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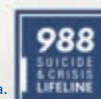
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A few months ago, I graduated from UW-Green Bay with a bachelor's in Writing and Applied Arts. I'd been a bit of a late bloomer among my classmates, but I found my calling during my studies, bouncing around the eclectic realm of writing and publishing among some of the most out-of-the-box thinkers I've ever met.

During my junior year, on a whim, I applied for an internship at the *Green Bay Press Times*. As it turned out, journalism had a lot to offer. I stayed with the Press Times for a year as an intern, leaving to complete another internship with UWGB literary and arts journal *Northern Lights*, for which I served as co-editor-in-chief. The next summer, I was back with MMC, writing freelance for Green Bay's own *City Pages*.

As I get situated in my new role at Wausau's *City Pages*, I'm aware that I've got big shoes to fill. B.C. Kowalski had his finger on the pulse of all that Wausau has to offer, and one look at the Highlights sections under his watch will tell you that it meant a lot to him.

I look forward to getting to know the people of Marathon County and sharing your stories as he has. My inbox is open. Let's celebrate the weird, wacky, wonderful things that the community and the people within it can accomplish when they put their minds to it.



Talk to you soon,

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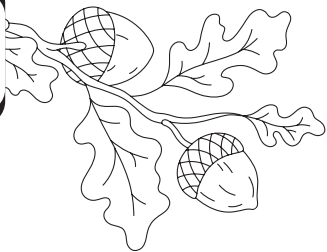
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The lease for Wausau's physical Social Security Administration office will not be renewed and has been listed on the Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE)'s website among its list of "savings."

Currently, calls to the Wausau office are answered by an automated system. *City Pages* was unable to reach a human representative before publication.

An SSA spokesperson has stated that most of the leases not being renewed were for spaces used for in-person hearings, sites no longer necessary due to the majority of hearings now being held virtually, according to the Associated Press.

The *Wausau Daily Herald* reported that their questions to SSA about impacts to employees or specific services provided at the Wausau office were not addressed.

Though DOGE is claiming credit for the recent swath of closures, some of the institutions listed for closure — the majority of them in-person offices — were already slated for closure due to lack of use, AP reported.

Make sure you have a valid ID before the spring election

Earlier this week, the Wisconsin DMV released a statement reminding those planning to vote in the Wisconsin Spring Election on April 1 how to obtain identification that is valid for voting.

Valid identification for voting purposes includes a driver's license and an identification card, like a military or student ID. Identification can be obtained for free, and a federally compliant REAL ID card is not required for voting purposes.

To ensure that your identification meets voting requirements, visit the Wisconsin Elections Commission website, <https://elections.wi.gov>, where you can also view fact checks on claims related to Wisconsin elections; view your district's ballot; and register to become a poll worker, among other things.



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Alice in Dairyland top six candidates announced

The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection has announced the top six candidates to become the 78th Alice in Dairyland: Allison Foster of Waupun, Michelle Stangler of Watertown, Mikayla Flyte of Coloma, Natalie Roe of Monticello, Olivia Lulich of Lyndon Station and Sarah Hagenow of Poynette.

The DATCP describes Alice in Dairyland as a one-year, full-time public relations professional whose job is to promote Wisconsin agriculture throughout the state, conducting hundreds of media interviews, speeches and school presentations.

Prior to being selected, the top candidates completed an application and preliminary interview. During the next two months, they will participate in a rigorous interview process that will allow them to showcase the communications and public relations skills required to be the 78th Alice in Dairyland. All top candidates will receive media and speaking training and earn a DATCP marketing and communications certificate.

This training process will prepare the candidates for the Alice in Dairyland Finals, scheduled for May 15-17, 2025, in Crawford County. The three-day finals include agribusiness tours, media interviews, an impromptu question-and-answer session, candidate presentations, and more. The selection of the 78th Alice in Dairyland will be announced at a public event on May 17, 2025, at the Performing Arts Center in Prairie du Chien, and she will begin her term on July 7, 2025.

"Serving as Alice in Dairyland is the ultimate goal of this process for these young women, but the skills they will develop along the way will take them far in life no matter where they go," said Halei Heinzl, 77th Alice in Dairyland. "I look forward to discovering where each candidate shines as we move toward selecting Wisconsin's 78th Alice in Dairyland!"

This is Wisconsin's 78th year of the tradition, which started in 1948.

Calling all kid artists: Wausau wants your poster designs

To celebrate Fair Housing Month, Wausau's Community and Economic Development division is holding a poster design contest for school-aged artists.

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Organ donation registration added to taxes

People often describe doing their taxes as “like pulling teeth,” but now taxpayers have the option to offer their vital organs, as well.

As of this year, in an effort to boost the number of registered organ donors in Wisconsin and narrow the gap between supply and demand, Wisconsin taxpayers interested in becoming organ donors can add their names to the Wisconsin Donor Registry when filing their taxes. When filing joint returns, spouses may sign up, as well.

The change appears on Schedule 3, Part II of the Wisconsin state income tax return, which is titled “Financial Donations and Anatomical Gift Registration.”

“We hope that adding this quick and easy way for Wisconsinites to document their decision to save and heal lives will grow the donor registry and bring hope to the more than 1,400 adults and children in our state awaiting life-saving organ transplants,” said Holly Thomas, president of Donate Life Wisconsin. “We encourage Wisconsinites to continue to sign up as donors when they file or when renewing their driver’s licenses. This swift and simple ‘yes’ is easy, secure and lifesaving.”

Through the end of February 2025, 24,608 Wisconsin taxpayers and spouses have checked the box to become organ donors. Their generosity has a profound impact; one organ donor can save up to eight lives and help 75 others, according to an official statement. Families of donors can

take comfort knowing their loved one’s legacy will continue long after they are gone.

To qualify, individuals must be Wisconsin residents who are at least 15 years of age or emancipated minors. Anyone who meets these criteria can become an organ donor regardless of health history. Their gift will be used to help others through transplantation, therapy, research, or education.

Changes come to annual Antique Show

Following the renovation of the Greenheck Turner Community Center, Wausau’s annual Antique Show and Sale will look a little different this year.

In an effort to improve accessibility, the new entrance to the fieldhouse is at street level, with both stairs and an elevator located inside. In addition, there will be handicapped parking spaces available.

As of this year, Ray and Audre Hanson of AR Promotions have transferred the show to Zurko Promotions, Inc.



“AR Promotions thanks everyone for their support and patronage the last 40 years,” the Hansons said in an email. “Bob and Tom will continue the quality of the rare, odd and unusual antiques and vintage for the next 40 years. Thanks for the memories.”

The 41st annual Antique Show and Sale will be held from March 22-23 at 6400 Alderson St., Weston. Sat. hours are 9-5; Sun. hours are 10-4. **CP**

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If you have an IRA, 401(k) or other pre-tax retirement account, think again.

Most people are not trained to look at their investments with an eye toward the taxes owed.

Taxes are a component of any investment, especially retirement accounts.

If your asset location includes Roth IRAs or Roth 401(k)s, you've paid tax on money going into the account and therefore, no further taxes are owed as long as you follow the IRS distribution rules.

If however, you are like so many others who have contributed and successfully grown pre-tax dollars in retirement accounts, taxation is inevitable, a "debt" of sorts, as our government has not yet had the opportunity to claim their share of your retirement account.

The good news is that you can strategize.

What would you say is the number one rule of tax planning?

Arguably, it's to pay taxes at the lowest rate, whether now or in the future.

With income forecasting, you can estimate what your marginal tax rates may be each year.

If your income puts you in a lower tax bracket now than you foresee you'll be in the future, your best strategy may be to pay at least some of the taxes now.

If however, your future income looks

level or may significantly dip in a given year or in multiple years to come, deferring the distributions from your pre-tax retirement accounts to your low taxation years may be your best strategy.

Just remember to count all sources of income that can hit your tax return.

Then again, if you foresee your retirement account passing on to your heirs, you'd want to take their tax situation into account, as well as the new 10-year rule whereby the account needs to be emptied within a decade of the original account owner's death, if inherited by a non-eligible designated beneficiary (IRS term).

To optimize your tax situation, strategies to consider would include contributions to pre-tax versus Roth accounts, conversions to Roth, optimal order of distribution when pulling money from your financial accounts (should be assessed annually), future Required Minimum Distributions (which are a tax-triggering requirement) and how distribution income may affect other areas of your life such as health insurance premium tax credits or Medicare premiums.

You have control over your tax strategizing. However, paying taxes associated with retirement accounts is inevitable.

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Reigniting THE Furnace

Wausau punk band
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For those familiar with central Wisconsin's turn-of-the-century punk scene, musician Tim Benn has exciting news.

This Friday, "your favorite central Wisconsin power pop punk-ish band from 2000-2003," Big, Big Furnace (B2F) will return to the city where it all began, with a performance slated not for their former venue of choice — the now-closed Rockwater Cyber Cafe — but for an unconventional concert venue: Coral Lanes, a bowling alley in Rothschild.

"[It used to be] you could go out every Friday and Saturday and there were these cool young bands playing at Rockwater," Benn explained. In the two decades since, the area's music scene has dried up, he said, alongside the community's apparent interest in live events. As a result, B2F struggled to find a venue in Wausau willing to host them.

"We were tied really closely to Stevens Point, where it seemed like everyone was in a band. I would say the music scene [back then] was certainly more robust than it is now."

All the same, Benn is excited to bring the band back to their hometown.

"If you didn't see us back then, come see us now," he said.

"We're just one band in millions and we're just trying to make a wave in our little pond, and we just want people to catch that wave."

Consisting of members Tim Benn, Dan Doepke and Matt Loos, Big, Big Furnace formed in Wausau in 1999, taking inspiration from other Midwestern punk bands of the day, such as The Promise Ring and Jimmy Eat World.

"That's who we tried to be," said Benn. "We loved that stuff... That's who we tried to emulate."

B2F disbanded in 2003.

Afterward, Doepke and Loos formed a band based out of Chicago called Divebar, according to the most recent blog post on the band's former website, dated Feb. 5, 2004. Benn, meanwhile, got started on building a recording studio in his and his wife's basement.

And then 20 years passed. Loos moved to Michigan. Benn got a job in insurance. Doepke remains in Chicago.

So how did they get the band back together?

"It's a good story, but it's a sad story," said Benn.

Before B2F, Benn was in a "heavy, psych goth punk" band called Fuzzdolly. Formed in 1994, Fuzzdolly became a staple of central Wisconsin's music scene until they eventually disbanded.

"I've been playing nonstop [since I was 20]," Benn explained. "I've been in a dozen bands."

After Fuzzdolly broke up, Benn lost touch with the other members.

It was the death of former Fuzzdolly member Dan Dieterich in 2021 that brought the rest of the group back together.

"[Dieterich] was an amazing, amazing player," Benn said. "I hadn't talked to the guys in that band since they broke up — probably 20, 25 years."

As the former bandmates caught up, Benn mentioned the recording studio that he'd built in his home — remember that blog post? — as a treat to himself during the COVID-19 lockdown.

"That studio was something I dreamed of building," he said.

One thing led to another, and soon enough, Fuzzdolly had set up a reunion concert at Madison's High Noon Saloon.

"Everything I do goes, like, 100 miles per hour," Benn explained.

▼ B2F circa 2003. From left: Matt Loos, Tim Benn, Dan Doepke and Josh Erdman. Erdman joined the band near the end of B2F's 1999-2003 run as an additional guitarist.



▲ The current iteration of B2F. From left: Matt Loos, vocalist and guitarist; Tim Benn, drummer and vocalist; Dan Doepke, bassist and vocalist. Submitted photos.

"Then, [at the reunion concert,] the guys from Big, Big [Furnace] came in," said Benn. "I hadn't seen those faces in over 20 years. I was like, 'Dan, Matt, what are you guys doing here?' "And they said, 'We couldn't miss this.'"

B2F released their first album since their breakup in 2003 last year, a four-song EP titled *20 Solid Gold Classics*.

"That's just kind of our feel," Benn said of the title. "We don't take ourselves too seriously. We're serious musicians, but we're goofy, tongue-in-cheek guys, and I think that shows."

Later that year, the band released a Christmas single titled "Christmas Without You," and Benn said they have another album's-worth of songs ready to be mastered for a release this year, with more releases to come.

"When I surround myself with these guys, it's like gasoline and matches," said Benn. "There's a fire here."

He added, "I'm just glad to have pulled them together again."

Benn described B2F's sound as "timeless."

"It's not, like, dad rock. The shows are high energy. We're funny — the guys might not think I'm funny, but I think I'm funny. We're goofy, and that's what people love about our shows."

B2F is one of three bands that Benn is currently a member of, alongside Fuzzdolly and an acoustic folk group called Sarah Crow and the Strangers.

"I pour my heart and soul into [making music,]" Benn said. "That studio was something I dreamed of building. I feel like I've got a skillset and a great personality, and people like to work with me, and I just want to give and work with other bands."

He added that when people ask him to play music together after finding out he plays an instrument they're looking for, he "can't say no."

Big, Big Furnace will perform at Coral Lanes LLC in Rothschild this Friday, March 14, at 8 p.m. The show is open to all ages.

BB2's music can be found on all major streaming platforms, as can Fuzzdolly's and Sarah Crow and the Strangers'. **CP**



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Saturday 3/15 | Humane Society of Marathon County, Wausau

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MCPL Members-Only Book Sale

Saturday 3/15 | Marathon County Public Library, Wausau

MCPL's Friends of the Library will host their monthly sale this Saturday, with proceeds to support library programs. Members will have the opportunity to purchase books, movies, music, board games and more from a selection accumulated by the Friends over the past year. If you're

interested in joining the Friends of the Library, visit <https://mcpl.us/about/friends> to learn more or to fill out an application, or call 715-261-7200 with questions. Prospective members may also register on the spot at the book sale. 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

In the Kitchen With Pride Pop-Up Bakery

Saturday 3/15 | Grebe's, Wausau

If you missed your chance to place an order with In the Kitchen With Pride before their preorder deadline earlier this week, don't despair: the pop-up bakery will be offering a selection of breads, pastries and St. Patrick's Day treats at Grebe's this Saturday from 8 - noon. Be sure to show up early, or you might miss out on your favorite treat!

Big, Big Furnace

Friday 3/14 | Coral Lanes, Rothschild

Last year, Wausau native emo-pop band Big, Big Furnace reunited after over 20 years to rock together again. In

the year since, they've released an EP 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.

Pokémon League Cup

Sunday 3/16 | ISO Games, Wausau

Put your skills as a Pokémon trainer to the test this Sunday in this tournament hosted by ISO Games. Each player who enters the tournament will receive two packs from the most recent Pokémon Trading Card Game expansion. Prizes will range from additional card packs to store credit depending on players' placement and the number of entrants in each division, with first-place winners taking home special Pokémon championship playmats. Registration starts at noon, with a cost of \$15 for juniors and seniors and \$25 for masters. The tournament itself begins at 12:30 p.m.



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BAR BEATS

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, Plover. 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

Jordan Bain & Tim Tesch • Nevermore on Third, Wausau. Variety. 9 pm. 715-298-0028

Sunday March 16

The Chad O'Kennedy • Nevermore on Third, Wausau. Rock. 1 pm. 715-298-0028

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

Brad Emanuel • Mosinee Brewing Company, Mosinee. Variety. 2 pm. 715-693-2739

Reverend Meantooth, Keith Daniel's Swamp Stop Band, The Chad O'Kennedy • Nevermore on Third, Wausau. Variety. 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

One Dan Man Band • Timekeeper Lounge & Distillery, Wausau. Rock & roll. 6 pm. 715-679-3777

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

Doug Kroening • Intermission Bar, Wausau. Acoustic. 8 pm. 715-849-9377

The Jorgensens • Malarkey'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

Jeffrey Erdman • Sunset Point Winery, Stevens Point. Classical on violin. 6 pm. 715-544-1262

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 • Nevermore on Third, Wausau. Acoustic. 4 pm. 715-298-0028

Hot Tubb • Intermission Bar, Wausau. Acoustic variety. 5 pm. 715-849-9377

Thursday March 27

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

Friday March 28

Josh Otte/Chad O'Kennedy • Intermission Bar, Wausau. Original rock. 9 pm. 715-849-9377

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. 715-298-0028

BIG GUIDE

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

Friday April 4

Jordan Bain • O'so Brewing Company, Plover. Indie, classic rock, country & originals. 6 pm. 715-254-2163

Ryan Howe • Malarkey's Pub, Wausau. Variety. 8 pm. 715-819-3663

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

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 Malarkey's • 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. 715-845-4795

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

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

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 Rawlings 'Woodland'
9. Weather Station 'Humanhood'
10. Waxahatchee 'Tigers Blood'

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 3/20

Mickey 17 (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

Last Breath (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
The Unbreakable Boy (PG): 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

Cedar Creek Cinema, Rothschild, 715-355-5094
Movie listing 3/13-3/19

Novocaine (R): Thurs. 4 pm, 6:50 pm (HeatedDreamLounge), 8:50 pm; Fri. & Tues. 11 am, 1:45 pm, 4:30 pm, 7:15 pm, 10 pm (HeatedDreamLounge), 6:10 pm, 9 pm; Sat. 10:30 am, 1:15 pm, 4 pm, 6:45 pm, 9:30 pm (HeatedDreamLounge), 6:10 pm, 9 pm; Sun. 11:15 am, 2 pm, 4:45 pm, 7:30 pm (HeatedDreamLounge), 5:45 pm, 8:30 pm; Mon. & Wed. 1:50 pm, 4:40 pm, 7:30 pm (HeatedDreamLounge);

Smallfoot (PG): Fri. & Sun. 11:10 am; Sat. 11 am

Black Bag (R): Thurs. 2 pm, 4:10 pm, 6:35 pm, 9 pm; Fri. & Tues. 12 pm, 2:30 pm, 5 pm, 7:30 pm, 10 pm; Sat. 1:30 pm, 2:30 pm, 5 pm, 7:30 pm, 10 pm; Sun. 11:20 am, 1:50 pm, 6 pm, 8:30 pm; Mon. & Wed. 1 pm, 3:30 pm, 6 pm, 8:30 pm

The Day the Earth Blew Up: A Looney Tunes Movie (PG): Thurs. 1 pm, 3:30 pm, 6 pm, 8:30 pm; Fri. & Tues. 11 am, 2 pm, 4:25 pm, 6:50 pm, 9:20 pm; Sat. 10:40 am, 1:50 pm, 4:20 pm, 6:50 pm, 9:20 pm; Sun. 11 am, 1:20 pm, 3:40 pm, 6 pm, 8:20 pm; Mon. & Wed. 1 pm, 3:25 pm, 5:50 pm, 8:15 pm

The Last Supper (PG13): Thurs. 4 pm, 7 pm; Fri. & Tues. 11:15 am, 1:20 pm, 4:10 pm, 7 pm, 9:50 pm; Sat. 10:30 am, 1:20 pm, 4:10 pm, 7 pm, 9:50 pm; Sun. 12:20 pm, 3:10 pm, 4:20 pm, 7:10 pm; Mon. & Wed. 2 pm, 4:50 pm, 7:40 pm

Mickey 17 (R): Thurs. 1 pm (HeatedDreamLounge), 4:20 pm, 7:30 pm; Fri. 12:20 pm, 3:20 pm, 6:30 pm, 9:35 pm; Sat. & Tues. 12:10 pm, 3:20 pm, 6:30 pm, 9:35 pm; Sun. 11:05 am, 2:10 pm, 5:15 pm, 8:20 pm

Last Breath (PG13): Thurs. 1:30 pm, 4:30 pm, 6:30 pm, 9 pm; Fri. & Tues. 11 am, 1:30 pm, 4:40 pm, 7:10 pm, 9:40 pm; Sat. 1:05 pm, 4:40 pm, 7:10 pm, 9:40 pm; Sun. 12:30 pm, 3 pm, 4:30 pm, 7 pm

The Unbreakable Boy (PG): Thurs. 1:20 pm, 7 pm; Fri. & Tues. 11:20 am, 2 pm, 4:40 pm; Sat. 4:40 pm; Sun. 12:20 pm, 3 pm

The Monkey (R): Thurs. 1:10 pm, 3:40 pm, 6:10 pm, 8:40 pm; Fri., Sat. & Tues. 7:20 pm, 9:50 pm; Sun. 5:40 pm, 8:10 pm

Paddington in Peru (PG): Thurs. 1:10 pm, 3:50 pm; Fri., Sat. & Tues. 3:30 pm; Sun. 3 pm; Tues. 12:50 pm

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Dog Man (PG): Thurs. 1:20 pm, 3:50 pm, 6:20 pm; Fri. & Tues. 11:10 am, 1:30 pm, 4 pm, 6:20 pm, 8:45 pm; Sat. 1:30 pm, 4 pm, 6:20 pm, 8:45 pm; Sun. 12 pm, 2:30 pm, 5:30 pm, 8 pm

Anora (R): Thurs. 1 pm

The Metropolitan Opera: Fidelio (TBD): Sat. 12 pm

ON STAGE

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

Marielle Kraft • 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

Doobie Others Tribute Band • Sat. 3/22, Campanile Center for the Arts, Minocqua. Rock & roll. Doors open at 6 pm. Show starts at 7 pm. \$35 adult, \$15 students. campanilecenter.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. rubbersoupproductions.com

We are Messengers • Sat. 3/27, Grand Theater, Wausau. Rock ‘n roll. Starts at 7 pm. \$25-\$66. Grandtheater.org

Brewery Comedy Tour • Fri. 3/28, Mosinee Brewing Company, Mosinee. Comedy. Starts at 7:30 pm. \$13-\$20. eventbrite.com/e/the-brewery-comedy-tour-at-mosinee-tickets-225689612707

Red Hot Chili 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

Comedy Night Rock • Sat. 3/28, Nevermore on Third, Wausau. Comedy & rock shows. Lineup: Bluezdriver, Stretch 29, The DUI’s, The ZippNutts. Starts at 8 pm. 715-298-0028

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

Classic Albums Live: U2’s The Joshua Tree • Sat. 4/5, Grand Theater, Wausau. Enjoy U2’s 1987 album, The Joshua Tree, performed by Classic Albums Live. Starts at 7:30 pm. \$30-\$59. Grandtheater.org

Lone Piñon • Fri. 4/11, LuCille Tack Center for the Arts, Spencer. New Mexican ensemble. Starts at 7:30 pm. \$25. lucilletackcenter.com

Mozart & Mahler • Sat. 4/12, hosted by the Central Wisconsin Symphony Orchestra at Sentry Theater, Stevens Point. The Central Wisconsin Symphony Orchestra will be performing Overture to Don Giovanni by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, Exsultate Jubilate by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (Sonia Grimsled, soprano) & Symphony No. 4 in G Major by Gustav Mahler. Starts at 7:30 pm. \$40 adult, \$35 senior, \$15 students (with ID). cwso.org

Ain’t Too Proud-The Life & Times of The Temptations • Tues.-Wed. 4/15-4/16, Grand Theater, Wausau.

Broadway musical that follows The Temptations’ extraordinary journey from the streets of Detroit to the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame. Starts at 7:30 pm on Tues. & 7 pm on Wed. \$40-\$135. Grandtheater.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.

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 • 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, 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, 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. 3/16 Melody Moberg will be our guest speaker. Melody is a member of UU Wausau, a spiritual director, & a candidate for Unitarian Universalist ministry. Enjoy coffee & fresh bakery after the service. 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 • Thurs. & Sat. 3/20 & 3/22, 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. Starts at 11 am both days. Free. 612-756-1177

JN Creations Monthly Sip ‘n Swap • Thurs. 3/20, 408 N 3rd St Suite 207, Wausau. Sip a sample while you swap. Swap out your used magazines, reading books, cookbooks & puzzles. Starts at 11 am. 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 clarkcountyiwi.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

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 noodle. Served with fresh bread, crackers, coffee, milk & water. Takeout available. Starts at 11 am. Free will donations appreciated. 715-845-6715

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

Game Night with the Legion • Fri. 3/14, American Legion Hall, Rudolph. All ages welcome. Coffee, punch & popcorn provided. Starts at 6 pm. 715-435-3662

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

RPM-V • Sun. 3/16, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 3:30 pm. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness

Flow & Restore Yoga • Sun. 3/16, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 4:30 pm. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness

TRX • Mon. 3/17, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 5:15 am. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness

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



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Yoga Flow • Mon. 3/17, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 4:30 pm. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness

PCPL Fe Fi Fo Fun • Mon. 3/17, Portage County Public Library, Stevens Point. Play family-friendly games like checkers, Jenga & Tic-Tac-Toe. Check out some board games at the library. Starts at 5 pm. 715-346-1549

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

Les Mills Bodypump • Mon. 3/17, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 5:30 pm. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness

HIIT • Mon. 3/17, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 6:30 pm. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness

Les Mills Bodypump • Tues. 3/18, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 5:15 am. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness

RPM-V • Tues. 3/18, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 4:30 pm. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness

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

StrongNation • Tues. 3/18, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 5:30 pm. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness

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-ground-tickets-197737

Les Mills Pilates • Tues. 3/18, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 6:30 pm. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness

Cycle Strength • Wed. 3/19, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 5:15 am. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness

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

Community Game Night • Wed. 3/19, Marathon County Public Library, Wausau. Play a variety of board games & card games or bring your own to the library. Starts at 5 pm. Free. 715-261-7230

Les Mills Bodypump • Wed. 3/19, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 5:30 pm. <https://gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness>

Les Mills BodyBalance • Wed. 3/19, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 6:35 pm. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness

LM Pilates • Thurs. 3/20, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 5:15 am. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness

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

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

Les Mills RPM-V • Thurs. 3/20, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 4:40 pm. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness

Parallel Worknights • Thurs. 3/20, 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

Zumba • Thurs. 3/20, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 5:45 pm. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness

Boxing & Self Defense • Thurs. 3/20, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 6:45 pm. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness

Strong Nation • Fri. 3/21, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 5:15 am. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness

Cycling • Sat. 3/22, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 8 am. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness

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. Steps are now inside & there is an elevator for the handicap plus handicap parking. For the Field house press #3 for the elevator. Starts at 9 am on Sat., & 10 am on Sun. \$7 admission. Free for ages under 16. antiqueshowsinwis.com

HIIT • Sat. 3/22, Greenheck Turner Community Center, Weston. Starts at 9:15 am. gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/quick-links/group-fitness

Fiber Artists Meetup • Mon. 3/24, 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

Wood County Master Gardener Association Meeting • Tues. 3/25, Pittsville Community Center, 5291 3rd Ave, Pittsville. Arborist Steve Hollar of ArborVantage Tree Service in Milladore will talk on Tree & Shrub Care. Starts at 6 pm. Free. 715-421-8440

Rothschild Book Club: "The Giver of Stars" by Jojo Moyes • Wed. 3/26, Marathon County Public Library, Rothschild. Volunteering for Eleanor Roosevelt's new travelling 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 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



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LECTURES/WORKSHOPS

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

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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

Computer Basics: Internet • Mon. 3/24, Marathon County Public Library, Mosinee. Learn how to navigate the internet. 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. qartistscooperative.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.com/rac

Emerging Artists • now-Sun. 3/13-3/30. Riverfront Arts Center, Stevens Point. 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

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 • 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 • 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. 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

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



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