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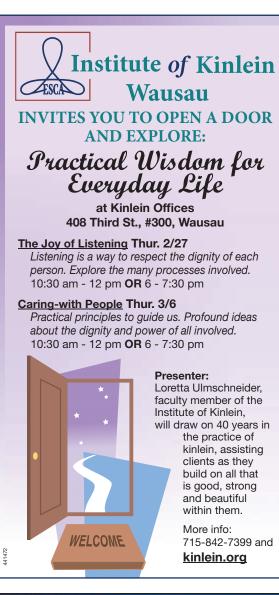
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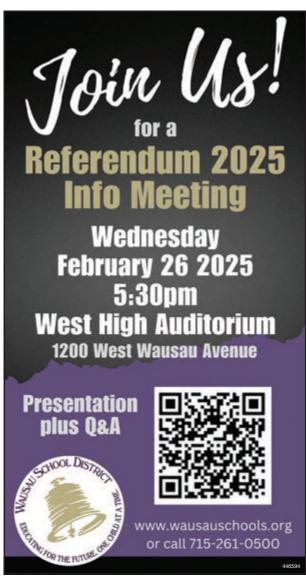
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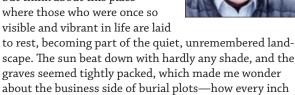
Dear Reader.

Today, I visited a graveyard to pay respects to a recently departed family member. The cemetery was vast, and we

found ourselves lost amidst rows of unfamiliar headstones. After wandering both on foot and by car, weaving past names unknown to us, we finally reached the gravesite.

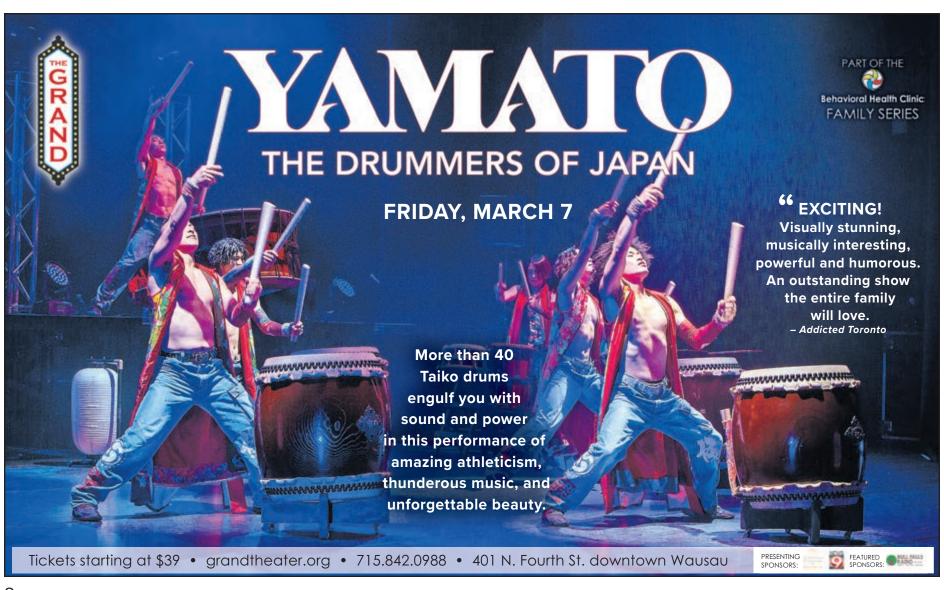
Standing there, I couldn't help but think about this placewhere those who were once so visible and vibrant in life are laid

is planned, sold, and filled.



But more than that, my mind wandered to the fate of the souls. After death, where do they go? Surely, they don't linger here. While the dead no longer have a care or say in their resting place, there's an undeniable finality to it. They are gone from the world we know; and at an immediate or lingered point in time, their bodies become the forgotten invisible. After all of their toils, they are buried away somewhere out of sight, and out of mind.

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





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METRO BRIEFS by B.C. Kowalski

Wrecking ball cometh

Marathon County leaders authorized funds to clean up the delinquent Northern mobile home park and to seize the property

An ongoing saga with a delinquent mobile home park in Schofield could come to an end soon.

The county's Human Resources, Finance and Property committee last week authorized spending up to \$224,919 to clean up the park. And, it authorized taking the property by tax deed if back taxes haven't been paid in full by March 1.

The city of Schofield struggled with the mobile home park for years. New owners took over the park in 2018 promising to better maintain the park after it continually failed health inspections. That didn't happen, and ultimately the city of Schofield pulled the park's license, which effectively shuttered the place in 2021. Non-profits worked to get those residents in new homes.

But the problems didn't stop there. Schofield leaders dealt with continued health challenges from the park. Rodents and other health hazards infested the park according to a lawsuit from the county seeking to clean up the park. And there was evidence people were still living in the park, despite it being shuttered.

The county recently won an order to clean up the property. Deputy County Administrator Chris Holman says WPS removed power access to the park and removed

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Northern Mobile Home park shuttered in 2021 - but many homes remain on the park and it's considered a human health hazard.

its meters, and the city is working on the water lines.

Marathon County Treasurer Connie Beyersdorf says the current owner still owes \$138,829 in back taxes spanning several years. The owner, Sustainable Resources, apparently made several \$500 payments toward the total equalling

The committee authorized the county to take the property by tax deed if the property does remain delinquent. They also authorized attaching the amount of cleanup to the taxes owed.

Kronenwetter will see new village president after Tuesday's results

The village of Kronenwetter will see a new village president following Tuesday's election results.

Incumbent village president Chris Voll garnered the fewest votes Tuesday. David Baker led with 364 votes followed by Aaron Myszka with 333. Voll only received

Incumbent Weston President Mark Maloney fared much better, leading the three-way contest with 544 votes. Jim Pinsonneault came in second with 288 votes and Hooshang Zeyghami took 240

Baker and Myszka in Kronenwetter and Maloney and Pinsonneault will face off in the April 1 general election.

Fire damages Day's Bowl-a-**Dome**

A fire Saturday night ravaged Day's Bowla-Dome, which is now closed as a result.

The owners of Day's in a Facebook post Sunday following the fire said they worked with a restoration company to secure the building against the coming cold spell. The business is now closed while the owners figure out their next steps.

The Wausau Fire Department is currently investigating the fire.

Wausau to seek proposals for garbage hauler

Wausau is starting the process for seeking a new garbage hauler contract.

The city's Public Health and Safety Committee voted Monday to approve requesting proposals for a garbage hauler. The contract with the existing hauler, Harter's, is coming to an end in March

The city saved a lot of money when it moved to Harter's in 2016, Finance Director MaryAnne Groat says. Recycling went from \$155,000 per month to \$128,000 per month currently. And the carts for recycling worked much better than the previous hauler's open bins.

The contract the city signed with Harter's allowed for a seven-year extension, but Groat says they told city leaders they would rather put in a bid through a bid process. Groat believed the existing contract wasn't designed to keep up with costs and so they're probably losing money.

County snowmobile trails open over weekend

Snowmobile trails in Marathon County opened over the weekend, according to a press release from the county's parks department.

Wausau/Marathon County Parks Department officials say trails were open as of 8 am Friday except for corridor 20 in Zone 2, which is closed between intersections 257 and 258. As of Monday, there was also a trail closure at intersection 354 in Zone 4.

The news was likely welcomed by snowmobilers who last year didn't have much snow to ride on. The lack of snow especially wrought havoc on the Northwoods, which relies heavily on tourism from snowmobilers.

Lincoln County announced it would be opening trails Wednesday.

Trails in Marathon County are listed as fair on Travel Wisconsin's snowmobile conditions report. Most areas in the Northwoods are listed as at least fair on the map.

County appoints new board member to District 24

The Marathon County Board has appointed a new supervisor to District 24.

The board Thursday approved the selection of Nicholas Endres of Hatley to the District 24 spot. He replaces Mosinee Mayor Brent Jacobon who resigned Dec. 5, according to a copy of his resignation.

Endres is the founder and CEO of Helping Hand Community Agency, a marketing and talent agency based in the county. He also worked for Del Monte and County Materials among other businesses.

Endres was also appointed to the county's public safety committee.

Residents get look at plans to revamp Rib Mountain

Residents on Thursday got a look at a concept plan for revamping Rib Mountain - but DNR leaders say any action on the plans is probably a ways off.

The Department of Natural Resources held the meeting Thursday at Northcentral Technical College. DNR and IMBA officials presented the plan, which was developed by the Greater Wausau Prosperity Partnership through a memorandum of understanding with the DNR.

The plan so far is just a concept, explained DNR Recreations Partnerships Section Chief Missy VanLanduyt. The DNR has no funding for any of the plans and development of anything outlined would need to be funded by user groups proposing the changes, VanLanduyt told City Pages.

The concept plan is the latest in a process that went back to 2014 when Granite Peak owner Charles Skinner announced he would be petitioning the DNR to expand his ski trails. After numerous public meetings, public pushback and revised plans, the Natural Resources Board ultimately decided to relook at the entire park's master plan, which could allow for more uses at the park.

The Natural Resources Board at the end of 2022 approved the new master plan. Then things went quiet and DNR officials struggled to answer what the next steps would be in questions from City Pages.

The plans included a path circumnavigating Rib Mountain State Park, a shareduse community trail, improved trailheads for the hiking trails, several mountain biking trails ranging from beginner to advanced and lift-assisted trails. Granite Peak expanded ski operations and the realignment of some snowmobile trails.

Attendees were given a survey to fill out. No public comment was taken at the

Kronenwetter lift station shut down with toothpaste tubes

Kronenwetter officials say the village's lift station was shut down because of refuse flushed down the toilet.

That refuse includes grease, rags, wipes and toothpaste tubes, according to a post on social media by the village.

Village officials say the pump has been pulled and cleaned, and is now back in operation. 🖙



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Failing grade

Audit uncovers challenges with Milwaukee Public Schools; Evers vows changes

Milwaukee Public Schools' central office isn't positioned to support schools in helping students succeed, and district leadership isn't empowered to lead, according to an audit released recently.

The report commissioned by Gov. Tony Evers ticked off a series of failures with the MPS governance structure, including: a strained relationship between the school board and district leadership, a lack of transparency and communication impacting public trust, and an internal "culture of fear and reluctance to change."

The review of the district's governance is part of a two-step process to audit MPS ordered by Evers last year after the district failed to submit statutorily required annual financial reports to the state Department of Public Instruction.

Evers originally directed \$5.5 million toward two outside, independent audits of MPS. As part of today's release, he announced plans to dedicate the remaining funds — about \$3 million — to help MPS begin implementing the audit recommendations.

He also announced plans to propose



an additional \$5 million in his 2025-27 budget to provide additional support to implement the audit recommendations. Evers said that second pot of money — if approved by the GOP-controlled state Legislature — would only be released if the state was satisfied that MPS was making substantial progress in implementing the audit results.

"This audit is a critical next step for getting MPS back on track and, ultimately, improving outcomes for our kids, so I urge and expect the district to take these recommendations seriously and move forward quickly with implementing this audit's findings," Evers said.

Musk PAC buying ads in WI Supreme Court race

Elon Musk's Building America's Future is going up on TV in Wisconsin's Supreme Court race later this week with at least \$671,000 in ads statewide, part of a flurry of new activity that has tilted the spending advantage to conservative Brad Schimel.

The Musk-aligned group is scheduled to start its buy Thursday with the initial run through March 5 on broadcast TV in Milwaukee, Green Bay, Madison, La Crosse and Wausau, according to a Dem media buyer.

It comes on the heels of Fair Courts America, which is funded largely by conservative donor Dick Uihlein, filing a report with the state showing it plans to spend \$1.35 million on a TV buy. Meanwhile, House Freedom Action reported a \$49,020 digital buy opposing Susan Crawford in the race.

Between the independent expenditure

reports filed with the state, buys tracked by AdImpact and information shared by sources with knowledge of buys, the spending backing Schimel so far had hit \$7.5 million as of Monday afternoon.

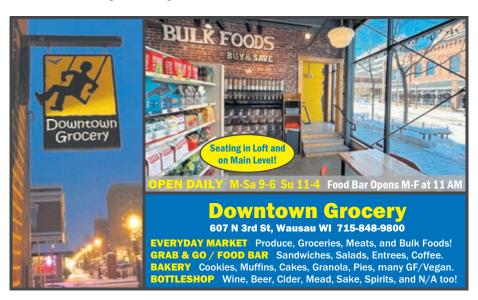
Evers calls for prison reform

Gov. Tony Evers is calling for a revamp of the state's prison system that would expand opportunities for early release, build brand-new cell blocks at the state's oldest prison in Waupun and close its secondoldest facility in Green Bay by 2029.

Evers said the key cog in his plan is to finally close Lincoln Hills and Copper Lake, the troubled youth facilities in northern Wisconsin. They were originally scheduled to shut down in early 2021 but continue to operate without other space to house the offenders there.

Evers told reporters his \$535.5 million plan is contingent upon GOP lawmakers agreeing to every piece of what he's





proposed. He argued the provisions must build on each other closely in order to change the trajectory of the state's overpopulated prisons.

"This is not an either or situation," Evers told reporters in a briefing on Friday. "As I said, these steps are each a critical part, a crucial part of this comprehensive plan, and they have to happen together, and we need Republican lawmakers to get on board with this plan."

House committee approves test benchmark overhaul

The Assembly Education Committee approved 9-4 along party lines a bill to reverse state Superintendent Jill Underly's overhaul of benchmarks for standardized test scores

AB 1 would: reset report card standards to levels set in 2019-20; align grades 3-8 with national standards; and restore high school testing standards to levels set in the 2021-22 school year. It also would require the Department of Public Instruction to bring back the previous terms below basic, basic, proficient and advanced for pupil performance assessments.

Opponents have argued the DPI changes mask poor performance. Underly has defended them, say standards weren't lowered and that the changes were made through a transparent process with input from educators.

"usurps local control." She added standardized tests can be manipulated to discriminate against schools with high poverty

GOP bill would require return to office

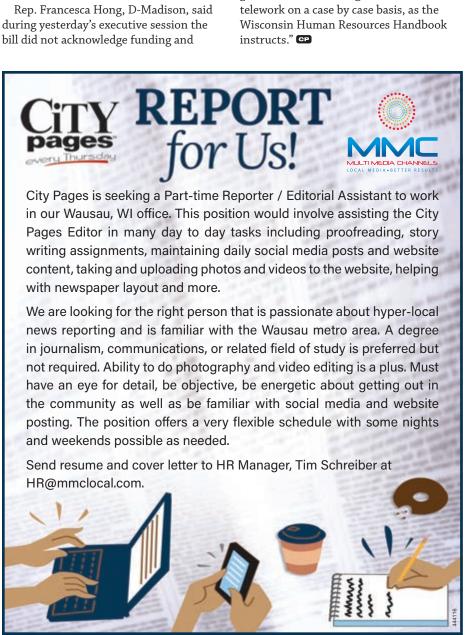
Democrats at a committee hearing voiced skepticism about a GOP bill to restrict remote work for state employees, while Republicans argued it's a necessary step to ensure productivity.

The bill was introduced after a 2023 Legislative Audit Bureau report found some state workers weren't in the office as frequently as required by their telework agreements.

Co-authors Rep. Amanda Nedweski, R-Pleasant Prairie, and Sen. Cory Tomczyk, R-Mosinee, at yesterday's Senate Licensing, Regulatory Reform, State and Federal Affairs Committee hearing said state employees should return to in-person work now that the COVID-19 pandemic has ended.

Nedweski argued a lack of documentation and oversight makes it "nearly impossible" to gauge state employees' productivity and effectiveness.

"It is time for state employees to return to the office and do the work that Wisconsin's hardworking taxpayers are paying them to do," Nedweski said. "Let's get back in the buildings, reevaluate telework on a case by case basis, as the Wisconsin Human Resources Handbook





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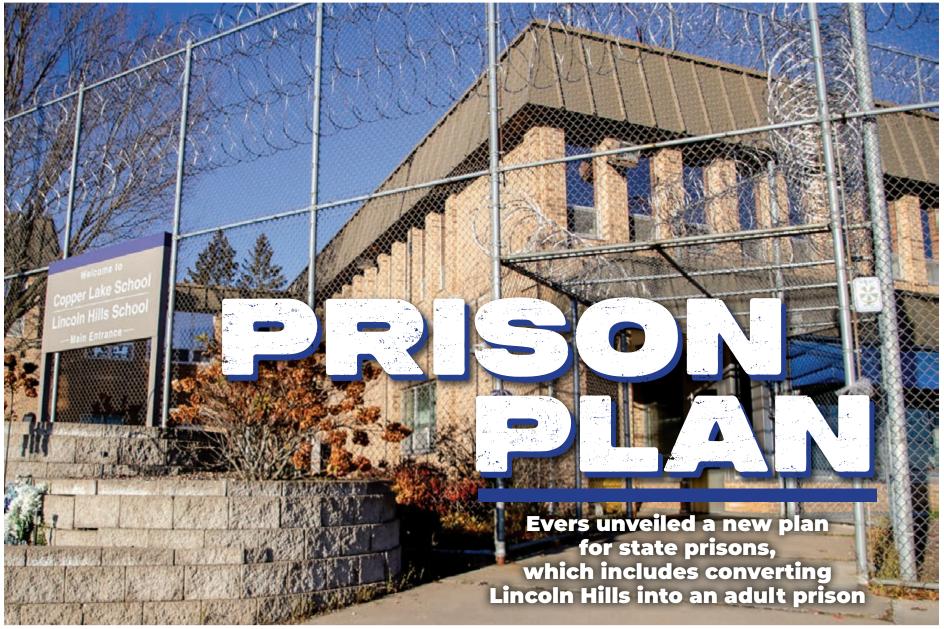
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COVER FEATURE By Jack Kelly and Hallie Claflin



Lincoln Hills School and Copper Lake School are shown on Nov. 1, 2024, in Irma, Wis. A proposal by Gov. Tony Evers would close the beleaguered juvenile justice complex and fund construction of a youth facility in Dane County.

(Drake White-Bergey for Wisconsin Watch)

Gov. Tony Evers this week proposed a significant overhaul of Wisconsin's corrections system, pushing a plan that would close one of the state's two oldest prisons, renovate the other and convert the state's youth prison into a facility for adult men.

The proposal, which totals just shy of \$500 million, will be included in the governor's budget proposal, which he unveiled on Tuesday night. The governor shared details of the plan with reporters Friday morning.

The "domino series of facility changes, improvements and modernization efforts," as Evers described them, would take place between approval of the budget and 2031. The proposal is the solution to the state's skyrocketing prison population, Evers said, adding there is "not an alternative to my plan that is safer, faster and cheaper."

The first step would be building a facility for youth offenders in Dane County, allowing the state to close its current beleaguered juvenile prison complex in Irma, home to Lincoln Hills School for boys and Copper Lake School for girls. The cost would be \$130.7 million.

Completing the juvenile Dane County facility would be the latest step in a years-long effort to shutter Lincoln Hills and Copper Lake. A similar facility opened in Racine County earlier this month, with another juvenile facility in Milwaukee poised to open next year. With the addition of the Dane County facility, the state would be able to move youth offenders out of Lincoln Hills in early 2029, according to the Evers administration.

The Lincoln County complex would then undergo \$9 million in renovations to be converted into a 500-bed, medium-security institution for men.

Another key piece of Evers' plan would be converting Stanley Correctional Institution into a maximum-security facility for \$8.8 million. That would allow the state to renovate Waupun Correctional Institution, the state's oldest facility, where at times inmates were confined to their cells for months and denied medical care, according to an investigation by Wisconsin Watch and The New York Times. Waupun staff also have faced criminal charges following the deaths of five inmates.

The estimated \$245 million renovation would involve demolishing the prison's existing cell halls and replacing them with new, medium-security

facilities known as a "vocational village" — the first in Wisconsin based on a model used in other states. The facility would be "designed to expand job and workforce training to help make sure folks can be stable, gainfully employed and can positively contribute to our communities when they are released," Evers said.



Wisconsin Gov. Tony Evers delivers his State of the State address on Jan. 22, 2025, at the State Capitol in Madison, Wis. He is set to propose an overhaul of Wisconsin's corrections system. (Joe Timmerman / Wisconsin Watch)

Under the plan, the John Burke Correctional Center in Waupun would also be converted to a 300-bed facility for women "with little to no capital cost," said Jared Hoy, secretary of the Department of Corrections.

Green Bay Correctional Institution, constructed in 1898, would close under the proposal sometime in spring 2029 at a cost of \$6.3 million. Many have pushed for the



Protesters call on the short-staffed Wisconsin Department of Corrections to improve prisoner conditions and lift restrictions on prisoners' movement during a protest on Oct. 10, 2023, at the State Capitol in Madison, Wis. (Meryl Hubbard / Wisconsin Watch)

closure of the prison due to overcrowding, poor conditions and staffing issues.

To compensate for the lost beds, the last project in the "domino" series would add 200 beds to Sanger B. Powers Correctional Center in Brown County.

The governor's budget will guarantee Green Bay staffers a role at another DOC facility to account for the prison's closure, the Evers administration said. The facility would likely then be sold, the governor told reporters.

In totality, the plan aims to avoid building a new prison in Wisconsin, which the governor's administration estimates would cost \$1.2 billion and take a decade to construct. Evers said Friday that he had not discussed

the plan with Republican lawmakers, but implied he was slated to meet with them over the weekend.

The state's adult institutions were locking up more than 23,000 people as of Feb. 7. That's more than 5,000 above the design capacity of Wisconsin's prisons and more than 3,000 above levels four years ago when COVID-19 actions shrunk prisoner ranks.

Justice reform advocates have argued that Wisconsin can't substantially improve conditions without decarceration, including releasing more inmates and diverting others to programs rather than prisons.

Other states — some led by Republicans and some by Democrats — have managed to close prisons by adopting

rehabilitation-focused reforms that cut thousands from the population.

The governor is also seeking some policy changes that could trim the population. For example, he wants to expand the capacity of the state's existing earned release program for nonviolent offenders with less than 48 months remaining on their sentences, allowing more inmates to access vocational training and treatment for substance use disorders.

Evers noted there are 12,000 inmates on a waiting list to access vocational programming, and expanding the earned release program would likely make another 1,000 inmates eligible for the program.

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RITTZ on the Back to Life Tour

Saturday 2/22 | Q&Z Expo Center, Ringle

RITTZ might not exactly be what you think about when you think about rap. He's got long, frizzy Weird Al hair that shoots out from underneath his stocking cap, and round John Lennon-eque glasses. In one of his most recent videos for a song called "Who" he seems to be chilling in a room that looks like a retired regional manager in Northern Wisconsin would live in. But when the beat drops, you hear he's the real deal, spitting fast bars over a booming bass undercurrent. The Georgia native has been rapping since 2007, and based on the number of subscribers and views on YouTube, doesn't look to be slowing down any time soon. 6 pm. \$25 (\$50 includes Q&Z Lounge). qzexpocenter.com

Magic of Rob Lake Sunday 2/23 | Grand Theater, Wausau

There are two joys to magic shows. The first is the spectacle of what is actually being performed. And the second comes afterward, as you wonder, just how did they pull that off? The Magic of Rob Lake is a show that will inspire both of those joys. A finalist in 2018's America's Got Talent, Rob Lake has been called the World's Greatest Illusionist by NBC (sorry David Blaine). His dazzling show will leave you bewildered, wondering as you leave how he did it, and how he did so in such style. 7 pm. \$35-\$82. grandtheater.org

Bachelors of Broadway: Gentlemen of the Theatre

Thursday 2/20 | Arts Council, Wisconsin Rapids

If you're a fan of Broadway musicals, there is a good chance this is already on your radar. If not, Bachelors of Broadway brings a pretty unique experience - three Broadway-quality singers take the stage with the backing of a full 9-piece band and bring a fresh perspective on classics from Wicked, Phantom of the Opera, Les Miserables, Jersey Boys, Miss Saigon and much more. 7:30 pm. \$49 adults, \$10 students. savorthearts.org.

Good Co

Friday 2/21 | Lucille Tack Center for the Arts, Spencer

Remember those few years in the 1990s when swing was back in a big way, and every movie seemed to have a The Mighty Mighty Bosstones song on it? (I mean, I'm sure there aren't too many of you who actually remember the original swing era.) Good Co bills itself as the first electroswing band in that genre that evokes images of zoot suits,

mafia shootouts and swing dancing. You'll go check them out if ya know what's good for ya, see? 7:30 pm. \$35. lucilletackcenter.com

The Third Wheels

Thursday 2/20

Sconni's Alehouse and Eatery, Schofield

Carmyn Hoen graced the cover of City Pages way back in 2016. Today she is still going strong with her band The Third Wheels, and even got a chance to play the 400 Block last year. The band is known for its high energy and enthusiasm and playing great renditions of cover music to keep you dancing and having a good time. The Third Wheels will take to Sconnie's, and thankfully with enough notice for us to let you guys know. Go check them out, grab a beer and be merry. 7 pm. sconnis.com

Billy Bronsted

Saturday 2/22 | Intermission Bar, Wausau

Billy Bronsted is a Wausau-based country musician and he's really come into his own lately. His voice was already powerful when he released This Bed of Mine in 2017, but his vocals and his music in general really took off for the release of Rhythm, Racket and Romance in 2022. Bronsted brought the house down (until weather intervened) at the Rib Mountain Amphitheater over the summer (a special treat came when Jordan Miles joined on the keys). And he's played Miles of Music in Appleton, not an easy gig to book. Bronsted's been on a Wisconsin tour lately with a pretty solid schedule booked and this stop at the Intermission shouldn't be missed. 8 pm. Intermission Bar on Facebook.



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Friday February 21 Carl Jackson & Naomi Dawson

· Sawmill Brewing Company, Merrill. Country. 5 pm. 715-722-0230

The Foxfire Affair · Mosinee Brewing Company, Mosinee. Celtic, bluegrass, maritime & folk. 7 pm. 715-693-2739

Tom Jordan · The Office Bar, Schofield. Variety. 7 pm. 715-355-5432

Arilya · The Garage, Wausau. Pop & rock. 7:30 pm. 715-393-4495

Glen Everhart · Malarkey's Pub,

Glen Everhart · Malarkey's Pub, Wausau. Acoustic variety. 8 pm. 715-819-3663

Saturday February 22

Mike Nanstad · O'so Brewing Company, Plover. Classic country & rock. 6 pm. 715-254-2163

Caleb Kulhanek · Sunset Point Winery, Stevens Point. Variety. 6 pm. 715-544-1262

The Northwoods Bassist · Hotel Mead, Wisconsin Rapids. Acoustic variety & classic rock. 7 pm. 715-423-1500

Knock Point · 4 Father's Pub, Wausau. Rock. 8 pm. 715-841-0035

Wade Snake · Malarkey's Pub, Wausau. Rock, country, alternative & original. 8 pm. 715-819-3663

Billy Bronsted Duo · Intermission Bar, Wausau. Americana. 8 pm. 715-849-9377

Cashed, Wednesdays & Sunday Rebellion · Nevermore on Third, Wausau. Punk, rock. 9 pm. 715-

Flying Blind Band · Black Bear Bar & Grill, Minocqua. Classic rock. 9 pm. 715-358-2116

Sunday February 23

Schmittkicker Duo · Bullheads Bar & Grill, Stevens Point. Country, rockabilly. 1 pm. 715-344-5990 Geoff Landon · Country Aire, Stratford. Acoustic country, classic rock & variety. 3:30 pm. 715-687-4934

Thursday February 27
Tuck Pence · Northern Waters
Distillery, Minocqua. Acoustic
variety. 4 pm. 715-358-0172

Friday February 28

All Tangled Up · Point Brewery, Stevens Point. Variety. 5 pm. 715-344-9310

Brad Emanuel · Sawmill Brewing Company, Merrill. Variety. 6 pm. 715-722-0230

Jon Peck & The Bad Dogs · The Garage, Wausau. Blues rock. 7 pm. 715-393-4495

The Sixes · Malarkey's Pub, Wausau. Classic rock, alternative, country & pop. 8 pm. 715-819-3663

Saturday March 1

October Soul · Central Waters Brewing Company, Amherst. Rock, roots & Americana. 4 pm. 715-824-2739

The Foxfire Affair · O'so Brewing

Company, Plover. Celtic, bluegrass, maritime & folk. 6 pm. 715-254-

Corey Rae White · Malarkey's Pub, Wausau. Country, soft rock, blues, funk, folk & rock. 8 pm. 715-819-3663

Sunday March 2

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The Garage, Wausau. Country. 1
pm. 715-393-4495

Pat, Patience & Tom · Bullheads Bar & Grill, Stevens Point. Acoustic. 2 pm. 715-344-5990

Tuck Pence · Renee's Red Rooster, Stevens Point. Acoustic variety. 2 pm. 715-344-9825

Friday March 7

Rodello the Kid · Central Waters Brewing Company, Amherst. Rock, country, blues & funk. 4 pm. 715-824-2739

Brad Emanuel · The Garage, Wausau. Variety. 7 pm. 715-393-4495 Brianna Rae Unplugged · Malarkey's Pub, Wausau. Acoustic. 8 pm. 715-819-3663

Saturday March 8

Michael Murphy Solo · Sunset Point Winery, Stevens Point. Blues. 6 pm. 715-544-1262

Cassondra Lea · O'so Brewing Company, Plover. Variety. 6 pm. 715-254-2163

Whiskey & Lace · Arrow Sports Club, Weston. Pop, pop-punk & rock. 7:30 pm. 715-359-2363

Boogie Train · Rookies Sportspub, Stevens Point. Blues rock. 9 pm. 715-344-7026

Sunday March 9

Madlee Band · Nevermore on Third, Wausau. Acoustic. 4 pm. 715-298-0028

Ongoing

Trivia · Mondays, Guu's on Main, Stevens Point. Trivia starts at 7 pm. http://guusonmain.com/ Karaoke Night · Mondays & Fridays, Moua's Callon St. Pub, Wausau. Starts at 9 pm. 715-298-1902

Trivia · Tuesdays, District 1 Brewing Company, Stevens Point. Trivia starts at 6 pm. 715-544-6707

Video Trivia · Tuesdays, The Garage, Wausau. Create a team of up to 4 players or play solo. Registration starts at 6:30 pm. Trivia starts at 7 pm. 715-393-4495

Trivia · Tuesdays, The Bar-Wausau, Rothschild. Trivia starts at 7 pm. 715-355-7001

Karaoke · Tuesdays, Cop Shoppe Pub, Wausau. Starts at 7:30 pm. 715-845-2030

Team Trivia Nights at Sawmill
Brewing Company · Wednesdays,
hosted at Sawmill Brewing
Company, 1110 E 10th St, Merrill.
The games start at 6 pm each
Wednesday. Teams can include up
to 6 people. sawmillbrewing.net

Trivia · Wednesdays, Rhinelander Brewing Company, Rhinelander. Play individually or on a team of up to 6 people. Starts at 6 pm. 715-550-2337

Trivia@MBCo · Wednesdays, hosted at Mosinee Brewing Company, 401 4th St, Mosinee. Trivia starts at 7 pm each Wednesday. Limit team size to 6 people. mosineebrewing.com

BIG GUIDE

The largest list of art, dance, lectures, kids' stuff, movie schedules, music, theater, sports, workshops and many other activities in your community.

Bingo · Every Wednesday, Renee's Red Rooster, Stevens Point. Starts at 7 pm. 715-344-9825

Team Trivia at Malarkey's ·

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Wednesdays, Malarkey's Pub & Townies Grill, Wausau. Trivia starts at 7 pm. malarkeyspub.com Karaoke · Wednesdays, Wausau Eagles Aerie & Auxiliary #251, Wausau. Starts at 8 pm. 715-845-

Open Mic at Sawmill Brewing Company · Thursdays, hosted at Sawmill Brewing Company, 1110 E 10th St, Merrill. Open mic every Thursday for those who want to perform comedy, music or poetry. Starts at 6:30 pm. sawmillbrewing.net

Third Thursdays Live Music · 3rd Thursday every month, Sconni's Alehouse and Eatery Schofield. Starts at 6 pm. 715-241-7665

Open Mic Night · Thursdays, Malarkey's Pub & Townies Grill, Wausau. Hosted by Caleb Delaney. Play guitar, drums, bass or other string instruments. Comedy not available at this time. Starts at 8 pm. 715-819-3663

Karaoke · Thursdays, Hy-Da Way, Merrill. Starts at 8:30 pm. 715-722-0660

Karaoke · Fridays, Todd & Peggy's Whiskey River Bar & Grill, Wausau. Starts at 9 pm. 715-845-1547

Karaoke · Saturdays, Denmar Tavern, Wausau. Starts at 9 pm. 715-298-3131

Karaoke · Saturdays, Kevin & Joy's 19th Hole, Schofield. Starts at 9 pm. 715-359-2343

Open Mic · Mondays, Intermission Wausau. Hosted by The Chad O'Kennedy. Starts at 8 pm. 715-849-9377

Karaoke · Every day, The Office Bar, Schofield. Groups of 5 or more can sing at any time. Otherwise, available after 6 pm. 715-355-5432

Brad Emanuel · Saturdays 12/21-3/29, Granite Peak Ski Resort, Wausau. Variety. Starts at 3 pm. skigranitepeak.com

ON SCREEN THIS WEEK

Cosmo Theatre, Merrill, 715-536-4473 Movie times thru 2/27

Paddington in Peru (PG): Fri. 7 pm & 9 pm, Sat. 1 pm, 3:15 pm, 7 pm & 9 pm, Sun. 1 pm, 3:15 pm & 7 pm, Mon. thru Thurs. 7 pm only

World (PG13): Fri. 7 pm & 9:15 pm, Sat. 1 pm, 3:30 pm, 7 pm & 9:15 pm, Sun. 1 pm, 3:30 pm & 7 pm, Mon. thru Thurs. 7 pm only

Captain America: Brave New

Love Hurts (R): Fri. 7 pm & 9 pm, Sat. 1 pm, 3 pm, 7 pm & 9 pm, Sun. 1 pm, 3 pm & 7 pm, Mon. thru Thurs. 7 pm only

Cedar Creek Cinema, Rothschild, 715-355-5094 Movie listing 2/20-2/26

Captain America: Brave New World (TBD): Thurs. 1 pm, 7 pm, 4 pm (HeatedDreamLounger), 2 pm, 3 pm, 5 pm, 8 pm, 9 pm, 6 pm; Fri., Sat. & Tues. 10:35 am, 1:20 pm, 4:05 pm, 6:50 pm, 9:35 pm

The Unbreakable Boy (PG): Thurs. 4 pm, 6:50 pm, 8:50 pm; Fri., Sat. & Tues. 10:45 am, 1:30 pm, 4:15 pm, 7 pm, 9:45 pm; Sun. 10:50 am, 1:40 pm, 4:30 pm, 7:20 pm; Mon. & Wed. 1 pm, 3:40 pm, 6:20 pm. 9 pm

Hitpig! (PG): Fri., Sat. & Sun. 11 am The Monkey (R): Thurs. 7 pm, 9 pm; Fri., Sat. & Tues. 11:20 am, 2 pm, 4:40 pm, 7:20 pm, 10 pm; Sun. 10:40 am, 1:15 pm, 3:50 pm, 6:25 pm, 9 pm; Mon. & Wed. 1:30 pm, 4 pm, 6:30 pm, 9 pm

The Brutalist (R): Sat. 7:45 pm; Tues. 2:10 pm

Conclave (PG): Sat. 1:15 pm; Mon. 4:30 pm

Wicked (PG): Sat. 4:10 pm; Wed. 4 pm

I'm Still Here (PG13): Fri. 3 pm (Subtitled); Mon. 7:30 pm (Subtitled)

Nickel Boys (PG13): Fri. 11:40 am; Sun. 6:40 pm

Anora (R): Fri. 9:40 am; Tues. 6:30 pm

The Substance (R): Fri. 6:20 pm; Tues. 9:45 pm

BHM: Coming To America (R): Sun. 2:10 pm

BHM: Do The Right Thing (R): Sun. 11:10 am

A Complete Unknown (R): Sun. 11:45 am 2025 Oscar Nominated Short

Films-Live Action (TBD): Thurs. 4:30 pm; Wed. 7:30 pm Paddington in Peru (PG): Thurs. 1 pm, 1:40 pm, 3:40 pm, 4:20 pm,

6:20 pm, 9 pm **Heart Eyes (R):** Thurs. 1:10 pm, 3:40 pm, 6:10 pm, 8:40 pm **Love Hurts (R):** Thurs. 1:50 pm,

4:10 pm, 6:30 pm **Green and Gold (TBD):** Thurs. 1:30 pm

Dog Man (PG): Thurs. 1:50 pm, 4:20 pm, 6:40 pm

TOP 10 BEST-SELLING ALBUMS FROM INNER SLEEVE

1. The Cure 'Songs Of A Lost World'

2. Dream Theater 'Parasomnia'

3. David Gilmour 'Luck & Strange'

4. Linkin Park 'From Zero'

5. Sharon Van Etten & The Attachment Theory 'ST'

6. Jovin Webb 'Drifter'

7. Ghost 'Rite Here Rite Now'

8. Gillian Welch & David Rawllings 'Woodland'

9. Weather Station 'Humanhood'

10. Waxahatchee 'Tigers Blood'

Dune Part Two (PG13): Thurs. 7:30 pm; Sun. 3 pm

Mufasa: The Lion King (PG): Thurs. 1:40 pm

Marcus Mystery Movie (2/24) (PG13): Mon. 7 pm BHM: Just Mercy (PG13): Wed. 4:40 pm

BHM: Straight Outta Compton (R): Wed. 7:50 pm

ON STAGE

Les Miserables · Thurs.-Sun. 2/20-2/23, Veninga Theatre, UW Center for Civic Engagement, Wausau. Featuring top talent from Central Wisconsin area schools, this production brings the timeless story of love, redemption, & revolution to life in a way you've not witnessed before. Starts at 6:30 pm on 2/20, 7 pm on 2/21 & 2/22 and 2 pm on 2/23. \$15 adult tickets, \$13 children under 18 and seniors over 60. cwct.booktix.com

I am...He Said-Celebrating Neil Diamond · Thurs. 2/20, Grand Theater, Wausau. Neil Diamond tribute concert performed by Matt, Jeff & Tommy Vee. Starts at 7:30 pm. \$30-\$62. grandtheater. org

Good Company Electro Swing Band
Fri. 2/21, LuCille Tack Center
for the Arts, Spencer. Electronic
swing. Starts at 7:30 pm. \$35.

lucilletackcenter.com
RITTZ w/special guests Doc Backer,
906HAMMY and Cookies &

Creme · Sat. 2/22, The Q & Z Expo Center, Ringle. Hip-hop, variety. Doors open at 6 pm. Show starts at 7 pm. \$25 advance, \$30 at the door. gzexpocenter.com

Mike Dowling · Sat. 2/22, Pittsville Elementary School Auditorium, Pittsville. Blues, ragtime, variety. Starts at 7 pm. \$20 general admission, \$15 seniors, \$3 youth/students. eventbrite. com/e/mike-dowling-in-concerttickets-1217079711179

Sounds of Simon & Garfunkel · Sun. 2/23, Campanile Center for the Arts, Minocqua. Enjoy Simon & Garfunkel's music performed by Nashville duo Swearingen & Kelli. Starts at 2 pm. \$30. campanilecenter.org

Crystal Gayle · Sun. 2/23.

Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School Auditorium, Wittenberg. Country. Starts at 4 pm. \$60-\$75. rubbersoulproductions.com

The Magic of Rob Lake · Sun. 2/23, Grand Theater, Wausau. Enjoy a magic show that combines the mastery of grand illusions, sleight of hand & storytelling. Starts at 7 pm. \$35-\$82. grandtheater.org Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre:

Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre Trouble in the Tropicabana · Fri. & Sat. 2/28-3/1 & 3/7-3/8, WOWSPACE, Wittenberg. Enjoy dinner & an I Love Lucy murder mystery spoof. Doors open at 5:30 pm. Dinner starts at 6 pm. \$45/ person. wallsofwittenberg.com or 715-253-3525

Rucksack Revolution · Fri. 2/28, Campanile Center for the Arts, Minocqua. Folk. Doors open at 6 pm. Show starts at 7 pm. \$28 general admission. campanilecenter.org

Carnival of the Animals · Fri. 2/28, hosted by the Central Wisconsin School of Ballet and Wausau Dance Theatre at Grand Theater, Wausau. Carnival brings to life the amazement & amusement of the circus through spectacular costumes, humorous verse, & talents area performers. There will be circus-related children's crafts & games in the Great Hall before the performance. Starts at 6:30 pm. \$22 adults, \$18 children. grandtheater.org

Jazzmeia Horn · Wed. 3/5, Great Northern Distilling, Stevens Point. Jazz. Starts at 6 pm & 8 pm. \$35. Free for music students, 50% discount for musicians. jazzcoterie.com

Yamato: The Drummers of Japan Fri. 3/7, Grand Theater, Wausau. Enjoy an evening of Japanese drumming. Starts at 7:30 pm. \$39-\$65. Grandtheater.org

Gaelic Storm w/ special guest Reverend Peyton's Big Damn Band · Sun. 3/9, Grand Theater, Wausau. Irish rock & country blues. Starts at 7 pm. \$49-\$69. Grandtheater.org

ONGOING

Parent Aide Triple P In-Home
Program · Children's WI, 705 S
24th Ave, Wausau. Program that
promotes positive parenting
practices to address and prevent
a range of social, emotional, and
behavioral problems in children
and teens. For parents of children
ages 0-17. 715-660-0397 for more

information or to sign up Marshfield Pickleball · Every Mon., Tues., Weds., and Fri., hosted by the city of Marshfield. Located at the Oak Ave. Community Center, 201 S. Oak Ave. Advanced ticket discounts available through the Parks & Rec department. Ci.marshfield.wi.us.

Learning Essentials About

Parenting · Mondays, Children's WI, 705 S 24th Ave, Wausau. Learn how to solve problems and strengthen relationships in your home. Starts at 6 pm. Free. 715-848-1457 to register

Werle Park Plus Neighborhoods of Wausau · 2nd Monday of most months, Grace United Church of Christ, 535 S 3rd Ave, Wausau. Meet and discuss neighborhood issues. Use basement entrance off back of church. Starts at 6 pm. 715-845-7051

AARP Chapter 272 Monthly Meeting · 3rd Mon. of each month. United Way Office, 705 S 24th Ave. Wausau, Each month will have a speaker discuss a current topic in the news or in the area as well as legislation being proposed that affects those over age 50. AARP membership encouraged but not required to attend. Starts at 1:30 pm. 715-571-6189

The Landing Literacy Book Club · 4th Mon. of each month. Book club at the Landing YMCA, Wausau. Book notices at YMCA, Literacy Council and Janke Bookstore. 11:30 am-12:30 pm. 715-841-1855

Senior Bingo · Every Tuesday, hosted by the Marshfield Parks & Recreational Department at Drendel Room, 211 E 2nd St, Marshfield. Starts at 1 pm. \$1 for 2 cards. 715-486-2041

Sweet Adelines Center Point Chorus · Every Tuesday, Harmony House, 3500 Harmony Lane, Stevens Point. Learn and sing 4-part A Capella music barbershop style. Starts at 7 pm. 715-630-3155

Joe & Dough Military Veterans Morning Social \cdot 2nd Tuesday of every month, Elk's Club, 1132 Clark St. Stevens Point, Military veterans are invited to socialize with others, ask questions or relax. Select meetings will feature a guest speaker presenting a veteran-related topic. Complimentary donuts, sugar-free bakery items, coffee & tea will also be available for attendees. Starts at 8 am. 715-341-6194 for more info

Pine Tree Quilters Guild · 2nd & 4th Tuesday, Mt. Olive Lutheran Church, 6205 Alderson St, Weston. Join us for educational & informational gatherings on the 2nd Tues. at 6:30 pm & 4th Tues. at 10 am. pinetreequilters.org

Veterans Weekly Cup-of-Coffee at a Glance · Wednesdays, Denny's, Rothschild. Veterans can meet and enjoy a cup of coffee and meal. Starts at 10 am. More info at mikeheil123.wixsite.com/website

Stevens Point Area Genealogical Society Meeting · 1st Wednesday each month (except Jan., Jul. & Aug.), Portage County Aging & Disability Resource Center, Lincoln Center, 1519 Water St, Stevens Point. Come share your knowledge & experience with other family historians. Starts at 7 nm. spagswi.org

Women's Cancer Support Group · 2nd Wed. of each month, Aspirus Cancer Care-Wausau, 215 N 28th Ave. Wausau, Open to all women affected by cancer either personally or through a loved one. Starts at 10 am. 1-715-847-2000 ext 50874

Wednesday Night Sessions · Wednesdays, Mount Olive Lutheran Church, Weston. Enjoy a fellowship meal at 5:30 pm. Programs include FISH (for parents and children ages 3-grade 5), Ignite Confirmation (grade 6 & 7), Fusions Youth Group (for grades 8-12), and an adult bible study. Starts at 6:15 pm. mtoliveweston.org

Wausau Morning Toastmasters Meeting · 1st & 3rd Wed. of each month, Vino Latte, Wausau. Starts at 7 am. toastmasters.org

Central Wisconsin Marine Corps League Detachment 350

3rd Wednesday of each month, 2970 Post Road, Plover. Meet at 6:30 pm. New members are welcome. 715-824-3343 or 715-252-3339 for more info

Aspirus Wausau Farmers Market · Every Thursday, Located at Aspirus Corporate Parking Lot, 2200 Westwood Dr, Wausau. Opens 9 am. Aspirus.org

History Chats · Every Thursday, hosted online by the Marathon County Historical Society. Learn about Marathon County's history from Ben Clark and/or Gary Gisselman. Starts at 12:30 pm. On Facebook Live and Marathon County Historical Society's Youtube page

Free Community Meal · Every Thursday (except 4/14 & Thanksgiving), Jubilee House, The Church of the Resurrection, 621 2nd St, Wausau. Meals served from 4:30 pm-6 pm. 715-848-6120

Stevens Point Quakers Meeting · Every Sunday. Boys & Girls Club, 941 Michigan Ave, Stevens Point. All welcome! Child care available. Religious education twice a month. Starts at 10 am. 715-344-2593 for more info

First UU Church of Wausau Service · Sundays. First UU Church of Wausau, 504 Grant St. Wausau, Sun. 2/23 Suzanne Wasilczuk will be preaching. Stay after the service for coffee & fresh bakery in the open atrium. Starts at 10:30 am. uuwausau.org

Worship Service · Sundays, Peace United Church of Christ, 1530 Grand Ave, Schofield. Starts at 9 am. peacechurchucc.com



Marathon City Farmers Market · Thursdays, 400 Main St., Marathon City. 45+ vendors. Produce, food trucks, bakery, arts & crafts, flowers & drinks. Opens 2 pm-6 pm. MarathonCityFarmersMarket@gmail.com

Saturday Morning Serenity Seekers AFG · Saturdays online, St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 600 Wilshire Blvd, Stevens Point, https:// us04web.zoom.us/j/886522432 Meeting ID 886 522-432 Passcode: Serenity. In person first Saturday of the month at 9 am. 312-626-6799

Stevens Point Area Winter Farmer's Market · Saturdays from November-April, Located inside the Boys & Girls Club, 941 Michigan Ave, Stevens Point. Open from 8 am-noon. spawinterfarmersmarket.com

Women's League Winter Volleyball · Wednesdays 9/11-4/9, Mountain Bay Elementary School, Weston. Join a B level league designed for fun. Teams are made up of women of all ages (19-60's). Starts at 7 pm or 8 pm. \$25-\$35 for season. 715-573-9315 for more info

Winter Reading Program · Thurs.-Fri. 1/2-4/5, Marathon County Public Library, Wausau. Read at least three books in three months & log the books in for an entry into a raffle. Reading logs must be turned into the $\,$ library by 4/5 to be entered in the raffle. Free. 715-261-7230

Fiber Artists Meetup · Wednesdays 1/8-5/28, Marathon County Public Library. Wausau. Adults are invited to craft & chat at a weekly Fiber Artists Meetup, Starts at 1:30 pm, Free, 715-261-7230

Sip 'N Swap or Shop · Thurs. 2/20. JN Creations LLC. 608 Washington St, Wausau. Come on in & swap out your magazines, reading books, cookbooks & puzzle. Not a swapper? No problem. Just stop in & browse. Starts at 2 pm. Free. 612-756-1177

JN Creations Monthly Market Days, JN Creations LLC, Wausau. Soon-Wed. 2/26 4:30 pm-6:30 pm, Thurs. 2/27 11 am-5:30 pm, Fri. 2/28 11 am-5:30 pm & Sat. 3/1 10 am-2 pm. Free. 612-756-1177

AARP Income Tax Preparation · Tuesdays & Wednesdays 2/4-4/2. AARP Foundation Tax-Aide volunteers will offer free income tax preparation in Wausau focused on taxpayers who are age 50 and older and have low to moderate income. Scheduling volunteers will be taking calls for required appointments on Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays from 9 am-3 pm. 715-298-5734 for required appointments starting on 1/21. For other sites in the surrounding area search: AARP Foundation Tax-Aide Site Locator or call 888-227-7669

EVENTS/SPECTATOR SPORTS

Rosholt Choices Book Club: Kings and Queens · Thurs. 2/20, Portage County Public Library, Rosholt. Each month we pick a topic & invite participants to pick any book they would like to read on that topic. February's theme is "Kings and Queens". Starts at 2:30 pm. 715-677-4512

Parallel Worknights · Thurs. 2/20, Marathon County Public Library, Wausau. Work on art, crafts, creative writing or other projects in a relaxed environment, with music playing softly in the background. Starts at 5:30 pm. Free. 715-261-7230

Hot Cocoa & Critters · Thurs. 2/20, Portage County Public Library, Plover. Warm up with some cold-blooded critters & hot cocoa as the Plove Branch welcomes the UWSP Herpetology Society to show some of their reptiles & amphibians. Starts at 5:30 pm. Free. 715-341-4007

Alaskan Dinner · Fri. 2/21, Willow Springs Garden, Wausau. Dinner includes crab cakes, fruit tray, charcuterie board, salmon chowder, salad, bread & butter, baked cod, beef tips, crab pasta salad. Yukon gold mashed potatoes, squash risotto, vegetables & pie. Starts at 4:30 pm, \$20/person. \$8 ages 6-11, free for ages 5 & under, willowspringsgardens.com

The Big Draft: Bowl for Kids' Sake · Fri.-Sat. 2/21-2/22, hosted by the Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Wisconsin at Skipp's Bowling Center, Stevens Point. Form a team and go bowling to raise money for youth mentoring. Starts at 5 pm & 7:30 pm on 2/21 and 2 pm on 2/22. secure. qgiv.com/event/bowlforkidssake-thebigdraft

Winter Carnival · Sat. 2/22, Willow Springs Garden, Wausau. Enjoy sleigh rides, bingo, carnival games, snowmobile show, puzzle contest & more. Starts at 8:30 am. Free admission. willowspringsgardens.com

Craft & Vendor Show · Sat. 2/22, Cedar Creek Mall, Rothschild. Craft & vendor show. Starts at 9 am. cedarcreekmall.com

Marshfield Cultural Fair · Sat. 2/22, University of Stevens Point-Marshfield, Marshfield. Enjoy exhibits, live entertainment, food & more. Starts at 10 am. Free. uwsp.edu/marshfield/cultural-fair.

Pancake Feed & Raffle · Sat.-Sun. 2/22-2/23. Riverview School on Trov St. Wausau, All you can eat pancakes, regular or potato, served with sausages, scrambled eggs, beverage & dessert. With a purchase of a ticket, you're also put in a raffle drawing \$250 first prize. Starts at 4:30 pm on Sat., 8 am on Sun. \$8 at the door. Proceeds benefit central Wisconsin charities. Free for children age 5 & under. facebook.com/search/ top?q=town%20of%20texas%20lions%20club

Mosinee Papermakers Game · Sat. 2/22, Mosinee Rec. Center, Mosinee. Mosinee Papermakers vs. DePere Deacons. Starts at 7:30 pm. mosineepapermakers.com

Scaled Up Reptile Expo · Sun. 2/23, hosted by Scaled Up Expo at Central Wisconsin Convention and Expo Center, 10101 Market St, Rothschild. Look at the reptiles from different breeders, stock up on supplies and possibly take a reptile home. Starts at 10 am for VIP. 11 am for general admission. \$14 VIP admission, \$7 general admission, free for ages 5 and under, scaledupexpos.com

The Dark Matter Mystery: Exploring a Cosmic Secret · Sun. 2/23. UWSP Allen F. Blocher Planetarium, Stevens Point. What holds the universe together? Join scientists on their hunt for dark matter. Starts at 2 pm. Free. uwsp.edu

Fiber Artists Meetup · Mon. 2/24, Marathon County Public Library, Edgar. Adults who enjoy needlework are invited to bring their projects & spend time crafting and socializing with others. Starts at 4 pm. Free. 715-352-3155 Rothschild Book Club: "Tomorrow, Tomorrow, and Tomorrow" by Gabrielle $\textbf{Zevin} \cdot \text{Wed. 2/26, Marathon County Public Library, Rothschild. Two lifelong}$ friends, propelled to stardom by their legendary collaboration, soon learn that success, brilliance, and wealth can't shield them from creative ambition or heartbreak. Starts at 11 am. 715-359-6208

Ployer Reflections Book Club: "Horse" by Geraldine Brooks · Wed. 2/26. Portage County Public Library, Ployer, A discarded painting in a junk pile. a skeleton in an attic, & the greatest racehorse in American history: from these strands, Brooks braids a sweeping story of spirit, obsession, & injustice across American history. Starts at 2 pm. 715-341-4007

Ignite's 13th Anniversary Party · Wed. 2/26, hosted by Ignite Young Professionals at District 1 Brewing Company, Stevens Point. Celebrate 13 years of growth, connection, & community impact with Ignite Young Professionals. The evening will be casual, with smart casual attire, sub sandwich platters provided, & a cash bar. Starts at 6 pm. Free. eventbrite. com/e/ignites-13th-anniversary-party-tickets-1237375025009

Evercon 2025 · Fri.-Sun. 2/28-3/2, Central Wisconsin Convention & Expo Center, Rothschild. Fantasy/sci-fi role-playing gaming convention with board games, card games, video games, live role-play & more. Fri. 11 am-10 pm. Sat. 9 am-12 am and Sun. 9 am-5 pm. \$55 full weekend. \$30 kid weekend. \$30 Fri., \$40 Sat., \$25 Sun., \$15 kid day. Evercon.org

Fire & Ice · Fri. 2/28. Children's Imaginarium, Wausau, Join us for Fire & Ice, an adult-only evening at the Children's Imaginarium blending science, artistry & indulgence to support access to all programming. Starts at 7 pm. \$85. zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/fire-and-ice

A Year of Ghibli: Spirited Away · Sat. 3/1, Marathon County Public Library. Wausau. Watch the Studio Ghibli movie Spirited Away. Starts at 1:30 pm. Free. 715-261-7230

Craft Supply & Games Swap · Sat.-Thurs. 3/1-3/13, Marathon County Public Library, Mosinee. Swap out your gently used craft supplies, board games or puzzles. Pick up new donations on 3/13 from 5 pm-7 pm. 715-693-2144

Mardi Gras Dinner Party · Sat. 3/1, The Creative Spirit, 129 N Prospect St, Merrill. Enjoy a complimentary hurricane cocktail, cured meats, marinated olives, cheeses, paella, green salad, crusty baguettes & beignets. Doors open at 6 pm. Dinner served at 7 pm. \$50/ticket. 715-350-0815

Mosinee Papermakers Game · Sat. 3/1, Mosinee Rec. Center, Mosinee. Mosinee Papermakers vs. Eagle River Falcons. Starts at 7:30 pm. mosineepapermakers.com

Almond Journeys Book Club: "The Book of Charlie: Wisdom from the Remarkable Life of a 109-year-old Man" by David von Drehle Wed. 3/5, Portage County Public Library, Almond. A journalist recounts his long friendship with Charlie White, the centenarian next door who, sharing his good & meaningful life, mastered survival strategies that reflect thousands of years of human wisdom. Meet at the municipal center next to the library. Starts at 1 pm. 715-366-2151

Spud of the Month: Duchess Potatoes · Fri. 3/7, Food + Farm Exploration Center, Plover. Learn to make Duchess Potatoes. Starts at 5 pm. \$25 (20%) off for members). explorefoodandfarm.org

Vintage Game Night · Fri. 3/7, hosted by the Marathon County Historical Society at the Woodson History Center, 410 McIndoe St. Wausau, Play card/board games or you can bring your own game to play. Starts at 5:30 pm. Free. marathoncountyhistory.org

Common Grounds Coffee Chats · Sat. 3/8, Food + Farm Exploration Center, 3400 Innovation Dr, Plover. Enjoy drip coffee & pastries and learn what it takes to ensure the food we eat is safe for consumption. Starts at 9 am. Free. explorefoodandfarm.org

Mosinee Papermakers Game · Sat. 3/8, Mosinee Rec. Center, Mosinee. Mosinee Papermakers vs. Calumet Wolverines. Starts at 7 pm. mosineepapermakers.com

Marathon City Book Club: "The River We Remember" by William Kent Krueger · Mon. 3/10, Marathon County Public Library, Marathon City. When a wealthy landowner is found dead in the Alabaster River on Memorial Day in 1958, Sheriff Brody Dern, a decorated war hero, struggles to solve this murder that has the town of Jewel, Minnesota, up in arms, while putting to rest the demons from his past. Starts at 5:45 pm.

Edgar Book Club: "The Thursday Murder Book Club" by Richard Osman Tues. 3/11, Marathon County Public Library, Edgar. In a peaceful, retirement village, four unlikely friends meet weekly in the Jigsaw Room to discuss unsolved crimes; together they call themselves The Thursday Murder Club. Starts at 12 pm. 715-352-3155

Hatley Book Club: "The Mountain Between Us" by Charles Martin Tues. 3/11, Marathon County Public Library, Hatley. Stranded in a frigid mountain wilderness after a plane crash, a gifted surgeon & a young magazine writer are forced to rely on each other for survival while confronting painful truths about their personal lives. Starts at 1 pm. 715-446-3537

Athens Book Club: "Now Is Not the Time to Panic" by Kevin Wilson -Tues. 3/11, Marathon County Public Library, Athens. Twenty years after secretly causing panic in her hometown through the written word &artwork, along with a fellow loner names Zeke, famous author, mom & wife Frances Eleanor Budge gets a call that brings her past rushing back, threatening to upend everything. Starts at 2 pm. 715-257-7292

New Horizons Book Club: "Chances Are..." by Richard Russo · Wed. 3/12, Portage County Public Library, Stevens Point or online via Zoom. An absorbing saga of how friendship's bonds are every bit as constricting & rewarding as those of family or any other community. Meet in the Stevens Point's Prairie Room or online. Starts at 1:30 pm in person or 6:30 pm online. eglade@pocolibrary.org for meeting details

D.C. Everest Band & Luck of the Irish Gala · Sat. 3/15, D.C. Everest Senior High, 6500 Alderson St, Weston. Enjoy concerts from DCE Junior & Senior High Bands, desserts, mocktails, Irish dinner & music, raffles & more. Doors open for the concerts at 6:15 pm. DCE Junior High Band plays at 7 pm. DCE Senior High Band plays at 8:15 pm. Dinner starts at 4:30 pm. Free admission to the concerts. \$100/person for the dinner. dce.booktix.com

OUTDOORS

Night Hike · Fri. 2/21, Monk Botanical Gardens, Wausau. Go for an evening stroll through the illuminated gardens. Starts at 5 pm. \$5/person. monkgardens.org

Snowbound in the Underdown · Sat. 2/22, Prairie Dells Recreation Area, Merrill. Go for a fat bike or snowshoe race. Bib pickup starts at 8:30 pm. First race starts at 9 am. \$60. ironbull.org

Snowshoe Hike & Wine Flight · Sat. 2/22, Stable Hands Equine Therapy Center, 142744 Countryside Dr, Wausau. Candlelight snowshoe or walk. Bring your own snowshoes. Enjoy wine, refreshments, snacks & baked goods and more. Starts at 6 pm. Free. stablehandstherapy.com

Gatorade Grom Jam 2 · Sun. 2/23, Granite Peak Ski Resort, Wausau. Go skiing or snowboarding, enjoy pizza or similar lunch and a friendly competition. For ages 12 & under. Registration starts at 9 am, event starts at 1 pm. Helmets & lift tickets/season pass required. skigranitepeak.com

Gatorade Grom Jam 3 · Sun. 3/2, Granite Peak Ski Resort, Wausau. Go skiing or snowboarding, enjoy pizza or similar lunch and a friendly competition. For ages 12 & under. Registration starts at 9 am, event starts at 1 pm. Helmets & lift tickets/season pass required. skigranitepeak.com

Show Us Your Tricks · Fri. 3/7, Granite Peak Ski Resort, Wausau. Compete in a Mardi Gras themed competition for the most beads. Starts at 6 pm. skigranitepeak.com

Pond Skim · Sat. 3/29, Granite Peak Ski Resort, Wausau. Skim across a 100' pond while dressed in costume. Starts at 12 pm. skigranitepeak.com

LECTURES/WORKSHOPS

Underground Railroad Talk · Sat. 2/22, Portage
County Public Library, Stevens Point. UW-Stevens
Point History Professor, Lee Willis, will examine the
ways African Americans pushed the issue of slavery
to the forefront of the state & national politics in
their daring escapes from bondage through the
Underground Railroad. Starts at 12:30 pm. 715-346-

History Speaks: Moonshine in the Northwoods · Sat. 2/22, hosted by the Marathon County Historical Society online or at the Woodson History Center, 410 McIndoe St, Wausau. Learn more about clever moonshine production, extortion plots, kidnapping, hideouts & Al Capone's activities in northern Wisconsin. Starts at 2 pm. Free. marathoncountyhistory.org

Computer Basics: Mouse & Keyboard · Mon. 3/3, Marathon County Public Library, Mosinee. Learn how to use a mouse & keyboard. Laptops provided. Starts at 10 am. Free. 715-693-2144

Pasty Workshop Cooking Class · Wed. 3/5, Food + Farm Exploration Center, Plover. Learn how to make a traditional Northwood Meat Pie, the Pasty. Starts at 5:30 pm. \$60 (20% off for members). explorefoodandfarm.org

Stained Glass Cactus Class with Sassy Glassers · Tues. 3/11, Food + Farm Exploration Center, Plover. Create your own stunning stained glass cactus or floral planter stakes. Starts at 5:30 pm. \$55. explorefoodandfarm.org

Crafty Learning Day · Sat. 4/5, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Wausau. 16 classes to choose from. Take 3 classes. Includes lunch. Starts at 8:15 am. \$45. wahceinc.org/marathon-county-hce/ or 715-218-

ARTS/EXHIBITS

Q Artists Cooperative, Stevens Point · 1108 Main St, Stevens Point. Ongoing exhibits of the work of more than thirty local artists in a variety of media, featured shows rotating every two months. Open 11 am-4 pm daily. qartistscooperative.com

Figure · now until Thurs. 2/27. Q Artists Cooperative, Stevens Point. Group show featuring Deborah Wage, Diane Bywaters, Justine Pawelski, Mary Lee Reineking, Mike Jagielo, Dondi Bueno & Joan North. gartistscooperative.com

Riverfront Arts Center, Stevens Point · Open Wed.-Fri. 11 am to 5 pm. Sat. & Sun. 11 am to 3 pm. Closed holidays & between exhibits, stevenspoint.com/rac

Winter's Garden · Fri.-Sun. 1/17-2/23. Riverfront Arts Center, Stevens Point. Winter-themed juried exhibition. Open reception Fri. 1/17 from 4:30 pm-7 pm. stevenspoint.com/rac

Woodson Art Museum, Wausau · Free. Open Tues.-Fri. 9 am-4 pm, 9 am-7:30 pm first Thurs. of each month, Sat.-Sun. noon-5 pm and closed Mon. & holidays. lywam.org

Survival of the Fittest · now until Sun. 2/23. Woodson Art Museum, Wausau. Explore 45 masterworks from four influential wildlife painters, German-American Carl Rungius, German Wilhelm Kuhnert, Swede Bruno Liljefors & German Richard Friese. Lywam.org

The Bird Room Redux · now until Sun. 2/23. Woodson Art Museum, Wausau. Exhibits 3 larger-than-life canvases of avian subjects. Lywam.org

Wausau Museum of Contemporary Art · Open 11 am-3 pm Tues-Sat. Wmoca.org

Solo Exhibit-Sara Lee Hughes · now until Sat. 3/29. Wausau Museum of Contemporary Art, Wausau. Wmoca.org

Center for the Visual Arts, Wausau · Free. Gallery hours Wed.-Fri. 10 am-4 pm; Sat. 12 pm-4 pm. Closed Sun.-Tues. 715-842-4545, cvawausau.org. Inspired by activities and events.

WVAA Member Memorial Exhibit · now until Fri. 3/14. Center for the Visual Arts, Wausau. Artwork on display created by members of the Wisconsin Valley Art Association. cvawausau.org

35th Annual Midwest Seasons · now until Sat. 3/15. Center for the Visual Arts, Wausau. Midwest Seasons features artists from all over the country who submit pieces that capture the spirit of the Midwest & its seasonal wonders. Open reception on 1/17 from 5 pm-7pm. cvawausau.org

Portals, Planets, & Petri Dishes · now until Sat. 3/15. Center for the Visual Arts, Wausau. Angela Piehl's prints & drawings explore the medium of collage & its aesthetic as a metaphorical parallel to the process of composting. Open reception on 1/17 from 5 pm-7pm. cvawausau.org

Merrill Historical Society Museum, Merrill · Free. Gallery hours Mon.-Fri. 9 am-1 pm. 715-536-5652. discovermerrillhistory.org

Keeping Up Appearances-Suds, Duds & Irons · Ongoing exhibit. This exhibit showcases more than 60 individual & unique restored irons, washing devices & old laundry soap. discovermerrillhistory.org

Marathon City Heritage Center · Open the second Saturday of each month from 10 am-1 pm year round or by appointment. 715-443-2221. visitMCHC@

Marathon County Historical Society · Open Tues.-Fri. 9 am-4:30 pm. Sat.-Sun. 1 pm-4:30 pm. marathoncountyhistory.org

The 1920s: Rebellion, Prosperity & Loss · Ongoing exhibit. Step back in time 100 years to learn what life was like in the roaring '20s. This exhibit captures the excitement around new forms of media like the radio & moving pictures, the realities of enforcing a national Prohibition of alcohol, the growth of electrified appliances to modernize life at work & in the home, and much more. marathoncountyhistory.org

Peek Inside: See What We Collect and Why · Ongoing exhibit at the Marathon County Historical

Ongoing exhibit at the Marathon County Historical Society. View items on display and learn why they are a part of the Historical Society's collection. marathoncountyhistory.org

Ain't She Sweet-An Exhibit of Women in the 1920s Ongoing exhibit at the Marathon County Historical Society. This exhibit looks at the 1920s woman through fashion, accessories & most of all their stories. marathoncountyhistory.org

Our Stories: The History of Marathon County · Jan. 2022 thru Dec. 2025. Learn about the stories of people who lived in Marathon County for a long time. Themes include arriving here, making a living and having fun. marathoncountyhistory.org

Youth Art Month · Thurs. 3/13, Portage County Public Library, Stevens Point & Rosholt Branches. View a wide range of art in different media created by K-12 students. The artwork will be available to view during regular business hours. There will be a reception at the Rosholt branch starting at 3:30 pm & there will be activities & live music starting at 4 pm. 715-346-1549 Stevens Point or 715-677-4512 Rosholt

KIDS/TEENS

Tales for Tots · Mondays 2/3-2/24, Marathon County Public Library, Wausau. Toddlers can enjoy interactive stories & songs in this 30 minute story time. Starts at 10 am. Free. 715-261-7220

Family Storytime · Tuesdays 2/4-2/25, Portage County Public Library, Stevens Point. Enjoy interacting with local librarians while we read books, sing songs & share other fun activities. Most appropriate for preschoolers but all are welcome. Starts at 10:30 am. 715-346-1549

Play and Learn · Wednesdays 2/5-2/26, Marathon County Public Library, Wausau. Staff from Children's Wisconsin will read a story, share music and lead children through a craft project. Starts at 9:30 am. Free. 715-261-7220

Family Story Time · Wednesdays 2/5-2/26, Marathon County Public Library, Athens. Children can listen to stories, sing songs and learn through other literaturebased activities. Starts at 10:30 am. Free. 715-257-7292 Family Storytime · Wednesdays 2/5-2/26, Portage County Public Library, Stevens Point. Enjoy interacting with local librarians while we read books, sing songs & share other fun activities. Most appropriate for preschoolers but all are welcome. Starts at 10:30 am. 715-346-1549

Family Story Time · Wednesdays 2/5-2/26, Marathon County Public Library, Stratford. Children can listen to stories, sing songs and learn through other literaturebased activities. Starts at 10:30 am. Free. 715-687-4420

Family Story Time · Thursdays 2/6-2/27, Marathon County Public Library, Wausau. Children can listen to stories, listen to songs and learn through other literature-based activities. Starts at 10 am. Free. 715-261-7220

Family Story Time · Thursdays 2/6-2/27, Marathon County Public Library, Marathon City. Children can listen to stories, sing songs and learn through other literature-based activities. Starts at 10:30 am. Free. 715-443-2775









Baby Storytime · Fridays 2/7-2/28, Portage County Public Library, Stevens Point. A cuddling storytime, featuring interactive stories & songs for you & baby. Recommended for babies, newborn to 17 months, & siblings are welcome, Starts at 9:45 am, 715-346-1549

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LEGO Block Party · Thurs. 2/20, Marathon County Public Library, Wausau. Children of all ages and families are invited to build creative projects using LEGO blocks. All blocks will be provided. Starts at 3 pm. Free, 715-261-7220

Read to a Therapy Dog · Thurs. 2/20, Marathon County Public Library, Rothschild. Kids can practice their reading skills this summer by sharing stories with therapy dogs. Starts at 5:30 pm. Free. 715-359-6208

Bluey Bash · Sat. 2/22, Children's Imaginarium, Wausau. Enjoy a Meet & Greet with Bluey, Bluey-inspired activities, music, dancing & more. Starts at 10:30 am & 1 pm. childrensimaginarium.org

STEM Saturday with 4-H · Sat. 2/22, Children's Imaginarium, Wausau. Join 4-H with fun activities in the STEM lab. Starts at 1 pm. childrensimaginarium.org

Tilts · Sun. 2/23, UWSP Allen F. Blocher Planetarium, Stevens Point. Two kids & their robot friend discover how Earth's tilt & the Sun affect the daynight cycle and the seasons. Starts at 3:40 pm. Free. uwsp.edu

Play and Learn: Fun with Play-Doh · Mon. 2/24, Marathon County Public Library, Stratford. Have fun with Play-Doh. A staff member from Children's Wisconsin/Marshfield Family Resource Center will be available for questions & to recommend community resources. Starts at 10:30 am. Free, 715-687-4420

Family Story Time · Tues. 2/25, Marathon County Public Library, Hatley. Children can listen to stories, sing songs and learn through other literature-based activities. Starts at 10:30 am. Free, 715-446-3537

Teen & Tweens Night Out: Twice Baked Potato · Wed. 2/26, Food + Farm Exploration Center, 3400 Innovation Dr. Ployer, Learn how to make twice baked potatoes. Starts at 5 pm. \$35. explorefoodandfarm.org

STEM Literacy with Shelley · Thurs. 2/27, Children's Imaginarium, Wausau. Shelley will be reading "Germs Are Not for Sharing" & will have a fun activity to do. Starts at 10:30 am. childrensimaginarium.org

Family Storytime · Saturdays, Fridays, Tuesdays & Wednesdays 3/1-3/28, Portage County Public Library, Stevens Point. Enjoy interacting with local librarians while we read books, sing songs & share other fun activities. Most appropriate for preschoolers but all are welcome. Starts at 10:30 am. 715-346-1549

LEGO Block Party · Sat. 3/1, Marathon County Public Library, Rothschild. Children of all ages and families are invited to build creative projects using LEGO blocks. All blocks will be provided. Starts at 11 am. Free. 715-359-

Crafts & Coloring Extravaganza · Sat.-Mon. 3/1-3/31, Marathon County Public Library, Mosinee. Stop in at the library for different crafts or coloring projects. Stop in anytime during regular business hours. Free 715-693-2144

Tales for Tots · Mondays 3/3-3/31, Marathon County Public Library, Wausau. Toddlers can enjoy interactive stories & songs in this 30 minute story time. Starts at 10 am. Free. 715-261-7220

World Wildlife Day · Mon. 3/3, Marathon County Public Library, Edgar. Learn about endangered animals, make animal-inspired art, watch live footage of wild animals across the world, & more. Starts at 3 pm. Free. 715-352-3155

Family Game Night · Mon. 3/3, Marathon County Public Library, Spencer. Play a variety of board games & card games or bring your own to the library, Starts at 3 pm, Free, 715-659-3996

Tot Time · Tuesdays 3/4-3/25. Food + Farm Exploration Center, 3400 Innovation Dr. Ployer, Enjoy open exploration in the seedlings gallery. educational activities & a delicious snack. Starts at 8:45 am. \$35/4 weeks. Members 25% discount. explorefoodandfarm.org

Family Story Time · Tues. 3/4, Marathon County Public Library, Edgar. Children can listen to stories, sing songs and learn through other literature-based activities. Starts at 11 am. Free. 715-352-3155

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LEGO Block Party · Wed. 3/5, Marathon County Public Library, Spencer. Children of all ages and families are invited to build creative projects using LEGO blocks. All blocks will be provided. Starts at 3:30 pm. Free. 715-659-3996

Family Story Time · Thursdays 3/6-3/27, Marathon County Public Library, Wausau. Children can listen to stories, listen to songs and learn through other literature-based activities. Starts at 10 am. Free. 715-261-7220

Family Story Time · Thursdays 3/6-3/27, Marathon County Public Library. Marathon City. Children can listen to stories, sing songs and learn through other literature-based activities. Starts at 10:30 am. Free. 715-443-2775

Family Storytime · Thursdays 3/6-3/27, Portage County Public Library, Plover. Enjoy interacting with local librarians while we read books, sing songs & share other fun activities. Most appropriate for preschoolers but all are welcome. Starts at 10:30 am. 715-341-4007

Oregon Trail Live! • Thurs.-Fri. 3/6-3/7, Marathon County Public Library, Athens. Groups of up to 8 will travel around the library, rolling dice to determine their fate. Each session lasts up to 30 minutes. Starts at 1:30 pm on 3/6 & 10:30 am on 3/7. Free. 715-257-7292

Baby Storytime · Fridays 3/7-3/28, Portage County Public Library, Stevens Point. A cuddling storytime, featuring interactive stories & songs for you & baby. Recommended for babies, newborn to 17 months, & siblings are welcome. Starts at 9:45 am. 715-346-1549

LEGO Block Party · Sat. 3/8, Marathon County Public Library, Edgar. Children of all ages and families are invited to build creative projects using LEGO blocks. All blocks will be provided. Starts at 11 am. Free. 715-352-3155

Family Story Time · Tues. 3/11, Marathon County Public Library, Hatley. Children can listen to stories, sing songs and learn through other literature-based activities. Starts at 10:30 am. Free. 715-446-3537

Mini Makers · Tues. 3/11, Marathon County Public Library, Mosinee. Explore process art. Process art is child-led & focuses on creation instead of following specific directions. Each branch will have a different project each month. All supplies provided. Starts at 3 pm. Free. 715-693-2144

Pokémon Club · Tues. 3/11, Marathon County Public Library, Wausau. Enjoy Pokémon activities and play cards with other kids. Starts at 4 pm. Free. 715-261-7220

Mini Makers · Wed. 3/12, Marathon County Public Library, Rothschild. Explore process art. Process art is child-led & focuses on creation instead of following specific directions. Each branch will have a different project each month. All supplies provided. Starts at 10:30 am. Free. 715-443-2775

LEGO Block Party · Wed. 3/12, Marathon County Public Library, Spencer. Children of all ages and families are invited to build creative projects using LEGO blocks. All blocks will be provided. Starts at 3:30 pm. Free. 715-659-3996

Faux Stained Glass · Sat. 3/15, Marathon County Public Library, Wausau. Teens are invited to the library to create faux stained glass art. Choose from one of four pre-leaded designs; an axolotl, fungi, guitar or moon, then add color to make it come to life. Registration required. Starts at $2:\!30$ pm. Free. mcpl.us to register or 715-261-7220 for more info

Family Story Time · Tues. 3/18, Marathon County Public Library, Spencer. Children can listen to stories, sing songs and learn through other literature-based activities. Starts at 10:30 am. Free. 715-659-3996

Family Story Time · Tues. 3/18, Marathon County Public Library, Edgar. Children can listen to stories, sing songs and learn through other literature-based activities. Starts at 11 am. Free. 715-352-3155.

DIY Funny Flip Book • Tues, 3/18, Marathon County Public Library, Wausau, Participants will draw silly eyes, nose, & mouths on paper & then learn how to bind pages together to create a flipbook. Starts at 3 pm. Free. 715-261-7220

Read to a Therapy Dog · Tues. 3/18, Marathon County Public Library, Mosinee. Kids can practice their reading skills this summer by sharing stories with therapy dogs. Starts at 4:30 pm. Free. 715-693-2144

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Be'Tween the Lines Book Club · Fri. 3/21, Marathon County Public Library, Edgar. Tweens & teens ages 11-14 are invited to the library for a new

monthly book club where everyone gets to pick their own book. Choose a book that follows the monthly theme & each meeting, discuss & socialize. March's theme is spring. Free. 715-352-3155 for more info

LEGO Block Party · Sat. 3/22, Marathon County Public Library, Hatley. Children of all ages and families are invited to build creative projects using LEGO blocks. All blocks will be provided. Starts at 11 am. Free. 715-446-

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Greater Wausau Children's Museum, Cedar Creek Mall, Rothschild. Open Tues-Thurs. 9 am-2 pm, Fri. & Sat. 9 am-5 pm, Sun. 12 pm-5 pm. Closed Monday. \$5 per child 1-12 years, free for children under 1 year, \$1 for parents and caregivers. wausauchildrensmuseum.org or 608-408-4668

Story Time for Young Children · Tuesdays, Greater Wausau Children's Museum, Rothschild. Toddlers-age 7 can enjoy stories and other activities. Starts at 10 am. wausauchildrensmuseum.org or 608-408-4668

Wednesday Learning Centers · Every Weds., hosted by the Stevens Point Area YMCA and Boys & Girls Club of Portage County. Available for students in K thru 6th grade. Young learners will get the chance to socialize and learn after school. Centers are open all day. \$10 per child. More info at bgclubpc.org

Mini Monets · Wednesdays, Greater Wausau Children's Museum, Rothschild. Preschool art program for children ages 2-5. Starts at 10 am. wausauchildrensmuseum.org or 608-408-4668

Family Storytime · Wednesdays, hosted online by T.B. Scott Free Library. Listen to stories, songs, and rhymes every Wednesday, Starts at 10 am. On Facebook Live

Kids Workshop · First Saturday of each month, Home Depot, 2705 Sherman St, Wausau. Starts at 9 am. Free. homedepot.com

Weekend Wonders · Third Saturday of the month, Monk Botanical Gardens, Wausau. Each month features a different topic that will get you & your family outdoors, learning about plants & animals in the backyard. Starts at 10 am. \$15 per family/group. monkgardens.org

Babes in the Gardens · Tuesdays, Monk Botanical Gardens, Wausau. Babies & toddlers can enjoy a nature activity & playtime. Starts at 8:30 am. Free. monkgardens.org

 $\textbf{Tots in the Gardens} \cdot \textbf{Tuesdays, Monk Botanical Gardens, Wausau. Each}$ week, children ages 3-5 can learn about nature with an activity, crafts and story. Every month has a new theme. Starts at 10 am. \$5 per child, free for members. Cash only. monkgardens.org

LIFELINES

Alcoholics Anonymous: www.aawausauwi.org / AA Hotline: 1-715-503-0880

 $\textbf{Medicare options through Security Health Plan} \cdot \textbf{hosted weekly, hosted}$ online by the Marshfield Clinic, Learn how Medicare plans offered by Security Health Plan of Wisconsin can help you afford quality insurance. Visit securityhealth.org/OnlineEvent

Food Pantry · Thursdays, St Paul's United Church of Christ, Wausau. Bring picture ID & proof of Marathon County residency. Starts at 9 am. 715-842-

Tiny Tots Closet · Thursdays, St Paul's United Church of Christ, Wausau. On your first visit, you must fill out a registration form. Bring proof of residency. Proof you are a parent or guardian of a child in diapers (birth certificate, WIC card, etc.). Limit of 2 dozen diapers per visit. Limit one visit/month. Starts at 10 am. 715-842-3733

Personal Needs Closet · First United Methodist Church, 903 3rd St, Wausau. Free toilet paper, paper towel, soap, personal toiletries and laundry detergent. Enter from parking lot on Fulton St. 2nd Tuesdays 1-3 pm, 4th Saturdays 9-11 am. 715-842-2201

Claire's Critter Closet · First United Methodist Church, 903 3rd St. Wausau. Free cat food, dog food, beds, toys, treats, collars and cat litter. Enter from parking lot on Fulton St. 2nd Tuesdays 1-3 pm, 4th Saturdays 9-11 am. 715-842-2201

Blood Drive · Thurs.-Fri. 2/20-2/21. Stevens Point Blood Donation Center. 3210C Main St. Stevens Point, Starts at 8:30 am, Redcrossblood.org Blood Drive · Mon.-Tues. 2/24-2/25. Stevens Point Blood Donation Center.

3210C Main St. Stevens Point, Starts at 12 pm. Redcrossblood.org Blood Drive · Tues. 2/25, Ripco Credit Union, 121 Sutliff Ave, Rhinelander. Starts at 10 am. Redcrossblood.org

Blood Drive · Wed. 2/26, Pelican Lake Fire Department, 737 Wausau St, Pelican Lake. Starts at 9 am. Redcrossblood.org

Medicaid Basics · Thurs. 2/27, Marathon County Public Library, Stratford. Learn about Medicaid basics from a local, licensed health & life insurance agent. Starts at 4 pm. Free. 715-687-4420

Blood Drive · Thurs.-Fri. 2/27-2/28, Stevens Point Blood Donation Center, 3210C Main St, Stevens Point. Starts at 8:30 am. Redcrossblood.org

Blood Drive · Fri. 2/28, Antigo Middle School, 815 7th Ave, Antigo. Starts at 9 am. Redcrossblood.org

Blood Drive · Mon.-Tues. 3/3-3/4, Stevens Point Blood Donation Center, 3210C Main St. Stevens Point, Starts at 12 pm. Redcrossblood.org

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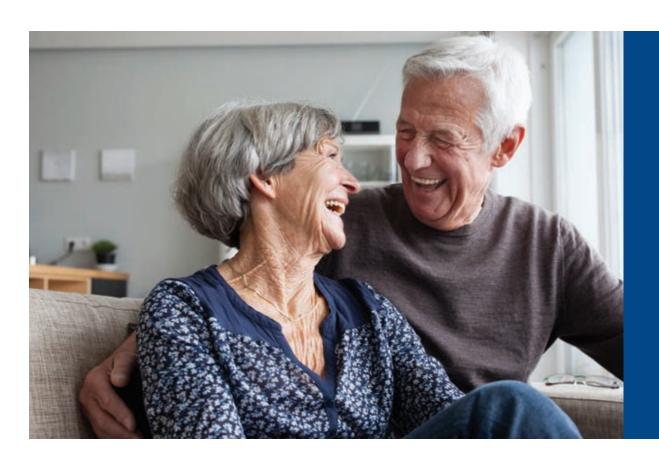
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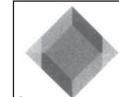
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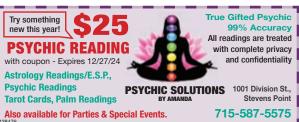
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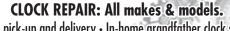








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