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The U.S. debt just reached \$40 TRILLION.
The debt continues to go up by about \$6 million every minute. Every U. S. taxpayer owes about \$360,000. The **national debt** is the amount of money the U.S has borrowed, plus interest. Paying the debt and interest is called **"servicing the debt"**. It is now the *second largest* expense our government has. The only larger cost is Social Security. We are paying huge amounts for the interest on money we have already spent.

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Just like a person with way too many credit cards, we end up in a spiral, paying forever for what we already spent and leaving a debt for those we love and leave behind.

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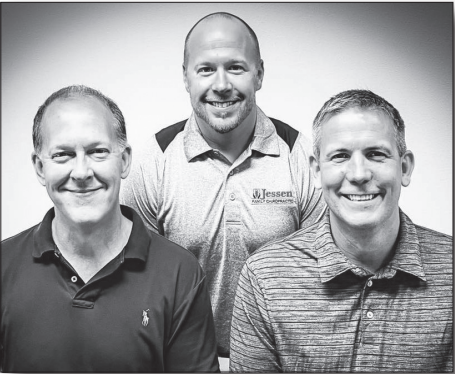
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Many people support capitalism. They believe capitalism is the best way to build a good life for those involved. In **pure Capitalism**, people own businesses and industries and the government should have little control over them. Businesses make their profit by selling goods and services. Competition between businesses leads to the best ideas, the best products and better methods of production. When something doesn't work, the business will fail. Success is measured by how much profit is made for the business owners.

Unfortunately, Capitalism has its problems.

- **Wealth and power become concentrated.** As a smaller number of people begin to own more, the gap widens between the income of those who own businesses and those who *work* for them.
- **Capitalism does not protect the wellbeing of citizens.** It is believed that focusing just on making profits will make a better life for everyone. This is called the "invisible hand" that leads to better conditions for all.
- **Capitalism is an unstable system.** It goes through "boom and bust" cycles. leading to times of abundance and prosperity and times of terrible poverty.
- **While making profits, there are unintentional consequences that affect everybody.** A business may produce toxic waste, pollution and dangerous working conditions. These problems are ignored unless they cause a loss of profit.
- **Monopolies develop.** Monopolies control most or all of an industry. With good profits and less competition, a company may have less reason to improve its products and no need to lower prices.

Capitalism has made parts of the world safer, more prosperous and more comfortable. It has also left most of the world poor and struggling to meet basic needs. The poor become poorer and the rich become richer. Capitalism's "invisible hand" is not working.

We have heard a lot about "Social Democrats" recently. They are not socialists or communists. They don't want the government to take over and control factories and businesses. Instead, they want capitalism to work in a way that benefits everyone.

Social Democrats believe **the benefits of capitalism should be shared with all the people who work to keep the economy going.** Social programs need to be guaranteed. These programs may include health care, retirement insurance, housing and access to food. They believe that people all deserve, when possible, shorter work weeks, more time with their families, a good education and a fair chance to get ahead. They believe in a Capitalism that works for everyone.

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While this is God’s expressed purpose for choosing to save us, many believers have ever so subtly slipped from God’s highest purpose to their own purpose, and our goal becomes our happiness. In fact, even well known pastor, John Piper, has coined the expression “Christian Hedonism” to describe our purpose as believers in Christ. To be a hedonist is to seek pleasure as the highest good. But that is not Christianity. Yet, for all practical purposes, that seems to be how many of us actually live our lives.

Attorney and writer Bob Goff expressed a similar observation this way. He wrote: “Our problem with following Jesus is that we’re trying to be a better version of us, rather than a more accurate reflection of him.” It’s about our well-being, our happiness, things going the way we want them to and become the person we want to be. Instead, we ought to be focused on becoming the person God wants us to be by accepting the problems that impact us in our life believing that God is using them for good and, as a result, will bring glory to his name through them (Romans 8:28). That is called faith, faith in him, in his trustworthiness. That is living by faith, not by sight.

As a result of our focus on ourselves, we tend to get discouraged and depressed, and even become critical of God’s word, or even of God himself. Then, because things are not going well in our their lives we tend to get angry and bitter, which causes all kinds of disorder. It even seems like God is no longer hearing us when we pray (James 3:13-4:3).

So what’s the answer? This is probably an oversimplification, but it begins by focusing on God’s plan for our life— his plan for us to become a more accurate reflection of Christ rather than trying to be a better version of us. When we do that it changes everything.

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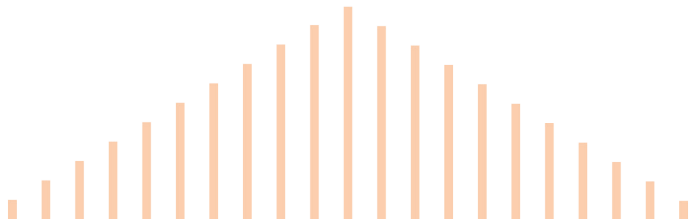
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Gene's Trails End in Millston is looking for a friendly, dependable Part-Time Bartender.

Bartending experience preferred but willing to train the right person with the right personality and attitude! Flexible schedule.

Trails End Bar

If interested, please contact Gene 608-843-0016
Please leave message if no answer.

Neillsville Kiwanis Club

The Neillsville Kiwanis Club is a long-time contributor to the community through its various programs, events, and sponsorships. The club is in need of new members to function, and to continue to provide these benefits to the community. With our focus on youth, the club maintains projects such as three annual scholarships totaling over \$3,000, sponsorship of the Boy Scout Troop 43, Adopt-a-Highway, Aktion Club for adults with disabilities, Junior Kiwanian recognition, funding for the Food Pantry and Salvation Army, and events like the UW-Badger Band concerts.

The club consists of men and women joining together to make a difference in the community through its programs, projects, and service. We invite you to consider joining the Neillsville Kiwanis Club.

For more information please call Russell Ratsch 715-797-7194 or Mark Cook 715-937-5033.

This Week's Specials • This Week's Specials • This Week's Specials

- Hormel Microwavable Bacon 1.5 lbs. \$6⁵⁵
- Oscar Mayer Maple Bourbon Thick Cut Bacon 12 oz. (Case of 12, \$32.45) \$2⁹⁵
- Wendy's Chicken Nuggets 2 lbs. \$3⁹⁵
- Fajita Fire Roasted Veggie Blend 2 lbs. (Case of 10, \$27.05) \$2⁹⁵
- Hormel Sliced Roast Beef 2 lbs. (Case of 6, \$47.70) \$7⁸⁵
- Old Orchard 100% Apple Cranberry Juice 12 oz. (Case of 12, \$16.50) \$1⁵⁰
- Hillshire Farm Polska Kielbasa 42 oz. \$7⁹⁵
- Oscar Mayer Beef Bologna 1 lb. (Case of 6, \$10.75) \$1⁹⁵
- Jimmy Dean Pancake/Sausage Mini Bites 14.74 oz. (Case of 12, \$19.25) \$1⁷⁵
- 93% Lean Ground Turkey 1 lb. (Case of 8, \$14.30) \$1⁹⁵
- Philadelphia Strawberry Swirl Cheesecake 1.5 lbs. (Case of 6, \$23.95) \$4³⁵
- Kraft Cheese Slices, 3 lbs. \$8²⁵
- Extra Wide Egg Noodles 12 oz. (Case of 12, \$19.25) \$1⁷⁵
- Honey Bunch of Oats Cereal 18 oz. (Case of 12, \$32.45) \$2⁹⁵
- Kettle Chips, 11.25 oz. (Case of 9, \$16.10) \$1⁹⁵
- Pringles Mingles Dill Pickle/Ranch 5.5 oz. (Case of 6, \$12.95) \$2³⁵
- Kraft B.B.Q. Sauce 18 oz. (Case of 12, \$21.45) \$1⁹⁵
- Kraft Mayo Squeeze Bottle 22 oz. (Case of 1, \$36.85) \$3³⁵

FRESH PRODUCE

Apples: Gala, Paula Red, McIntosh & Honeycrisp

715-229-4336

Hwy 29 to E. North 1 mile to Willow Rd. 2 miles West to Pelsdorf 1/4 mile South N14778 Pelsdorf Ave., Curtiss Mon.-Fri.: 8 a.m.-7 p.m. Sat.: 8 a.m.-5 p.m. WE ACCEPT ALL MAJOR CREDIT CARDS, & EBT SNAP CARDS

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NOTICE

SANITARY DISTRICT NO. 1 RESIDENTS:
TOWN OF BROCKWAY

The Sanitary District will be flushing
water hydrants on

MONDAY, OCTOBER 5 &
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6

Flushing may cause discoloration to water.

JULIE BOREK, SECRETARY/TREASURER
SANITARY DISTRICT NO. 1

WNAXLP

NOTICE

VILLAGE OF ALMA CENTER
OPEN BOOK

Notice is hereby given that the Village of Alma Center
Open Book will be held on

TUESDAY, OCT. 13, 2026 at the
ALMA CENTER VILLAGE HALL

from 1pm-4pm

The Assessment roll will be open for public inspection
that day, and the Assessor will be present to
answer any questions.

BOARD OF REVIEW

Notice is hereby given that the Village of Alma Center
Board of Review will be held on

TUESDAY, OCT. 20, 2026 at the
ALMA CENTER VILLAGE HALL

from 1pm-3pm

Claudia Fields, Clerk/Treasurer

WNAXLP

NEILLSVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY

409 Hewett St.
Hours: Monday and Wednesday 10-8; Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 10-5; Saturday 9-noon.

TOPS (TAKE) Off Pounds Sensibly) meeting every Monday morning at 10:30 a.m. at BRF Public Library Program Room. Cecily Tuff 715-662-5212.

ADRC OF JACKSON COUNTY • OCT 5 - OCT 9

SENIOR NUTRITION PROGRAM MENUS

All Sites Provide Bread & Butter, Milk or Coffee

RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED FOR ALL HOME-DELIVERED & STARRED (**) SITES.

CALL 715-284-3978

BLACK RIVER FALLS HOME-DELIVERED • MON-FRI

11am - 1pm • 715-284-1322

All meals come with bread w/margarine & 1% or skim milk

MON: Roast pork, mashed potatoes, green beans, applesauce, pudding

TUES: Salisbury steak, pork & beans, broccoli, parsley potatoes, fruit cocktail

WED: Roast beef, mashed potatoes, corn, fresh fruit, cookie

THURS: Breaded chicken patty, baked potato, carrots, grape juice, pudding

FRI: Baked cod, mashed potatoes, green beans, jello w/fruit

TAYLOR GENERAL STORE & CAFÉ • MON-FRI

715-662-2225

MON: Crispy chicken sandwich, lettuce/tomatoes, fruit

TUES: Grilled ham & cheese, french fries, baked beans, fruit

WED: Beef stroganoff, mashed potatoes, corn, fruit

THURS: Open face pork sandwich, mashed potatoes, carrots, fruit

FRI: Fish, potato, coleslaw, mixed fruit

MELROSE • CONGREGATE • MON-THURS

Site Location: L&M Café, 608-488-2611

Served 11am-1pm

All meals come with bread, butter, 1% milk, coffee or tea

MON: Broasted chicken, mashed potatoes, summer blend veg., fruit

TUES: Lasagna, french beans, garlic toast, fruit

WED: Cube beef w/onions & mushrooms, cooked cabbage, mashed potatoes, fruit

THURS: Fish, scalloped potatoes, squash, coleslaw, fruit

MERRILLAN • CONGREGATE • MON-FRI

Site Location: Merrillan Café, 715-333-9200

Served 11am-1pm

All meals come with bread & butter, 1% milk, coffee or tea

MON: Pork roast, mashed potatoes, peas, apple cake

TUES: Roasted chicken, mashed potatoes, carrots, cookie

WED: Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, green beans, pudding

THURS: Chicken gravy over biscuits, peas & carrots, cake

FRI: Fish, potato, green beans/corn, salad, fruit

MILLSTON • WED-THURS

Site Location: TK 400 Club, 715-284-0072 • Served 11am-1pm

All meals come with bread & butter, 1% milk, coffee or tea

WED: Spaghetti w/meat & tomato sauce, side salad, fruit

THURS: Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, corn, fruit

TOWN OF GARDEN VALLEY

Town Patrolman Position

The Town of Garden Valley is seeking a qualified individual to fill the position of Town Patrolman.

The desired qualifications include having a valid Wisconsin Commercial Driver's License (or the ability to obtain one), a high school diploma or GED and three years of relevant and applicable experience. The successful individual must be willing to work nights, holidays and/or weekends as required to provide public safety and service to the community.

Visit our website at

www.townofgardenvalleymi.gov for a complete job description. Please contact the Town Chairman at 715-896-1965 or email to: townofgardenvalleymichairman@pm.me for more information.

The Town of Garden Valley is an equal opportunity employer.

Position open until it is filled.

For Sale on Sealed Bids

TOWN OF SPRINGFIELD

The Town of Springfield, N6495 County Road N, Taylor, Wisconsin is offering for sale on sealed bids a 1997 Ford Single Axle Dump Truck. This truck has a live bottom with a belly sander and a Cummins 8.3 liter engine. It has an automatic transmission. Selling with 7 foot wing but no front plow.

Bids will be opened at the monthly Town Board Meeting at 6:30pm on October 13, 2026.

The Town of Springfield reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

For more information or to view this truck, contact Alan Klevgard at 715-797-6588.

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VETERANS IF you are a disabled veteran and meet VA income and asset guidelines, you could qualify for a VA pension. For more information or to see if you qualify. Contact Jackson Co. Veterans Service Office at 715-284-0225.

FRIENDS OF the Black River Falls Public Library meet the 3rd Monday of the month, 4:30, at the BRF Library.

THE SHOPPER and Banner Journal review our ads to the best of our ability. Unfortunately, there are people waiting to take your money. We recommend that care be taken in answering ads that sound too good to be true. If at any time you have a complaint regarding an ad, please contact the Dept. of Trade, Agriculture and Consumer Protection at 1-800-422-7128 to ask questions or to register a complaint.

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NOTICE

TOWN OF PINE VALLEY

ACCEPTING BIDS FOR LP HEATING FUEL

The Town of Pine Valley will be accepting bids for November 1, 2026 thru October 31, 2027 heating season for LP heating fuel approximately 2500 gallons.

Pine Valley township owns their LP tank.

Please submit sealed bids to: Town of Pine Valley, LP Heating Bid, PO Box 26, Neillsville, WI 54456

on or before the October 19 board meeting, 7:00pm at the town hall, N3907 Marg Ave. The Town of Pine Valley reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and to accept any bid it deems most advantageous to the town.

Questions please contact Town Chairman, Jim Smagacz 715-797-1361.

Dottie Funston, Clerk

WNAXLP

SENIOR NUTRITION MENU

For Greenwood

Mon., Oct. 5: BBQ Meatballs, Brown Rice, Baked Beans, Cherry Dump Cake, Milk.

Tues., Oct. 6: Philly Cheesesteak Bake, Carrots, Pineapple, Wheat Roll, Chocolate Éclair, Milk.

Wed., Oct. 7: Ham & Potato Casserole, Garlic Bread, Mashed Sweet Potatoes, Side Salad, Apple Pie, Milk.

Thurs., Oct. 8: Chicken Parmesan, Breadstick, Spaghetti Squash, Italian Blend Vegetables, Peach Fluff, Milk.

Fri., Oct. 9: Tuna Casserole, Veggie Blend, Broccoli, Strawberry & Grapes, Wheat Bread, Poke Cake, Milk.

Coffee Available at Center

Please Note: Occasionally there may be substitutions to the menu due to shortages from our food distributors.

People 60 years of age and older are encouraged to use the Nutrition Program. Please call 24 hrs. ahead to reserve or cancel a meal by contacting the ADRC Office at 715-743-7117 or 1-866-743-5144.

Meal reservations and cancellations are needed by NOON (12PM) one business day in advance.

The suggested contribution donation per meal is \$4.50.

Thank you.

All menu items are prepared in kitchens that are not allergen-free. We cannot guarantee that food allergens will not be transferred through cross-contact.

CLOVERDALE COUNTRY STORE

1011 East Spruce St., Abbotsford, WI

• Ham Boneless
Browned in Oil, Frozen

6 lbs.....\$1.29 a lb

• Hot Dogs
Jalapeno-Cheddar
Frozen

16 oz.....\$1.29

• Chicken Breast
Skinless - Boneless
Frozen

5 lbs.....\$1.99 a lb

• Bacon Bits
Precooked, Frozen

5 lbs.....\$2.99 a lb

• Ham Steaks
Bone In, Fully Cooked
Frozen

.....\$1.49 a lb

• Tator Tots
Seasoned, Frozen

80 oz.....\$5.99

• Honey Ham
Ham Turkey
Sub Kits, Frozen

16 oz.....\$1.49

• Hashbrowns
Thick Cut - Frozen

28 oz.....\$1.99

• Lunchmeat
Sliced Ham
w/Cheese, Frozen

9.6 oz.....99¢

• Pork Sausage
Mild - Frozen

16 oz.....\$1.59

• Cheese Pizza
Frozen

18 oz.....\$1.89

• Apple
Cranberry Juice
Concentrate
100% Juice, Frozen

12 oz.....89¢

• Cream Cheese
1/3 Less Fat

8 oz.....99¢

• American
Cheese Sliced
Yellow

5 lbs.....\$9.95

• American
Cheese Yellow
Shredded

5 lbs.....\$4.99

• Mozzarella
Cheese Shredded

2 lbs.....\$4.29

• Provolone
Cheese Sliced

20 oz.....\$2.49

• Butter Salted
Quarters

16 oz.....\$2.29

• Swiss Cheese

6 lbs.....\$2.89 a lb

• Cheddar
Cheese Shredded

10 lbs.....\$1.39 a lb

• Meatballs
Italian Style, Frozen
Fully Cooked

5 lbs.....\$9.95

• Polska Keilbasa
Fully Cooked, Frozen

12 oz.....\$2.29

• Orange Juice
100% Juice

89 oz.....\$2.89

• Cream of
Mushroom

26 oz.....\$1.39

• Potato Chips
BBQ, Kettle Cooked

6 oz.....\$1.59

• Graham
Crackers
Honey

4-14.4 oz.....\$3.99

• Egg Noodles
Wide

12 oz.....\$1.29

• Miracle Whip
Original

30 oz.....\$3.49

• Coffee
Medium Roast

28.4 oz.....\$12.89

• Fruit Cocktail
Extra Light Syrup

15 oz.....\$1.29

• Chicken Bone
Broth

32 oz.....\$1.69

• Cranberries
Dried

3 lbs.....\$1.89 a lb

• Eggs

1 doz.....99¢

Hours: Mon.-Fri. 8:30-6:30 ~ Sat. 8:30-4:00 ~ Sun. Closed



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29TH ANNIVERSARY SPECIAL!

Saturday, October 3

• NO BUYLINE ON SATURDAY •

• 7:30 - 8:00 AM •

STRAIGHT OUT BUY SPECIALS

• 8:00 - 10:00 AM •

ANNIVERSARY AUCTION ITEMS



BUSINESS	Item	Value
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AUCTIONS:

AUCTIONS		
B&L SPORTING GOODS	1 ARCHERY TARGET	\$105.50
B&L SPORTING GOODS	1 CROSSBOW	\$738.49
BRAUNERS	1 \$100 OFF PURCHASE OF 4 TIRES	
LAST FRONTIER SEAFOOD COMPANY	1 \$50 CERTIFICATE TOWARDS SEAFOOD PURCHASE	
FALLS MEAT SERVICE	1 HALF HOG FULLY PROCESSED	\$365
CUSTOM HEATING AND COOLING	1 COMPLETE HOUSE AIR DUCT CLEANING	\$1,000
BROCKS BUTCHER BLOCK	1 \$200 OFF VENISON PROCESSING	\$200
THE HUNGRY HUNTER		
AT BROCKS BUTCHER BLOCK	1 2-PRIME RIB DINNERS VALUE	\$100
COBBLESTONE COTTAGE	SWIG BUNDLE "NURSE THEME" INCLUDES LUNCH BAG, 2 SETS OF STRAWS, WATER BOTTLE, COFFEE MUG, LARGE TRAVEL MUG	\$205
SERENE CLEAN	3 HOUR CLEANING CERTIFICATE	\$210
SCHOLZE ACE HOME CENTER	1 YETI HOPPER BACKPACK M20 (NAVY)	\$341.25
BANNER JOURNAL	1 YEAR SUBSCRIPTION-BANNER JOURNAL	\$59
BANNER JOURNAL	1 YEAR SUBSCRIPTION-CLARK COUNTY PRESS	\$59
STRIKE TIME LANES	1 BOWLING PACKAGE	TBD
LAND AND WATER SPORTS	1 BOAT WRAPPING FOR UP TO 20FT BOAT	\$400
LAND AND WATER SPORTS	1 FULL SERVICE PACKAGE FOR ATV/UTV OR MOWER	TBD
ITA ITA CASITAS COSTA RICA	5 DAYS 4 NIGHTS FOR A FAMILY OF 4	\$500



Check Out the Items at the Businesses before October 3rd and be ready to bid!

STRAIGHT OUT BUYS:

BUSINESS	ITEM	VALUE
LAST FRONTIER SEAFOOD COMPANY	TWO CERTIFICATES	\$20.00 EA
TAMMY'S TOURS & TRAVEL	TEN CERTIFICATES	\$20.00 EA
MOE HARDWARE & SPORTING	12 \$25 GIFT CERTIFICATES	\$25 EACH
SETH PUMPKIN'S	2 CERTIFICATE	\$20 EACH
GROSS MOTORS OF BRF	10 \$100 COUPONS FOR VEHICLE PURCHASE, ACCESSORIES, OR SERVICE	\$100
NORHWOOD VET SERVICE	4 \$25 CERTIFICATE VALUE	\$25
ITA ITA CASITAS	\$100 CERTIFICATE	\$100



Call: 715-284-4391 or Toll-free: 877-997-9947

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FALLING LEAVES

FREE Self-Guided Tour

ART STUDIO TOUR

Fri., Oct. 9, 12PM-6PM
Sat., Oct. 10, 9AM-5PM
26 ARTISTS • 13 LOCATIONS • 2 NEW ARTISTS:
Osseo, Fairchild, Augusta, Fall Creek
Sun., Oct. 12, 10AM-5PM
2 LOCATIONS: Meadowsong Studios, Justorian Alpacas
For info or map, visit www.fallingleavesarttour.com

Neillsville Fire & Rescue

STEAK FEED FUNDRAISER

Saturday, Oct. 3 • Serving 3:00 - 8:00pm
Neillsville Fire Hall
Carryouts Only
To place your Order Call 715-743-2651
after 3:00pm or just drive up.
Tickets \$20 each
Tickets available from Fire Department Members
Kids Meals available at the Door
2 Early-Bird Cash Drawings: \$100.00
Proceeds will be for new equipment

GREENWOOD AREA FIRE DEPARTMENT

Pulled Pork Sandwich Meal & Cash Raffle Fundraiser

Meal Includes: Pulled Pork Sandwich, Potato Salad, Beans, Cheese Curds, Pickle, Dessert & Milk

SILENT AUCTION

Raffle Prizes
Drawing at 8 pm
Only 1,000 tickets sold
1st: \$400 • 2nd: \$300
3rd: \$200 • 4th: \$100
5th-6th: \$50 • 7th-22nd: \$25

Cost:
Raffle Ticket Stub admits one to meal
Get raffle tickets from any Firefighter!
Raffle: \$15 • Adults: \$11
Extra Sandwich \$6
Kids 5 & Under \$1

FIRE EXTINGUISHER CHECKS
Mon., October 5 • 4:30 - 6:30 pm
Greenwood Fire Hall

We Need You!
We are always looking for additional Firefighters, EMRs, and EMTs for our service. Training provided. Call 715-563-7996
Please come and help your local Fire Department so we can serve your Community!

Mon., Oct. 5, 2026
Serving 4:30 - 7:30 pm
Greenwood Emergency Services Building
Sit-Down and Drive-Through

MUNSON BRIDGE WINERY

Join Us For Our 20th Annual Harvest Fest

Sat., Oct. 10 • 11am-6pm

Vendors Old and New
Food Truck and FUN!
LIVE Music With Severio Mancieri 1-4pm
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SEASONAL HOURS: Apr. 19, 2025 - Dec. 19, 2025
Mon.-Tue: CLOSED • Wed-Sat: 11am - 6pm Sunday: 11am - 4pm
715-229-4501
W6462 Bridge Rd., Withee, WI 54498

TAYLOR FIRE & RESCUE DEPARTMENT

Annual FIREMAN'S Dance

SATURDAY OCTOBER 3RD 4PM

LIVE MUSIC BY SPARE PARTS PROJECT 8PM

CHINESE RAFFLES
SERVING FOOD & DRINKS
BOUNCE HOUSES & KIDS ACTIVITIES
AMISH BAKED GOODS
THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING YOUR LOCAL FIRE DEPARTMENT!

30th ANNUAL thorp PUMPKIN fest

DOWNTOWN THORP, WI

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2026 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Fun for the Whole Family!

WISCONSIN FUN FACTORY
Wisconsin Fun Factory BOUNCY HOUSE & OBSTACLE COURSE 10AM-3PM | FREE
Outlaw Farms LLC
OUTLAW FARMS PETTING ZOO 9AM-3PM

LIVE MUSIC AT CINDY'S
9:00AM - 10:00AM THORP HIGH SCHOOL BAND & CHOIR
10:30AM - 1:30PM JERRY TECLAW
2:00PM - 6:00PM THE STRAT CATS
8:00PM - 12:00AM TBD

MANY FOOD VENDORS
CRAFT VENDORS
FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!

KEN LUDWIG'S MOON OVER BUFFALO

Co-Directed by Brian Shutter & Connie Hurd

September 17, 18, 19, October 1, 2 at 7pm
September 20, October 3 & 4 at 1pm

Tickets Available at www.tomahact.com

901 Kilbourn Ave., Tomah

CLASSIFIED RATES: \$9.00 for the first 15 words, 25¢ for each additional word for one newspaper and the shopper. Classifieds must be in and paid by 4pm Wednesday. The Shopper, Banner Journal & Clark County Press, 409 E. Main St., Black River Falls, WI 54615. 715-284-4304.

BENEFIT SPECIALISTS are available to assist Jackson County residents age 18 and older with questions regarding benefit eligibility. Please call the ADRC of Jackson County at 715-284-3978 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

OPEN ALCOHOLICS Anonymous discussion format Thurs, 7pm, Hixton Town Hall, Sand Prairie Rd. Contact 715-279-6879.

FALL BAZAAR and auction. Upper Pigeon Creek Church, Thursday, Oct. 1, W15084 STH 121, Hixton. Auction starts at 6:30, Lunch served after. Sponsored by UPC Women of the ELCA. All Welcome.

What's Happening in 2026/2027 with...

Tammy's Tours and Travel LLC

Tammy Steig • 715-579-4231

W15891 St. Hwy. 121, Hixton, WI 54635 • tammystourandtravel@gmail.com

- **Zoom -Travel Show:** Tues., Oct. 6, 2026, 5:30PM; Call for instructions to login to "Zoom" for the **Sierra Nevada Rail Journey: Jan. 29-Feb. 2, 2027.** We fly to Sacramento with Premier World Discovery; \$3,144.00 pp double occup.; Ask about booking discount; Last day for reservations is Oct. 20.
- **A Three Tenors Christmas:** Chanhassen Dinner Theatre, Sat., Nov. 28, 2026 \$185.00 per person / departures from Black River, Hixton, Northfield and Eau Claire
- **Pretty Woman:** Thurs., April 8, 2027 Fireside Dinner Theater, Fort Atkinson, WI; \$198.00 per person
- **The Ark Encounter & Creation Museum:** Mon. – Sat., June 7–12, 2027 \$870.00 per person double occupancy
- **Heartbreak Hotel:** Thurs., June 17, 2027 Fireside Dinner Theater, Fort Atkinson, WI; \$198.00 per person
- **Yellowstone and the Wild West:** Aug. 13–19, 2027; \$4,769.00 pp double occup. Ask about booking discount; We fly to Salt Lake City with Premier World Discovery
- **Clue - A Madcap Comedy:** Fri., Sept. 24, 2027 Fireside Dinner Theater, Fort Atkinson, WI; \$198.00 per person
- **Branson Show Extravaganza:** Mon.–Sat., Nov. 8–13, 2027 \$978.00 per person double occupancy

Listen for latest travel updates on our Good Neighbor Program on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:50AM, just before Buyline on WWIS Radio 99.7 FM | 105.3 FM | AM1260

WATCH FOR MORE TO BE ADDED TO THIS SCHEDULE AS 2027 GOES ON!

SAVE THE DATES FOR OCTOBER!

FRIDAY FISH FRY Including Salad Bar
BREAKFAST • Sat. & Sun. Bloody Mary Specials All Day on Sundays!

3rd Saturday of the Month
Sat., Oct. 17 @ 1:00 pm
Portion of the proceeds to go to Project Christmas

MEAT RAFFLE

Saturday, Oct. 17
ANNUAL FISH FRY
R & R's FIRST & LAST CHANCE

Saturday, Oct. 31
HALLOWEEN PARTY
Costume Judging at 10:00 PM

Euchre Tournaments Every Sunday @2PM

BINGO Starting Oct. 13 Tuesdays at Noon

Hwy. 27 South, Black River Falls • PH: 715-284-3121

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TWO WAYS TO SELL. ONE GOAL.

FINDING THE RIGHT FIT FOR YOU & YOUR PROPERTY

As summer gives way to fall, many of our customers are making changes of their own. Over the past few months, our team has helped 22 property owners successfully sell, with 5 choosing the auction route and 17 opting for a traditional listing. Both can be great options, but the right fit depends on your property, timeline, and goals.

A traditional listing may be ideal if you're comfortable letting the market develop, want flexibility to adjust your price or strategy, or would like time to make updates and get the property ready for the market.

An auction offers a defined timeline, urgency, and competition, making it a great option for sellers who want a clear path to closing. It can be especially helpful for those retiring or downsizing, settling an estate, living out of state, or simply not wanting to spend months managing a property. Auctions can also allow you to sell as-is, without making repairs or updates.

There's no one-size-fits-all approach to real estate. Whether you're selling a family farm, home, cabin, investment property, or commercial property, our team will take the time to understand your goals and help you determine which path makes the most sense for you. *Give Us A Call!*

REAL ESTATE ONLINE AUCTIONS

Versatile Event Center on 26.5± Acres
Near Stratford & Abbottsford
218967 Cty Rd F, Unity, WI - October 1

SUBSTANTIAL acreage & infrastructure already in place—stage, concession stand, bathrooms, cabins, old race track, & 20 camper sites—the property offers flexibility for public & private events complete w/cell service. Hunting possible too! **Give it a new vision or rejuvenate the current one!**

7% Buyer's Fee. For more info., Contact Jerry Bates @ 715-418-0139.



34.88± Acres of Hunting & Recreational Land

Near Marshfield
Hiline Ave., Chili, WI - October 5

NEARLY 35 ACRES available for whatever your "fun" is! Wooded 27± Acres has abundant cover & habitat for wildlife, making it well suited for hunting, viewing, hiking, and more. Balance is primarily open w/a mix of woods. **Make your outdoor F-U-N in this beautiful rural setting!**

10% Buyer's Fee. For more info., Contact Jerry Bates @ 715-418-0139.



Hancock Lake Waterfront Getaway

2 Lots Near Rhinelander
3130 S. Shore Dr, Harshaw, WI - October 6

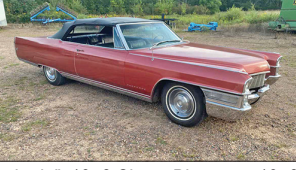
TWO WATERFRONT PARCELS!
PARCEL 1: Primarily wooded lot w/mature trees. Incl. cabin, shed, & garage. Electric available; Well & septic not used for 20 yrs. **PARCEL 2:** Vacant waterfront lot. Both parcels have a natural shoreline & slope toward the water. **Buy One or Both!**

7% Buyer's Fee. For more info., Contact Jerry Bates @ 715-418-0139.



ONLINE AUCTIONS

Midwest Fall Classic Car Auction
Multiple Locations – Oct 6



FEATURES: 1923 Ford T-Bucket "Bad Attitude", 1958 Chevy Biscayne, 1953 Studebaker Sedan, 1928 Ford Model A Roadster, 1965 Cadillac Eldorado Convertible, 1954 Ford F100, 1963 Chevy Impala, 1953 Willys Jeep, & **More!**

OPEN HOUSE: By Appt., Call Number in Lot
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