threelakesshootout.org) for more information.

**JUNE 21-23, BASEBALL CLASSIC** — The Northwoods Baseball Classic youth baseball tournament will be held at Don Burnside Park in Three Lakes. The tournament features teams across four age divisions. Proceeds support park facilities in Three Lakes. Contact 715-543-8488.

**JUNE 22, CANOE AND KAYAK RACE** — The annual Callie Rohr Memorial Canoe and Kayak race will be held on the headwaters of the Wisconsin River, with 14-mile and eight-mile races starting near Conover. Contact 715-547-3639.

**JUNE 24, BINGO** — Bingo is every Monday in St. Germain. Things kick off at 7 p.m. and 10 games are played, along with numerous door prizes and a 50/50 raffle.

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# Shoeder's RV and Marine offers both winter and summer rentals

Shoeder's RV and Marine Center in Rhinelander started business over 30 years ago and offers a wide variety of equipment for time spent outdoors in the North Woods.

The friendly staff help to make the shopping experience a pleasant one.

For customers in the summer, Shoeder's rents and sells pontoon boats, ski boats, fishing boats, and travel trailers, along with parts and accessories. In the winter, they rent snowmobiles and sell snowmobile clothing and accessories.

Shoeder's carries Arctic Cat ATVs and UTVs as the sport gains popularity in the North Woods.

"What's great about ATVs and UTVs is that you can use them for 10 or 11 months out of the year," shared co-owner Scott Borths.

Shoeder's RV and Marine also has supplies for winter with a selection of Arctic Cat and Polaris snowmobiles for customers to use while exploring trails in the area.

The RV and marine center at Shoeder's carries travel trailers, fifth wheel campers, fishing boats,

pontoons, boat trailers, loose motors, and ShoreMaster docks.

Starting recently, Shoeder's now also carries Starcraft deck boats and Ice Castles. New this year, Shoeder's is also back in the car business. They have numerous low mileage, used vehicles in inventory.

This Rhinelander business also offers numerous lines of Jayco and Keystone campers in many different styles and sizes for every kind of recreational need.

In addition, Shoeder's RV and Marine carries Ranger and Crestliner fishing boats, as well as Flagship, Starcraft and Viaggio pontoon boats, any of which are suitable for time spent on the water.

Customers are offered a selection of styles, floor plans and colors to choose from when purchasing a boat at Shoeder's.

Customers are also encouraged to come experience all of the different types of boats on display in the showroom before deciding which boat suits their needs.

In addition to the showroom, Shoeder's RV and Marine also of-

fers a full service parts department. Shoeder's staff provides warranty work on the brands they carry, but also can service almost any type of boat or camper.

"Our parts department is stocked for numerous different brands," said co-owner Ali Shoeder. "If we don't carry what you need, we can always order any parts for a particular problem."

"We have everything for camping and boating necessities," said Shoeder.

From RV toilet paper to campfire grills and popcorn poppers, Shoeder's RV and Marine carries many accessories for land or water use.

Also offered is a selection of tubes, ropes, waterskis, life jackets and more to ensure a safe and fun experience on any lake.

For year-round recreational fun, visit Shoeder's RV and Marine, located at 2230 N. Stevens St. For information, visit shoedersmarine.com or call (715) 365-7722.



Shoeder's RV and Marine carries travel trailers, campers, fishing boats, pontoons, loose motors, and ShoreMaster docks.

## ABOUT THE COVER



Fishing appeals to people of all ages, and northern Wisconsin has lakes and rivers in spades for residents and visitors to take part in the relaxing hobby. Here, a young boy pulls a freshly caught bluegill out of a North Woods lake during a recent fishing trip.

— Contributed Photo

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Food is available for purchase from St. Germain Primetimers.

**JUNE 24, WILDLIFE PROGRAM** — The Northwoods Children's Museum offers free educational programming by the Northwoods Wildlife Center on Mondays throughout the summer at 10:30 a.m. No registration is required and all ages are welcome to participate. Some programs will include live animals. Contact 715-479-4623 for more information.

**JUNE 25, CONCERTS IN THE PARK** — The Three Lakes Historical Society will host a live music event every Tuesday at 7 p.m. through August. GBs Dance Band will perform at the gazebo in Cy Williams Park in Three Lakes. Contact 715-546-2292 or visit the Three Lakes Historical Society's Facebook page.

**JUNE 26, PICNIC IN THE PARK** — The Northwoods Living Care Foundation Picnic in the Park event is on Wednesday, June 26, at Wavering Park from 5-8:30 p.m.

There will be burgers, brats, hot dogs or pulled pork for sale for \$7. Kids 10 and under can get a hot-dog, chips and juice for free.

The Phelps Fire Department volunteers will be selling soda and beer.

Pine River Band will also offer live music for the event.

# Nelson's Ace Hardware expands Stihl battery tools, Weber grills

Always ready to deliver the most up-to-date products on the market today, Nelson's Ace Hardware has expanded its line of Stihl battery-powered tools and now carries the all-new Weber Slate Griddles.

Offering more power and lighter tools than ever before, Stihl has more models to choose from in a line that includes blowers, trimmers, sprayers, cutters and chainsaws.

Customers browsing their Wall Street store in downtown Eagle River will find grills by Weber, Green Egg and Traeger, including standup Weber griddles, griddle inserts and the company's latest innovation — rust-resistant slate griddles.

Weber's new Gourmet BBQ System was unveiled earlier this year, with inserts and accessories that make it possible to grill everything from pizza and casseroles to breakfast waffles.

The eight different inserts include a sear grate, pizza stone, poultry roaster, griddle, Dutch oven, wok set, waffle maker and sandwich maker.

For 71 years, customer service and quality products have made Nelson's Ace Hardware a retail leader in the North Woods.

Each year since 1953, Nelson's Ace has received awards for its commitment to providing superior customer service, retail excellence, and supporting the community. The business holds true to its motto as being "the helpful place."

"The goal of the business is to provide friendly, knowledgeable and helpful service, as well as high-quality products," said co-owner David Eibner. "Whether it is paint, light bulbs, power tools, or better quality dog food, we never stop working to satisfy the needs of our customers."

With an array of equipment, products, and services to help visitors and residents enjoy their summer vacation, Nelson's Ace is the place to gear up for grilling out, getting the yard up to par, and finding the right tool for getting jobs



Nelson's Ace Hardware is an authorized dealer of Stihl and Ariens, and provides service and repair for all Stihl products.

done on the "to-do" list.

As the advanced system of pellet grills grew in popularity the past five years, Nelson's Ace enhanced its supply and selection of both Traeger pellet grills and Weber pellet grills.

The store is also an authorized dealer of Stihl and Ariens, and provides service and repair for all Stihl products. The full line of Stihl products includes chain saws, trimmers, blowers, pole pruners, and zero turn lawn mowers.

Another prominent tool brand they offer is Milwaukee, which this year expanded its offering of Milwaukee Tool Packout products with either a portable or wall base system — billed as the most durable and versatile system on the market today.

"There's a wide variety of tools and accessories that can be secured and locked in place, including drawers that can be paddle locked shut," said Eibner. "These units come in a wide variety of sizes and feature heavy-duty latches and hinges."

Nelson's can also fill propane tanks for campers, recreational vehicles and grills, with free assembly and local delivery offered as well.

The business and its staff pride

themselves on providing helpful information and a bevy of accessories for home improvement, cabin upkeep and summer projects.

Plumbing, lawn and garden, automotive, electrical supplies, and houseware products are other departments offered at Nelson's Ace.

The business' recently-expanded paint department sells Benjamin Moore, Ace Royal, and Clark+Kensington.

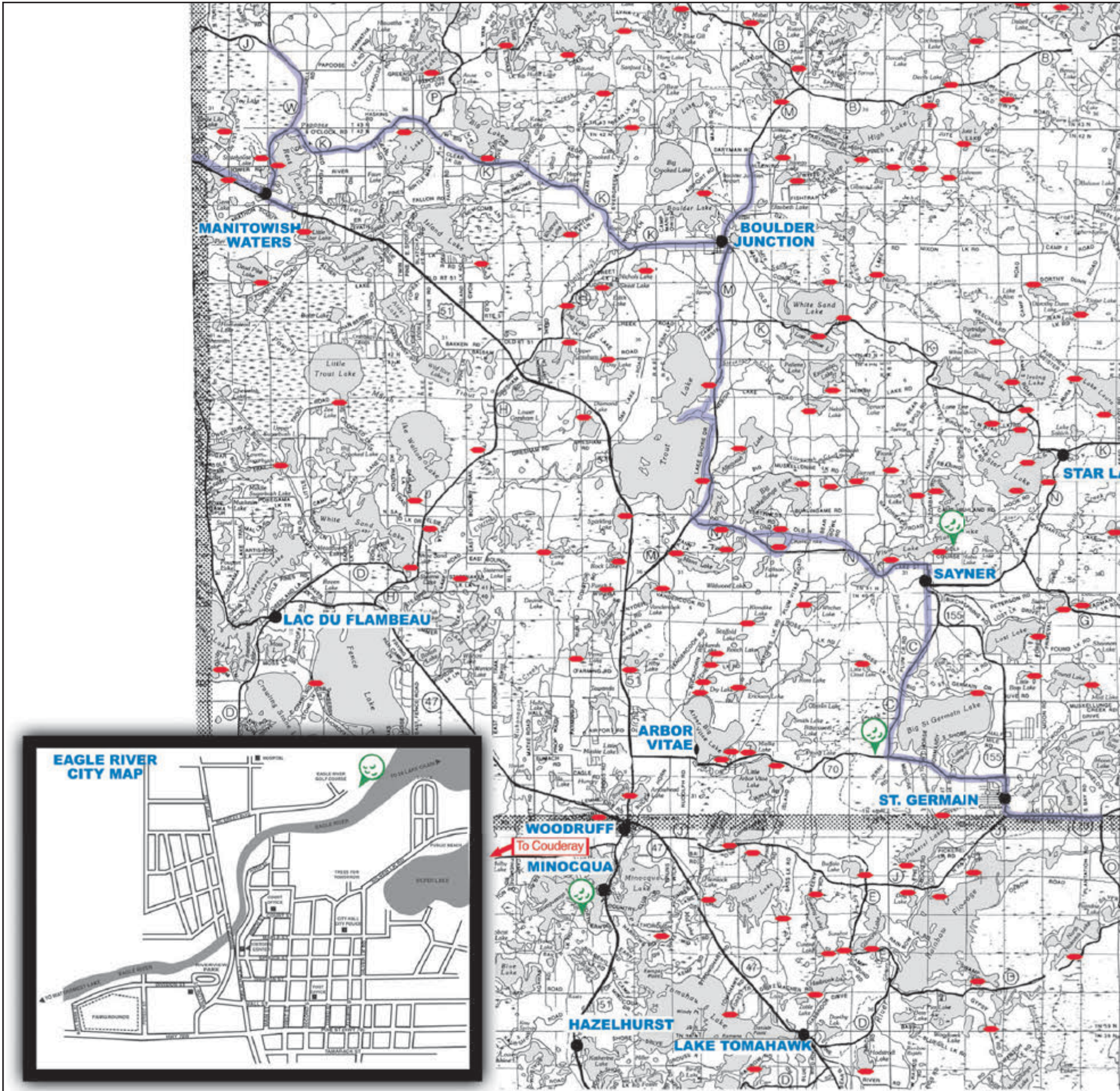
Since 1883, Benjamin Moore has remained a top choice paint brand for both the do-it-yourselfer and professional design consumer, offering customers more than 3,500 premium color options.

In addition, Nelson's has advanced its LED lighting inventory and now carries an expanded line of Feit Smart Home products for household security — giving seasonal property owners peace of mind when they can't be in the North Woods.

Nelson's Ace is more than a typical hardware store. They offer products for the lake such as water toys and beach balls, and giftware to decorate a cabin.

"Nelson's Ace is a one-stop shop because of our wide array of products and friendly staff," said

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# Big Stone Golf Course in Three Lakes offers more than just nine holes

Big Stone Golf Course in Three Lakes has implemented numerous improvements in recent years, and with head PGA and LPGA Professional Patti Marquis at the instructional helm, a hidden gem awaits golfers in the North Woods.

State-of-the-art cutting equipment, expanded irrigation systems, re-engineered bunkers, new hole challenges, online tee times, revamped tee boxes and a long list of other improvements await golfers at the historic course.

Under the ownership of Three Lakes residents Ed Jacobsen and his wife Sue Sadowske, the course is open to the public and welcomes walkers or cart riders at any time.

New this summer are some Friday night fish fries, with the next one scheduled for June 28. Patrons can check Facebook for additional dates and details.

Improvements to the course in recent years include the planting of nearly 2,500 saplings and 30 mature trees,



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fairways.

Located at 847 Golf Course Loop Road in Three Lakes, a scenic view of Big Stone Lake and area forests awaits golfers and their guests.

"The course is so beautiful thanks to the grounds crew and it gets better every year," said Marquis. "Superintendent John Schultz, course manager Lennel Sergent, and Bobby Schneider are the three hardest working people I've ever worked with. You could give John a coat hanger and he could fix anything."

Some of the course holes have been lengthened, and with tree trimming and grass management completed, average golfers can challenge their skills and have a chance to score well. Players of all abilities will appreciate the casual atmosphere, smooth

consistent greens and enjoyable nine-hole layout.

The PGA has rated the course to a slope of 129 from the blue tees. Marquis noted that the course is challenging but fair, and added that Big Stone is the "perfect venue" for new or advanced golfers. Three additional sets of tees are available including white, gold and red sets.

Marquis has been giving lessons at Big Stone Golf Course since 2020. She has been teaching golf for more than 45 years, and has won numerous awards.

In 2022, Marquis was named one of the Top-50 LPGA Teachers in the country. She offers individual lessons and clinics, in addition to classes for new golfers. Classes are available for women, men and juniors.

"Mondays with Patti" is open to all women golfers, regardless of ability. Classes are \$25 per person and run on Mondays from 5 to 7 p.m. Monday, July 1, will be the only date this summer when this class will not run.

Additionally, a junior camp will run on Wednesdays in July from 10 a.m. until noon. Patrons can check the website or Facebook for exact dates. The cost is \$125 per student.

Six different golf leagues are also available for the public to join, including men's and women's leagues, men's and women's senior leagues, a couples league and a men's individual senior league.

With seating available for people inside the air conditioned clubhouse and out on the patio, golfers can meet up with family and friends before or after a round of golf. A late afternoon setting affords many deer sightings of the numerous fawns born on the course, according to Marquis.

The clubhouse patio has views of the course, the local wildlife and Big Stone Lake. A new pavilion, added in 2021, compliments the patio. It can be utilized for special events; or simply to keep golfers dry during rain, or cool on hot days.

The full-service bar features a broad selection of tap beers, wine, liquor, snacks and the usual golf course fare of brats, sandwiches and pizzas.

Big Stone Golf Course is open seven days a week from 8 a.m. until close, with the last tee time each day being 5:50 p.m.

For more information, to book a tee time or sign-up for lessons, call (715) 546-2100 or visit [bigstonegolfcourse.com](http://bigstonegolfcourse.com).



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*—Anthony Sable, PGA Professional*



# WalkAbout Apparel & Paddle provides exceptional service

WalkAbout Apparel & Paddle first opened its store on Wall Street in Eagle River in 2001, and they have been outfitting customers with a smile ever since.

With a men and women's department of apparel and shoes, WalkAbout has emerged into such an extensive clothing store that last year they rebranded the store and name to focus more on apparel than watercraft.

Their popular clothing brands include Patagonia, Life is Good, Lakegirl, Carhartt, Brighton, Prana, Kuhl, Vera Bradley, Tentree and Vouri, just to name a few.

The store's footwear selections include Birkenstock sandals along with Chaco and Reef. They carry shoes from Merrill, Keen, Sorel, Dansko and Ugg.

With lakes and rivers abounding in the North Woods, WalkAbout offers a great watercraft variety: kayaks, canoes, stand-up paddleboards, utility docs, and the all-new electric Lift eFoil hydrofoil boards.

Owners David and Jessica Eibner noted that paddleboarding works for both exercise and relaxation, and is an activity suitable for all members of the family.

"We are committed to providing our guests with the best customer service! We'll find the right boat and paddle to fit your needs, as well as your favorite comfort leisurewear or footwear that fits just perfect," said the Eibners.

The store features kayaks from Wilderness Systems, Perceptions, and Eddyline, all made in America. Also, the store carries canoes from Souris River and Pelican.

Souris river canoes are available in Kevlar, and Pelican canoes are stocked in rotational molded plastic. WalkAbout also sells a wide variety of stand-up paddleboards from Boardwalks, Gray Duck, and Lifetime.

"We are also a dog-friendly store with treats, beds, chewy toys, collars and leashes, as well as life jackets. We enjoy meeting our guests' furry friends as well," they noted.

The newest addition to WalkAbout are battery-powered hydrofoil boards from Lift, which come in several sizes.

"Hydrofoil surfing is not a flash in the pan," said David Eibner. "It's here to stay and it is available to surfers of all ages, from kids to 70-year-olds."

The eFoil gives riders the experience of a combination of surfing, flying, and deep-powder snowboarding, and the staff at WalkAbout can confirm this experience firsthand after demonstrating the eFoil with the store's owners.

Handmade in Puerto Rico, Lift boards are shipped by a family-run business that has developed the eFoil, a hydrofoil board that incorporates technology found in smartphones, drones, and even electric vehicles.

The boards propel their operators forward and above the water using an eFoil fin, relying on electric power instead of manual power or wind. They run on a rechargeable lithium battery and create no emissions or noise.



With lakes and rivers abounding the North Woods, WalkAbout offers great watercraft variety, including kayaks, canoes, stand-up paddleboards, and utility docs.

Speeds are controlled by a Bluetooth-connected hand remote and riders can go upwards of 25 mph on a two-hour charge.

"It's a new and exciting way to experience the North Woods," said Eibner.

WalkAbout stocks Paddle North utility docks made with durable materials for floating or slipping and sliding. The docks are even safe for dogs.

The store also offers a selection of lifejackets for all members of the family, including the family dog, as well as carries many accessories for water activities and camping.

WalkAbout provides demos of all recreational water toys.

"It's our try-before-you-buy commitment," said the Eibners.

Jessica said WalkAbout's trained and experienced staff is ready to assist guests for a pleasant shopping experience.

The store, located next to Nelson's Ace Hardware, is open 7 days a week from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The storefront is located at 622 E. Wall St. in downtown Eagle River. Customers can follow the store on Facebook and Instagram.

For more information, call 715-479-6631, or email them at [info@walkaboutpaddle.net](mailto:info@walkaboutpaddle.net).



# World's largest Minn Kota parts dealer also experts in trolling motors, rigging

Northland Marine of Three Lakes, the largest Minn Kota online dealer in the world, are boat-rigging experts ready to equip anglers with Minn Kota trolling motors and other electronics from Humminbird and Talon.

Located on the corner of West School Street and Anderson Street in downtown Three Lakes, the authorized service and rigging center specializes in integrating trolling motors and graphs to work in tandem.

Northland Marine, which ships products and boat parts around the world, celebrated its 10th anniversary in April under the guidance of owners Andrew Boers and Jason Kral.

Starting with a business where 80% of their work was online shipments, they have launched a new business model that added installation services for trolling motors, batteries, on-board chargers and wiring.

Boosting that expansion was their movement the past year into a new showroom that is open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., the year around.

Kral said they also answer questions about buying the correct Minn Kota trolling motors and Humminbird graphs.

"Minn Kota is the leader in the 'One Boat Network,' integrating your Minn Kota trolling motor and Humminbird graphs to work together so you spend less time searching for fish and more time fishing," said Kral.

The two say the top-of-the-line One Boat Network setup is the Minn Kota Terrova, Ulterra or Ultrex I-Pilot Link trolling motor, with a networkable Humminbird Helix or Solix unit(s). And there are many add-on features such as the Minn Kota Talon. With a communication port, all of these units can be controlled from the Humminbird graph. A remote control or by simply using a foot pedal.

The Minn Kota I-Pilot System is a stand-alone GPS trolling motor system that allows anglers to record tracks or "drifts."

"This allows you to set the



Owners Jason Kral and Andrew Boers pictured in the new showroom with rigging expert Ryan Pooch. —STAFF PHOTO

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This church directory will run each week in Vacation Week. If you would like information about having your church added to the list, please stop in at the News-Review or call (715) 479-4421.



## Music in the Park scheduled June 23

Ember will kick off the second show of the summer on Sunday, June 23, from 4 to 6 p.m. in Koller Park in Manitowish Waters as part of the Music in the Park series. Admission to the event is free.

The show will take place every Sunday, with some special additions on other days, until September 1. Visitors can arrive in cars, boats, or any other means of transportation.

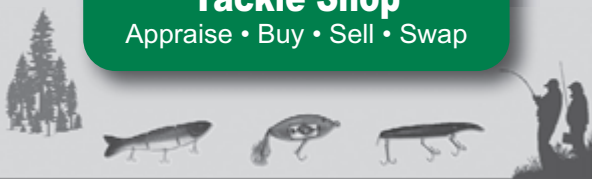
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The Three Lakes Shootout, set for this Friday and Saturday June 21-22, will have a boat showing at SpiritView Lakeside Restaurant on Friday starting at 5 p.m.

## Three Lakes Shootout races set this weekend

High-powered race boats from around the Midwest will once again converge on Big Stone Lake Saturday, June 22 for the 15th annual Three Lakes Shootout and Radar Run. It's a full day of racing beginning at 11 a.m. and running almost non-stop until 5 p.m.

The popular boat racing event features all types of boats vying against the radar gun for the fastest speed and trophies in 11 different racing classes. Boat speeds can reach up to 130 miles per hour among the tunnel, drag, hydro, and jet boat classes as they speed down the 1,000-foot race course. The shootout delivers a unique experience for spectators, who can enjoy free viewing of all the action from piers and bleacher seating on Big Stone Lake at the Sunset Grill and Anchor Marine, just east of Three Lakes on Highway 32.

Free parking will be available on Connors Road, just east of the Three Lakes Airport, and shuttles will bring spectators to bleacher seating.

"Generally a good time," said Aaron Aschenbrenner. "This is a really unique event."

Spectators are also encouraged

to watch the racing action from their boats.

Anyone who anchors their personal boats near the 1,000-foot course can visit the shootout grounds via a shuttle pontoon from Watercraft Sales.

There will also be great food and beverage options, 50-50 raffles, shootout T-shirts and memorabilia for sale and a special raffle to win rides in some of the race boats at the 1 p.m. intermission.

In addition to the racing action on Saturday, the public is invited to get an up-close look at the race boats on Friday, June 21, beginning at 5 p.m. at SpiritView Lakeside Restaurant on Highway 32. There will be food and beverages available for purchase outside, along with Shootout T-shirt sales and 50-50 cash raffles. Live music begins later in the evening at SpiritView.

There will also be the popular race boat tour of the Three Lakes Chain on Friday starting at 1 p.m. leaving from the Sunset Grill. This tradition, which began as a way to introduce the Three Lakes Chain of Lakes to boat racers from out of the area, has become a great way for local residents to see the boats as

they pass by their piers. Proceeds from the shootout event will again benefit the American Veterans (AmVets) organization of Oneida County Post 724 in Rhineland. AmVets is the nation's oldest and largest service group, chartered by the U.S. Congress to assist military heroes with all aspects of life, from disability claims to finding a job. The local AmVets Post serves veterans from not only the Three Lakes area, but also those from all of Oneida and portions of Langlade counties. Post 724 members assist the shootout with parking, traffic control and raffles. This annual event also helps to benefit the entire Three Lakes area, as it brings in boat drivers and their families and friends, who spend the weekend in and around our community.

Some local businesses, organizations, and service providers are helping as sponsors for the shootout by offering in-kind services or donations for that day.

For more complete information about all the activities, visit the shootout website at [threelakeshootout.org](http://threelakeshootout.org) or find it on Facebook at Three Lakes Shootout.

# Callie Rohr Memorial Canoe Race slated this Saturday in Conover

The Callie Rohr Memorial Canoe Race to raise money for pediatric brain cancer will be held on Saturday, June 22, at Rohr's Wilderness Tours (RWT), located at 5230 Razorback Road in Conover. The day will include three canoe and kayak races on the Wisconsin River. The three options include Paddle for the Cure, a 1.5-mile race; The Callie, an eight-mile race; and a 14-mile, one-day canoe and kayak race on the historic Headwaters of the Wisconsin River. The Conover Lion's Club will serve a gourmet breakfast of eggs sausage, crepes, toast, and drinks at 8 a.m. before the races start at the Rohr's boat

landing.

All racers start at Rohr's boat landing and paddle to different take-out points throughout the river.

"This beautiful, fast and wild stream, with lots of challenging turns, will make for an exciting and fascinating race," said organizers. "Paddling in 'The Callie' as it's known gets you on the most spectacular section of the Headwaters, something not to be missed."

Starting at 10 a.m. the Callie has 13 different classes in 8-mile and 14-mile races that will begin from the boat landing. Spectators can then move to the Rummels Road Bridge, Heart Lake

Landing and Highway K Bridge to see the racers travel down the river, and then finally to River Road where the Callie will end. Paddle for a Cure starts at 3 p.m., which is for individuals who don't want to race but want to participate. Paddle for a Cure is a race that will include media personalities who will race each other on a short 1.5-mile course for the titles of Fastest TV Station and Fastest DJ on the Water. This class is open to anyone else who wants to support the cause but doesn't want to race. Organizers said individuals, businesses, co-workers, government officials and the public are encouraged to challenge each other and participate in this race. They said this race shouldn't be missed as the media personalities attempt to start. Once they get started, the excitement shifts to Rummels Road where it will be seen who wins but more importantly, who completes the 1.5-mile race. Rohr's Wilderness Tours will offer beverages, meals,



Several individuals travel from around the Midwest to participate in the race each year

and amenities to spectators throughout the day. Lunch will be served at noon at RWT, and at River Road following the Callie race. Awards will be presented in each class of the Callie at the pig roast at 5 p.m. Afterward, a live auction and music

will begin. Beverages will be served all afternoon and through the evening for purchase. The Rohr family lost Callie to a brain tumor 24 years ago.

In 2023, Rohr's Wilderness Tours was able to donate \$16,000, which brought the to-

tal to more than \$200,000 raised and donated over the last 18 years to research and fight pediatric brain cancer.

For more information or to register, visit <https://rwtcanoe.com/canoerace.htm>.

## Baseball Classic returns to Three Lakes

The Northwoods Baseball Classic (NBC) youth baseball tournament is coming back to Three Lakes June 21-23.

A field of 35 teams spread across four separate age divisions will compete on four professionally maintained baseball diamonds at Don Burnside Park. Participating teams will play in a minimum of three games. The action begins at 2:15 p.m. on Friday, June 21, and runs through Sunday afternoon. Concessions, raffles and apparel will also be available. Proceeds raised from the tournament help support park facilities in Three Lakes as well as the growth and nurturing of baseball in northern Wisconsin. The tournament offers some local flair as teams from Three Lakes, Eagle River, St. Germain, Rhinelander, Crandon, Antigo and Tomahawk will face squads from all over Wisconsin and Michigan's Upper Peninsula. Founded in 2017, the NBC is a premier annual youth baseball tournament in northern Wisconsin, welcoming thousands to the area over the long weekend. For more information, visit [northwoodsbaseballclassic.com](http://northwoodsbaseballclassic.com).

## Picnic in the Park event slated June 26 in Phelps

The Northwoods Living Care Foundation Picnic in the Park event is scheduled for Wednesday, June 26, from 5 to 8:30 p.m. at Wavering Park. The picnic will feature live music by the Pine River Band. Burgers, brats, hot dogs or pulled pork, potato salad or chips will be available for purchase for \$7 per plate.

Children under the age of 10 can get a hot dog, chips and juice at no charge.

The Phelps Volunteer Fire Department will sell soda and beer at the event.

"The foundation board wants to show the com-

munity that we appreciate all the years they have supported our picnic by keeping the plate costs down this year and no charge for the children 10 and under," said Cathy Grady, foundation president.

Proceeds from the picnic are utilized to support the town of Phelps Emergency Medical Fund.

"In the 22 years that we have sponsored this picnic, the foundation has collected over \$200,000 for the town of Phelps Emergency Medical Fund, which in the past has been applied to new ambulances and equipment," added Grady.

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# Vintage steam train to provide rides to Laona's Camp 5 Museum

The Lumberjack Special Steam Train is again providing rides to the Camp 5 Museum in Laona for the 2024 summer season.

This year marks the 56th anniversary of the operation of the 1916 Vulcan steam engine carrying visitors to the Camp 5 Museum complex. It is also the 108th year that the Vulcan engine has earned its keep, starting with hauling logs, lumber, and lumberjacks, and now providing rides in vintage railcars to Camp 5.

One of the North Woods' best attractions, the steam train will leave the depot located off Highway 8 on Laona's west side and make the trip to Camp 5 and all it has to offer, Tuesdays through Saturdays throughout the season.

The train departs at 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 12 p.m., 1 p.m., and the train returns at 3 p.m.

Visitors are encouraged to stay a minimum of two hours to enjoy all the Lumberjack Camp Museum activities. In addition to the ride on a century-old steam train in vintage cars, Camp 5 has much to offer for



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people of all ages.

History buffs enjoy visiting the museum, seeing the working blacksmith shop, and all of the displays showing life in an early sawmill town and the lumber camps.

Children and grownups alike enjoy the petting zoo, feeding and petting a variety of farm animals that enjoy the attention as much as the visitors.

The early days of logging in the North Woods are displayed in the Logging Museum. A trip through the museum with the displays of photos and tools gives the viewer a sense of the history of the time, and where the lumber to build a nation came from.

The Nature Center gives visitors a look at the ecology and the beauty of the North Woods with a farm corral with live animals, an ecology walk, and a motorized forest tour of a working and sustainable forest.

Modern sustained-yield logging is explained on the Green Treasure Forest Tour, with a trolley ride through a beautiful hardwood forest.

The Cracker Barrel Gift Shop provides a shopping experience, and guests can stop here for ice cream as well.

When hunger strikes, visitors can stop at the Camp 5 Choo-Choo Café.

Every year cowboys visit Camp 5. This year

the cowboys will visit on Thursday, July 20. Wearing vintage clothing from 100 years ago, the cowboys ride horses and carry vintage guns. They will be staging a robbery of the steam train on every run.

The Lumberjack Steam Train will operate through Aug. 17. Railcars will be coming Aug. 16 and 17, giving free rides up and down the track on vintage railcars.

Fall runs occur on Sept. 21 and 28, with the cowboys returning on Oct. 5.

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## Eagle River Farmers Market offers fresh foods weekly

The annual Eagle River Farmers Market season is in full swing at the farmers market lot just north of the bridge on Highway 45. The market will be open every Wednesday from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Sundays starting May 28 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Farmers markets serve as key components in preserving local and regional food production and supply and are essential to our local economy.

Each week, up to 30 vendors will sell a variety of locally grown goods, including seedlings, fruits, vegetables, meat, cheese, eggs, baked and canned goods, dips, syrups, honey, jams, jellies, herbs, relishes, breads, plants and flowers and much more. The Eagle River Revitalization Program, city of Eagle River, and volunteers are anticipating a great start this season with an outstanding variety of vendors.

Each market will feature a few local nonprofit organizations sharing their mission and education on how they are serving our community as well. For more information, [eagleriverrevitalization.org/farmers-market](http://eagleriverrevitalization.org/farmers-market).

## NELSON'S

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Eibner. Eibner and his wife, Jessica Nelson-Eibner, handle the day-to-day operations of the business.

They are the third generation to run the store, which was first opened in 1952 by Jessica's grandparents, Carl P. Nelson and his wife, Audrey. Second-generation retailers Carl E. Nelson and his wife, Marilyn, continued the tradition through 2005.

Located at 606 E. Wall St. in Eagle River, Nelson's is open Mondays through Fridays from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Saturdays from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Sundays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For more information about Nelson's, call (715) 479-4496.

## Phelps music series kicks off June 21

Phelps will host a music series, Music on the Lake, starting June 21 at the Lakefront Pines Park, located downtown.

Night Shift will kick off the season performing from 6 to 9 p.m. the first day. There will be food and beverages available for purchase. The event will continue with various artists performing on five select nights until Aug. 7. Seating will not be provided, attendees are encouraged to bring their own chairs. For more information, call 715-545-3800 or visit [phelpswi.us](http://phelpswi.us).

## Boulder Junction fishing seminars held weekly through summer

Boulder Junction fishing guides will share fishing tips at free fishing seminars on Wednesday evenings from 4 to 5 p.m. this summer, at Northern Highland Sports Shop in Boulder Junction. The rain location will be Acorn Lodge. In the case of inclement weather, the presenting guide will

determine if the seminar will be held.

The next seminar, Sight fishing for Small Mouth Bass with Curtis Cecchi, will be on June 19 at 4 p.m.

Following that, Marty Clauson will host a Walleye Fishing in the Northwoods seminar on Wednesday, June 26.

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