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Fresh Holiday Greenery, Handcrafted Gifts Await at Rocky Ridge Open House on Nov. 28



Pictured from left, Patty Heimmermann, Linda Stearns, Kathy Chandler and Sheri Rye of Rocky Ridge Greenhouse use locally sourced, freshly cut pine boughs to create wreaths, kissing balls and Santa gnomes. They are preparing for the November 21 craft show at Townsend Town Hall and Rocky Ridge Greenhouse's Sixth Annual Holiday Open House and Craft Show on Saturday, November 28.
PHOTO CREDIT | BOB STRAZISHAR

TOWNSEND – Shoppers can find handcrafted gifts and fresh holiday greenery while helping stock a local food pantry during Rocky Ridge Greenhouse's sixth annual Holiday Open House and Craft Show on Saturday, November 28.

The Small Business Saturday event will run from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm at 17721 Sandy Ridge Lane in Townsend, with heated shopping areas and a variety of offerings from local crafters.

All fresh wreaths, kissing balls and Santa gnomes are handmade with locally sourced pine boughs at Rocky Ridge Greenhouse in Townsend, bringing locally gathered greenery into homes for the holiday season.

Shoppers can also find these freshly made items at Rocky Ridge Greenhouse's outdoor space in the parking lot near the front entrance of Townsend Town Hall during the Deer Hunter Widow's Craft Fair on Saturday, November 21.

Visitors to the November 28 open house are encouraged to bring nonperishable food donations for the Christian Food Pantry in Lakewood. Those who donate will be entered into a drawing for a fresh, custom-made wreath featuring three varieties of greens.

For shoppers preparing their homes for Christmas, seasonal selections will include fresh kissing balls and swags, Santa gnomes, fresh gnome and Christmas tree wreaths, burlap and ribbon wreaths, potted Christmas greenery and centerpieces. Custom cedar planters, birdhouses, bird feeders and other holiday décor will also be available.

Gift selections will range from handmade jewelry, cards and soaps to wood wick candles and melts, knit hats and mittens. Homemade Christmas cookies and cupcakes will round out the offerings.

Complimentary coffee, hot chocolate, cider and treats will give visitors a chance to enjoy refreshments while shopping and visiting with friends and neighbors. Sheri's homemade chili will also be available for purchase.

Organizers recommend bringing cash, as most vendors do not accept credit cards. Some vendors will accept Venmo.

Previews of featured merchandise will be shared on Rocky Ridge Greenhouse's Facebook page leading up to the event. For more information, call 715-276-3782.

Santa to Arrive by Fire Truck at Children's Christmas Party

TOWNSEND – A festive afternoon of lunch, games and a visit from Santa Claus awaits children when the McCaslin Lions host their annual Children's Christmas Party on Saturday, December 5, 2026.

The gathering will take place from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm at Townsend Town Hall, 16564 Elm St. Children ages 10 and younger are invited to attend, and all children must be accompanied by an adult.

Families can enjoy lunch and games as anticipation builds for the arrival of the guest of honor. Trading his sleigh for a fire truck, Santa will make a memorable entrance to help bring Christmas cheer to Townsend, creating holiday memories for the youngest guests.

Families wishing to register for bikes should arrive early enough to complete registration before the 11:30 am deadline on the day of the party.

The annual celebration gives families an opportunity to spend time together during the holiday season while sharing in the excitement of Christmas. With activities for youngsters and a chance to welcome Santa, the McCaslin Lions look forward to celebrating the season with local children and their families.

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Doty Fire Association Donates $5,000 to Riverview Fire Training Center



Doty Fire Association Treasurer Wayne Wyngaard, left, and President Lee Ann Lorrignan, right, present a $5,000 donation to Chief TJ Schrank for the Riverview Fire Department's new Fire Training Center. The contribution makes the association a Chief Level Sponsor and supports training resources for local firefighters.

PHOTO CREDIT | RIVERVIEW FIRE DEPARTMENT AUXILIARY

RIVERVIEW – The Doty Fire Association has contributed $5,000 to the Riverview Fire Department's new Fire Training Center, becoming a Chief Level Sponsor of the project.

Riverview firefighters expressed appreciation for the donation, noting that support from a fellow volunteer fire organization carries special meaning. The sponsorship reflects a shared understanding of the importance of quality training, teamwork and the resources needed to protect firefighters and the communities they serve.

The Riverview Fire Department described the contribution as more than financial support, saying it also demonstrates the strong bonds among fire service organizations and their commitment to helping one another.

Businesses, organizations and individuals can support the project through five sponsorship levels: Chief, $5,000; Assistant Chief, $2,500; Captain, $1,500; Lieutenant, $500; and Firefighter, $250. Every sponsor will receive recognition on the Training Center Donor Wall, and contributions of any amount are welcome.

For sponsorship information, call or text Chief Terry Schrank at 715-850-0906 or email riverviewfiredepartmentauxiliary@gmail.com. Donations may be mailed to PO Box 168, Mountain, WI 54149.

Townsend Invites Community to Decorate Holiday Trees at Town Hall

TOWNSEND – The Town of Townsend is inviting community members to adopt and decorate a holiday tree at Townsend Town Hall, 16564 Elm St., as part of its Adopt-a-Tree program.

The sign-up deadline is Friday, November 20, 2026, the same day tree decorating begins. Shadian Landscaping donated the trees.

The town will hold a tree lighting ceremony at 4:00 pm Sunday, November 29, at Town Hall. Participants are asked to remove their decorations by January 11, 2027.

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NEWS

Nicolet Express welcomes local interest stories. Stories and accompanying photos may be submitted by the deadline for consideration in the next issue. Articles are published as space allows and are also shared online at www.nicolet.express. Submissions may be emailed to news@nicolet.express for consideration.

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Nicolet Express Marks One Year Connecting the Northwoods

On October 30, 2025, Nicolet Express launched at www.nicolet.express as an online resource for local news and information shared by nonprofit organizations, area businesses and community members in Lakewood, Mountain and Townsend. We began with minimal website traffic and just three Facebook followers.

One year later, our website welcomes hundreds of visitors daily, and our Facebook following has grown to more than 1,200. What began as a digital news outlet has expanded into a free monthly print publication serving five Northwoods communities: Lakewood, Laona, Mountain, Townsend and Wabeno.

Our reach also extends well beyond those communities. About 61% of our Facebook followers live outside our five-community service area, helping bring local stories, events and business information to a broader audience. Their engagement and shares help introduce new readers to the website and keep people connected to our region.

We recently refreshed the website to more closely reflect the advertising featured in our print publication. Recognizing the opportunity that this broader audience offers local businesses, we have enhanced our digital advertising to give readers more ways to discover and support the small businesses that serve our communities.



BOB STRAZISHAR
PUBLISHER / EDITOR

The website also offers far more information than we can include in the monthly printed paper. News stories are added daily, giving readers a way to stay informed between issues. Our online calendar of events provides a much more comprehensive listing than the calendar in the print edition, helping residents and visitors discover more of what is happening throughout the region. We encourage readers to visit regularly for the latest news and upcoming events.

The idea for a print edition took shape earlier this year after Peggy Christianson contacted me on behalf of the Northwoods Community Assistance Coalition in Lakewood. NCAC connects volunteers and resources with people who need assistance in Lakewood, Townsend, Mountain, Wabeno and surrounding areas.

Peggy described a significant challenge: reaching people who could benefit from NCAC's services, particularly seniors who do not use the internet or Facebook. Individual direct-mail pieces were not financially practical, even at nonprofit postal rates. Meanwhile, free publications that once served the region, including the *Pioneer Express* and the *Beacon*, were no longer available.

That conversation stayed with me. It highlighted a need that a website alone could not meet. After considerable thought, I began exploring whether a free monthly publication, mailed directly to area residents and businesses, could help fill that gap.

Over the years, I had done freelance work for several print publications, creating content to fit their formats. This time, I would be developing a publication of my own, shaped around the needs of the communities it would serve.

I contacted Christensen Printing Partners in Shawano, drawing on a working relationship with Rod Christensen that dates back to his ownership of the *Shawano Leader*. Rod and his team helped turn that vision into a printed publication.

The first print edition of Nicolet Express was published April 24, 2026, and mailed to residents and businesses in Lakewood, Mountain and Townsend. While the website made local information available to readers anywhere, the response to a publication delivered directly to local mailboxes demonstrated the value of print. That support encouraged us to expand distribution to Wabeno and Laona.

Today, our print and online editions work together to help residents and visitors find local news, learn about upcoming events, discover area businesses and connect with community organizations.

Keeping that information free and accessible depends on the continued support of our advertisers. Their investment makes every issue possible and helps us reach readers both online and in print.

Please support the businesses that advertise in Nicolet Express, and let them know you appreciate their role in keeping this community resource available. When you visit a business, attend an event or take advantage of an offer you discovered in our pages, mentioning where you saw it helps demonstrate the value of their support.

As we celebrate our first year, thank you to everyone who has read, shared, contributed to or advertised with Nicolet Express. From three Facebook followers to a publication serving five communities, this growth reflects the people and businesses who have supported it along the way.

We look forward to continuing to share your stories and keeping our Northwoods communities connected.



Mountain Invites Community to Help Create Christmas Tree Display

MOUNTAIN – The Friends of Mountain Fire Department is inviting families, businesses and organizations to help brighten the holiday season by setting up decorated Christmas trees outside the Bill Lazansky Community Center, 13412 State Highway 32/64 in Mountain.The outdoor display offers community members an opportunity to share their Christmas spirit while contributing to a festive gathering place. Whether decorated by a family, a local business or a community group, each tree will add its own personality to the seasonal display.Participants may begin putting up their trees Friday, November 27. All trees should be in place by 3:00 pm Saturday, December 5, so the display is ready to welcome Santa when he arrives that day.Families can make decorating a tree part of their holiday traditions, while businesses and organizations can work together on a display that reflects their creativity and community pride. The collection of decorated trees will help bring holiday color and cheer to the community center grounds throughout the Christmas season.Anyone interested in participating can contact Wayne O'Barski at 920-323-6787 for more information.Participants may take down their trees after New Year's Day. All trees and decorations must be removed, and display areas cleaned up, by Friday, January 8, 2027.

Santa and Mrs. Claus to Join Lakewood Tree Lighting

LAKEWOOD – Holiday lights, sweet treats and a visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus will welcome the Christmas season during the Lakewood Chamber's annual Christmas Tree Lighting on Saturday, November 28, at 6:00 pm.

The celebration will take place at Coldwell Banker Bartels Real Estate, 15251 State Hwy 32 in Lakewood, bringing residents and visitors together for an evening of holiday cheer. Families can make the gathering part of their Thanksgiving weekend traditions while sharing in the excitement of the season.

Cookies and hot cocoa will add a warm touch to the gathering as the community celebrates the lighting of the Christmas tree. Santa and Mrs. Claus will also join the festivities, adding a little North Pole magic for children and families.

As the tree lights brighten the evening, the celebration will offer a chance to pause during the busy holiday season, greet familiar faces and enjoy the small-town spirit that makes community traditions special.

Held on Small Business Saturday, the annual event offers a festive way to wrap up a day of local holiday shopping and spend time with friends and neighbors as the Christmas season begins.


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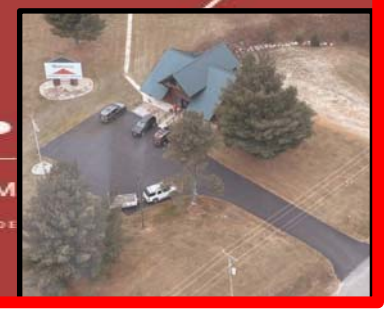

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Old Glory Honor Flight Expands 2027 Veteran Eligibility

APPLETON – Missions of Honor is expanding eligibility for its 2027 Old Glory Honor Flight season, giving more Northeast Wisconsin veterans the opportunity to visit military memorials in Washington, D.C., at no cost.

Under the new guidelines, veterans who served on active duty on or before July 1, 1991, can apply regardless of where they were stationed or which branch of the U.S. military they served in. The organization is especially encouraging women veterans to apply.

Old Glory Honor Flight began in Appleton in 2009 and is part of the National Honor Flight Network. Its one-day trips bring veterans to the nation's capital to visit memorials honoring their service and reflecting on their sacrifices. Trained volunteer escorts and a volunteer medical team accompany the veterans. The program serves residents across Northeast Wisconsin, including Forest and Oconto counties.

Veterans can learn more and find the application at missionsofhonor.org. The program uses a waitlist and gives priority to veterans with a terminal illness. Anyone helping a veteran apply should make sure the veteran knows the application is being submitted on their behalf. For application assistance, call Missions of Honor at 920-257-2563.

Townsend Seeks Two Residents to Serve on Library Board

TOWNSEND – The Town of Townsend is seeking two residents to serve on the Lakes Country Joint Public Library Board, with new terms beginning in January 2027. Completed applications are due December 4, 2026.

The positions offer residents an opportunity to help guide the library's future and support services for community members of all ages.

Board responsibilities include assisting with decisions about maintenance and upkeep of the library building, developing policies that guide library operations and staff, and advocating for library services and community engagement. Members also help ensure the library's long-term success.

Because meetings are held throughout the year, applicants should be full-time Townsend residents who can attend regular meetings and actively participate in board discussions.

The town encourages residents who value the library and want to contribute to its future to apply.

Completed applications should be returned to Linda Ziegler, Town of Townsend clerk, at Townsend54175@gmail.com by December 4, 2026. The town's website is www.townsend.wi.gov.

Crooked Lake/Mountain Lions Donate $2,000 to Help Feed Local Families



Scott Wycherley of the Christian Food Pantry in Lakewood receives a ceremonial check for $2,000 from Lion Cassie Zittlow of the Crooked Lake/Mountain Lions Club. The donation will provide meat vouchers for pantry clients before Thanksgiving.

PHOTO CREDIT | CROOKED LAKE/MOUNTAIN LIONS CLUB

LAKEWOOD – The Crooked Lake/Mountain Lions Club is helping put food on local tables this holiday season with a $2,000 donation to the Christian Food Pantry in Lakewood.

The pantry, which serves approximately 150 clients each month, will use the donation to provide meat vouchers to its clients before Thanksgiving. The vouchers will help recipients prepare holiday meals while easing some of the strain on their grocery budgets.

The contribution is part of the club's efforts to support organizations that feed the hungry as the holiday season approaches. Through its donation, the club is supporting the pantry's work to meet food needs in the community during a time when household expenses can stretch already tight budgets.

Scott Wycherley of the Christian Food Pantry accepted the ceremonial check from Lion Cassie Zittlow.

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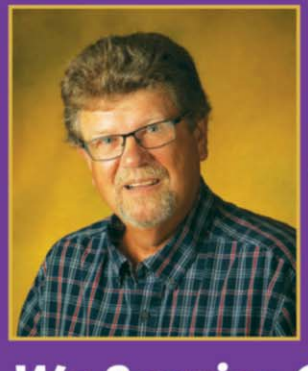


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A Silver Bracelet and a Lasting Promise to Remember



Mike Schilz of American Legion Post 44 in Wabeno stands at the podium in Suring, where he shared a personal story of remembrance as the featured Veterans Day speaker.

PHOTO CREDIT | MIKE SCHILZ

WABENO – Mike Schilz of American Legion Post 44 in Wabeno served as the main speaker at Veterans Day programs in both Wabeno and Suring, sharing a personal story that illustrated the lasting importance of honoring those who served.

During his remarks, Schilz spoke about a silver bracelet he wore bearing the name of a Vietnam serviceman listed as missing in action. The serviceman shared his first name, Michael—a connection that made the bracelet especially meaningful.

For Schilz, the bracelet was more than a piece of jewelry. It was a daily reminder of a serviceman whose fate remained unresolved and of the importance of keeping his memory alive. Schilz continued wearing it until Michael's remains were brought home.

His story offered a personal perspective on remembrance, connecting the broader meaning of Veterans Day with the life and sacrifice of one individual. Behind every name is a person, a family and a story deserving of recognition.

The simple act of wearing the bracelet showed how remembrance can become part of everyday life. By carrying Michael's name with him, Schilz maintained a personal connection to someone whose service and sacrifice might otherwise have remained a distant story. His account gave those attending a meaningful example of how one person can keep another's memory present.

Schilz also reflected on the emotion he carries for fellow veterans. He told those gathered that he is easy to recognize at a veteran's funeral: He is the one with a tear in his eye.

That heartfelt observation underscored his message of remembrance and the deep bonds shared by those who have served.

Crooked Trails ATV Club Donates $2,000 to Riverview Fire Training Center



Crooked Trails ATV Club presents a $2,000 donation toward the Riverview Fire Department's new Burn Tower Training Center, exceeding the $1,500 Captain Sponsorship level. Pictured from left are Crystal, Chad Roskopf, Chief TJ Schrank, Owen Runge, Jeff Runge, Rob Heyrman and Tammy Wynen.

PHOTO CREDIT | RIVERVIEW FIRE DEPARTMENT

RIVERVIEW – Crooked Trails ATV Club has donated $2,000 toward the Riverview Fire Department's new Burn Tower Training Center, exceeding the project's $1,500 Captain Sponsorship level.

The department thanked the organization for its generosity, saying the contribution brings the project closer to becoming a reality and supports training for local firefighters and neighboring departments.

The training center will help strengthen firefighter preparedness and community safety. Department representatives expressed appreciation for organizations willing to invest in the future of volunteer firefighting.

For sponsorship information, call or text Chief TJ Schrank at 715-850-0906 or email riverviewfiredepartmentauxiliary@gmail.com. Donations may be mailed to PO Box 168, Mountain, WI 54149.

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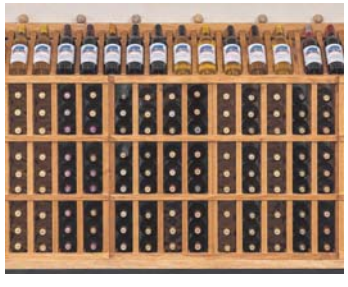
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Wabeno Lions Club Donates $200 to Home and School Organization



Wabeno Lion Dan Moravec presents a $200 donation to Lion Carie Moravec, a Wabeno High School staff member, for Wabeno Home and School programs that bring families, teachers and students together.

PHOTO CREDIT | WABENO LIONS CLUB

WABENO – The Wabeno Lions Club recently donated $200 to the Wabeno Home and School organization, supporting its efforts to strengthen connections among families, teachers and students.

Wabeno Home and School builds a positive school community through memorable, hands-on opportunities that bring people together. Its programs encourage family involvement, create enjoyable experiences for students and recognize educators.

Activities include Jingle Shopping, Trunk or Treat and Teacher Appreciation Week. Each helps families and school staff connect while making the school year special for students.

These shared activities also help create a sense of belonging, build relationships and celebrate the community's commitment to its children and schools.

The Lions Club's contribution will help support the organization's work and activities for the Wabeno school community.

"Last Ride" Raises $5,300 for Two-County ATV/UTV Trail



Animal's Bear Trail Inn owners Mike and Ben Richling present White Lake ATV Club President Gary McCorkle with $5,300 from the November 7 "Last Ride." Funds will support a new ATV/UTV trail linking Oconto and Langlade counties, set to open in spring 2027.

PHOTO CREDIT | JIM WISNESKI

DOTY – A November trail ride brought 78 registrants together for a cause 12 years in the making: completing an ATV/UTV connection between Oconto and Langlade counties.

Animal's Bear Trail Inn hosted its "Last Ride" ATV/UTV Ride on Saturday, November 7, raising $5,300 to help construct and maintain a new trail from Boulder Lake in Doty to Fish Hatchery Road.

The Hidden Bear Trail ATV Club and White Lake ATV Club have worked on the project for 12 years. Scheduled to open in spring 2027, the new segment will provide the final connection linking the Nicolet State Trail in Oconto County with the Wolf River Trail in Langlade County.

The connection will mark a milestone for both clubs, completing their long-running effort to establish a continuous ATV/UTV link between the two counties.

Animal's Bear Trail Inn owners Mike and Ben Richling presented the $5,300 raised during the event to White Lake ATV Club President Gary McCorkle. The fundraiser combined a day of riding with donations and raffle purchases to support the trail project.

Organizers extended a special thank-you to everyone who attended, donated and purchased raffle tickets, helping bring the long-awaited connection closer to completion.

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By FRANK BURNS
Correspondent

Many of us live next door to a Fireman (or Firewoman – I have met three in the Townsend – Riverview – Doty Area), local Shop Keeper, or Bar Tender. But some occupations are less attention grabbing.

Little did I know until twenty-four years after his passing that my friendly, laid back, and humble neighbor was a published writer. During his years with us, I never really revealed my love of writing because I was – teaching it. We had only discussed my current job, a high school teacher eighty miles to the south, and his, a Specialty Steel Salesman. His own home was even further away from ours, Brookfield, a suburb of Milwaukee, but he and his wife were the first owners to build a cabin on the short dead end road in a niche near the Nicolet (now Chequamegon-Nicolet) National Forest. In 1958 they picked a spot near the top of a moraine's rise with a perfect view of the lake.

Other than friendly chats, introducing us to Maiden Lake Supper Club, and Fourth of July celebrations, life with the Solis settled down into Good Neighbor's Status. Well, that is not entirely true. Just short of twenty years after they built, when they first saw the young couple accompanied by Realtor "Bake" snooping around the 30 x 90 on the nine-month's dormant property next to theirs, they were concerned the young pair might be a beer-party, jet ski hammering wild couple who might disturb the quietude of the North.

They couldn't be further from the truth.

We lived in peace for decades with only a few exceptions. They saw and heard our children grow up as they had watched their own daughter, her friends, and visiting families on the shore, jumping off piers and floats, splashing in the water and screaming at the top of their lungs. Our son would go next door to learn how to play poker and cribbage with Russ because his own father preferred naming the lake's fish rather than sit in front of a board game on a table. Later in life our son developed a successful tilt toward gambling games and we wondered if the beginnings of that talent somehow rested at the other side of the Soli card table.

On one of the recent, quieter Fourth of July weekends, Russ' daughter, Lynn, interrupted a conversation about "the difficulty of becoming a published author" with the announcement that her father was one. To our shocked ears we asked for more details. She took us inside her cabin and showed us a framed display of his contribution to *Wisconsin Trails* and the magazine's contribution to him for his efforts. On the bottom left corner of the framed rested a check from the Publisher, the Meads, for fifty dollars. Evidently, Russ was so thrilled to be a published writer that he chose not to cash the check but to mount it on the wall like a twelve pointer.

Karen, his wife, and Lynn, his daughter thought of a better plan. They took it to a local framer and picked out a wooden frame and designed the rest of the format. Enclosed in glass, the memento included a cut off title of *Wisconsin Trails Magazine*, the edited portion of his article, which was in the form of a letter, and old photo of a resort on the Brule River, and the check.

Another thing we did not know about Russ was that he graduated from the University of Wisconsin with a major in Labor Relations and a minor in History. Russ was a World War II Army Air Force Veteran, part of the forces that released the prisoners at Dachau in 1945, but his article related to his peace time interest in the lives of American Presidents. Although only a toddler at the time of Calvin Coolidge's Presidency, Russ once read about Coolidge's "Summer White Houses". He remembered that the last of those was in Wisconsin.

According to Mr. Soli's notes, in 1928, President Coolidge selected a cottage on the Brule River to escape the heat and politics of Washington D.C. with his wife Grace. The President had already determined not to run for office again. He conducted the nation's business in the once nearby library of Superior Central High School. It was not unusual at that time for presidents to summer outside the District of Columbia. Of course, being on the Brule River, Coolidge hired a guide and sought trout. (The tradition at the time was to "fly fish" and Coolidge had to switch from worm fishing to appease the sacred custom of the river.)

Wisconsin Trails magazine, originated in 1960 as *Wisconsin Tales & Trails*, and was sold to Howard and Nancy Mead who printed editions from their Madison basement. In 1971 they changed the name to *Wisconsin Trails*, and that was its name when Mr. Soli submitted a facsimile of his article that he sent to the Calvin Coolidge Presidential Foundation. The Meads had just published Stephen E. Ambrose's article about Dwight Eisenhower's visit to the same Cedar Island Lodge that the Coolidges vacationed less than twenty years before the Eisenhowers.

So, Howard Mead acknowledged the famous Historian Ambrose's article in a note explaining why they used Russ Soli's summary of the 1928 Coolidge stay and not his entire text.

However, Mr. Soli received the full writer's fee, authorized by Nancy Mead and cherished it as a historical accomplishment, worth more as a keepsake than to bank the money he earned.

Thinking back, although he wasn't a *Firefighter*, I wish I had named a few less fish and learned a little more about local history and how to write about it from Russ Soli, our Neighbor, Friend, and Author.

Sources:
Calvin Coolidge Presidential Foundation, Wikipedia

Give the Gift of Life: Townsend Blood Drive Set for Dec. 14

TOWNSEND – Residents can give a lifesaving gift this holiday season during an American Red Cross blood drive Monday, December 14, 2026, from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm at Townsend Town Hall, 16564 Elm St.

Donors are encouraged to schedule an appointment at RedCrossBlood.org, through the Red Cross Blood Donor App or by calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767). The drive offers an opportunity for members to help maintain the blood supply during the holiday season.

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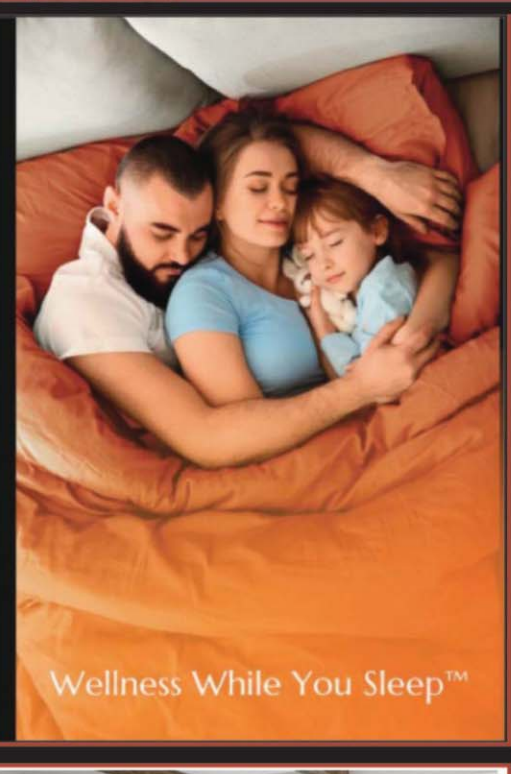
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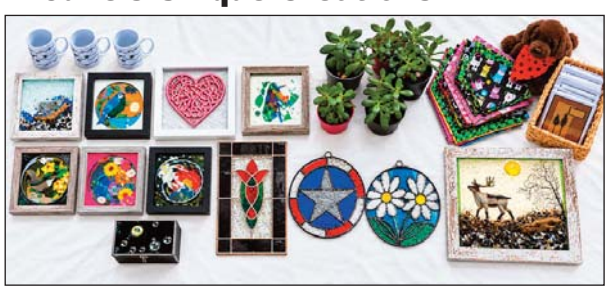
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Big Florida to Headline Free New Year's Eve Rave at Mole Lake Casino



DJ and producer Big Florida will headline a free New Year's Eve Rave Party at Mole Lake Casino Lodge Event Center on December 31, 2026, bringing an energetic soundtrack to the celebration as partygoers gather to ring in 2027.

PHOTO CREDIT | COBY CORRA

MOLE LAKE – Mole Lake Casino Lodge Event Center will welcome the new year with an evening of electronic dance music as DJ and producer Big Florida headlines a free New Year's Eve Rave Party on Thursday, December 31, 2026.

The celebration is open to adults ages 18 and older. Doors will open at 7:30 pm, with opening act Teddy Montoro performing from 8:30 to 9:45 pm. Big Florida will take over at 10:00 pm for a two-hour set that carries the party through midnight and into 2027.

The event will take place at Mole Lake Casino Lodge Event Center, 3084 State Highway 55 South, approximately seven miles south of Crandon. With no admission charge, the celebration offers area residents and visitors an opportunity to experience a nationally touring electronic music artist close to home.

Big Florida brings a background in bass music, a branch of electronic dance music built around prominent low frequencies, rhythmic intensity and dramatic musical transitions. Festival producer Insomniac identifies him as a dubstep DJ and producer, placing his work within a style known for powerful bass lines and sharply contrasting passages of buildup and release.

Based in Orlando, Big Florida grew up in Windermere, Florida, and has described music as a presence throughout his upbringing. In a March interview with Miami television station WSVN, he characterized his approach as "party bass," emphasizing an energetic atmosphere and music intended to get an audience moving. His Florida roots are central to both his stage name and his public identity.

Before performing as Big Florida, he built his career under the name Rated R. His artist biography lists "Dirty South" and "Ride" among the tracks that helped establish his reputation, along with releases including "In The Club" and "Bad Mofo." His recording background also includes collaborations with electronic music artists Sullivan King and Bear Grillz.

That earlier work provides the foundation for his current project. As Big Florida, he combines bass-driven electronic production with influences that reach beyond a single musical category. His artist biography describes a sound that draws together accessible bass music and a rougher, soulful character, while his performances emphasize an animated stage presence.

Remixes have also helped introduce his music to listeners. In his WSVN interview, Big Florida discussed creating "flips," or new interpretations of existing songs, drawing from artists such as Drake, Future and Morgan Wallen. That approach brings familiar material into an electronic setting, reshaping recognizable vocals and melodies around different rhythms and bass-heavy drops.

His growing profile led to a booking on the Worldwide Stage at Miami's 2026 Ultra Music Festival. Speaking before that appearance, he described playing Ultra as a major personal goal. The booking marked another step in a career that has moved from his earlier Rated R releases toward a distinct identity as Big Florida.

At Mole Lake, the evening's schedule gives guests time to arrive and settle in before Teddy Montoro begins the opening performance. Following Montoro's set, a brief transition will precede Big Florida's headlining appearance. His scheduled performance will span the final two hours of the year, placing the midnight arrival of 2027 at the close of the set.

The casino's attached lodge also offers an overnight option for visitors planning a New Year's Eve getaway. The property lists 75 rooms and suites, an indoor pool and hot tub, and dining options on site. Guests interested in accommodations can check availability through the casino's website.

Admission to the New Year's Eve Rave Party is free for guests ages 18 and older. Attendees must be at least 21 to consume alcohol, and management reserves all rights.

For additional information, visit molelakecasino.com.

Wabeno Winterfest to Bring Holiday Shopping, Family Fun and Santa to Wabeno High School Dec. 5

WABENO – Holiday shoppers will have an opportunity to browse gifts, meet local vendors and visit with Santa Claus when the Wabeno Volunteer Fire Department sponsors the Wabeno Winterfest Craft and Vendor Event on Saturday, December 5, 2026.

The event will take place from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm in the Wabeno High School gym, 4325 N. Branch St., Wabeno. Community members of all ages are invited to attend.

Local vendors will offer gifts, crafts and other items, bringing a variety of holiday shopping opportunities together under one roof. For those looking to make progress on their Christmas lists, the event offers a chance to explore locally available merchandise and connect with the people behind participating small businesses.

Craft and vendor events also give shoppers an opportunity to discover gift ideas they might not have considered, whether they are shopping for family members, friends or others on their holiday lists. Visitors can browse the booths and learn more about the items vendors have available.

A special visit from Santa Claus will add to the holiday festivities. Santa will be available for photos from noon to 1:30 pm, giving families a chance to include a seasonal photo opportunity in their visit. Families planning to see Santa should keep those hours in mind, as his appearance will cover only part of the five-hour event.

The Winterfest gathering will combine holiday shopping with an opportunity for neighbors to come together during the Christmas season. Sponsored by the Wabeno Volunteer Fire Department, the event welcomes residents and visitors to spend part of their Saturday supporting participating vendors and enjoying the festivities with their family and friends.

Free Community Thanksgiving Dinner Planned in Mountain

MOUNTAIN – A free Thanksgiving dinner and football game will bring residents together Thursday, November 26, 2026, from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm at Mountain's Bill Lazansky Community Center, 13412 State Highway 32/64 in Mountain.

The dinner is open to the community, with no reservations needed. There is no charge for the meal, although donations are welcome.

The gathering offers residents an opportunity to share a meal and enjoy the company of others. Whether attending alone, with a friend or alongside family members, guests can spend part of Thanksgiving connecting with neighbors in a community setting.

Mountain Circle of Friends is presenting the event in partnership with the Northwoods Community Assistance Coalition, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.

Football will add to the activities, giving guests a reason to gather and visit. The combination of a shared meal and a Thanksgiving tradition will provide a setting for conversation and fellowship.

Meal delivery will also be available on Thanksgiving Day for those who are unable to leave home. To arrange a delivery, call 715-990-6450.

For more information about the community dinner, contact Mountain Circle of Friends at 715-276-1486.

LakeHouse Winery's Wine & Wreath Nov. 21 Event to Benefit Veterans



Participants display their handcrafted holiday wreaths during LakeHouse Winery's Wine & Wreath Event on November 14. The winery will host another wreath-making event Saturday, November 21, with proceeds benefiting Vets 4 Vets of Northeast Wisconsin.
PHOTO CREDIT | CHRISTY HINKENS

TOWNSEND – LakeHouse Winery will host its Widows Weekend Wine & Wreath Event on Saturday, November 21, 2026, at 17745 County Road T on the Townsend Flowage. Proceeds will benefit Vets 4 Vets of Northeast Wisconsin.

Wreath-making time slots begin at 9:30 am, with the last group starting at 2:30 pm. The cost is $50 per person and includes wreath-making and a glass of wine.

The day will also feature chair massages, wine sampling and music by Boxed Wine beginning at 3:00 pm.

Vets 4 Vets is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization made up of veterans and non-veterans. Through community involvement and fundraising, the organization supports its mission of assisting and honoring veterans in Northeast Wisconsin.

For additional information, call 715-276-2645

American Legion Post 44 Annual Gun and Cash Raffle

WABENO – Wabeno American Legion Sylvan Post 44 will hold its annual Gun and Cash Raffle on Saturday, November 28, 2026. The drawing will begin at 1:00 pm at the Wabeno Legion Hall, 4494 N. Branch St., Wabeno.

The raffle will award 15 prizes. Top prizes include a TriStar Setter 12-gauge over-under shotgun, a Ruger American .308 rifle, a Savage 6.5 Creedmoor stainless rifle with scope and a Henry 20-gauge single-shot shotgun.

Cash prizes include $350 for fifth place, $300 for sixth, $250 for seventh, $200 for eighth, $150 for ninth and $100 each for 10th through 15th place.

Tickets cost $2 each or three for $5. Legion members and surrounding businesses have tickets available for purchase. Winners do not need to be present at the drawing.

Participants must be at least 18 years old and meet all applicable federal and state requirements to own a firearm. Proceeds will help Sylvan Post 44 continue supporting veterans and community programs.

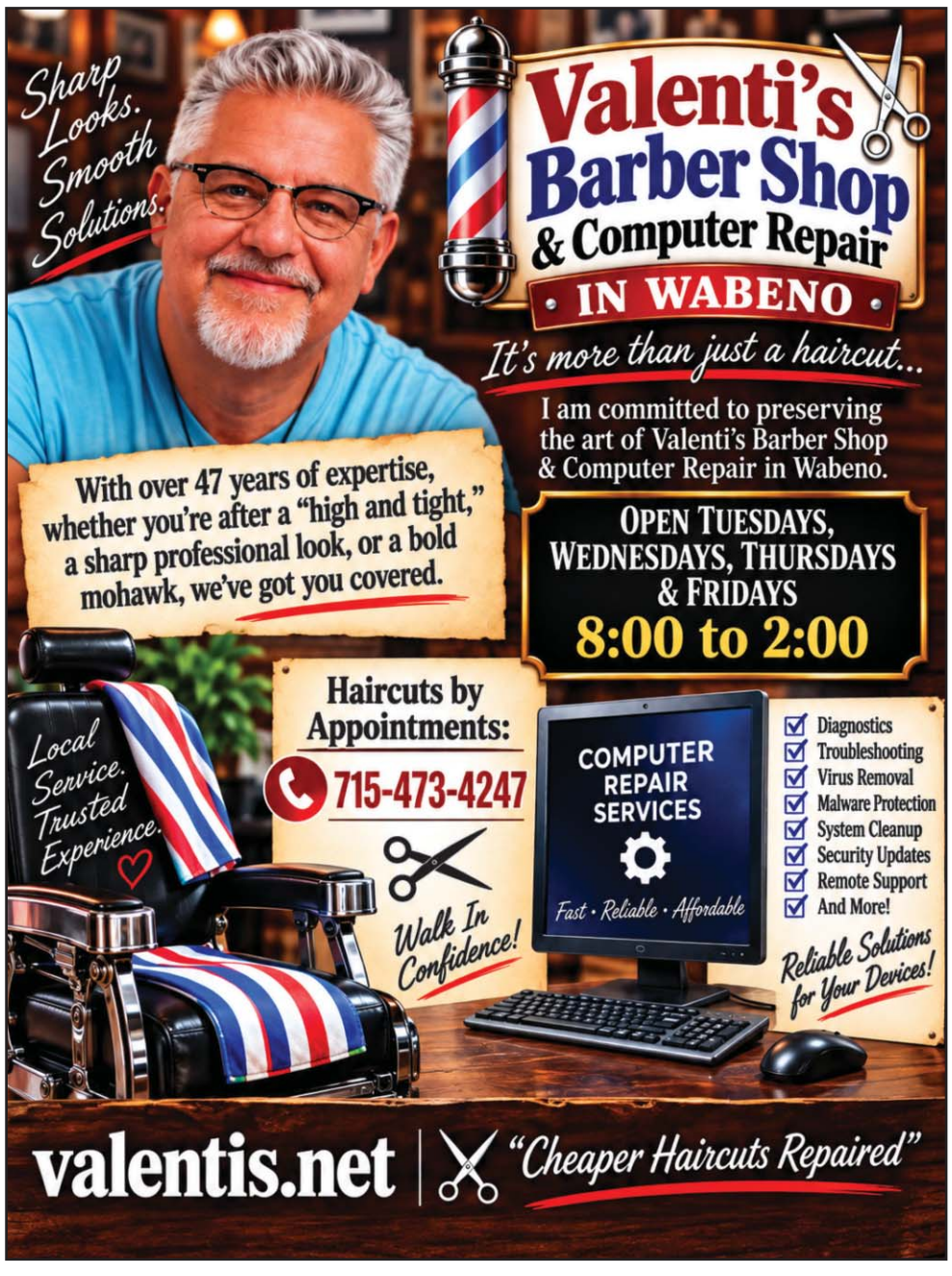
Townsend to Welcome Holiday Season with Tree Lighting Nov. 29

TOWNSEND – Twinkling lights, warm cocoa and community cheer will usher in the holiday season at Townsend's Tree Lighting Ceremony on Sunday, Nov. 29, 2026, at 4:00 pm at Townsend Town Hall, 16564 Elm St.

Residents and visitors are invited to gather as the trees sparkle to life, bringing a festive glow to the town hall grounds. Cookies and cocoa will add to the celebration, offering a sweet treat while families, friends and neighbors enjoy time together.

The ceremony provides an opportunity to pause during the busy weeks leading up to Christmas and share in a community celebration. Whether attending with children, meeting friends or simply enjoying the holiday lights, guests can take part in welcoming the season close to home.

Trees for the display were donated by Shadian Landscaping, helping create a cheerful setting for the gathering and adding holiday color to the town hall grounds.





Northwoods Bible Fellowship to Present 'An Unexpected Message' Christmas Dinner Theater

LAKEWOOD – A meal and a Christmas presentation will bring community members together when Northwoods Bible Fellowship Church hosts "An Unexpected Message," a Christmas dinner theater featuring four presentations in December.

The event will include a four-course lasagna meal along with the Christmas production. Presentations are scheduled for December 11 and 12, 2026 at 4:30 and 6:30 pm each evening at the church, 15253 Long Street in Lakewood.

With two presentation times available each day, guests can choose an early or later evening gathering to fit their holiday schedules. Families, friends and neighbors can enjoy dinner together while making the Christmas theater part of their seasonal activities.

Tickets are $5 per person and may be obtained by calling Northwoods Bible Fellowship Church at 715-850-2904 or stopping by the church.

Those interested in attending should contact the church to obtain tickets for their preferred presentation.

Lakewood Church Plans Candle Lighting for Lost Children

LAKEWOOD – Forest Larger Parish Presbyterian Church will hold a candle lighting ceremony during its 9:30 am worship service on December 13, 2026, at 15552 Highway 32 in Lakewood, recognizing The Compassionate Friends Worldwide Candle Lighting.

The remembrance honors children of any age who have died and welcomes those mourning a child, sibling or grandchild. It offers time to remember loved ones gone too soon.

A video featuring virtual candle lighting and family photographs will be compiled for the service. To include a loved one, submit a digital photo, name, date of birth and date of death by December 5 to forlarpar@gmail.com or text 715-473-3603.

Families whose loved ones appeared in previous years' videos do not need to resubmit photographs. Last year's video will be updated, with those already included remaining part of the remembrance.

Bake Sale to Benefit Library

LAKEWOOD – The Friends of the Lakes Country Library will host a bake sale from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm Friday, November 20, 2026, at Lakewood SuperValu, 17186 Twin Pines Road in Lakewood.

Shoppers can choose from pies, sweet breads, bars, cookies, jam and coffee cake while supporting their local library. With Thanksgiving just around the corner, the sale offers an opportunity to pick up treats for a holiday gathering or enjoy something sweet at home during the busy holiday season.

Community members are encouraged to stop by and support the Friends of the Lakes Country Library.

Wabeno Lions Invite Community to Christmas Caroling

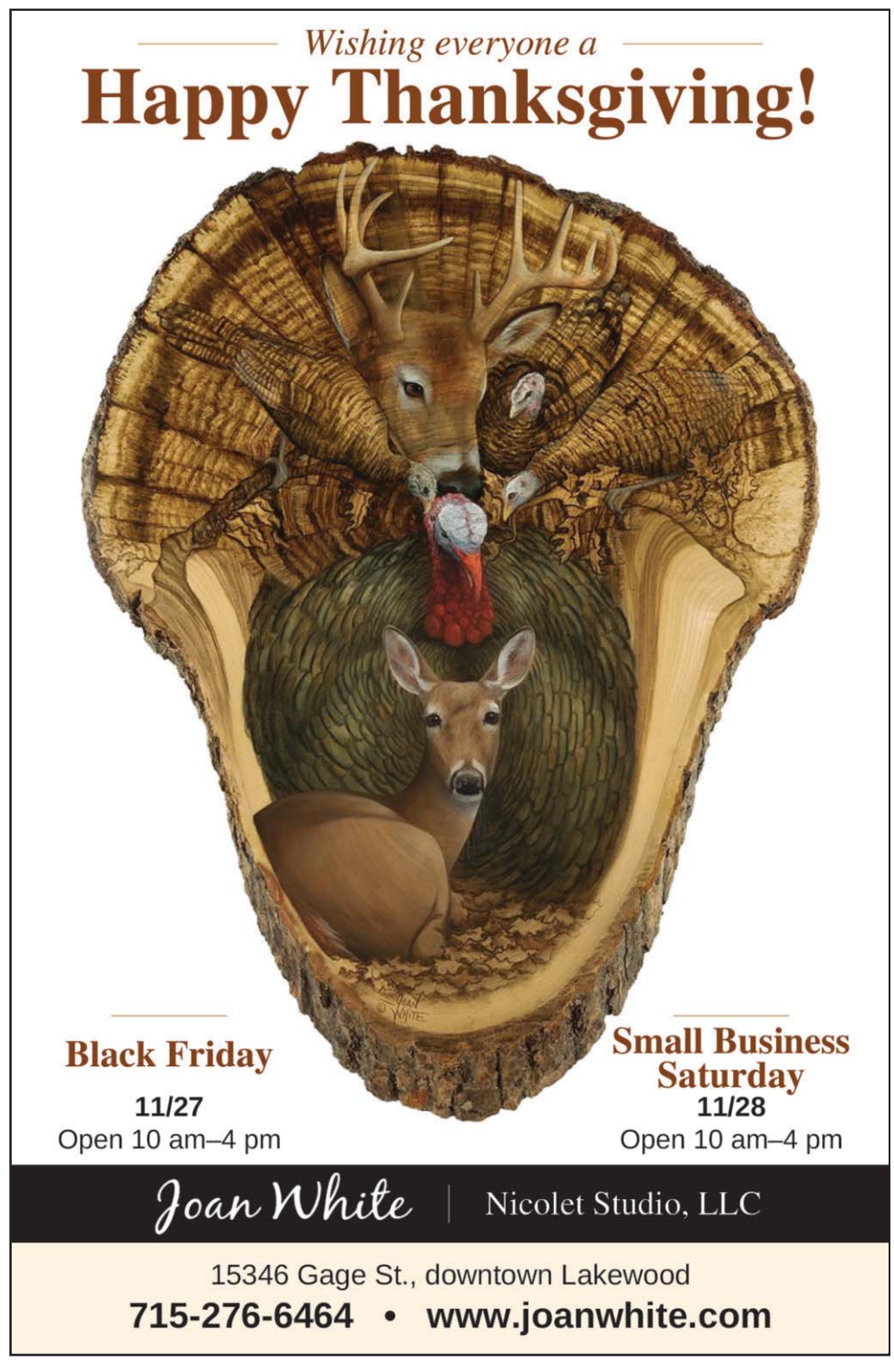
WABENO – The Wabeno Lions invite residents to share in the Christmas spirit during an afternoon of caroling on Friday, December 18, from 3:00 to 6:00 pm at Wabeno Town Hall, 4473 North Branch St.

The gathering will feature sing-along Christmas carols, offering friends, families and neighbors an opportunity to celebrate the season. Whether singing along or listening to holiday favorites, community members of all ages are encouraged to bring their holiday cheer.

Cookies and hot chocolate will add to the festivities, and candy sacks will be available for children and those who are kids at heart. Along with the music and treats, the afternoon will provide time to visit with neighbors during the holiday season.







Riverview Children's Christmas Party Moves to New Location

RIVERVIEW – Santa will arrive by fire truck as families gather for Riverview's annual Children's Christmas Party on Saturday, December 12, 2026, at a new location: the Riverview Community Center, 15152 Island Lake Road.

The free celebration will run from 4:30 to 6:30 pm, offering children and families an evening of holiday activities, refreshments and Christmas cheer.

Hayrides and ice skating are planned, weather permitting, along with crafts and opportunities to enjoy time together. Families are encouraged to dress for the outdoor activities and wear their favorite festive outfits.

Hot dogs, hot chocolate and snacks will be available as children await a special visitor from the North Pole. Santa is scheduled to make his entrance aboard a fire truck at 5:15 pm, adding an exciting highlight to the evening. Families will want to arrive in time to share in the excitement of Santa's arrival.

The annual party invites families to celebrate the magic of Christmas with neighbors and friends. Admission is free, and everyone is encouraged to bring their Christmas spirit.

Northern Lakes Archers Raffle to Fund Pavilion, Range Upgrades

TOWNSEND – The Northern Lakes Archers are raising funds for a new pavilion and an expanded practice range for crossbow users, including people unable to shoot conventional bows because of age or physical disabilities.

The range will offer shooting benches for sighting in crossbows at distances up to 50 yards and will be open to the public without a club membership. The pavilion will provide shelter during club shoots. Together, the improvements will expand practice opportunities and provide greater comfort for participants.

The club's gun raffle drawing will be held at 6:00 pm Saturday, December 5, 2026, during its Game Feed at The Olive Pit Bar & Grill, 18904 WI-32 in Townsend.

Tickets are $20 each, with only 500 available, and can be purchased at Pintsch's Hardware, The Olive Pit Bar & Grill, The Green Banana and Meatski's.

Firearm prizes include a Tristar Cobra II 20-gauge shotgun, a Ruger American .30-06 400B, a Remington 783 .270 bolt-action rifle, a Christensen Arms Evoke 7mm and a Savage bolt-action .223 with scope. A Centerpoint AT 400 crossbow is also among the prizes.

Additional prizes include $350 and $250 cash awards, a two-pack of Reveal Tactacam X Gen 3.0 cameras and a $100 Pintsch's gift card.







Friday, November 20

LAKEWOOD – The Friends of the Lakes Country Library will host a bake sale from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm at Lakewood SuperValu, 17186 Twin Pines Road in Lakewood. Shoppers can choose from pies, sweet breads, bars, cookies, jam and coffee cake while supporting their local library.

Saturday, November 21

TOWNSEND – Get a festive start on your holiday shopping at the 2026 Deer Hunter Widow's Craft Fair, benefitting Friends of Townsend Fire from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm at Townsend Town Hall, 16564 Elm Street. Discover unique gifts, seasonal décor, delicious home-baked treats, and homemade jams. Enjoy freshly ground coffee, cappuccino, or a latte as you browse, and try your luck in our raffles featuring fabulous items donated by vendors and local community partners.

TOWNSEND – LakeHouse Winery located at 17745 County Rd T will host its Widows Weekend Wine & Wreath Event with proceeds that will benefit Vets 4 Vets of Northeast Wisconsin. Wreath-making time slots begin at 9:30 am, with the last group starting at 2:30 pm. The cost is $50 per person and includes wreath-making and a glass of wine. To reserve a spot, call 715-276-2645 or text 715-573-4433.

TOWNSEND – LakeHouse Winery located at 17745 Cty Rd T will host an afternoon of live music featuring Boxed Wine from 3:00 to 6:00 pm.

Thursday, November 26

MOUNTAIN – A free Thanksgiving dinner and football game will bring community members together from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm at Mountain's Bill Lazansky Community Center, 13412 State Highway 32/64 in Mountain. The sit-down dinner is open to the community, with no reservations needed. There is no charge for the meal, although donations are welcome.

WABENO – Community members are invited to enjoy a traditional Thanksgiving meal and an afternoon of friendship from 2:00 to 6:30 pm at Wabeno Town Hall, 4473 North Branch St. The Community Thanksgiving gathering is free and open to everyone. Bingo with prizes will begin at 6:00 pm. Reservations are appreciated, if possible, to help organizers plan for the meal. To RSVP, text Emy at 715-850-0065.

Saturday, November 28

TOWNSEND – Holiday greenery, handcrafted gifts and seasonal refreshments will welcome shoppers to Rocky Ridge Greenhouse's Sixth Annual Holiday Open House and Craft Show from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm at 17721 Sandy Ridge Ln. The event will bring together local crafters offering unique items for holiday decorating and gift giving. All shopping areas will be heated. The event will also support the Christian Food Pantry in Lakewood through a collection of nonperishable food items. Visitors who bring a donation will be entered into a drawing for a fresh, custom-made wreath featuring three varieties of greens.

SURING – Local vendors and crafters will gather at Red Maple Country Club located at 501 Golf Course Rd. from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Shoppers can browse for holiday gifts while supporting local small businesses. Food and drink specials will also be available.

CRANDON – The fifth annual Holiday Craft Fair will take place from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm at the Potawatomi Community Center located at 5471 Thayék Ethé Dnékmëgzék Myéw. The fair offers a chance to browse crafts and shop for holiday gifts as the season gets underway.

TOWNSEND – The second annual Holiday Craft Show will be held from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm at Townsend Town Hall, 16564 Elm Street. The show will feature a variety of local crafters, offering shoppers an opportunity to find unique gifts for the holiday season. Soup sales will also help support the fundraiser. Net proceeds from vendor space rentals and soup sales will be donated to the Town of Townsend's 2027 fireworks fund.

WABENO – Wabeno American Legion Sylvan Post 44 will hold its annual Gun and Cash Raffle at the Wabeno Legion Hall, 4494 N. Branch St. The drawing will begin at 1:00 pm. The raffle will award 15 prizes. Tickets cost $2 each or three for $5. Legion members and surrounding businesses have tickets available for purchase. Winners do not need to be present at the drawing. Participants must be at least 18 years old and meet all applicable federal and state requirements to own a firearm. Proceeds will help Sylvan Post 44 continue supporting veterans and community programs.

TOWNSEND – LakeHouse Winery will host an afternoon of live music featuring Chad Brecke from 3:00 to 6:00 pm. The public is invited to enjoy Brecke's music at the winery, located at 17745 Cty Road T.

LAKEWOOD – Holiday lights, sweet treats and a visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus will welcome the Christmas season during the Lakewood Chamber's annual Christmas Tree Lighting at 6:00 pm. The celebration will take place at Coldwell Banker Bartels Real Estate, 15251 State Hwy 32.

Sunday, November 29

TOWNSEND – Twinkling lights, warm cocoa and community cheer will usher in the holiday season at Townsend's Tree Lighting Ceremony at 4:00 pm at Townsend Town Hall, 16564 Elm St. Residents and visitors are invited to gather as the trees sparkle to life, bringing a festive glow to the town hall grounds. Cookies and cocoa will add to the celebration, offering a sweet treat while families, friends and neighbors enjoy time together.

Saturday, December 5

WABENO – Holiday shoppers will have an opportunity to browse gifts, meet local vendors and visit with Santa Claus when the Wabeno Volunteer Fire Department sponsors the Wabeno Winterfest Craft and Vendor Event. The event will take place from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm in the Wabeno High School gym, 4325 N. Branch St.

WHITE LAKE – The second annual Craft and Vendor Market will bring holiday shopping, food, raffles and family fun to White Lake. The event will be held from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm at White Lake School, 405 Bissell Street. Shoppers will have an opportunity to browse a variety of crafts and merchandise from participating vendors while supporting a local cause. Proceeds from the market will benefit the White Lake Area Christian Food Pantry. Admission is a nonperishable food item.

All listed events are subject to change without notice. If you have an event that you would like to share, please send your information to info@nicolet.express or call 715-276-8001.

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