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Rusk Area Chamber of
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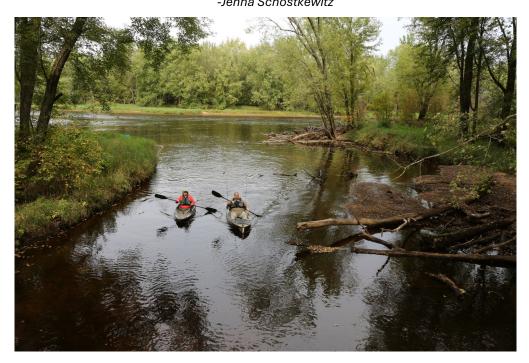
"The Power of Speaking Positively About Our Hometown"

In today's fast-paced world, it's easy to focus on what's wrong and overlook all that is wonderful about where we live. But the way we speak about our hometown directly impacts how others perceive it and how we feel about it ourselves. Rusk County is more than just a place – it's a community full of people, businesses, and opportunities that make it unique.

By speaking positively about our community, we help boost local pride, attract new visitors and businesses, and build a strong sense of belonging. When we highlight the beauty of our area, celebrate local successes, and acknowledge the efforts of our neighbors, we create an atmosphere where positivity thrives and opportunities grow.

Let's all make a conscious effort to focus on the good, to share the great things happening here, and to lift up our hometown in conversation. After all, how we talk about our community can make all the difference

-lenna Schostkewitz



Interested in becoming a Community

Investor? Email

manager@liveruskcounty.com





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SCAN QR CODE FOR CURRENT SCHEDULE OF EVENTS





Weyerhaeuser Trail Community Celebration

October 5, 2024 at 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Soo Line Railroad Depot

Help celebrate Weyerhaeuser becoming the Ice Age Trail Alliance's newest Trail Community. Family-friendly activities and meet Monty, mammoth mascot.

5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Trail Community Celebration **5:30 p.m.**

Ceremony and Ribbon Cutting

Community Dinner at the park (registration recommended)



For full event details, scan the QR code:







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Leaf it to Rusk

Felsenmeer Guided Hike!

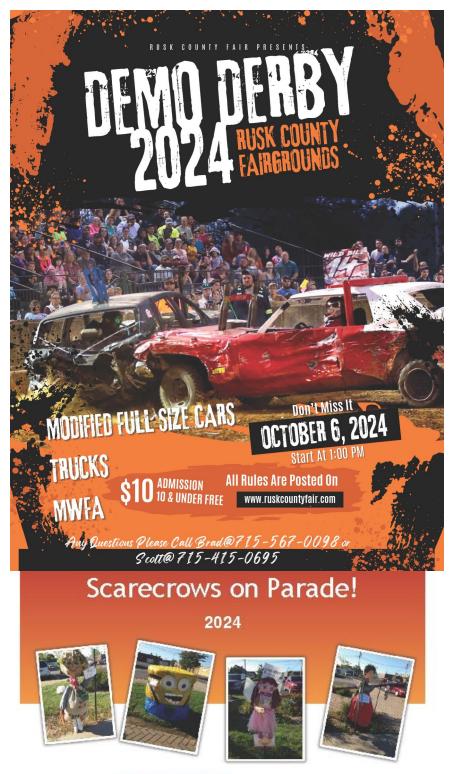
Sunday October 6th 2024 11:00am | Blue Hills

Felsenmeer
Join Andy Strom (previous Rusk Area Chamber of Commerce
Director) for a free guided hike. Meet in the back parking lot of the
old Weyerhauser School. Bring a lunch if you wish!
Dress appropriately for a 4.5 mile hike with some occasionaly
challening terrian. Group heads out at 11:15am sharp



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It's almost time for Scare crows on Parade!

All scarecrows, from families, businesses, and organizations, will receive a \$10.00 gift card from Toad House and RAAA. The 3 BIGGEST VOTE-GETTERS win 1th, 2th, and 3th place ribbons provided by the Ladysmith Care and Rehab and Chamber Bucks \$25.1th, \$15.2th, and \$10.3th place from the Rusk Area Chamber of Commerce.

This year you may build your scarecrow at home or have a great time building your scarecrow friend at the Farmer's Market Children's Art Area. The Farmer's Market will have some supplies on 9/18, 9/21, 9/25, and 9/28, but welcome personalized scarecrow gear from your home. Businesses may choose to put their scarecrows in front of their businesses, however to be included in the judging, you may wish to find a place at the top of the bridge.

Secure firmly to posts or trees. Carefully fill out a card: name your scarecrow and write a little story about him or her. Be sure to put your name and telephone number on the back of the card so you can be notified. Place the card in plastic to avoid rain damage, attaching it with safety pins. After your scarecrow is secured at the top of the bridge, you may stop in at Toad House to pick up your gift card. We would love it if you can post a picture of your creation and creators to the Toad House Facebook page.

Scarecrows must be up by <u>Sunday night September 29th</u> in order to be eligible for the participation gift and voting.

Voting will begin an <u>Monday, September 30th</u> and run through <u>Leaf it Rusk. Sunday evening</u> <u>October 6th</u>. Winners will be notified by phone and ribbons will be placed on the winners by <u>Saturday October 12th</u>.

We hope your scarecrow is sturdy enough to brave a few weeks of Wisconsin October weather!

Please remove all traces of your friend before November 1st or your scarecrow may turn into a chost!

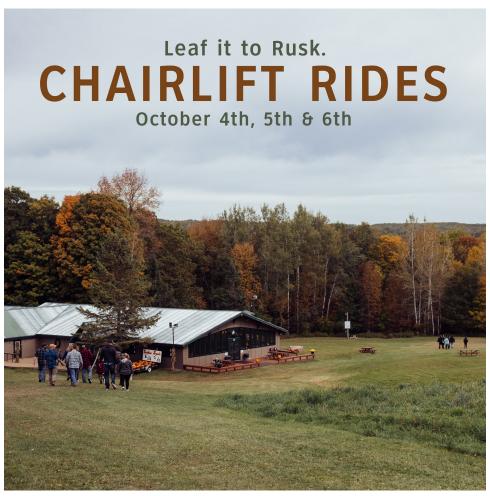
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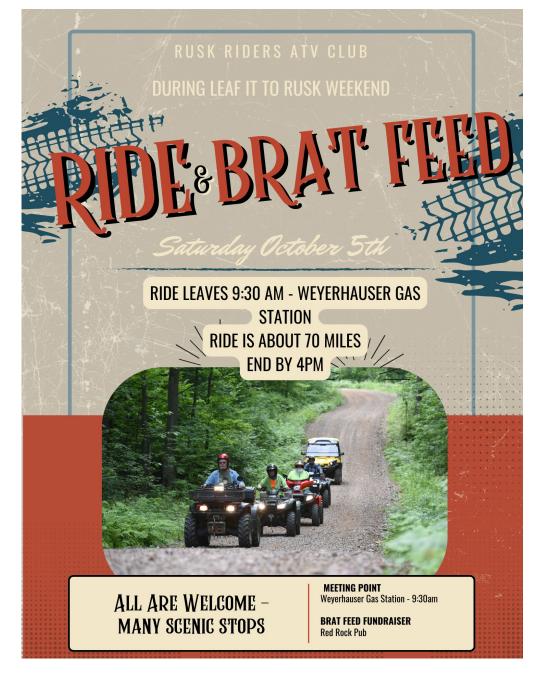
Eat, Play, Shop... Live

WHAT'S UP?

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NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN

Chicken Noodle - Vegetable Beef Potato - Chili





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Live Music by: EMBER!







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WWW.LIVERUSKCOUNTY.COM
OR USE QR CODE TO GET
TICKETS NOW









UPCOMING EVENTS - MARKETS AND FAIRS



MARKET SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOONS

NOON - 4:00 PM

SATURDAY MORNINGS

8:30 AM - NOON

Open Every Market Day, Rain or Shine

Mid-June to Mid-October

https://rusk.extension.wisc.edu/agriculture/ farmers-markets/

Find Us on Facebook & LocalHarvest.org

On the corner of Highway 8 and Second Street Ladysmith, WI (in the lot on the West Side of the Rusk County Government Center)

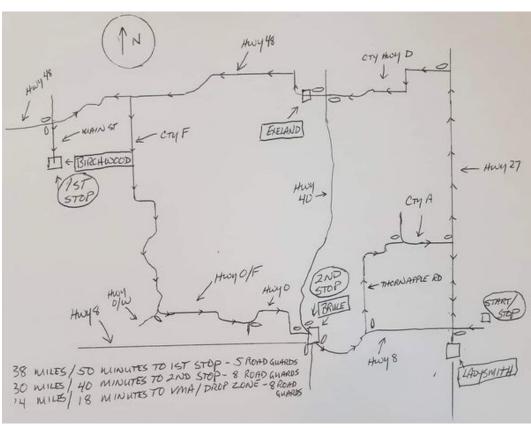




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UPCOMING EVENTS -HONOR THE FALLEN RIDE









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proudly presents



MUSIC OF MANCINI -ORCHESTRA

SUNDAY, SEPT. 29, 2024, 3:00 PM

at the Ladysmith Middle/High School Auditorium

Celebrate composer Henry Mancini's 100 birthday with this spectacular tribute, "The Music of Mancini!" Listen to both Mancini's early days with the Glenn Miller Orchestra as well as classics like "Peter Gunn," "Breakfast at Tiffany's," and "The Pink Panther." A concise narration offers fascinating insights into Mancini's illustrious career from his humble Pittsburgh roots to his rise in Hollywood. Join us!

Tickets: Adults \$15

Students \$10 Children FREE with a paid adult

This performance is supported by a generous grant from 🕡 Xcel Energy*



This performance is also supported in part by a grant from the Wisconsin Arts Board with funds from the state of Wisconsin and the National Endowment for the Arts













UPCOMING EVENTS - MINER THEATER



SHOWTIMES: FRIDAY 7DM SATURDAY 2DM & 7DM SUNDAY 2DM & 7DM





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RUSK AREA

BIG SING

Featuring

Mark Hayes



Guest Conductor

With the

Ladysmith Community Singers, Blue Hills Chorale Gilman Community Choir

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Sunday, October 13th 3:00 p.m.

LMHS Auditorium

Adults: \$10 Ages 16 -under: \$3

Tickets and information at https://weebly.com





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The Aging and Disability Resource Center Presents

Family Caregiver Skills Fair



Who Should Attend?

The family caregiver of a spouse, adult child, parent, friend or neighbor who is living with a disease that limits mobility and/or cognition.

Event Details:

The Family Caregiver Skills Fair will help you learn practical skills with hands-on demonstrations. Guided by health care professionals, caregivers will learn how to provide everyday care for their loved ones. Topics covered:

- Oral care
- Handling medications
- Bathing and dressing Body mechanics and moving a loved one safely
- Incontinence management
- Adaptive equipment and more!

Special Guest Speaker: Katie Knudson

"Improv Training for Family Caregivers"



Marshfield Clinic Health System

Tuesday, October 8th

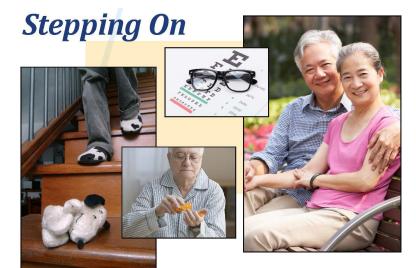
9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Maranatha Free Evangelical Church, 3340 S. Main St., Rice Lake, WI 54868

This free event includes a light breakfast and lunch.

Registration required, limited to 25 participants Registration deadline: October 4th.

Free in-home respite may be available. Inquire when

To register call the ADRC at (715) 537-6225 or visit www.adrcconnections.org/ registrations



People Who Complete Stepping On Have a 30% Reduction in Falls!

This seven-week workshop helps you recognize your risk of falling, build your physical strength, and develop the practical skills you need to avoid falling. Local experts and trained leaders help you modify strength and balance exercises to your level and help find solutions for your needs.

With fun, hands-on learning you'll know how:

- To identify & remove fall hazards in your home.
- Vision and hearing loss affect your risk of falling.
- To choose safe footwear for all your activities. • Medications play a role in your risk of falling.

Stepping On

Mondays, September 9—October 21 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

Rusk County Community Library 418 Corbett Ave W. Ladysmith, WI 54848 Registration is required by September 3. To register or for more information, contact Alisa Lammers at 715-537-6225 or alisa.lammers @co.barron.wi.us, or visit www.adrcconnections.org/registrations





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Development

OCT. 16 | ONLINE

You will walk away with tools, techniques, and ideas to help you develop short and long term funding plans.

REGISTER TODAY!

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

through our partnership with:





See details on our website!



Continuing Education

PLAY AND LEARN

ICAA Family Resource Center is hosting FREE EVENTS for families. Activities with a snack!

10:00 - 11:30 A.M. 1000 COLLEGE AVE W., LADYSMITH WI

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@ICAA Family Resource Center



Contact by Calling 715-532-1589





UPCOMING EVENTS

REPRESENTATIVE ROB SUMMERFIELD'S

PINTS & POLITICS fundraiser



HOST LEVELS

GOLD: \$1000 • SILVER: \$500 • BRONZE: \$250 SUGGESTED CONTRIBUTION: \$50

CHECKS CAN BE MADE PAYABLE TO:
FRIENDS OF ROB SUMMERFIELD
812 THOMPSON ST • BLOOMER, WI 54724
TO DONATE ONLINE: WWW.ROBSUMMERFIELD4ASSEMBLY.ORG

MONDAY, OCTOBER 7TH 5:00-6:30PM

PHAT BOBS

29840 WI-27 NORTH · HOLCOMBE, WI

DSVD TO DOR AT

ROBERT_SUMMERFIELD@YAHOO.COM OR 715.379.7910



PAID FOR BY FRIENDS OF ROB SUMMERFIELD

The public is invited to a Q &A session and Meet & Greet with District Attorney John Cabranes

Join us at Miner Station for food and drinks and learn more about Rusk County's newly appointed District Attorney: John Cabranes

WEDNESDAY, SEPT 25 5:30-7PM







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September & October 2024 Exercise classes

Check out www.wholyfit.org for more information about this exercise program.

Exercise classes will be led by Gold Certified WholyFit Instructor and Occupational Therapist Heidi Jo Sovacool, Owner of Offering Hope Therapies. Class goals will be stretching, strengthening, and balance. Equipment needed: a thin, 2' x 6' exercise mat. Recommended attire: modest, comfortable clothes. The exercises will be done on your mat with bare feet. The class length is 45-60 minutes. Class sizes are limited. Please call/message to request a registration form at 715-609-1310. Class cost: \$8/visit. If you've never taken a class here before, your first class will be free.

Class location:

Offering Hope Therapies, Inc. (Next to Dollar General on Highway 27 North in Ladysmith) 711 W 9TH ST N Ladysmith, WI 54848



The Tuesday Chair Class, Exercise from a seated and standing position. 11:00 am-11:45 am
September 10, 17, 24, October 1. 8, 15, 22 & 29

The Friday Gentle Pace Class. Exercises are done at standing, kneeling, and floor levels. 11:00 am-12:00 pm September 13, 20, 27, October 4, 11, 18, 25 & 11/1



COME JOIN THE FUN AT BITTERSWEET FARMSI

September 28th & 29th, October 5th and 6th(Leaf it to Rusk) October 12th, 19th, & 26th | Open from 10AM-5PM

Bunnies-Ponies - Donkeys-Food-& Morel

6 MILES NORTH OF BRUCE WI. ON HWY 40 & EDGEWOOD ROAD.

WATCH FOR SIGNS! PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT OUR
BITTERSWEET FARMS FACEBOOK PAGE OR GIVE LYNNETTE A

CALL AT 715-415-2594

ADMISSION-FREE WILL OFFERING
WAGON RIDES \$5
WAIVER MUST BE SIGNED. IF UNDER 18
YOU'LL NEED A PARENT OR LEGAL
GUARDIAN SIGNATURE. (WAGON RIDE
DATES AND SCHEDULE WILL BE POSTED
ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGEI)







UPCOMING EVENTS



50/50 BARGO

&

Basket Raffles Thursday, October 17th Glory B's in Bruce @ 6 pm

100% of proceeds from this fundraiser goes to honoring and remembering veterans by placing symbolic wreaths on veterans' graves on December 14th!







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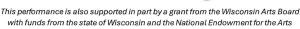
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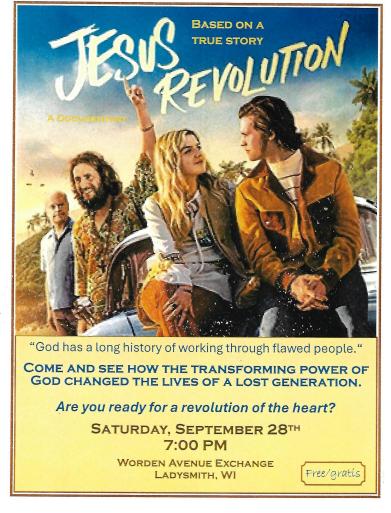






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If a community business is interested in being a part of this to contact Denise Zimmer at 715-532-5524. Our trunk or treaters will be asked to remain in their cars as they drive through the JREC warehouse where they will be greeted by our employees and other local businesses distributing their Halloween goodies





UPCOMING EVENTS





Blood Drive

Ladysmith Community
Jump River Electric
Co-Op Inc

Community Room 1102 W 9th St N

Tuesday, October 22, 2024 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.



Use QR code to register or call 1-800-733-2767 (1-800-RED CROSS).



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POWER HOUSE SEPTEMBER SCHEDULE MOVIE NIGHT 6-8PM CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY MARBLE PAINTING BASKETBALL GAMES RUBY'S PANTRY (KIDS HELP) 20 TASTE TEST GAME FOOTBALL GAMES WOOD BURNING THURS. NIGHT PROGRAM KICK-OFF! 3:30-6:00PM 22/29 25 26 27 28 SLIME & PICTIONARY FUN NIGHT 6PM GUEST SPEAKER-TIM BOYD BANQUET GIFTS



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RUSK COUNTY LIBRARY CORNER



Join us at the

Rusk County Community Library on
Friday, October 4th between 3-5:30pm or
Saturday, October 5th between 10am-12pm,
whenever works best for you!

We will have orange foam pumpkins and a variety of decorations for you to choose from.

This is a FREE all ages event.





Ojibwe Storytelling

Monday, October 14th at 9am ICAA Family Resource Center







Come celebrate Indigenous Peoples Day with us!

Join us for a fun and interactive puppet storytime (featuring Ramona as our storyteller)



Learn how to make your own moccasins!

Led by Cathy Begay from Lac Courte Oreilles

Saturday, October 12, 2024 10am-12pm lower level of Rusk County

Community Library (Bloedow room)

RSVP at:https://tinyurl.com/whtw732h or call the Library at 715-532-2604



SEEING THE FOREST THROUGH THE TREES

Thursday, September 26 6pm

lower level of the Ladysmith Library

Learn all about tree identification, characteristics, uses, tree health concerns, fun facts and tips and tricks for forest management strategies with DNR Forester Ron Weber.

Anyone interested in forestry or trees are



For more information or questions, call 715-415-2353 or email <u>ro</u>nald.weber@wisconsin.gov

The Anishinaabe Approach to the Circle of Life with Dr. James Pete

Friday, October 11, 2024 5pm-6pm lower level of Rusk County

Community Library (East room)
light refreshments and discussion to follow presentation









Miner Avenue Construction



Next Chamber Bucks giveaway: sign up during the Miner Ave Grand Opening!







Member highlights!



Treat yourself to our newest denim collection in-store! More styles arriving soon.

LLB - Lois Lann & Bean Boutique



105 W. Miner Avenue - In The Miner Plaza,

Ladysmith, WI,



New Rocque Ridge hats are in! Stop in and get yours today!

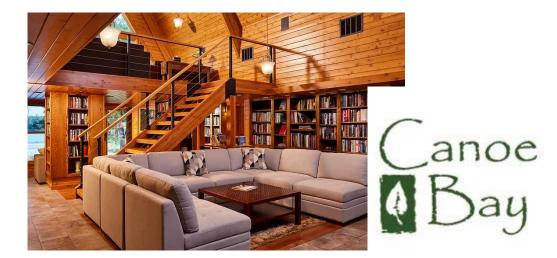
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Rocque Ridge - 30965 state highway 27, Holcombe, WI, United States, Wisconsin

The Lodge Library is full of award winning books certain to capture your attention.









New Member Shout Outs!



Located in Bruce, Wisconsin, BitterSweet Farms offers year-round horsedrawn wagon & sleigh rides. They provide onsite/on-location rides, providing a unique and memorable experience, perfect for every location.

In addition to rides, BitterSweet Farms specializes in horse logging, demonstrating the traditional and sustainable practice of using horses for forestry work. Hands on training and horse farming allowing guests to immerse themselves in the art of horse powered agriculture.

Address: N6557 State Rd 40 Bruce, WI 54819 Phone: 715-868-0750

Email: <u>bittersweetfarmsbrucewi@gmail.com</u>

Website: https://sites/google.com/view/bittersweetfarms/

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Facebook: <u>www.facebook.com/bittersweetfarmsbrucewi</u>



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LIVING RUSK COUNTY



Mason Parker took home 2nd place for the state pedal pull. He will be competing in South Dakota on September 28th!

#LiveRuskCounty

Do you have your mums & pumpkins out? Remember to shop local to get mums, pumpkins, and fall décor!



We want to see how YOU live Rusk County! Please submit photos to manager@liveruskcounty.com to be