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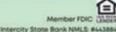
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### **PUBLISHER'S NOTE**

## A Moment In Time In Cartagena

Dear Reader.

Until recently, I had never been to Cartagena, Colombia. But when the opportunity arose for a short getaway with some old friends, I couldn't resist.

Cartagena is a vast and vibrant city, but we focused our time in its historic district—the heart of its charm and beauty. There, we wandered cobblestone streets filled with pantomimes, women in brightly colored traditional dresses balancing baskets of fruit on their heads, and countless vendors offering souvenirs in the plaza. We explored the old fortress, visited the monastery perched high above the city, and soaked in the rich history surrounding us. Our home base was perfectly situated near Plaza de San Pedro, placing us right in the middle of the energy and magic of Cartagena.

One of the great joys of travel is meeting new people, and the locals of Cartagena welcomed us with open arms. With a few Spanish speakers in our group—and occasional help from Duolingo on our phones—we struck up conversations that made the experience even more meaningful. We indulged in Colombia's world-famous coffee, savoring the flavors offered by Juan Valdez and Alberto's in just about every little café

The highlight of our trip came on our final evening at La Vitrola, a restaurant as enchanting as the city itself. The food was spectacular, the live band filled the air with music, and the atmosphere was pure joy. One of our friends, having shown up in shorts, was graciously provided with a blanket to meet the dress code—an unexpected but amusing moment. After dinner, we found ourselves outside, singing along with street musicians playing soulful Spanish songs of lost love, carried away by the music and the moment.

As I reflect on our time in Cartagena, I realize that no trip leaves you unchanged. We came home with new memories and strengthened friendships. Perhaps, in some small way, we left a piece of ourselves behind in that beautiful city. And maybe, just maybe, Cartagena carries a trace of us now too.

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## METRO BRIEFS by Kana Coonce

## **United Way wants to** know about your LIFE

Open to residents of Marathon County, is available in multiple languages, open through May 31

If you live in Marathon County, United Way wants to hear from you. The LIFE Survey, which provides a snapshot of the county's local strengths and challenges, will help community organizations to assess and improve or maintain the quality of life in Marathon County, according to a statement from United Way.

Open to residents of Marathon County, the survey takes 5-10 minutes to complete, is available in multiple languages and will remain open through May 31.

"Your answers play an important role in shaping decisions that affect our community," reads United Way's statement. "The LIFE Survey not only recognizes our achievements but also helps us identify important issues that need attention. You deserve a voice in the future of your community."

The results of the survey will be compiled into the LIFE Report, "an ongoing effort from many different community organizations to assess and improve the quality of life in Marathon County.

To learn more, visit marathoncountypulse.org, or take the survey at https:// marathonwi.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/ SV\_d5xy6WQzqpwuxx4.

#### Mayor vetoes council resolution

Mayor Doug Diny vetoed a resolution on March 3 passed by the common council to express formal opposition to any proposed state or federal cuts to Medicaid.

"The City of Wausau has enough work for Council members that they should not have to go looking for problems elsewhere," reads Diny's memorandum.

Diny calls the premise behind the resolution "highly presumptuous" and the resolution itself "disingenuous," arguing that "there are no proposed cuts to Medicaid currently" and that the resolution serves no purpose other than "political virtue signaling."

"What is particularly objectionable is that a so-called non-partisan city council is abusing its position to promulgate Democrat Party messaging and scare people," said Diny.

#### WisDOT introduces new verification feature

Wisconsin DMV recently implemented a new automated identity verification process, now available on several DMV applications, to help protect customers from potential fraud. It compares a person's selfie photo, taken in the moment, with their photo on file with the DMV as a method to verify the customer's identity.

When a customer wants to order a replacement (duplicate) driver license or ID card, for example, the customer opens the DMV application on a device that has a camera and then takes a selfie photo. If the image matches the customer's photo on file with the DMV, the customer can continue with the application. The new verification process provides an extra layer



of protection for Wisconsin residents from an unknown attempt at identity theft.

Consumers can also get account activity alerts and receive confirmation of transactions taking place on their DMV account when they sign up for DMV's eNotify, wisconsindmv/eNotify. This can help avoid fraudulent activities, such as an unwanted change of address or someone else ordering a replacement driver license or ID.

#### **Wausau School District** invites public to Community Conversation

From March 6-8, the Wausau School District is hosting a three-day summit titled "A Community Conversation: Bridging the Future of the Wausau School District."

The district invites parents, teachers, students and community members to join them for 11 hours of learning, sharing perspectives and making a difference.

"This is your chance to influence decisions and shape the future of education in Wausau," reads the district's press release.

The summit will take place on March 6 and 7 from 5:30 - 9 p.m. and March 8 from 8:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. Anyone in the community is welcome to join the conversation, which the district says will be critical to the success of the district.

To RSVP, community members can fill out the form at https://wausausd.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\_4Plrq2iobu9qRIW.

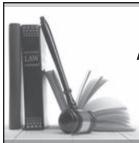
#### **Highway weight limits** begin March 10

Seasonal weight limits will go into effect on Marathon County highways on March

Enforcement will begin around 5:30 a.m., the scheduled start time for sign installation.

Seasonal weight limits help protect roadways from damage during the spring thaw, when pavement and gravel bases are especially vulnerable due to excess moisture. Restricting heavy loads during this period helps to extend the lifespan of roads and reduces the need for costly

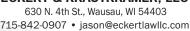
For more information on Marathon County's seasonal weight limits, including a list of posting locations, visit https:// www.marathoncounty.gov/services/ transportation/driving-information.



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Failing to update a beneficiary can have a major effect on your estate plan. You should review your beneficiaries regularly with your attorney. Call us today.



## Packers accepting nominations for Packers Protect and Serve Award

The Green Bay Packers are now accepting nominations for the Packers Protect and Serve Award, which recognizes exemplary law enforcement officers who go above and beyond the call of duty within the state of Wisconsin.

Nominees should be active, full- or part-time law enforcement officers who demonstrate leadership, dedication and a commitment to bettering their communities. Officers nominated should be those who have displayed heroism and/ or exhibited extraordinary commitment to public safety, the community and their fellow officers.

Nominators can submit an officer or department for one of four categories: Individual Officer Award, K-9 Award, School Resource Officer Award or Department Award. Fifteen awards will be presented: 12 Individual Officer Awards and one for each of the other three categories.

The Packers Protect and Serve Award is funded by the Green Bay Packers and the NFL Foundation as part of Green Bay Packers Give Back. Each award recipient will receive a \$2,000 grant to benefit their department or a nonprofit with which they are involved.

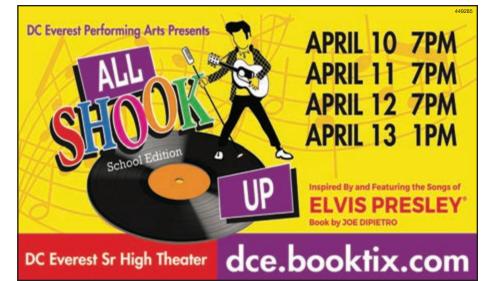
To nominate someone, visit https://packers.formstack.com/forms/packers\_protect\_and\_serve\_award\_2025. Nominations will be accepted through March 14.

#### Help for the Homeless Hygiene Drive

The Family Radio Network, Inc., is collecting personal hygiene and cleaning products across Wisconsin through March 16 for their 33rd annual Help for the Homeless Hygiene Drive, which they hope will support over 130 crisis agencies across Wisconsin for a year. All donations, including financial support, remain in the communities where they are collected.

The Family, a nonprofit organization providing contemporary Christian music and programming as well as community outreach support across Wisconsin since 1969, partners with area homeless and crisis agencies by inviting participating communities to donate hygiene and cleaning products. These products make it possible for the agencies to dedicate their limited financial resources to provide qualified personnel, education, counseling, safe housing and nutritious food to those they serve. Hygiene products are not covered by Wisconsin FoodShare (food stamps/SNAP.)

"It's truly amazing that something as small as a stick of deodorant can honestly help get someone on their feet, find hope and change lives," said a participating crisis agency representative.





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## CAPITOL EYE by WisPolitics.com staff

# **Expert warns of rural** impacts from bird flu

Wisconsin identifies multiple H5N1 cases in poultry, none in cattle

While Wisconsin still has yet to see any cases of bird flu in dairy cattle, the head of the Wisconsin Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory warns the impact of the virus could hit rural communities hardest.

Wisconsin in December identified multiple H5N1 cases in commercial and backyard poultry flocks, but has yet to find any bird flu in dairy cattle. Keith Poulsen, director of the WVDL, says the cost of infection on farms primarily impacts producers.

"The burden is on the farmer," he said this week during an interview on WisconsinEye. "You're going to see milk drop, you'll also see loss of production bonuses due to ... milk quality, fat, protein, volume. They're also going to see about 50% of turnover for animals that are affected."

He emphasized the expense of restoring those herds, noting the cost of replacing a dairy cow is up to three times as high as it was just a year ago.

"That becomes really untenable to a lot of farms," he said. "And because those replacement animal costs are even higher, we could see more farms actually selling out, if they're getting to that point where maybe the kids are gone and there's no one to take over ... we might see fewer Wisconsin farms, which is a challenge for all of our rural communities."

Meanwhile, DATCP plans to test Wisconsin dairy farms for bird flu on a monthly basis as the virus has been spreading across the country, raising concerns about the possibility of another pandemic. While human-to-human transmission hasn't been seen, dozens of people across the country have been infected by bird flu since last April, including at least one case in Wisconsin.

Poulsen said the "end goal" of eliminating the virus from dairy herds nationally is still within reach, though getting it out of poultry entirely will be "a little bit more challenging" due to their higher susceptibility and the added variable of infected wild birds.

## August says Republicans could delay passing budget if Evers won't sign GOP tax cut

Assembly Majority Leader Tyler August says Republicans could hold up passing the state budget if their GOP tax cut plan isn't first passed and signed by Dem Gov. Tony Evers

"Well, look, I think it depends on how the governor is going to react to the tax cuts," August said on WISN's "UpFront," which is produced in partnership with WisPolitics. "We are very adamant that this money needs to be returned to the taxpayers.

"Our position has been clear that the one-time surplus is only here because the governor continues to veto tax cuts," August added. "So our position as legislative Republicans has always been that money is for tax cuts, not for continued spending, not for bloating government, not for creating new government programs, so we expect that money to be used for tax cuts."

Republican leaders in both the Assembly and Senate met last week to negotiate details between the two chambers ahead of unveiling their tax cut plan in the coming days.

"We had a really productive meeting," August said. "We want to have broad tax cuts that cover every Wisconsinite. We think that our plan will be big and bold enough that conservatives can get behind it, but also targeted to the middle class, and the governor should be able to support it as well."

Evers has proposed \$2 billion in tax relief as part of his budget by targeting property taxes and the elimination of the income tax on cash tips and sales tax on certain items like and prescription drugs. Evers is also proposing a new tax bracket and a tax hike for the wealthiest Wisconsinites.

# Dems, Republicans clash over bill requiring sheriffs to check citizenship of those arrested for felonies

Democrats at a public hearing on a bill that would require local sheriffs to seek proof of citizenship from those arrested for felonies called the legislation unnecessary, while Republicans said it is needed to ensure safety.

Under AB 24, if those arrested cannot verify their citizenship, local sheriffs would have to notify federal immigration officials. If a sheriff does not comply, the local government would lose 15% of its revenue from the state.

Vos, R-Rochester, one of the bill's authors, said this bill is necessary because Dane and Milwaukee counties were found "non-cooperative" according to a federal report from last summer. "Non-cooperative" meaning the counties did not notify ICE when an individual in the country illegally was in their custody, and did not have adequate hold time to



assume Department of Homeland Security custody.

"The failure of a few sheriffs to cooperate with ICE affects the safety of residents in surrounding communities," Vos said.

Dem lawmakers on the committee expressed concerns with the legislation.

McGuire, D-Kenosha, asked what counties would gain from this bill, saying this is an unnecessary mandate as local law enforcement already has the authority "to determine the best places" to allocate resources.

"And that's why we elect sheriffs; we want to put them in a position so they can make those determinations, and instead, we're mandating that they comply with the federal government," McGuire said.

## Judge dismisses Hovde's suit over campaign ad

A Brown County judge has dismissed failed U.S. Senate candidate Eric Hovde's defamation suit over a campaign ad that claimed the businessman "rigged" the system, finding the spot was an expression of opinion and not defamatory.

Judge Donald Zuidmulder also found there was some truth in claims made by WinSenate, the political arm of Senate

The 30-second spot included a series of allegations, including that "he's sheltering his wealth in shady tax havens around the world." Hovde argued that falsely claimed he was actively involved with investments in the Cayman Islands and Bermuda.

According to Zuidmulder's ruling Thursday, Hovde didn't dispute that he had invested in publicly traded companies located in Bermuda or that he had managed assets "funded by foreign investors in companies based in the Cayman Islands."

"Whether Hovde was making use of international tax havens at the time of the airing of the advertisement is inconsequential in that the statement, 'Hovde shelters his wealth in shady tax havens' is substantially true," Zuidmulder wrote.

Hovde didn't immediately respond to a request for comment left with his lawyer.

Zuidmulder rejected Hovde's claim that the term "rigged" necessarily implicated that the businessman engaged in illegal conduct. He wrote it was undisputed that "Hovde received \$30 million in government subsidies and loans and that Hovde's

family negotiated for these subsidies and loans." He found the claim Hovde rigged the system was "of mixed opinion and fact" and the underlying facts are "undisputed."

"The Court finds this concern most potent when a defamation claim concerns highly political speech, such as here where the challenged statements were made in the context of a highly contested United States Senate race," he wrote.

#### WEC staff finds Madison clerk failed to implement practices that could've found missing absentee ballots

Madison's clerk failed to implement practices that could've found 193 absentee ballots the city failed to tally from Nov. 5, including a check of all carts and totes that had been used to store ballots before they were counted, state Elections Commission staff found.

In a report prepared for the commissioners, staff highlighted a series of policies that Madison Clerk Maribeth Witzel-Behl could've implemented that would've discovered the ballots. That includes a failure to include policies that would've prompted the municipal or county boards of canvass to see if election officials had missed anything or overlooked batches of absentee ballots.

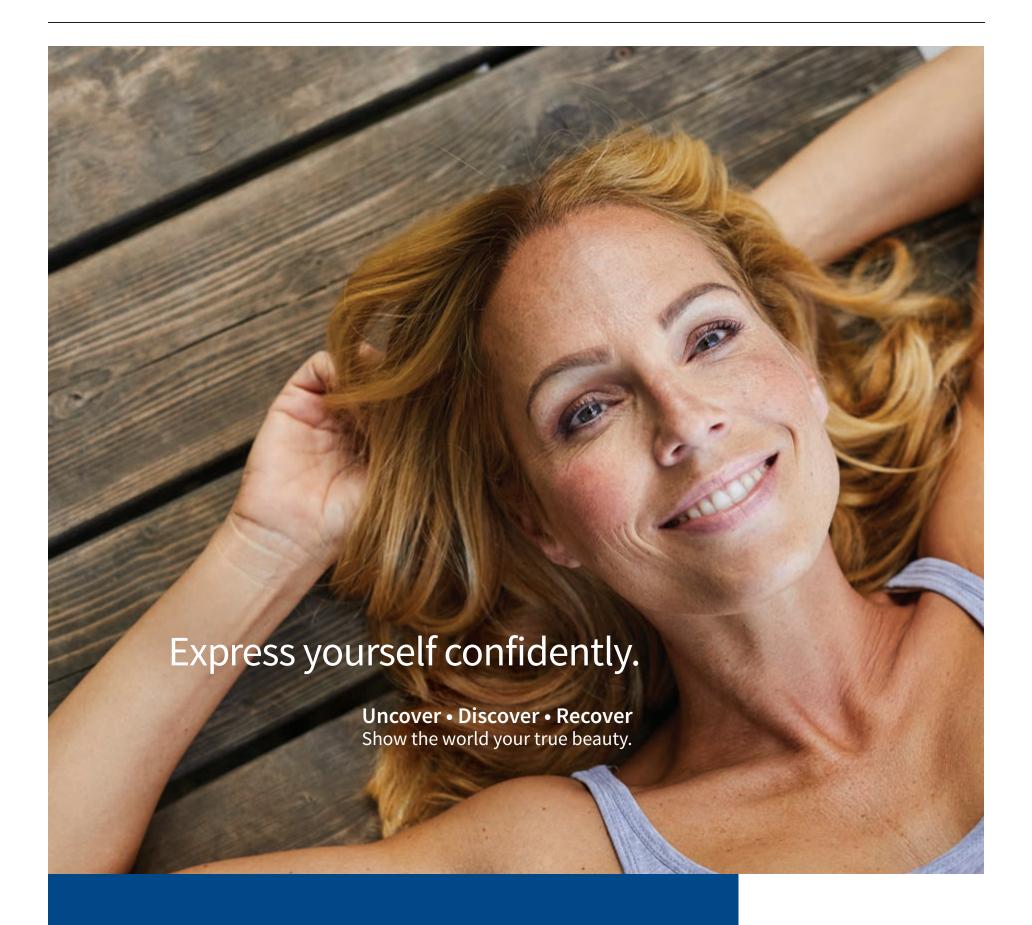
"Again, it seems as if the existing policies are extensive with respect to checking what was completed, but were not designed to check what was completed against what should have been completed," staff wrote in the report.

The existence of the 193 absentee ballots that weren't included in the final canvass of the Nov. 5 results wasn't publicly disclosed until late December. That prompted the Elections Commission to order an investigation into the Madison clerk to determine why the city failed to count 193 absentee ballots on Election Day.

That action included a review of whether Witzel-Behl failed to comply with the law or abused her discretion.

The staff noted in its report summarizing the findings of the investigation that it hadn't concluded Witzel-Behl took any actions contrary to state law or had abused her discretion.

The commission will review the report at a March 7 meeting.



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## COVER FEATURE By Ann Meyer, Contributing Writer



**For 89 years, Gerald Borchardt** has lived in Marathon County on a farm where the well water once ran pure.

Just down the road, Marathon County's Stratford Highway Shop No. 2 near Highway 97 in Edgar has stored mounds of road salt. No one thought they were a hazard — not until signs were erected in the 1990s, warning people the well water had too much sodium chloride. That's salt.

Excessive chloride consumption is linked to cancer, Borchardt later learned first hand. Despite a slope separating Borchardt's farm from the transportation facility, Borchardt's wells were contaminated with sodium chloride from the road salt. he said.

When he contracted a cancerous tumor on his left kidney, "the first thing my doctor said is, 'You've got to cut out the salt," he said. "We never had a salt shaker on our table."

The salt was in the water.

Borchardt said he couldn't taste it, so he doesn't know exactly when the issue cropped up.

"DNR was taking samples and they knew it was contaminated long before they reported it to us," he said.

At the County Highway Maintenance Shop, sampling in 1990 showed chloride levels at 4,200 mg/l at a sample tap and at 500 mg/l at a drinking fountain after treatment, presumably with a filter installed, according to a Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources file. The limit is 250 mg/l. Sodium was at 910 mg/l from the tap and 150 mg/l from the treated drinking fountain, the report said. Sodium doesn't have state standards.

Hazards originating decades ago can emerge years later in unlikely places. The path the road-salt-tainted ground-water traveled in Marathon County defies logic, as some of Borchardt's neighbors' wells weren't affected much, while others were and still are.

The Wisconsin DNR had sampled the groundwater years before it informed property owners it contained too much sodium chloride — or at least chloride, as limits don't exist for sodium, Borchardt said.

"They knew it was contaminated long before they reported it to us," he said. "I wasn't happy. I wouldn't say I was exactly angry. It was just one of those things you have to live with and put up with and carry on," he said. Borchardt said he switched from dairy cows to beefers about 35 years ago.

As the years went by, Borchardt thought the sodium chloride in his well water would dissipate. It did, but too slowly for his likes. So Borchardt disconnected the well that once brought chloride to the sinks in his house, switching the faucets to a barn well.

At least 35 years after the DNR first reported the sodium chloride, it is still taking samples from his wells, but it hasn't provided a way to remediate it, he said.

A November 2024 sampling detected chloride at 152 mg/l and sodium at 20 mg/l in his barn well and noted the house well was not in service.

"They were out here this fall and said everything was all right," Borchardt said.

Meanwhile,  $814\ mg/L$  of chloride was detected in a neighbor's untreated shop well, according to environmental engineering firm Robert E. Lee's reports.

Not far from Borchardt's farm, Chad Erickson said the chloride counts at one of his wells has gone up and up.

"It's still been elevated, and actually it's been getting higher every time they test," he said.

"I'm disappointed all the way through," he said. He bought his property in 2002 and built a brand new house for his family, installing a refrigerator with a water dispenser it turned out they couldn't use. "When my daughter had a birthday party when she was pretty young, a friend said, 'Your water tastes yuck," he said. "Just coincidentally, they started testing the water." Erickson was told the issue stemmed from the county highway shop, where salt dissolved and leaked into the groundwater, he said.

Erickson has installed two reverse osmosis filters in the kitchen and basement, and they provide clean drinking water, he said. With a lawyer's help, he received some money from the county, but it was before the fixtures needed replacing.

Salt is corrosive, he said.

"We should have done some more figuring and waited," he added.

No one would have imagined living down the road, and over a hill and down a valley, from a highway maintenance shop would bring with it such a long, drawn out environmental issue

Administrators have tried to close the case several times, including in 1993 when the DNR didn't consider the issue a spill because it involved the county's purposeful storage of road salt. A hand-written note from 1993 in the DNR file said, "Salt storage problem — not spill."

Fast forward to February 2017, when DNR denied Marathon County Highway Commissioner James Griesbach's case-closure request, saying additional site work was necessary to define the extent of the contamination. Today, Griesbach said seven wells continue to be monitored regularly.

The highway maintenance shop and nearby properties are located just a short distance from Highway 97, some have speculated whether ongoing salting of highway lanes in inclement weather could be contributing to the issue. But Griesbach said road salt from the highway doesn't travel. "With prewetting, salt stays on the roadway," he said.

On average for the past six years, the county has tossed 14,750 tons of road salt per year on its roughly 2,200 lane miles, Griesbach said.

Environmental spills come in all shapes and sizes, and many remain open cases for years. It's not just so-called "forever chemicals" that don't break down in groundwater, said Tom Kilian, an environmentalist and former Wausau alderman.

Several different hazardous substances — polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) as high as 38,000 ug/kg and bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP) as high as 381,000 ug/kg — detected at the site of a former business incubator at 1300 Cleveland Avenue in Wausau are so resilient, the property was deemed off limits to residential development, a precaution designed to keep children healthy, said Kilian, a spokesman for Citizens for a Clean Wausau. Kilian was involved in a citizen effort to get the site cleaned up to non-industrial



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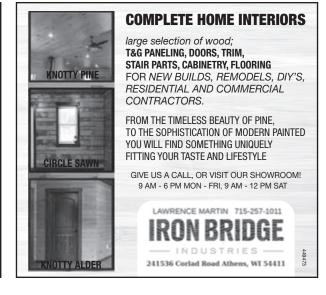
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standards and rezoned to prevent any further industrial contamination, but so far it stands barren.

Who's to blame for a hazardous contamination isn't always obvious. While Wisconsin's Spill Law aims to keep the public healthy by ensuring hazards are identified and remediated, the clean-up process often takes years and often ends up in the courthouse.

The Wisconsin Supreme Court is deliberating whether an Oconomowoc dry cleaners no longer in business should be held responsible for PFAS detected on its property when PFAS limits don't exist in Wisconsin for groundwater. The Spill Law case involves a mom-and-pop dry cleaners, Leather Rich Inc., which its widowed owner Joanne Kantor wished to sell after her husband died. Kantor contacted the DNR after chemicals were detected on the property, and the DNR requested further testing that revealed PFAS chemicals on the land, according to legal documents.

The amount of money Kantor spent to comply with DNR's requirements exceeded \$300,000 and affected her retirement, according to a legal brief attorney Delanie Breuer of Madison law firm Fredrikson & Byron P.A. filed late last year. The DNR said its requests for more testing and remediation were in compliance with the Spill Law. The dispute led to Leather Rich's lawsuit alleging the DNR overstepped its authority as hazardous limits for PFAS weren't provided. The DNR petitioned the Supreme Court of Wisconsin after two lower courts sided with Leather Rich.

In oral arguments before the Wisconsin Supreme Court Jan. 14, Assistant Attorney General Colin Roth, who represents DNR, said, "There has never been a hint of a dispute in the scientific community that PFAS discharges at very, very small levels are a hazard."

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But Breuer said DNR "changed the rules without notice unilaterally," prolonging the case and making it difficult for Leather Rich to comply with a moving target, especially because PFAS standards for groundwater don't exist at the

Beth Neary, a retired pediatrician and co-president of Wisconsin Environmental Health Network, said the Spill Law must continue to allow DNR to address hazardous spills even when standards for the spilt substances don't exist because of their health risk, especially to children. It takes years for lawmakers to pass limits, she said. Meanwhile, people continue to be exposed to the health hazards.

"Sometimes we can't wait," said Neary, a clinical adjunct assistant professor of pediatrics at University of Wisconsin's School of Medicine and Public Health.

Borchardt said he supports the Spill Law, and in his case the local county government was the party responsible for the road salt contamination, the  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{DNR}}$  said.

#### **New info from Griesbach**

Exactly how and when the salt contamination started is unknown, Griesbach said Monday. "It is believed to be from practices used in the 1970s, which are no longer used," he said. A reporter didn't receive a response by press time to a request for more information.

The county acquired about 13 acres for winter maintenance and storage in Stratford in five separate parcel transactions in 1949, 1957, 1974, 1984 and 2003, according to a 2014 letter Griesbach wrote to DNR. "We have no recorded dates of when the usage of road salt or storage of road salt began," his letter said.

Griesbach said the issue wasn't a one-time spill but occurred over time in the 1960s and 1970s when they stored salt on the ground. The road salt was moved to a concrete barrier in about 1974, he said. The chloride detected in wells on nearby properties likely stems from this time, he said.

Records in the DNR's electronic case file date back to 1989, but the DNR's letter to the Marathon County Highway Department dated Feb. 24, 1989, indicates a reverse osmosis filter already was installed on the Stratford Highway Shop

Borchardt said the salt sat on the ground then, without a concrete barrier. The original well at the highway shop was a few feet from where the road salt was stored. The county dug a new well for the highway shop in 1993, but this didn't resolve the contamination for neighbors. In 2014, a resident named Mr. Finke contacted the county when 971 ppm of chloride was detected in his well water, according to Griesbach's 2014 letter.

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The DNR relies on the strength of the Spill Law to hold polluters accountable, yet it let the county's runaway salt slide for years, property owners said. It's not so dissimilar from the frustration people have over PFAS spills that are covered up.

"The law says they have to report it, and they have to remediate it," Neary said. "The argument is you mess it up, you clean it up," she said.

To address the salty well water at the transportation facility, DNR encouraged the county to provide bottled water and to post signs "as to warn people who might visit the facility," according to an historic document.

Monitoring continued for years. On Nov. 17, 2016, after receiving a notification, Borchardt called the DNR and said he wasn't happy the county was getting off "scot-free." A June 2016 sampling of his wells detected at 326 mg/l at his house well, at 147 at his barn well.

The county offered Borchardt \$2,500 related to the salt in his groundwater. He hired an attorney and collected \$35,000, but it wasn't enough, he said. Fortunately, his cancer hasn't recurred, he said.

"Whatever we do to our environment and groundwater takes a very long time to clean up, and it is expensive," said Dale Grosskurth, environment health resources coordinator at the County Health Department. "In many respects — generally speaking, people do things and don't know that that's not what they should do," Grosskurth said.

Kevin Masarik, director at the Center for Watershed Science and Education at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, which has worked with Marathon County on a Groundwater Monitoring Project, said people relying on private wells should have them tested regularly.

The county has had no shortage of hazardous spills, he

"Many have likely been addressed, but others may still be active. The good news is that the Wisconsin DNR maintains a database on known spills," he added.

As for resolving the road-salt contamination near Highway 97, it could be a while longer. The county continues to store salt at the Stratford Highway Maintenance Shop. 🖙



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#### **Global Recycling Day Electronics Recycling Event**

Saturday 3/22 | Good News Project, Wausau

Got junk? How about old electronics? To celebrate Global Recycling Day, the Good News Project and TDS are hosting an electronics recycling drive. Clear out some clutter without the guilt — Good News Project is accepting just about any device with a power cord or battery. 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Cost is 49 cents/lb. For more information, including accepted items, visit goodnewswi.com/upcoming-events.

#### **MCPL Cat Lover Social Hour**

Tuesday 3/18 | Marathon County Public Library, **Mosinee Branch** 

What's better than books, cats and crafts? All three in one place — plus other people to share them with! At MCPL's cat-lover social hour, attendees will have the opportunity to make their choice of several easy, no-sew cat toys. If that's not your bag, coloring pages and activity sheets will also be available. And don't forget to bring your own cat photos to share with others. 5-6:30 p.m. All ages welcome. Free. No registration required.



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Saturday 3/8

**Humane Society of Marathon County, Wausau** 

It's bunny season, and the Humane Society of Marathon County is celebrating with a bunny extravaganza and photography session. For a \$5 donation, you can take pictures with the shelter's soon-to-be-adoptable bunnies — and maybe learn a bit about keeping rabbits as pets, while you're at it. 12 - 4 p.m.

#### **Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre: Trouble in the Tropicabana**

Fri. 3/7 and Sat. 3/8 **WOWSPACE**, Wittenberg

Join the characters of *I Love Lucy* for two more nights of dinner, murder and sleuthing in this interactive show put on by Crossroads Community Theatre. Tickets cost \$45 and include dinner catered by the Hidden Valley Supper Club of Caroline. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Dinner starts at 6 p.m. Call 715-253-3525 or visit Wittenberg Sentry Foods to buy tickets.

#### **Big Big Furnace**

Friday 3/14 | Coral Lanes, Rothschild

Last year, emo-pop band Big Big Furnace reunited after over 20 years to rock together again. In the year since, they've released an album and a single — and they've got another album slated for a 2025 release, as well. Join them at Coral Lanes next week as they return to Central Wisconsin to celebrate their roots. All ages welcome, bar available for ages 21+. 8-10 p.m. 🖙

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#### **BAR BEATS**

Thursday March 6 **Scott Kirby** · Northern Waters Distillery, Minocqua. Americana. 4 pm. 715-358-0172

#### Friday March 7

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

Doug Kroening · Hub Inn, Merrill. Acoustic variety featuring classic rock. 6 pm. 715-218-2186

Brad Emanuel · The Garage, Wausau. Variety. 7 pm. 715-393-

Caleb & Emily · Timekeeper Lounge & Distillery, Wausau. Acoustic. 7 pm. 715-679-3777

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

Matt Sayles · Malarkey's Pub, Wausau. Country, rock & roll, blues, Americana & bluegrass. 8 pm. 715-819-3663

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

#### Thursday March 13

Mark Wayne · Northern Waters Distillery, Minocqua. Acoustic country, variety, rock & roll. 4 pm. 715-358-0172

The Swing Doctors · Bullseye Golf Club, Wisconsin Rapids. 16-piece jazz/swing. 7 pm. 715-423-2230

#### Friday March 14

The River District · O'so Brewing Company, Ployer, Folk, Americana. jam, rock, variety. 6 pm. 715-254-2163

Still Reckless · The Garage, Wausau. Country. 7 pm. 715-393-4495

#### Saturday March 15

Dean & Terry · Sunset Point Winery, Stevens Point. Country. 6 pm. 715-544-1262

Through Crimson · The Garage, Wausau. Alternative rock. 7 pm. 715-393-4495

Troy Allen's Copperhead Country w/ Amanda Bestul · O'Brien's on Main, Amherst, Country, 7 pm. 715-824-3317

#### Sunday March 16

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

Reverend Meantooth & Keith Daniel's Swamp Stop Band Nevermore on Third, Wausau, Rock, gospel & delta blues. 4 pm.

715-298-0028

Monday March 17 The Sidekicks w/ Chad Brecke · The Bar-Wausau, Rothschild. Variety. 4 pm. 715-355-7001

#### Thursday March 20

**Brad Emanuel** · Northern Waters Distillery, Minocqua. Variety. 4 pm. 715-358-0172

#### Friday March 21 **Billy Bronsted & Augie Dougherty**

Sawmill Brewing Company, Merrill. Americana, bluegrass. 6 pm. 715-722-0230

String Cheese Band · The Garage, Wausau. Variety. 7 pm. 715-393-4495

The Jorgensens · Malarkev's Pub. Wausau. Rock, blues, pop & soul. 8 pm. 715-819-3663

#### Saturday March 22

**Derek Lind** · O'so Brewing Company, Plover. Country & soul. 6 pm. 715-254-2163

Stewart Ellyson · District 1 Brewing Company, Stevens Point. Acoustic rock. 6:30 pm. 715-544-6707

TJ Morrow · The Garage, Wausau. Acoustic. 7 pm. 715-393-4495 Joyann Parker Duo · Malarkey's

Pub, Wausau. Blues. 8 pm. 715-819-3663

#### Sunday March 23

The Chad O'Kennedy  $\cdot$  Nevermore on Third, Wausau. Acoustic. 4 pm. 715-298-0028

#### Thursday March 27

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

#### Saturday March 29

Northwoods Skitchers Duo · Point Brewery, Stevens Point. Acoustic. 5 pm. 715-344-9310

Sarah Crow & The Strangers · O'so Brewing Company, Plover. Folk. 6 pm. 715-254-2163

Justin Zopel · Sunset Point Winery, Stevens Point. Acoustic. 6 pm. 715-544-1262

Black Hole Sons . The Garage. Wausau. Rock. 7 pm. 715-393-4495

#### Sunday March 30

Tim Tesch · Nevermore on Third, Wausau. Acoustic. 4 pm. 715-

#### 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

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

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

#### Team Trivia at Malarkev's

Wednesdays, Malarkey's Pub & Townies Grill, Wausau. Trivia starts at 7 pm. malarkevspub.com

Karaoke · Wednesdays. Wausau Eagles Aerie & Auxiliary #251, Wausau. Starts at 8 pm. 715-845-4795

#### 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

pm. 715-359-2343

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-

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

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#### Cedar Creek Cinema, Rothschild, 715-355-5094 Movie listing 3/6-3/12

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Karaoke · Saturdays, Kevin & Joy's 19th Hole, Schofield, Starts at 9

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Cosmo Theatre, Merrill, 715-536-4473 Movie times thru 3/13

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- 6. Jovin Webb 'Drifter'
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- 9. Weather Station 'Humanhood'
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Paddington in Peru (PG): Thurs. 2:20 pm, 5 pm, 7:40 pm; Fri., Sat. & Tues. 10:30 am, 1 pm, 3:40 pm, 6:20 pm; Mon. & Wed. 1 pm, 3:40 pm, 6:20 pm

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Green and Gold (TBD): Thurs. 1:10 pm, 3:40 pm, 7 pm

Mufasa: The Lion King (PG): Thurs. 1:40 pm, 4:30 pm

Transformers One (PG): Fri. & Sun. 11 am; Sat. 11:30 am **Novocaine: Early Access** 

Adrenaline Rush (R): Sat. 7 pm Indiana Jones Trilogy Marathon (PG13): Sat. 12 pm

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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

The Musical Storyteller · Sun. 3/9, hosted by Wausau Symphony & Band at First Presbyterian Church, Wausau, Classical music, Starts at 3 pm. \$15 adult, \$10 seniors, free for students & children. wausausymphonyband.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

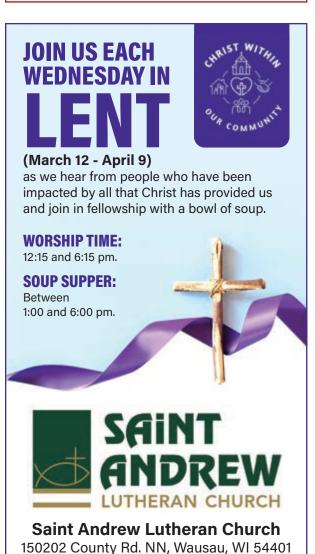
Whimsy & Wonder: The Soundtrack of Youth · Thurs. 3/13, hosted by Central Wisconsin Musicians at UW Center for Civic Engagement Veninga Theater, Wausau. Enjoy melodies that bring to life the magic, dreams & whimsy of youth! Starts at 7 pm. \$10. uwsp.edu

 $\textbf{Marielle Kraft} \cdot \textbf{Thurs. 3/13, Grand Theater, Wausau. Indie pop. Starts at}$ 7:30 pm. \$10. Grandtheater.org

Passion & Resurrection · Fri. 3/14, hosted by Monteverdi Chorale at Holy Spirit Parish, 2151 Stanley St, Stevens Point. A solo concert featuring the Monteverdi Chamber Chorale performing works of Bach, Caldara & more. Starts at 7:30 pm. \$20 adult, \$15 senior, free for student/youth. monteverdichorale.org

Switchback · Fri. 3/14. LuCille Tack Center for the Arts. Spencer, Irish roots/ Americana. Starts at 7:30 pm. \$30. lucilletackcenter.com





Pure Prairie League & Firefall · Fri. 3/14, Grand Theater, Wausau. Country, rock & pop. Starts at 7:30 pm. \$35-\$73. Grandtheater.org

Hoobastank · Sat. 3/15, Lake of the Torches Resort Casino, Lac du Flambeau. Grunge & alternative rock. 18+. Starts at 7 pm. \$20 & \$30. lakeofthetorches.com

Rucksack Revolution · Sat. 3/15, Grand Theater, Wausau, Folk, Starts at 7:30 pm. \$20. Grandtheater.org

Scotty McCreery · Sat. 3/15, North Star Mohican Casino Resort, Bowler. Country. 21+. Starts at 8 pm. \$75-\$80. northstarcasinoresort.com

Paolo Schianchi · Sun. 3/16, hosted by the Merrill Area Concert Association at Merrill High School Auditorium, Merrill. Selections from classical to rock. Starts at 3 pm. \$60 adult, \$20 student, \$130 family membership. maca.merrillconcerts.org

Ladies of Country: A Tribute to Dolly, Shania, Reba & Martina · Thurs. 3/20, Grand Theater, Wausau. Country. Starts at 7:30 pm. \$38-\$50. Grandtheater.org

New Orleans Songbook-A Jazz at Lincoln Center Presents Production · Fri. 3/21. Grand Theater, Wausau, Jazz, Starts at 7:30 pm. \$30-\$65. Grandtheater.org

Listen to Her Heart · Sat. 3/22, Grand Theater, Wausau. Tom Petty tribute concert. Starts at 7:30 pm. \$27-\$58. Grandtheater.org

Spring Show · Sat. 3/22. Oz Nightclub, Wausau, Drag show, 21+, Starts at 10 pm. \$5 cover. 715-679-3606

Darryl Worley · Sun. 3/23, Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School Auditorium, Wittenberg. Country. Starts at 4 pm. \$45-\$60. rubbersoulproductions.com

Comedy. Starts at 7:30 pm. \$13-\$20. eventbrite.com/e/the-brewerycomedy-tour-at-mosinee-tickets-225689612707

Red Hot Chilli Pipers · Fri. 3/28, Grand Theater, Wausau. Scottish-themed music that blends rock music with bagpipes. Starts at 7:30 pm. \$25-\$55. Grandtheater.org

Satisfaction · Sat. 3/29. North Star Mohican Casino Resort, Bowler, Rock & roll. 21+. Starts at 8 pm. \$23-\$28. northstarcasinoresort.com

Music of Billy Joel & Elton John starring Michael Cavanaugh · Sun. 3/30, Campanile Center for the Arts, Minocqua. Enjoy music from two rock piano legends performed by Michael Cavanaugh. Starts at 7 pm. \$20-\$65. campanilecenter.org

Michael Glabicki of Rusted Roots with Dirk Miller · Tues. 4/15, Rookies Sports Pub, Stevens Point. Rock & soul. Starts at 7:30 pm. \$25 advance. \$35 day of show. uwsp.edu

#### 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.

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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

 $\textbf{Senior Bingo} \cdot \textbf{Every Tuesday, hosted by the Marshfield Parks \&}$ 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 · 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  $\cdot$  2nd & 4th Tuesday, Saint Andrew Lutheran Church, 150202 County Rd NN, Rib Mountain. 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 pm. 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, Ployer, 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



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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. 3/9 Rev. Brian Mason will be preaching Take Me to the River. 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

JN Creations Monthly Market Days, 408 N 3rd St Suite 207, Wausau. Features curated collections from local & regional makers including reclaimed, repurposed, vintage & rustic designs. Art, jewelry, bath & body, candles, home décor & more. Free. 612-756-1177

"Bloomin' Greenhouse Tour"-2025 · April thru Oct., hosted by the Clark County Economic Development Corporation & Tourism Bureau at Clark County, WI. Go on a self-guided tour to many greenhouses & garden centers throughout Clark County consisting of several plants of many varieties. Start times vary. No cost. For a brochure, call 715-255-9100 or visit clarkcountywi.org

#### **EVENTS/SPECTATOR SPORTS**

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 LM Pilates · Thurs. 3/6, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston.

Starts at 5:15 am. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness Les Mills RPM-V · Thurs. 3/6, Greenheck Turner Community Center,

Weston. Starts at 4:40 pm. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness **Zumba** · Thurs. 3/6, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 5:45 pm. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness

Boxing & Self Defense · Thurs. 3/6, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 6:45 pm. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness Strong Nation · Fri. 3/7, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 5:15 am. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness

**Fiber Artists Meetup** · Fri. 3/7, Marathon County Public Library, Spencer. Adults are invited to bring their projects & spend time crafting & socializing with others. Starts at 1 pm. Free. 715-659-3996

**Spud of the Month: Duchess Potatoes** · Fri. 3/7, Food + Farm Exploration Center, Plover. Learn how 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

Pilates · Sat. 3/8, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 8 am. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness

Wisconsin Valley Snow Jets Family Fun Day · Sat. 3/8, Wisconsin Valley Snow Jets Club Shed, 244053 County Rd W, Wausau. Food, refreshments, raffles, bon fires, vintage ride, games & family fun. Snow sled/ATV registration starts at 8 am. \$10 per sled/ATV or \$25 unlimited classes. Awards start at 3 pm for top 3 in each class. facebook.com/events/996477612508051

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

**Barre** · Sat. 3/8, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 9:15 am. Free. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness

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

**RPM-V** · Sun. 3/9, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 3:30 pm. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness

Flow & Restore Yoga · Sun. 3/9, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 4:30 pm. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness TRX · Mon. 3/10, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 5:15 am. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness

Yoga Flow · Mon. 3/10, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 4:30 pm. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness

**Les Mills Bodypump** · Mon. 3/10, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 5:30 pm. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness

Marathon City Book Club: "The River We Remember" by William

Kent Krueger  $\cdot$  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. 715-443-2775

**HIIT** · Mon. 3/10, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 6:30 pm. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness

Les Mills Bodypump · Tues. 3/11, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 5:15 am. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness 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

Learn How to Play Cribbage · Tues. 3/11, Marathon County Public Library,

Spencer. Adults can visit the library and play cribbage. Cribbage boards and cards will be available and all skill levels are welcome. Starts at 1:30 pm. Free. 715-659-3996

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

**RPM-V** · Tues. 3/11, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 4:30 pm. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness

StrongNation · Tues. 3/11, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 5:30 pm. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness

Les Mills Pilates · Tues. 3/11, Greenheck Turner Community Center,
Weston. Starts at 6:30 pm. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness
Cycle Strength · Wed. 3/12, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston.
Starts at 5:15 am. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness

Yoga & Meditation Class · Wed. 3/12, Marathon County Public Library, Mosinee. Participants are welcome to bring a mat. Wear comfortable clothes. Starts at 10 am. Free. 715-693-2144

**Lenten Soup Kitchen** · Wednesdays 3/12-4/16, Church of the Resurrection, 621 2nd St, Wausau. 3/12 Chicken noodle, 3/19 Chili, 3/26 Chicken vegetable, 4/2 Beef, beer & barley, 4/9 Chef's surprise & 4/16 Chicken





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METRO Club Luncheon · Wed. 3/12, Oliva's at Gulliver's Landing, Rib Mountain. Presenter is Deb Moellendorf, Professor Emeritus. Program is Emotional Strength. RSVP by 3/7. Starts at noon. 715-203-2382 or mageetutor94@gmail.com to RSVP

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

Les Mills Bodypump · Wed. 3/12, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 5:30 pm. https://gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness Fiber Artists Meetup · Wed. 3/12, Marathon County

Public Library, Wausau. Adults are invited to bring their projects & spend time crafting & socializing with others. Starts at 6 pm. Free. 715-261-7230

Les Mills BodyBalance · Wed. 3/12, Greenheck Turner

Community Center, Weston. Starts at 6:35 pm. gtcc. dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness

LM Pilates · Thurs. 3/13, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 5:15 am. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/ quick-links/group-fitness

Mystery by Midnight · Thurs. 3/13, Marathon County Public Library, Rothschild. Adults are invited to the library to play a live-action mystery game. Registration required. Limit of 6 participants per game. Starts at noon & 4 pm. Free. 715-359-6208 to register

Les Mills RPM-V · Thurs. 3/13, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 4:40 pm. gtcc. dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness

2025 Bowl for Kids' Sake Thurs. 3/13, Dale Weston Lane, Weston. Form a team and go bowling to raise funds for youth mentoring programs. Starts at 5 pm & 7 pm. \$75 adults, \$50 high school, \$25 child & \$25 matches. bbbsncw.org

**Zumba** · Thurs. 3/13, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 5:45 pm. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/ quick-links/group-fitness Boxing & Self Defense · Thurs. 3/13, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 6:45 pm. gtcc. dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness

Strong Nation · Fri. 3/14, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 5:15 am. gtcc. dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness

Bodypump · Sat. 3/15, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 8 am. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/ quick-links/group-fitness

Annual March 15th & 16th Craft & Vendor Show · Sat.-Sun. 3/15-3/16, Cedar Creek Mall, Rothschild. Craft & vendor show. Starts at 9 am. cedarcreekmall.com

Pilates · Sat. 3/15, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 9:15 am. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/ quick-links/group-fitness

Friends of MCPL Members Only Book Sale · Sat. 3/15, Marathon County Public Library, Wausau. Books, CDs, TV movies, artwork, board games and puzzles for sale. For members only but nonmembers can join on the spot for a yearly membership of \$10 or \$15 per family. Starts at 9:30 am. 715-261-7200

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

Spencer Book Club: "Tom Lake" by Ann Patchett ·
Mon. 3/17, Marathon County Public Library, Spencer.
Recalling the past at her daughters' request, Lara
tells the story of a famous actor with whom she
shared both a stage & a romance, which causes her
daughters to examine their own lives & reconsider
the world and everything they thought they knew.
Starts at 1 pm. 715-659-3996

Mosinee Book Club: "The Manor House" by Gilly Macmillan · Mon. 3/17, Marathon County Public Library, Mosinee. When her husband Tom is found dead, Nicole, whose life has been changed after a massive lottery win, finds her dream world turning into a nightmare, realizing that big money can bring big problems & big threats. Starts at 2 pm. 715-693-2144

Shepherd's Pie Cooking Class · Mon. 3/17, Food + Farm Exploration Center, 3400 Innovation Dr, Plover. Learn how to make Shepherd's Pie. Starts at 5:30 pm. \$50. explorefoodandfarm.org

Cat Lover Craft & Social Hour - Tues. 3/18, Marathon County Public Library, Mosinee. Enjoy feline-themed crafts & socialize with other cat lovers. Starts at 5 pm. Free. 715-693-2144

Coming Home to Yourself: A Night of Grounding & Renewal · Tues. 3/18, 5 Koshas Yoga Studio, Wausau. Yoga class. Starts at 6 pm. \$20/person, \$17 members. simpletix.com/e/coming-home-to-yourself-a-night-of-groundi-tickets-197737

Stratford Book Club: "The Frozen River" by Ariel Lawhon · Wed. 3/19, Marathon County Public Library, Stratford. In 1789 Maine, midwife Martha Ballard investigates a shocking murder linked to an alleged rape that has shaken her small town, especially when her diary lands at the center of a scandal, threatening to tear both her family & her community apart. Starts at 1 pm. 715-687-4420

26th Annual Vintage Springtime Tea · Thurs. 3/20, hosted by the Marathon County Historical Society at the Woodson History Center, Wausau. Enjoy an afternoon of sweet & savory treats, served with a little bit of history. Starts at 2 pm. \$35/members, \$40 nonmembers. ticketsource.us/mchstickets

Rosholt Choices Book Club: Lakes · Thurs. 3/20, 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. March's theme is "Lakes". Starts at 2:30 pm. 715-677-4512

Tic Tac Boards with Pasture Chic Designs · Thurs. 3/20, Food + Farm Exploration Center, 3400 Innovation Dr, Plover. Enjoy creating your own tic tac board. Starts at 1:30 pm. \$15. explorefoodandfarm.org

Global Recycling Day · Sat. 3/22, Good News Project, 1106 N. Fifth St, Wausau. Recycle your unwanted electronics. Open from 9 am-4 pm. Cost for disposal is \$0.49/lb. goodnewswi.com

Wausau Antique Show · Sat.-Sun. 3/22-3/23, D.C. Everest Sr. High School, G-T Fieldhouse, 6400 Alderson St, Weston. This is the 41st year with 50 quality booths of antiques, vintage & farm chic. Starts at 9 am on Sat., & 10 am on Sun. \$7 admission. Free for ages under 16. antiqueshowsinwis.com

Rothschild Book Club: "The Giver of Stars" by Jojo Moyes · Wed. 3/26, Marathon County Public Library, Rothschild. Volunteering for Eleanor Roosevelt's new traveling library in small-town Kentucky, an English bride joins a group of independent women whose commitment to their job transforms the community & their relationships. Starts at 11 am. 715-359-6208

Plover Reflections Book Club: "The Invisible Life of Addie LaRue" by Victoria E. Schwab · Wed. 3/26, Portage County Public Library, Plover. Making a Faustian bargain to live forever but never be remembered, a woman from early 18th century France endures unacknowledged centuries before meeting a man who remembers her name. Starts at 2 pm. 715-341-4007

Tic Tac Boards with Pasture Chic Designs · Thurs. 3/27, Food + Farm Exploration Center, 3400 Innovation Dr, Plover. Enjoy creating your own tic tac board. Starts at 1:30 pm. \$15. explorefoodandfarm.org

U.S. Labor Then & Now · Sat. 3/29, UW-Stevens Point at Wausau, Center for Civic Engagement, Veninga Theater, Wausau. Dr. Michael Childers, UW-Madison School for Workers Professor, will screen & lead discussions on the labor films: The Making of Milwaukee, America's Most Dangerous Woman, The Gilded Age, Fist Full of Lightning, The Triangle Fire, Divided We Fall & Return of the Gilded Age. Lunch will also be provided. Walk-ins are welcome but RSVPs are appreciated by 3/26. Doors open at 8:30 am. Starts at 9 am. Free. jstarr1504@aol.com to RSVP "Spring into the Arts" · Fri.-Sun. 4/25-4/26, hosted by

'Spring into the Arts" · Fri.-Sun. 4/25-4/26, hosted by the Clark County Economic Development Corporation & Tourism Bureau at Clark County, WI. Drive along the scenic roads of Clark County, meet artists & view/purchase their creations. Enjoy shopping, music & food throughout the weekend. Starts at 9 am. 715-255-9100 or clarkcountywi.org for more info

Wisconsin Valley Coin Club's Annual Show · Sun. 4/27, Holiday Inn & Suites, 1000 Imperial Ave, Rothschild. Meet currency collectors; check out kid's activity table, free door prizes, raffles and collectors' exhibit. Starts at 9 am. Free admission. 715-574-2777

#### **OUTDOORS**

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

Landlord & Tenant Rights · Thurs. 3/6, Marathon County Public Library, Stratford. Learn about landlord and tenant rights and responsibilities under Wisconsin law. Starts at 5:30 pm. Free. 715-687-4420 Envelope Junk Workshop · Thurs. 3/6, Marathon County Public Library, Wausau. Learn how to turn envelopes, scraps. & other everyday materials into a one-of-a-kind

journal. Starts at 6 pm. Free. 715-261-7230

Seeing! A Photon's Journey Across Space, Time, & Mind · Sun. 3/9, UWSP Allen F. Blocher Planetarium, Stevens Point. Narrated by Neil deGrasse Tyson, learn about the journey of a single photon from a distant

star to a human retina. Starts at 2 pm. Free. uwsp.edu Genealogy Meetup · Mon. 3/10, Marathon County Public Library, Wausau. Meet up with others, learn about genealogy & do some independent research. Starts at 1 pm. Free. 715-261-7230

Fixed Income: Programs that Help · Tues. 3/11, Marathon County Public Library, Mosinee. Learn about Medicare Saving Programs, Medicaid, FoodShare, & Energy Assistance. Starts at 1 pm. Free. 715-693-2144

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Navigating Social Security Basics · Thurs. 3/13, Marathon County Public Library, Athens. Learn about Social Security benefits & how to plan for retirement. Registration required. Starts at 5:30 pm. Free. 715-257-7292 to register

Extension Gardening: Planning & Mapping Your Garden · Thurs. 3/13, Marathon County Public Library, Stratford. Learn about planning & mapping a garden. Registration required. Starts at 5:30 pm. Free. 715-687-4420 or mcpl.us

Computer Basics: Files · Mon. 3/17, Marathon County Public Library, Mosinee. Learn how to create folders, organizing files within folders, & manage content effectively. Starts at 10 am. Free. 715-693-2144

Big Astronomy · Sun. 3/30, UWSP Allen F. Blocher Planetarium, Stevens Point. Learn about the diverse people who push the limits of technology, enable scientific discovery & expand what we know about the Universe using state-of-the-art telescopes. Starts at 2 pm. Free. uwsp.edu

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 715-218-6945

#### **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, gartistscooperative.com

Culture & Agriculture · Sat.-Tues. 3/1-4/22. Q Artists Cooperative, Stevens Point. Annual juried art exhibition featuring 64 pieces of art from 54 artists in 13 different states. qartistscooperative.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.

**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

Kimono: Garment, Canvas & Artistic Muse · Sat.-Sun. 3/1-6/1. Woodson Art Museum, Wausau. The exhibition is presented in three sections & contains a total of 46 artworks, including 20 kimonos, woodblock prints, a woodblock printed book, & photographs, as well as 19 works of contemporary art made of paper, fiber, metal, ceramic & glass. Lywam.org

Gridiron Garments · Sat.-Sun. 3/1-6/1. Woodson Art Museum, Wausau. The exhibition presents player-worn artifacts chosen specifically to best tell the story of evolution of American pro football & its garments. 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  $\cdot$  Ongoing exhibit. This

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@yahoo.com

**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  $\cdot$  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 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. marathoncounty

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

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

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

**Tot Time** · Tuesdays 3/4-3/25, Food + Farm Exploration Center, 3400 Innovation Dr, Plover. 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

**Play and Learn** · Wednesdays 3/5-3/26, 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 3/5-3/26, Marathon County Public Library, Athens. Children can listen to stories, sing songs and learn through other literature-based activities. Starts at 10:30 am. Free. 715-257-7292

STEM Beats with Mary · Wed. 3/5, Children's Imaginarium, Wausau. Join Mary to learn about music & moving your body. Free to members & those with paid admission that day. Starts at 10:30 am. childrensimaginarium.org

Family Story Time · Wednesdays 3/5-3/26, Marathon County Public Library, Stratford. Children can listen to stories, sing songs and learn through other literature-based activities. Starts at 10:30 am. Free. 715-687-4420

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

STEM Literacy with Shelley · Thurs. 3/6, Children's Imaginarium, Wausau.

Shelley will be reading "Made by Maxine" & will have a fun activity to do.

Starts at 10:30 am. childrensimaginarium.org

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

STEM Saturday with 4-H · Sat. 3/8, Children's Imaginarium, Wausau. Join 4-H with fun activities in the STEM Lab. Starts at 1 pm. childrensimaginarium.org

Panthers Rugby Club Parent/Athlete Meeting · Mon. 3/10, Stevens Point Area Senior High School North Commons, Stevens Point. This club is open to girls in grades 9-12 from anywhere in Central WI. No tryouts or cuts. Starts at 5:30 pm. pointschools.net/Page/6520

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











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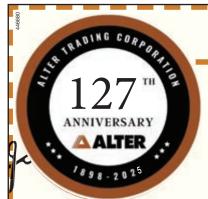




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