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MONETARY DONATIONS

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NOTICE FOR SNOW REMOVAL BIDS

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2026-2027 Winter Sports Schedules

Girls Basketball - JV/Varsity

Nov.	19	vs. Waupun	5:45	7:15
Nov.	23	vs. Horicon	5:45	7:15
Dec.	1	vs. Princeton/Green Lake	5:45	7:15

Boys Basketball - JV2/JV/Varsity

Nov.	24	vs. Waterloo	4:15	5:45	7:15
Nov.	28	ESPN Slam Tournament Fall		1:00	2:40
Dec.	4	@ Princeton/Green Lake		5:45	7:15

Wrestling

Dec.	3	Wautoma Tri	5:00 PM
Dec.	5	Black River Falls Varsity Invite	10:00 AM

High School Curling

Dec. 1	vs. Lodi - Girls Home
Dec. 8	vs. Monona Grove - Boys Home/ Girls Away vs. Poynette

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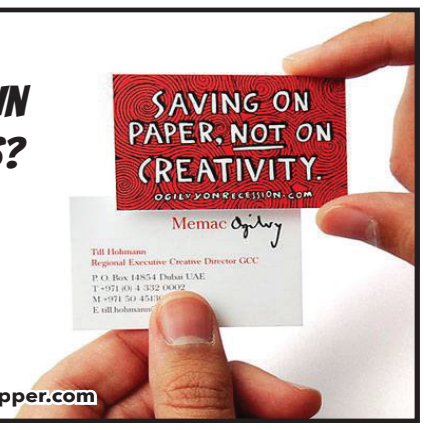
1859: Darwin's "Origin of Species" is published.

1849: John Froelich, inventor of the gas-powered tractor, is born.

1989: Reebok Pump sneakers released.

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Taco Shells
6 8 inch Tortillas makes about 18-24 rounds
1/2 cup Granulated Sugar
1 tsp Ground Cinnamon
1/3 cup Butter melted

Pumpkin Pie Filling
4 oz cream cheese softened
1/4 cup powdered sugar
3/4 cup canned pumpkin puree
1/2 tsp pure vanilla extract
1 1/2 tsp pumpkin pie spice

Whipped Cream
1/2 cup Heavy Whipping Cream
2 Tablespoons Powdered Sugar
1/2 teaspoon Vanilla Extract
pecans for garnish, chopped

Directions:

Pre-heat oven to 400F. Cut 3-4 rounds out of each shell with a cookie cutter (4 in) to get about 20. Stir together sugar and cinnamon in a plate. Gently poke tortillas with a fork 5 times to prevent air bubbles. Brush both sides with melted butter and coat in cinnamon sugar mix. Flip a muffin tin upside down. Place tortilla pieces in between the cups. Bake 10 minutes until brown. Cool.

While shells are cooling, make the whipped cream. Beat together all the ingredients with a mixer until stiff peaks form.

In a large bowl, with an electric mixer, beat cream cheese and powdered sugar on medium-high until smooth. Add puree, vanilla, and pie spice. Mix.

Spoon pumpkin filling into cooled shells. Top with the whipped cream. Sprinkle with cinnamon and/or chopper pecans. Serve immediately.

The Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade floats were pulled by horses until 1939.

FALL RIVER & RIO SCHOOLS

2026/2027 WINTER SPORTS SCHEDULES

Rio Girls Basketball - Varsity & JV

Nov. 20	vs. Wayland Academy	/6:00
Nov. 24	@ Madison Country Day	7:15/5:45
Dec. 01	vs. Johnson Creek	5:45/7:15

Rio Boys Basketball - Varsity & JV

Nov. 20	Scrimmage @ Cambria	5:00
Nov. 24	vs. Johnson Creek	5:45/7:15
Nov. 30	vs. Lourdes Academy	5:45/7:15

Fall River Girls Basketball - Varsity & JV

Dec. 01	vs. Cambria-Friesland	5:45/7:15
Dec. 07	vs. Pardeeville	5:45/7:15
Dec. 11	@ Madison Country Day	/6:00

Fall River Boys Basketball - Varsity & JV

Nov. 20	Scrimmage @ CWC	/4:45
Nov. 24	vs. Waterloo	5:45/7:15
Nov. 30	@ Horicon	5:45/7:15

Wrestling - Varsity

Dec. 5	@ Jefferson	10 AM
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1/2 orange, halved
4 cinnamon sticks
1 tsp. cloves
1 tsp. whole allspice
1 whole nutmeg
1/2 c. packed brown sugar

Directions:

In a large stockpot over medium heat, add the apples, oranges, spices, and brown sugar.

Cover with water by about 2". Bring that to a boil and then reduce heat and simmer, covered, for 2 hours.

Remove the orange halves and then use a potato masher to mash the apples.

Let simmer uncovered for 1 hour more.

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